



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

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Atascadero Police Station Improvements Project project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Atascadero, located at 6500 Palma Ave, Atascadero CA 93422. The funding would enable safety and security improvements to the police station, including secured parking areas as well as ingress and egress for police vehicles, locker room and restroom improvements, creation of crime scene investigation offices and associated storage space, as well as upgrades and dedicated space for dispatch, patrol, investigations, records, and administration.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed improvements to the police station directly impact public safety and law enforcement effectiveness. By enhancing the infrastructure and security elements of the station, the project will ensure that Atascadero's law enforcement personnel have the necessary resources and dedicated facilities to effectively serve and protect the community. These improvements contribute to fostering a safer and more secure environment for all residents and law enforcement personnel. Ultimately, investing in the police station upgrades not only strengthens local law enforcement capabilities but also enhances the quality of life for everyone in the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), and 5305(a)(4).

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', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jimmy Panetta
Member of Congress