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May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-305 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
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1036 Longworth House Office Building  
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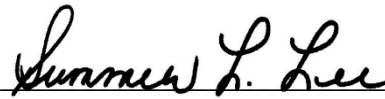
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Juvenile Justice Prevention Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Youth Advocate Program, located at 317 East Carson Street, Suite 159 Pittsburgh, PA 15219. The funding would be used for a project to help youth involved in the criminal justice system through evidence-based interventions, including mentoring, family engagement, and trauma-informed care. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it strengthens public safety as the approach has been proven to lower arrest rates, improve school attendance, and reduce recidivism, helping to reduce long-term costs to the justice system while promoting safer communities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 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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Summer L. Lee  
Member of Congress