

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4329

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
2000 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C., 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C., 20515

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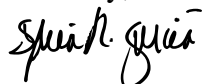
Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Houston Food Bank Collective Impact Expansion in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Houston Food Bank located at 535 Portwall Street Houston, TX 77029. The funding would be used to create a one-stop destination for community well-being and success by co-locating 10 partner organizations for integrated services in one building. The new building will also almost quadruple storage space for produce and other nutritious food. The aspect of the project for which we are requesting funding is construction of a pre-cast garage and associated inspection fees as well as kitchen equipment. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure food security for residents and deliver other valuable services to develop the community.

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



Sylvia R. Garcia
Member of Congress