



**United States House of Representatives**  
**19th Congressional District, California**  
**Jimmy Panetta**

March 27, 2026

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 million for the Monterey Public Library Building Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Monterey - Monterey Public Library located at 735 Pacific Street, Monterey, Calif. The project would support critical infrastructure, ADA upgrades at the building, and support for a new generator for the library.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses critical infrastructure needs in a heavily used public facility that serves residents across the Monterey Peninsula, including military families, seniors, students, and low-income households who rely on the library for technology access, community programs, and essential services. Upgrading ADA access, modernizing restrooms, improving building systems, and installing a dedicated generator will ensure the library can serve as a community resilience hub during power outages and storm events.

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