

Opportunity Wisconsin: As Covid death toll nears 500K, Opportunity Wisconsin calls on Senator Johnson to back Covid relief

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MADISON, Wis.—[Opportunity Wisconsin](#) released a statement today as the United States inches closer to the grim milestone of 500,000 American deaths from COVID-19.

Dr. Rachel Hughes, a southern Wisconsin emergency medicine physician and Opportunity Wisconsin [steering committee](#) member:

“As we approach the once unimaginable scenario of over a half million American lives lost to COVID-19, including nearly 6,900 Wisconsinites, this milestone is a somber reminder of the war we are still waging on this virus—both physically and financially. Wisconsinites are struggling and we need our elected officials to meet this moment with empathy and immediate action. We’re calling on Senator Johnson to do both: listen to your constituents like [Tricia](#) and [Jessica](#), and pass COVID relief now.”

Last week, Opportunity Wisconsin [launched a \\$1M statewide TV ad campaign](#) calling on Senator Johnson to stop blocking COVID relief checks for Wisconsin families and workers.

In October, Opportunity Wisconsin [partnered with COVID Survivors for Change](#) to honor the 1,500 Badger State lives lost during the pandemic.