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# Congress of the United States

## House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Mendota's Community Center Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive the funding is the City of Mendota, located at 643 Quince Street, Mendota, CA 93640. The funding would be used to construct a community center that will serve as a hub for emergency services to protect the citizens of Mendota during times of crisis. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Mendota currently has no central place where residents can seek shelter in times of emergencies.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding is provided for purposes authorized by 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,



John S. Duarte  
Member of Congress