First Focus Campaign for Children led nearly 300 fellow advocates on a letter to Capitol Hill today urging Congress to lock in tax credits that support children and to take a strong stand on securing the remarkable gains they have won. The 283 organizations, which represent more than 40 states plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, asked lawmakers to prioritize enhancing the Child Tax Credit and Earned Income Tax Credit over tax breaks for large corporations in any year-end bills.

Turns out we’re not alone: Incoming members of the House this week also pinged Speaker Pelosi & Co. with a letter urging the Democrats to use their final days in leadership to deliver progress on the CTC and EITC, child care and DACA. (You can see the letter here if you’ve got a CQ login.)

Sitting members also raised their voices this week on behalf of the enhanced Child Tax Credit. (see below)

Fair to call it momentum? Fingers crossed.

In other news…

Today we also released Big Ideas 2023, an occasional series that delivers innovative solutions to issues such as child homelessness, education reform, economic justice and children’s health care from scholars, advocates and other experts from leading organizations around the country. Articles focus on the Southeast and Southwest regions, which routinely underperform on the Annie E. Casey Foundation’s annual indicators of child well-being, tackling the legacy of welfare reform, promoting educational equity for dual-language learners and children with disabilities, and examining other issues such as delivery of support services.

We’ve layered the report with case studies, making it a rich resource of examples and stories about children who have experienced new solutions to old problems. Download your copy here.
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Great to see so many #Champions4Children fighting for the enhanced #ChildTaxCredit today!

"Kids don't grow up in one year...a CTC that only lasts for a year is not nearly long enough." - @RepDelBene

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Sen. Cory Booker and 3 others

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