

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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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 \$3,625,000 in funding for the Safe Routes to Schools and Parks project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Sunnyvale, located at 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

This funding will be used to improve travel around schools and parks in the city of Sunnyvale. Sunnyvale's neighborhoods were not designed for the car volumes they see today. The resulting congestion around schools and parks have led to several concerns in the community about safety, air quality, and access. Safer routes will encourage walking and biking, which will serve to cut down on general car congestion and benefit drivers and pedestrians alike. This funding will create corner curb and sidewalk extensions, pedestrian safety signs and striping and ADA curb ramps for three locations in the City of Sunnyvale, which include two schools and a park. The schools proposed for these Safe Routes projects have a combined enrollment of 1,200 students with a high percentage of socio-economically disadvantaged families. Investing in these neighborhoods will improve overall health, safety, and connectivity. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports roadway development consistent with federally authorized programs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b).

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