

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

March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman,  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member,  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Shields Up NextGen School Safety Initiative project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Pasadena Independent School District, located at 3920 Mickey Gilley Blvd, Pasadena, TX 77505. The funding would be used to identify possible threats and prevent or deescalate incidents, and, additionally, improve the safety infrastructure of an aging school campus. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help support seamless communication efforts across the school district's 65 campuses and increase strong safety perimeters for 18 schools in Pasadena, TX.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is aligned with the purposes of section 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither is anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Member of Congress