



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 Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Gateway Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Program in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Aurora Arapahoe Battered Women's Shelter. The location of these buildings will be confidential due to the nature of the population that will be served but will be near the Aurora Municipal Building located at 15151 E Alameda Pkwy, Aurora, CO 80012. The funding would be used to assist in the construction of two new buildings, an emergency shelter and a transitional housing building, to house victims of domestic violence. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Gateway remains the only agency providing emergency shelter and supportive services to victims of domestic violence in the City of Aurora and Arapahoe and Adams Counties. Lack of affordable housing in the area combined with other factors negatively impacts survivors and is a pediment to their road to recovery. Safe housing combined with wraparound support services is key to survivor success.

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,

Jason Crow

Member of Congress