



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Paso Robles Regional Fire and Emergency Services Training Facility project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Paso Robles at 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446. The funding would be used to initiate design and construction of a joint police and fire public safety training facility. The proposed facility would be available to other departments in Paso Robles' operational region, and due to its central location, would serve students from throughout California.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because there are several critical areas in which the Fire and Emergency Department is deficient. Additionally, the fire department is unable to meet the annual State mandated live fire training requirements without a dedicated training facility. In order to address these deficiencies, the City needs to have a training facility where live fire training can be conducted, at least three stories in height, and a training area of at least two acres. Additionally, the proposed facility would include a dedicated area for this police training including SWAT training, active shooter training, and building searches.

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 blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Panetta', written over a horizontal line.

Jimmy Panetta  
Member of Congress