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Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Tri-Cities Ready to Work Program in Fiscal Year 2023. This request is for the Economic Development Initiative account under the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The entity to receive funding for the project is the City of Littleton, located at 2255 W. Berry Ave. Littleton, CO 80120.

The City of Littleton is seeking \$1,500,000 as part of a Tri-Cities initiative with the cities of Englewood and Sheridan, to collaborate on a regional solution to homelessness. The funding will be used for renovations, furnishings, and capital equipment to stand up the new Bridge House Ready to Work facility and program in the Tri-Cities. The Bridge House Ready to Work program is a proven, data driven transitional employment program designed to house adults experiencing homelessness through social services, guidance and workforce training.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds. Ready to Work's proven methods ensure that individuals experiencing homelessness receive support and housing, while receiving training to ensure long-term career placement. Reducing the number of people experiencing homelessness will benefit those individuals by satisfying their basic need of shelter, while also reducing reactive expenses borne by municipalities and healthcare systems.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Jason Crow Member of Congress