

Washington D.C. – Today, Congressman Kevin McCarthy joined his House colleagues in voting to defund the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN). Joining Congressman McCarthy in this bipartisan vote were 345 Members of Congress (172 Democratic Members and 173 Republican Members). The defunding amendment that passed today was attached to H.R. 3221, the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act, and was composed of legislation introduced and co-sponsored by Congressman McCarthy on Tuesday, September 15, 2009. The bill now goes to the Senate for consideration.

Congressman Kevin McCarthy issued the following statement:

“Today’s bipartisan vote protects Americans from more wasteful ACORN funding. Defunding ACORN is common sense given its history of engaging in criminally suspect activity. The status quo is completely unacceptable and I am glad the House could come together and take this bipartisan step in the right direction to bring more fiscal accountability and transparency, but more work is needed to scrub Washington’s entire tab of spending to ensure our hard-earned tax money is spent more wisely.”

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- Congressman McCarthy also joined his colleagues in sending a [letter](#) to President Obama asking the Administration to disclose and stop all Federal funding of ACORN on Tuesday, September 15, 2009.
- [Senate Votes 83-7 to Block Funds to ACORN](#)
- [Census Bureau Drops ACORN from 2010 Effort](#)
- In October of 2008, Congressman McCarthy requested that the House Administration’s Elections Subcommittee hold hearings to investigate ACORN’s alleged nationwide voter registration fraud. In May of 2009, Congressman McCarthy voted in favor of an amendment to the Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act (H.R. 1728) that would have limited Federal funding for ACORN.
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