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May 3, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$7,000,000 in funding for the City of Lakeville - FiRST Center, First Responders Skills Training Center in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this City of Lakeville, 20195 Holyoke Avenue, Lakeville, MN 55044.

The funding will be used for the redevelopment of an underutilized property owned by the City of Lakeville, into a first responder training facility to meet the needs of the region. The facility is proposed to provide not only firearm training, but tactical and de-escalation training for regional public safety departments. The site is 5+ acres and currently used only for overflow interior and exterior public works storage.

This project is a good use of taxpayer dollars because it will continue to invest in public safety for the city and surrounding area. The currently underutilized property is 65+ years old and has deteriorated past its useful life, is uninsulated and not building or accessibility code compliant. This project proposes to demo that building and construct a new 100 year facility serving city, county and state public safety departments in the region. The proposed project will provide a new code and energy compliant structure to fulfill a regional need, better utilize the site, provide for parking and improve the on-site storm water management system.

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,



Angie Craig
Member of Congress