

Constituent Access to Congressional Facilities & the Smithsonian During a Lapse in Appropriations

Capitol	Open to Members, staff, and visitors on official business.
Capitol Visitor Center	Closed to the public.
Galleries	The House Gallery is open, but individuals will enter and exit through the South Door and be escorted to and from the gallery. There will only be one checkstand open and storage of items will be limited.
Guide-led Tours	Cancelled.
Staff-led Tours	Cancelled.
Member-led Tours	Member-led tours for groups of ten or fewer will be permitted in the House side of the Capitol (but not the CVC) between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily. Members must personally accompany their guests at all times while in the Capitol. If a Member is unable to complete the planned tour, whether to vote or for any other reason, the group must be immediately escorted to the South Door to exit the Capitol.
Library of Congress	Closed to the public. Minimal levels of staff will continue to assist congressional offices with Constitutional duties, including the Congressional Research Service.
Smithsonian Museums and National Zoo	Closed to the public.
Botanic Garden	Closed to the public.

Please note that these are only expected levels of various House services and are subject to change. For additional information, please contact the Committee on House Administration at 5-8281.