

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES LOCAL 2185

Dear Members and friends of local 2185,

I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to reach out and let you know about our upcoming trip to Washington, D.C. We'll be there from February 7th to February 12th to advocate for the rights and future of all federal employees.

During our time in D.C., we have secured meetings with two out of the three DOGE Caucus Chairmen, three out of our four Congressmen, and one of our two Senators. These meetings are crucial as we work to break the glass ceiling and secure our much-needed locality pay. Additionally, we will discuss the impact of DOGE's decisions on our employees and seek clear guidance on the mass OPM letter to ensure we can advise our team accurately.

I've heard many concerns about the rumors and speculation surrounding the OPM "Fork in the Road" email. I understand how unsettling it is, and I want you to know that I won't rest until we have the clarity we need. I will keep you updated with the most current and important information as we go through our meetings next week.

Now more than ever, it's crucial to stand together. If you're not already a member, I encourage you to join us. Our strength lies in our unity, and we can achieve so much more when we're all working together. We are dedicated to supporting and fighting for all federal employees. Together, we uphold the laws and Constitution of our nation. Remember, the United States government is the American people, and AFGE is made up of the American people—we are one and the same.

Thank you for your continued dedication and service. Together, united we stand.

In solidarity

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