

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 23rd, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 in funding for the Agnews Community Open Space Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of San Jose, located at 200 E Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95113

This funding will be used for site preparation and environmental remediation of approximately 21.6 acres at the former Agnews Developmental Care Center to enable future development of community-serving open space. The project includes building demolition, removal of demolition stockpiles, soil characterization, and environmental review to address safety hazards and environmental concerns on the site. These efforts will eliminate blight, remove potential toxins, and repurpose underutilized land into a future recreational asset for the surrounding community. By advancing early-stage site readiness, the project positions the site for future capital investment while supporting community health, environmental quality, and neighborhood revitalization. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it removes blight and environmental hazards, prepares land for public use, and supports long-term community development consistent with federally authorized programs.

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

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

Sincerely,



Ro Khanna
Member of Congress

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