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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for The Center for Community Transitions, Inc. (CCT) Second Chance Employment & In-Custody Behavioral Health Support project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is The Center for Community Transitions, Inc. (CCT), located at 5825 Old Concord Road, Charlotte, NC 28213.

The funding would be used for the purpose of increasing economic mobility for justice-involved individuals and reducing recidivism in Mecklenburg County. The project aims to achieve this by supporting two critical reentry initiatives, the LifeWorks! Supportive Employment Program and the Behavioral Health Program at the Center for Women. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO) Job Training & Career Pathways for North Carolina's Returning Citizens project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO), located at 5500 Executive Center Drive, Suite 126, Charlotte, NC 28212.

The funding would be used for the purpose of providing unique workforce reentry services and advanced training opportunities to support justice-impacted individuals in the Charlotte and greater Mecklenburg County area. The project aims to achieve this by supporting and strengthening the Center for Employment Opportunities' (CEO) Charlotte office's vocational services programming. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Charlotte Gateway Station project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the North Carolina Department of Transportation, located at 1 South Wilmington Street Raleigh, NC 27601.

The funding would be used for the purpose of construction of a new passenger rail station in Uptown Charlotte. The project aims to achieve this by building upon previous city, state, and federal investments by utilizing completed railroad and rail platform infrastructure.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 22907 of title 49 of the United States code.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) Educator Community project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System, located at 4421 Stuart Andrew Blvd Charlotte, NC 28217.

The funding would be used for the purpose of providing affordable rental housing for individual teachers who work in CMS to strengthen the recruitment and retention of high-quality teachers. The project aims to achieve this by building the first rental housing complex of what they anticipate will be multiple Educator Affordable Housing Developments (Educator Community).

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Faith and Housing Initiative project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Charlotte, located at 600 E Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28209.

The funding would be used for the purpose of increasing the number of affordable housing communities in the City of Charlotte through engagement with faith-based organizations. The project aims to achieve this by providing project management and pre-development costs for up to 10 affordable housing communities sponsored by faith organizations. To kickstart the initiative, professional third-party services will commence with a comprehensive needs assessment. This assessment will evaluate the feasibility of developing affordable housing on land owned by faith communities, considering factors such as zoning regulations, infrastructure requirements, financing options, and community support.

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Johnson C. Smith University: Workforce Skills Enhancement through Equipment project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Johnson C. Smith University (JCSU), located at 100 Beatties Ford Rd. Charlotte NC 28216.

The funding would be used for the purpose of strengthening JCSU STEM programs and expanding access to high-demand careers, advancing the economic vitality of North Carolina. The project aims to achieve this by equipping labs in the New Science Center and Sustainability Village with cutting-edge technology, upfitting JCSU's greenhouse to strengthen its sustainable urban agriculture program, and enhancing JCSU's new AI course by expanding access to real-world AI applications across disciplines. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Local Foods Production & Distribution Center – Phase 2 project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Mecklenburg County, located at 600 East 4th Street, Charlotte, NC 28202.

The funding would be used for the purpose of addressing the urgent and growing need for consistent access to fresh, affordable, and locally produced food in Mecklenburg County and surrounding communities. The project aims to achieve this by providing an affordable retail grocery store offering fresh food, a commercial kitchen equipped to meet community need, and a teaching kitchen to promote culinary career paths. Phase 2 will create over 100 new job opportunities, with a focus on individuals encountering employment barriers.

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the My Brother's Keeper Charlotte-Mecklenburg Youth Impact Office project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the My Brother's Keeper Charlotte-Mecklenburg, located at 5430 Freestone Drive, Charlotte, NC 28216.

The funding would be used for the purpose of enhancing opportunities for youth in Charlotte through the establishment of robust internships, apprenticeships, and student-to-business experiences targeting students in grades 8, 9, and 11. The project aims to achieve this by creating the Youth Impact Office and organizing the Youth Impact Mixer Series. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for The Pearl Underpass project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority, located at 1000 Blythe Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28203.

The funding would be used for the purpose of creating a safe and welcoming multimodal gateway between Uptown Charlotte, the CID and Cherry neighborhood. The project aims to achieve this by complete infrastructure and roadway connectivity to The Pearl and the Charlotte Innovation District (CID) via improvements to the I-277 McDowell Street Underpass ("The Underpass").

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Technology Improvements for Airfield Pavement and Operations at Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is University of North Carolina at Charlotte, located at 9201 University City Blvd Charlotte, NC 28223.

The funding would be used for the purpose of instrumenting the Charlotte Douglas International Airport's (CLT) fourth parallel runway currently being constructed with technology improvements for airfield pavement and operations. The project aims to achieve this by supporting the design, procurement, and installation of topside sensors to support operational needs, sensors used in construction to provide improved quality assurance and accelerated construction capabilities, and academic researcher and student support to utilize the data to address the research needs of FAA, CLT, and the broader airport community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Three Sisters Market Food Cooperative project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Charlotte, located at 600 E Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28209.

The funding would be used for the purpose of addressing food insecurity in Charlotte's West Boulevard Corridor, an area home to 19,000 residents but lacking a full-service grocery store for over 30 years. The project aims to achieve this by providing fresh, affordable, and locally sourced food, while empowering residents through cooperative ownership, health education, and economic resilience. The grocery store will operate seven days a week, accept SNAP/WIC benefits, and offer on-site nutrition and cooking workshops.

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the United Neighborhoods project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Charlotte, located at 600 E Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28209.

The funding would be used for the purpose of launching targeted, neighborhood-based mobility strategies within the City of Charlotte's Corridors of Opportunity. The project aims to achieve this by establishing job readiness cohorts for at least 300 youth and adult residents, incorporating digital literacy, career coaching, and wraparound supports; providing direct financial assistance to promote housing stability; and training and sub-granting to 15 trusted community-based organizations to enhance their capacity and align service delivery with workforce and housing goals.

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Wheatley Seniors Apartments project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Charlotte, located at 600 E Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28209.

The funding would be used for the purpose of providing affordable housing for seniors in the City of Charlotte. The project aims to achieve this by constructing a for-rent residential community, age-restricted to those fifty-five and older, on a 3.28-acre site in Charlotte, NC. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(4).

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