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The Honorable Tom Cole
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding in Fiscal Year 2027 for the following Community Funded Projects for proposals critical to the health, safety and economic well-being of the people of the 4th Congressional District of California.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration:

Provide \$3,000,000.00 to the Sonoma Valley Fire District for the **Kenwood Fire Station remodel and expansion project**. The project would modernize the station to accommodate 24/7 staffing by providing adequate living quarters and operational space and improve firefighter health and safety.

Provide \$2,000,000.00 to the South Lake County Fire Protection District for the South **Lake County Fire Protection District's Hidden Valley Fire Station project**. This project would construct a new fire station in Hidden Valley Lake, California providing a modern fire station to replace an aging facility that no longer meets the operational or safety needs of the district nor has adequate space to house emergency personnel and apparatus.

Provide \$300,000.00 to Yolo County for the **Capay Valley Fire Protection District Resilience Center Project**. This project will retrofit Guinda Fire Station 22 to serve as a community resilience hub for the Upper Capay Valley, providing a safe, reliable location where residents can access cooling, clean air, emergency information, and power during wildfire incidents, prolonged power outages, and extreme heat. The upgraded facility will also support emergency response coordination and preparedness activities year-round.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies:

Provide \$2,000,000.00 to the City of Woodland, CA for the **City of Woodland Public Safety Communications project**. The project will replace the City's outdated VHF radio system with modern digital communications equipment for its Police and Fire Departments. The current system is obsolete and no longer provides the reliability or capacity needed to support a growing population and increasingly complex emergency response needs. This project will ensure clear, reliable, and real-time communication among first responders, which is critical during emergencies such as fires, natural disasters, and public safety incidents. Upgrading to digital radios will improve coordination within departments and enable interoperability with neighboring jurisdictions, allowing for more effective multi-agency responses.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security:

Provide a funding level of \$2,225,000.00 for **Calistoga Emergency Operations Center** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is City of Calistoga located at 1405 N. Oak St., Calistoga, California, 94515. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the City of Calistoga wishes to establish a new, purpose-built Emergency Operations Center (EOC) on the Calistoga Fairgrounds property. Funds will be used to install a modular EOC building; remodel a portion of an existing structure; install communications systems, emergency power, technology infrastructure, furnishings, and equipment; complete site improvements; and construct a helicopter landing pad to support disaster response operations. Currently, the City's EOC operates from the fire station living quarters, limiting space, resiliency, and operational effectiveness. The new facility will provide a dedicated, fully equipped emergency management center capable of supporting extended disaster operations and regional incident command, both within the city and will also be available to Cal Fire for regional incidents, as it has in the past. This project will strengthen emergency preparedness, improve interagency coordination, enhance public safety response capabilities, and ensure continuity of government during wildfires, earthquakes, and other disasters affecting the Calistoga community.

Provide a funding level of \$1,137,700.80 for **Northwest Calistoga Fuels Mitigation** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Napa County located at 1195 Third Street, Napa, California, 94559. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the project is a comprehensive wildfire resilience initiative in a high-risk Wildland-Urban Interface area. This project integrates community-scale fuel reduction with property-level defensible space to reduce wildfire risk and protect lives and property in an area repeatedly impacted by major fires. The project includes 125 acres of targeted grazing and mechanical thinning, as well as 7 miles of roadside fuel reduction to strengthen evacuation routes and create strategic fire breaks. It establishes a residential cost-share program to support defensible space improvements and home hardening for at least 50 properties, prioritizing low-income and elderly residents in high fire severity zones. All fuel reduction work, access routes, and water assets will be integrated into Tablet Command and Enhanced Resilience Site systems, providing real-time, actionable intelligence to first responders during emergencies. This project will improve emergency response capabilities, reduce wildfire spread, and strengthen long-term community resilience.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies:

Provide \$5,000,000.00 to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for the **Sacramento River Basin Floodplain Reactivation project**. This project is a comprehensive, landscape-scale initiative to restore and activate floodplain ecosystems across a half-million-acre footprint by partnering with private landowners and working lands. It combines targeted floodplain reactivation, habitat restoration, and infrastructure improvements to enhance water supply, food production, and fish and wildlife habitat. Through managed seasonal inundation of agricultural lands, the project increases food availability for fish while compensating landowners and improves floodplain flow corridors and in-river connectivity to support ecosystem health. At the same time, it preserves existing agricultural uses, protects private property interests, and strengthens long-term resilience through data-driven management, monitoring, and program coordination to ensure efficient and scalable implementation.

