



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 Scotts Valley Public Safety Answering Point Radio Equipment Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Scotts Valley, California located at 1 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, CA 95066. The funding would enable the City of Scotts Valley to purchase a dual analog digital encrypted radio (P25) system for the Scotts Valley Police Department, to replace their current outdated and proprietary analog radio equipment.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will directly impact the safety of the community of Scotts Valley as well as an indirect impact on surrounding areas. Upgrading the antiquated radio system will allow for better interoperability between local agencies in the time of a crisis so that other agencies can assist when needed, and to can assist partner agencies.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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 blue circular stamp.

Jimmy Panetta
Member of Congress