

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
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 Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,900,000 in funding for the Warehouse Renovations and Improvements project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Sunnyvale Community Services, located at 725 Kifer Road, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

The funding would be used for installing a solar energy system with storage to improve energy efficiency of the facility. The energy savings will lower occupancy costs and allow the non-profit to use more funds for food and other critical needs. This is particularly important because of the high electricity costs of operating the nonprofit's cooler and freezer, where they handle and distribute up to two million pounds of food annually each year, including USDA provided food. The funding will also be used for improvements to community rooms and installing a polished concrete coating to the existing untreated, and cracking, concrete warehouse floor. This will ensure a safer and more durable floor surface throughout the warehouse to safely work in any area of the warehouse, regardless of age and mobility. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports community development consistent with federally authorized programs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ro Khanna', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ro Khanna  
Member of Congress