Provide \$3,562,500.00 to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; San Francisco District for the **Santa Rosa, Sec 219 -Regional Llano Sewer Trunk Line Rehabilitation project**. The Regional Llano Sewer Trunk Line Rehabilitation Project would improve the City's deficient wastewater conveyance system and mitigate potential environmental disaster and service disruptions in the event of a catastrophic failure. It is one of six high priority sewer trunk rehabilitation projects required to ensure the wastewater conveyance system can safely and efficiently move wastewater to the Laguna Treatment Plant where it is treated and recycled. The Laguna Treatment Plant serves approximately 230,000 residents in Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Cotati, Sebastopol, and unincorporated portions of Sonoma County. This project is critical to strengthening the City's water resiliency by preserving the region's recycled water supply.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies:

Provide a funding level of \$3,000,000.00 for **Lake County Wastewater Headworks and Plant Improvements Project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is County of Lake located at 255 N Forbes Street, Lakeport, California, 95453. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because This project will improve the reliability and capacity of the Southeast Wastewater Collection and Treatment System through targeted infrastructure upgrades designed to prevent sanitary sewer overflows and address system failures that contributed to the recent Robin Lane sewer spill. The project includes improvements to the wastewater treatment plant headworks and the construction of two new wastewater lift stations to better manage flows and reduce pressure on the existing collection system. A key component of the project is the upgrade of the treatment plant headworks to separate three incoming force mains – a 10-inch, 14-inch, and 16-inch line – that currently converge into a single 16-inch pipe before entering the plant. This configuration contributed to operational challenges during the 2026 Robin Lane sewer spill, when a valve failure allowed wastewater from the 14-inch force main to back feed through the system and contribute to a spill of nearly three million gallons of wastewater onto nearby private properties. This will prevent backflow conditions and significantly reduce the risk of similar failures in the future. The project also includes construction of a new lift station at the intersection of Vallejo Avenue and Highland Avenue. This lift station will intercept wastewater flows from the east side of the highway and connect them directly to an existing 14-inch force main that conveys flows to the treatment plant. Diverting these flows directly to the treatment plant will reduce hydraulic pressure on Lift Stations 1 and 2 and decrease the likelihood of future sewer overflows. A second lift station will be constructed at

the end of Highland Way to capture wastewater flows from surrounding neighborhoods and meter them into the existing collection system in a controlled manner.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies:

Provide \$1,278,000.00 for **Rohnert Park Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Expansion project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Petaluma Health Center, Inc. located at 1179 North McDowell, Blvd., Petaluma, California, 94954. The project would support capital equipment costs for the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system for the Rohnert Park Wellness Center, a new approximately 25,000-square-foot outpatient Mental Health, Behavioral Health, and Substance Use Disorder Treatment Center in Rohnert Park, California. The requested funds will support the purchase and installation of HVAC capital equipment necessary to make the facility fully operational, safe, and appropriate for the delivery of high-quality outpatient mental health, behavioral health, and substance use disorder treatment services. Project work includes HVAC-related capital equipment includes rooftop units, air handling equipment, condensers, ventilation systems, ductwork, building controls, thermostatic systems, and associated mechanical infrastructure required to heat, cool, ventilate, and maintain indoor air quality throughout the facility. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a critical regional need in southern and central Sonoma County, where demand for outpatient behavioral health and substance use disorder treatment far exceeds current capacity.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies:

Provide a funding level of \$1,000,000.00 for the **Native Sons of the Golden West Parlor 53 Facility Renovations and Improvements project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is City of St. Helena located at 1088 College Avenue, St. Helena, California, 94574. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the project would rehabilitate and modernize a historic community facility to ensure it remains safe, accessible, and functional. This project will fund critical repairs and upgrades to the Native Sons Hall, originally built in 1915, including repairing a leaking roof, installing a new fire escape to safely reopen the upstairs space, upgrading the electrical system, replacing carpet, repainting interior and exterior areas, refinishing flooring in meeting spaces, and improving parking lot conditions and ADA accessibility. These improvements will prevent further deterioration, address safety concerns, and enhance usability for a wide range of community activities. The facility serves as a central gathering space for the City of St. Helena, hosting more than 30 large-scale events annually and hundreds of smaller meetings, and community functions. Renovating this facility will preserve a vital community asset, expand access, and ensure it continues to support residents and local organizations for generations to come.

Provide a funding level of \$2,000,000.00 for the **Historic Esparto Train Depot for Community Food Access project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Yolo County located at 625 Court Street, Woodland, California, 95695. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the project will acquire, renovate and improve the train depot, built in 1888-9, to provide community services, food access, and job creation for low-to-moderate-income (LMI) residents of the agricultural Capay Valley and gateway town of Esparto

(population 3,500). This project revitalizes the depot as a community space celebrating the region's strong agricultural traditions while providing economic development opportunities and food access to residents of the area between Woodland and Clearlake, where up to 83 percent of the population is LMI and up to 53 percent of households are food insecure.

Provide a funding level of \$1,100,000.00 for the **Pope Valley Farm Center Renovation project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Napa County located at 1195 Third Street, Napa, California, 94559. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would upgrade an existing community facility for use as an emergency evacuation shelter and cooling center. This project will modernize an aging facility to ensure it can safely support residents during wildfires, power outages, and extreme heat events. The project includes replacing a nonfunctional walk-in cooler, installing a commercial-grade refrigerator and freezer to store emergency food supplies, upgrading the propane system to support a backup generator, and renovating kitchen and bathroom facilities. It will also improve accessibility by paving ADA-compliant parking spaces and walkways, ensuring the facility can serve all community members, including seniors and individuals with disabilities.

