April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding in the fiscal year 2023 for the following Community Funded Projects for proposals critical to the health, safety and economic well-being of the people of the 5th Congressional District of California.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies:

Contra Costa Transition Aged Youth (TAY) Diversion Project
I request $1,000,000 for the District Attorney’s Office of Contra Costa County (900 Ward Street, Martinez, CA 94553) to implement the Transition Aged Youth Diversion Program. This program will implement criminal justice reform methods aimed at implementing a diversion program instead of the regular criminal court system for those aged 18-25 who have been arrested for specific felonies and/or serious misdemeanors. This program is a shift away from punitive measures and seeks to focus on healing, restoration, and accountability as well as a means to address recidivism rates.

Vallejo Ghost Gun and Gun Violence Reduction Initiative
I request $830,000 for the City of Vallejo Police Department (111 Amador Street, Vallejo, CA 94590) to provide resources and strategies to get dangerous firearms, especially untraceable ghost guns off our streets. This project will allow the Vallejo Police Department to purchase and install Shot Spotter auditory gunshot detection equipment in Vallejo’s highest-crime neighborhoods. This technology will vastly improve the response time, enhance investigatory capabilities, and increase the department’s overall efficiency. The Vallejo Police Department will also be able to acquire Peregrine software which helps personnel at every level of the Vallejo Police Department quickly navigate through vast amounts of data, increasing effectiveness and coordination with neighboring agencies to broaden their reach and reduce crime.
Subcommittee on Homeland Security:

Lakeport Armory Facility Repurposing Project
I request $1,000,000 for Lake County, CA (255 North Forbes Street, Lakeport, CA 95453) to complete Pre-Design work, including Architectural Program Conceptual Planning and Site Analysis to rehabilitate and repurpose a decommissioned National Guard Armory facility to establish a permanent location to co-locate the Lake County Sheriff’s Office (LCSO) and Lake County’s Emergency Operations Center, which is part of LCSO. The Lakeport Armory Facility Repurposing Project is needed in order to provide a centralized emergency operations center for Lake County. With the increase prevalence of larger and more destructive natural disasters in Northern California, such as wildfires, a centralized and permanent emergency operations center will allow first responders to better coordinate and serve the people of Lake County.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies:

Middle Creek Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Project
I request $450,000 for Lake County (255 North Forbes Street, Lakeport, CA 95453) to restart an authorized Corps of Engineers project, Middle Creek, CA, to reduce flood and catastrophic loss, improve water quality, and restore vital wetlands habitat with cultural significance for the surrounding tribal communities.

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

Ole Health Electronic Records Project
I request $1,796,139 for OLE Health (1141 Pear Tree Lane, Napa, CA 94558), a nonprofit health care clinic serving over 35,000 patients annually and over 74 percent of Medicaid patients in Napa County for their Electronic Records project. The funds will be used to implement a new electronic health records system (HER), which will allow Ole Health to coordinate patient care with providers across our community. Ole Health is the only federally qualified health center in Napa County, and is the only provider in the county accepting new Medicaid and Denti-Cal patients. It is also the only fully bilingual health care provider in Napa County. The implementation of a new EHR system will help thousands of patients per year. It will also reduce the amount of time providers will have to spend tracking down relevant patient information, which delays care. This project will reduce duplication of tests, unnecessary costs, and the risk of cyber intrusions.

UC Davis Smoke Taint Research Project
I request $1,205,966.73 for the University of California, Davis to acquire a Gas Chromatography Triple Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer (GC-MS/MS) and an Ultra High-Pressure Liquid Chromatography Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometer (UPLC-QTOF-MS). This equipment is essential for grape smoke exposure research. Researchers at the Department of Viticulture and Enology at the University of California, Davis are conducting critical research needed to guide decision-making during smoke events as well as limit the impact of these disasters. Existing assessable analytical equipment cannot adequately support the essential research needed and currently undertaken at the department. The new research equipment will benefit the grape growers, and the entire wine community.
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing, Urban Development and Related Agencies:

Clearlake Burns Valley Sports Complex & Recreation Center Project
I request $2,000,000 for the City of Clearlake (14050 Olympic Drive, Clearlake, CA 95422) for the construction of a large sports and recreation center complete with baseball fields, soccer fields, a 20,000 square foot rec center, a small amount of retail space, a public works corporation yard, and an 80-unit affordable housing project. This will not only provide a great amount of revenue and recreation to Clearlake, a low-income area, but also create hundreds of jobs from its construction through completion.

