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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Douglas County Generational Opportunities to Achieve Long-Term Success (GOALS) Program renovation project in Fiscal Year 2022. This request is for the Economic Development Initiative account. The entity to receive funding for the project is Douglas County Human Services, located at 4400 Castleton Court, Castle Rock, CO 80109.

Douglas County is seeking \$1,000,000 to perform rehabilitation and construction of an existing building on the GOALS Program Campus that is not currently used. The funding will go towards the construction and furnishings to provide a family-like community supportive living setting, while bringing the building up to current safety standards and building codes. The GOALS Program is a housing program for families experiencing homelessness currently from Aurora and Arapahoe County. This program provides families a private room while they develop long-term goals for stability and self-reliance. Families are provided a safe space to live for four to nine months, and one-year of follow-up support. Douglas County Department of Human Services will continue to provide services to the Douglas County residents while they participate in the program and help transition them back into Douglas County upon completion of the program with the support of nonprofits and faith-based organizations.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds and is sorely needed, as Douglas County does not currently have a viable program to address homelessness. Currently, citizens are using hotel vouchers with case management services attached. Hotel vouchers are not a long-term solution for families with the highest needs. The GOALS Program will provide meaningful long-term services and support to assist homeless families in achieving stability.

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