



United States House of Representatives

19th Congressional District, California

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The Honorable Tom Cole
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
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,080,000 in funding for the Atascadero Avenue Connectivity Improvement project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Atascadero located at 6500 Palma Ave., Atascadero, Calif. 93422. The project would transform Atascadero Avenue into a safe, complete, and accessible multimodal corridor by adding a Class IV protected bikeway, ADA-compliant sidewalks and ramps, additional on-street parking, landscaping, and updated striping and safety elements.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a long-standing safety and accessibility gap on the city's most heavily used pedestrian and bicycle corridor connecting downtown Atascadero to State Route 41 and key community destinations.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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 white background.

Jimmy Panetta
Member of Congress