

U.S. congressmembers, Trump associates among beneficiaries of coronavirus stimulus funds



Washington, July 8 (RHC)-- Under enormous pressure, the Trump administration has finally begun releasing details on who benefited from a \$660 billion relief program that was supposed to help small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recipients of funds from the Paycheck Protection Program include seven members of Congress or their spouses, President Trump's longtime personal lawyer Marc Kasowitz, Jared Kushner's family business, a sushi restaurant at Trump International Hotel, the anti-tax activist Grover Norquist, a number of private equity-backed restaurant chains, and a shipping business owned by the family of Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao, the wife of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell.

For months, U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin opposed the release of these details, claiming it was "proprietary information."

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