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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the Algin Sutton Restroom Replacement Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Los Angeles, located at 200 N Main Street, Suite 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

The funding would be used to replace the outdated restroom building at the Algin Sutton Recreation Center with a modern ADA accessible restroom building. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would enable the City of Los Angeles to provide a modern, high-quality restroom facility for park users, visitors, and guests, which would enhance the public's use and enjoyment of this important park facility.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$445,250 in Community Project Funding for the Charles Drew University Safety and Security Enhancement Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, located at 1731 E. 120th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90059.

The funding would be used to mitigate and address security gaps on campus, improve the ability to respond to emergencies, and enhance the surveillance capacity of public safety personnel. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the university's ability to respond to security challenges, work closely with law enforcement, and protect faculty, staff, students, and the surrounding community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152) and/or section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$15,113,136 in Community Project Funding for the Compton College Math and MIS Buildings Renovation Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Compton Community College, located at 1111 East Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.

The funding would be used to renovate Compton College's Math and MIS Buildings, which are in need of structural, HVAC, roofing, and electrical repairs. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide students with a safe and appropriate learning environment and enable Compton College to continue to provide quality instruction that leads directly to many different pursuits including accounting, economics, technology, computer programming, database development, systems analysis, network administration, and other career fields.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the Compton Public Works Corp Yard Rehabilitation Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Compton, located at 205 S. Willowbrook Ave., Compton, CA 90220.

The funding would be used to rehabilitate the City's structurally defunct public works corp yard, which houses City equipment and resources necessary to implement basic infrastructure maintenance tasks throughout the City. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the capacity of the City to provide public works and services.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$550,000 in Community Project Funding for the Gardena Juvenile Justice & Intervention Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Gardena, located at 1700 West 162nd Street, Gardena, CA 90247.

The funding would be used to help the Gardena Juvenile Justice & Intervention Program (GJJIP) address the mental health, physical health, and academic needs of youth (ages 11 - 17) both before and at the point of their initial contact with law enforcement. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will enable law enforcement officers, who frequently respond to low-level offenders, to divert youth away from the criminal justice system and refer them directly to appropriate community services.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152) and/or section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$11,610,638 in Community Project Funding for the HACLA Digital Equity & Infrastructure Renewal for South LA Public Housing Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA), located at 2600 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90057.

The funding would be used to improve living conditions for residents of three of HACLA's largest public housing communities: Nickerson Gardens, Imperial Courts, and Gonzague Village. The initiative includes the installation of air conditioning systems and ceiling fans in affordable housing units, comprehensive electrical upgrades to support the new systems, and the renovation and expansion of computer labs for residents. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will protect low-income public housing residents from the effects of rising temperatures and worsening heatwaves, improve their quality of life, and provide advanced tools for digital navigation and literacy, thereby integrating residents into the digital age.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$8,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the Hawthorne Civic Park Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Hawthorne, located at 4455 W 126th St., Hawthorne, CA 90250.

The funding would be used to develop a Civic Park on the recently purchased Bank of America lot in the heart and center of the City of Hawthorne. This newly designed, landscaped Civic Park will feature a great lawn perfect for activities like picnics, community gatherings, and special events ranging from festivals or concerts to local farmers' markets or movie nights. This project will also include underground parking to help reduce traffic congestion and improve pedestrian experience. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would provide vital green space in a disadvantaged community and strengthen the social fabric of the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the INSB Interoperability Upgrade Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Interoperability Network of the South Bay (INSB), located at 3031 Torrance Blvd, Torrance, CA 90503.

The funding would be used to enable the Interoperability Network of the South Bay (INSB) – which includes the cities of El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Torrance – to replace key portions of its 7-city public safety regional radio system to add Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) technology and connectivity systems, effectively doubling the mission critical radio operating capacity of its owned and operated 6-cell radio system. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve operating capacity, reliability, and service in the South Bay region.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152) and/or section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$600,000 in Community Project Funding for the INVEST IN AMERICA'S FUTURE: Expand Math Excellence & STEM Access Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Partnership for Los Angeles Schools, located at 1055 Wilshire Boulevard, Ste. 1850, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

The funding would be used to improve math instruction and expand STEM access across 20 schools in the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), nine of which are located in Watts, which is in California's 43<sup>rd</sup> district. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a critical entry point to technical fields like aerospace engineering, robotics, space exploration, and Earth science, and it connects students' classroom learning to future careers in NASA-aligned fields.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 20102 of title 51, United States Code.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$12,000,000 in Community Project Funding for Lawndale's Hawthorne Boulevard Rehabilitation Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lawndale, located at 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale, CA 90260.

The funding would be used to resurface approximately 2.1 miles of Hawthorne Boulevard from Artesia Boulevard to Rosecrans Avenue in the City of Lawndale. Hawthorne Boulevard is an arterial road through the City of Lawndale that serves South Bay commuters and residents alike. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve traffic flow, reduce wear and tear on vehicles, and enhance safety and the overall aesthetic appeal of the area.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$963,000 in Community Project Funding for the LAXPD Vehicle Fleet, Upgrades, & Equipment Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Los Angeles International Airport Police Department (LAXPD), located at 1 World Way, Los Angeles, CA 90045.

The funding would be used to upgrade the LAXPD vehicle fleet and equipment and ensure the safety and security of LAX, which is the largest and busiest airport on the West Coast of the United States and the 6th busiest passenger airport in the world. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will enhance the ability of LAXPD to protect the safety and security of the physical structures, passengers, commerce, and thousands of people who work and pass through LAX daily.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152) and/or section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,200,000 in Community Project Funding for the Link Willowbrook and King Medical Center Shuttle Zero Emission Bus Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, located at 900 S. Fremont Ave, Alhambra, CA 91803.

The funding would be used to replace five (5) propane transit vehicles with Zero Emission Battery Electric Buses (ZEB) for the Link Willowbrook and King Medical Center Shuttle transit services, which provide service to the unincorporated communities of Willowbrook in Los Angeles County. The ZEBs will provide more reliable and higher quality service for disadvantaged communities in the impacted area while improving air quality. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve transit availability, reliability, and air quality.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the Mas Fukai Park Renovation Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Gardena, located at 1700 West 162nd Street, Gardena, CA 90247.

The funding would be used to make improvements to Mas Fukai Park in the City of Gardena, including a safe space for teens to gather, a newly reimagined play lot, a pickleball court, and a new marquee sign to update residents on current city happenings. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the improved park will offer additional recreation opportunities for residents of all ages, the improved play lot will ensure a safe area for young children to play, and the teen center will offer a safe and inviting location for the City's adolescents to gather, make connections, and participate in various activities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the Torrance Community Wellness Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Torrance, located at 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, CA 90503.

The funding would be used by the City of Torrance to upgrade and enhance six city parks consistent with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance standards by replacing sand and engineered wood chips with rubberized surfaces. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will enhance safety and accessibility in the city's parks, improving the experience for children and families and ensuring that all residents, including those with disabilities, can fully enjoy public spaces.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,000,000 in Community Project Funding for the Willowbrook-Culver Sewer Replacement Project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Compton, located at 205 S. Willowbrook Ave., Compton, CA 90220.

The funding would be used to replace the Willowbrook-Culver Sewer infrastructure and prevent hazardous overflows and backups. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these improvements will be used to improve the health and safety of residents by providing them with reliable sewer infrastructure to deliver water and waste in a safe manner.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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