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invite you to attend a

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***Lunch Briefing Regarding Federal  
Funding to California, including  
Homeland Security and  
Transportation Grants***

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**Wednesday, April 7, 2004**

**12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.**

**B-354 Rayburn House Office Building**

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You are invited to attend a luncheon briefing regarding federal funding, formula grant programs, and the fiscal relationship between California and Washington -- with a particular focus on grant programs that distribute federal funds for homeland security and transportation. The briefing will be held on Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at 12:00 noon, in Room B-354 of the Rayburn House Office Building on Capitol Hill.

Since September 11, 2001, federal homeland security funding for first responders has flowed to states without regard to terrorist threat levels or the value or attractiveness of potential terror targets. Instead, the primary criteria has been how few people live in a state. California has been among the states most disadvantaged by this funding regime, and Wednesday's lunch briefing will discuss the program's structure and options for change.

The House has just voted to renew the nation's highway and transit aid programs, after lengthy, heated, and confusing debate over the effects of the bill's proposed changes. The briefing will discuss some of the 1000-page bill's funding implications.

After comments by Dr. David Lyon, President and CEO of the San Francisco-based Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC), the briefing will be conducted by Tim Ransdell, Executive Director of the California Institute. The *Federal Formula Grants and California* project, a collaboration between these two organizations, is the source of these and other data regarding the state's share of federal funding.

To attend the briefing, please reply (acceptances only, thank you) to 202-546-3700, or send email to [ransdell@calinst.org](mailto:ransdell@calinst.org).