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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Bell County Diversion Center in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Bell County, Texas, located at 2400 Piazza Drive, Belton, TX 76513.

The funding would be used to enhance the capacity of the county's criminal justice system and our area health care systems by diverting low level offenders that interact with our first responders at the jail and/or at a hospital to a facility that can more effectively and efficiently address their mental health issues. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves the effectiveness of law enforcement.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 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,

John R. Carter
Member of Congress