Provide a funding level of \$1,750,000.00 for the **Armfield Lemen Infrastructure project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Yolo County Housing Authority located at 147 West Main Street, Woodland, California, 95695. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will support a major neighborhood redevelopment effort. The project is essential to enable Tupelo, a 73-unit affordable housing development scheduled to break ground in early 2027. Tupelo represents the first phase of a broader transformation of the Armfield Lemen neighborhood, which will replace 132 units of severely distressed, 60–70-year-old public housing with over 300 new mixed-income units, along with a public park and community amenities. Existing utility systems are either outdated, improperly located within planned building footprints, or entirely absent. Completing this work upfront is the most efficient and cost-effective approach, avoiding repeated construction, additional mobilization costs, and disruption to future residents. This investment directly supports the creation of high-quality affordable housing for public housing residents, individuals with disabilities, and low-income households, while advancing long-term community revitalization.

Provide a funding level of \$847,000.00 for the **Roseland Regional Library project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Sonoma County Library located at 6135 State Farm Drive, Rohnert Park, California, 94928. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it improves the ability of the Roseland library to offer workforce development and other educational opportunities. Roseland is one of the most underserved communities in the county, will be home to a state-of-the-art library opening in Spring 2027. Designed with extensive community engagement, the library reflects local priorities: welcoming spaces for children and families, gathering places that strengthen community connection, and partnerships that expand opportunity. The library seeks funding to expand their collection as well as critical IT infrastructure needed to ensure access to services that are always free. Carefully selected materials and technology resources are designed to fill gaps in digital access, literacy development, and workforce readiness. The collection supports economic mobility through workforce development materials, career exploration resources, small business tools, financial literacy, and early learning materials that strengthen long-term educational outcomes. The

requested IT equipment is directly tied to economic development. Reliable computers, high-speed connectivity, software, and technology-enabled learning spaces support job seekers, small business owners, entrepreneurs, and students building career pathways.

Provide a funding level of \$5,000,000.00 for the **Reentry Housing and Workforce Development project** for those returning from incarceration in Lake County, California (South Smith St Housing) as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is County of Lake located at 255 N. Forbes Street, Lakeport, California, 95453. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the new construction development will build 40 affordable housing units including 20 for justice-involved individuals who are homeless, chronically homeless, or at risk of homelessness, 19 for general low-income individuals, and 1 for an on-site property manager.

Provide a funding level of \$198,500.00 for the **Sonoma Community Center Window Replacement project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is City of Sonoma located at No. 1 The Plaza, Sonoma, California, 95476. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the new windows will allow the Sonoma Community Center to better control energy costs and the impact of reducing energy consumption. New windows will also allow the Sonoma Community Center to increase attendance with more welcoming climate-controlled spaces. The project will upgrade the 110-year-old Sonoma Community Center with energy efficient windows. The Sonoma Community Center serves the Sonoma Valley and Sonoma County with high-quality programming. Over 8,800 participants visit the Sonoma Community Center to take classes in ceramics, painting and drawing, movement, culinary, printmaking, youth programs, fiber arts and more and to attend in large community events.

Provide a funding level of \$2,000,000.00 for the **American Canyon State Route 29 Corridor Improvements project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) located at 625 Burnell St., Napa, California, 94559. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because State Route 29 (SR29) is the only continuous north-south highway linking Napa County to Lake and Solano Counties, serving as a freight corridor, commuter and transit route, wildfire evacuation facility, and the “Main Street” for the City of American Canyon. Between Napa Junction and American Canyon Road, the corridor experiences congestion, safety challenges, and operational deficiencies due to the demands of regional through-traffic and local access. The project will reconfigure the roadway to improve safety, enhance reliability, support goods movement and transit operations, and create a more accessible multimodal corridor through narrowed general-purpose lanes and pedestrian facilities.

Provide a funding level of \$1,630,000.00 for the **Harmony Village Housing project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is City of Vacaville, Housing and Community Services Department located at 650 Merchant Street, Vacaville, California, 95688. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the project will help expand affordable home ownership and an opportunity to create generational wealth and help break the cycle of poverty. The Harmony Village Housing Project will construct 10 single-family homes developed by Solano-Napa Habitat for Humanity (SNHFH) in Vacaville. Families selected to

buy the houses will contribute up to 500 hours of Sweat Equity, and approximately 400 community volunteers will assist with construction to reduce costs.

Provide a funding level of \$714,000.00 for the **Vacaville Boys and Girls Club project** as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is City of Vacaville located at 40 Eldridge Ave. Suite #2, Vacaville, California, 95688. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will support the purchase and installation of high-quality playground equipment, safety surfacing, shade structures, and accessible features. Serving hundreds of local youth each year, HOPE Playground will foster physical activity, friendship, and confidence while creating a welcoming community gathering space. By investing in this project, funders will help ensure that every child at the Club has a safe place to play, grow, and let their potential emerge.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,



Mike Thompson
Member of Congress