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May 23, 2025

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

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

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Transforming Juvenile Justice Through Education Expansion project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is El Paso County located at 6400 Delta Drive, El Paso, TX 79905. The funding would be used for the construction of a 2,500-square foot prefabricated structure to serve as a classroom/workshop for the Challenge Academy operated by the El Paso County Juvenile Probation department, which is meant to cut youth recidivism through evidence-based treatment, core academics, and vocational instruction.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports job readiness and workforce development, reduces recidivism and poverty, and supports community development and safety.

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 that reads "Veronica Escobar".

Veronica Escobar  
Member of Congress