Mare Island Preservation and Restoration Project
I request $1,129,300 for the Mare Island Historic Park Foundation (1100 Railroad Avenue, Vallejo, CA 94592) to rehabilitate and preserve Historic Mare Island Landmarks. The Mare Island Historic Park Foundation will rehabilitate various historical sites including the Admiral’s Mansion and St. Peter’s Chapel.

Martinez Municipal Fishing Pier Renovation Project
I request $2,547,600 for the City of Martinez (525 Henrietta Street, Martinez, CA 94553) to renovate the Martinez Municipal Fishing Pier. This project is part of a broader effort to revitalize the community and facilitate economic growth in the city of Martinez. These funds will go toward structural repairs and renovations to the existing timber fishing pier, replacing deck railings, and installing ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant decking.

Napa Homelessness Services Project
I request $1,200,000 for the City of Napa (955 School Street, Napa, CA 94559) for the Napa Homelessness Services Project. Mentis along with other government and non-government agencies in Napa seeks to expand Mentis’ current permanent housing model that supports people with severe mental illnesses and the homeless. The funds would go towards the construction and furnishing of new residential units as well as additions to existing units. This will allow Mentis to take in eight additional clients.

Napa Valley Vine Trail Project
I request $4,000,000 for the Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition (3299 Claremont Way Suite 5, Napa, CA 94558) for the planning, engineering, and environmental work related to closing the 10-mile gap between the existing 12-mile Vine Trail from Napa to Yountville, and the nine-mile segment of Vine Trail between St. Helena and Calistoga that will be constructed in 2023. The project promotes a safer mode of travel for cyclists and pedestrians, healthier lifestyles and provides an alternative to single occupancy vehicles using the SR 29 corridor. The project will also significantly boost the local economy.

Providence Rohnert Park House Project
Provide $1,300,000 for the Providence Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital (1165 Montgomery Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95405) to create 76-unit permanent supportive housing project in Rohnert Park for chronically homeless seniors (age 55+). Residents must be elderly (55+), have a documented history of long-term homelessness, and have incomes at or below 30 percent of the area median
income. Six of the units in the building will provide recuperative care services to homeless seniors with mental health, substance use disorders and social conditions may prevent them from succeeding in permanent supportive housing. This project will be built in Rohnert Park since the city lacks these services. However, this project will service elderly personnel experiencing chronic homelessness county wide.

Roseland Boys and Girls Club Project
I request $2,000,000 for the Boys & Girls Club of Sonoma-Marin (1400 N. Dutton Ave #24, Santa Rosa, CA 95401) to construct the gymnasium for the new Boys and Girls Club Child Care Center in Roseland, an economically disadvantaged neighborhood with a high population of people of color. The new center will provide academic enrichment to Roseland youth from kindergarten to high school, working closely with Roseland School District.

SolTran 100% Battery Electric Commuter Coaches Project
I request $2,000,000 for Solano County Transit (SolTrains) to purchase four electric buses for the City of Vallejo to reduce pollution from public transportation. This is in accordance with the regulations from the California Air Resources Board which requires transit agencies to have zero emission technology by 2040.

State Routh 121/12/8th Street East Intersection Improvements Project
I request $1,500,000 for the Sonoma County Transportation Authority (411 King Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404) to create a roundabout that reduces the number of conflict points at the intersection and forcing vehicles to reduce speeds as they approach the intersection greatly improving safety for all users.

Thank you for your consideration of these projects which will benefit the people of the 5th Congressional District of California.

Sincerely,

Mike Thompson
Member of Congress