



## **AMERICA FORWARD APPLAUDS CONGRESSIONAL PASSAGE OF THE EVIDENCE-BASED POLICYMAKING COMMISSION ACT**

“Members of the America Forward Coalition applaud Congress for approving the Evidence-Based Policymaking Commission Act of 2016. Introduced by Senator Patty Murray (D-WA) and Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Paul Ryan (R-WI), the bill would create a commission to develop practices and processes for ensuring the use of evidence and outcomes in the development of policies and in the funding of interventions at the federal level. In times of greater demand for human services and tighter budgets, we believe we must work together to direct government resources to programs that work and that measurably improve people’s lives. We commend Sen. Murray and Speaker Ryan for their efforts to focus on results through innovation, evaluation, and common frameworks for evidence. The America Forward Coalition looks forward to the President signing this important piece of legislation into law shortly.”

– Members of the America Forward Coalition

*The America Forward Coalition is a network of more than 70 social innovation organizations that champion innovative, effective, and efficient solutions to our country's most pressing social problems. Our Coalition members are achieving measurable outcomes in more than 14,500 communities nationwide, touching the lives of 8 million Americans each year, and driving progress in education, workforce development, early learning, poverty alleviation, public health, pay for success, social innovation, national service, and criminal justice reform. Since 2007, America Forward's community of innovators has played a leading role in driving the national dialogue on social innovation and advocating for lasting policy change.*

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