

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
2207 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

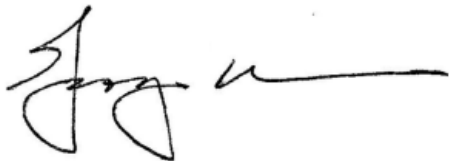
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Chimbole Center Renovation Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Palmdale, located at 38300 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, California, 93550. The funding would be used to support the remodel and renovation of the Chimbole Center. The project will renovate and repair the center, which will serve as a community gathering space, cooling station, water refill area, and community hub for the adjacent Poncitlán Square, which provides outdoor recreation and gathering spaces for residents. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because renovating the Chimbole Center maximizes an existing public asset rather than requiring costly new construction, delivering multiple community benefits — cooling station, recreation, and gathering space — from a single investment. Located in a high-vulnerability census tract, the project directs public dollars where residents rely most heavily on public infrastructure.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 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,



George Whitesides (CA27)
Member of Congress