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May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Fire Station 63 Reconstruction Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Monterey Park, located at 320 West Newmark Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

The funding would be used for the reconstruction of an aging and unsafe facility, including the demolition and reconstruction of Fire Station 63 and the attached training tower that were previously damaged by an earthquake. This project would be an investment in public safety for the community and the health and wellness of first responders. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because fire stations, like any infrastructure, require maintenance and upgrades over time to ensure they meet safety standards and can effectively respond to emergencies. Fire Station 63 is outdated and had substantial damage from a recent earthquake, making it an unsafe and unsustainable facility in its current condition. Furthermore, the population of Monterey Park has grown since the fire station was originally built and it is no longer adequately sized or equipped to handle the increased demand for fire and emergency services.

The project has a Federal Nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judy Chu".

JUDY CHU
Member of Congress