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The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

As you draft fiscal year 2022 appropriations legislation, I write to request consideration of the following Community Project Funding requests submitted to my office:

- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Plant Germplasm Research Facility**
  - **Amount:** \$23,989,000
  - **Recipient:** University of Wisconsin – Madison
  - **Address:** 97 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706
  - **Purpose:** To replace a long-outdated plant breeding facility and support USDA’s vital agricultural research. The new facility will house more than 50 faculty – including 10 USDA scientists – and provide hands-on training opportunities to over 150 postdoctoral researchers, graduate students, and undergraduate students.
  
- **Stateline Boys & Girls Club – Beloit, WI Facility Construction**
  - **Amount:** \$500,000
  - **Recipient:** Stateline Boys & Girls Club
  - **Address:** 1851 Moore Street  
Beloit, WI 53511
  - **Purpose:** To build a new, larger, more centrally located, more visible, and more accessible Boys & Girls Club facility in Beloit, WI, replacing the existing facility constructed in 1960.

- **City of Madison, WI Men’s Homeless Shelter**
  - **Amount:** \$1,000,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Madison
  - **Address:** 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
P.O. Box 2983  
Madison, WI 53701
  - **Purpose:** To support the City of Madison, in collaboration with Dane County, to purchase and renovate a vacant commercial building for use as a full-service homeless men’s shelter serving at least 200 men. This shelter will replace the area’s only men’s shelter which operated for 35 years from cramped quarters in a downtown church basement. The shelter was forced to close during the COVID pandemic, and the city has been relying upon temporary arrangements in public buildings until a permanent location could be found.
  
- **Center for Black Excellence & Culture – Madison, WI Planning and Construction**
  - **Amount:** \$1,000,000
  - **Recipient:** Center for Black Excellence & Culture
  - **Address:** 655 West Badger Road  
Madison, WI 53713
  - **Purpose:** To provide for a portion of the planning for and construction of an estimated \$22 million Center for Black Excellence & Culture in Madison, WI, providing 55,000 sq. ft. of space dedicated to Black enterprise, art, history, performance, and culture.
  
- **City of Reedsburg, WI Community Center**
  - **Amount:** \$220,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Reedsburg
  - **Address:** 134 S. Locust Street  
Reedsburg, WI 53959
  - **Purpose:** To renovate a decommissioned elementary school into a community center.

- **Centro Hispano of Dane County, WI Facility Construction**
  - **Amount:** \$200,000
  - **Recipient:** Centro Hispano of Dane County
  - **Address:** 810 West Badger Road  
Madison, WI 53713
  - **Purpose:** To contribute to the rebuilding of the Centro Hispano of Dane County in Madison, Wisconsin. This project will add more space for programming and classes – including workforce development programs, family support services, career development, and immigration support – to serve a larger portion of the local Latinx community.
  
- **Aging & Disability Resource Center – Green County, WI Rural Health Outreach**
  - **Amount:** \$200,000
  - **Recipient:** Green County Human Services, Aging & Disability Resource Center
  - **Address:** N3152 State Road 81  
Monroe, WI 53586
  - **Purpose:** To create a mobile health outreach unit, hire a staff person for the mobile unit, and create a fitness trail in an existing local park.
  
- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Next Generation Scanning High-Resolution Interferometer Sounder (S-HIS) Aircraft Instrument**
  - **Amount:** \$1,200,000
  - **Recipient:** University of Wisconsin – Madison
  - **Address:** 97 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706
  - **Purpose:** This award would support the development of a next generation aircraft instrument that has been used by NASA, NOAA, and the Dept. of Energy for more than 20 years. The S-HIS is recognized as a key government asset that is crucial for weather satellite calibration validation and studying weather phenomenon such as hurricanes and severe storms.

- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Small Business Development Center**
  - **Amount:** \$173,507
  - **Recipient:** Wisconsin Small Business Development Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison
  - **Address:** 97 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706
  - **Purpose:** To support a Small Business Accounting and Projections Clinic to assist start-up and growth-minded entrepreneurs with no-cost financial management education and one-on-one assistance to create financial projections for business plans.
  
- **Education Partnership for Innovation in Communities Network (EPIC-N)**
  - **Amount:** \$1,000,000
  - **Recipient:** Education Partnership for Innovation in Communities Network (EPIC-N)
  - **Address:** 5936 Seminole Centre Court, Suite 105  
Fitchburg, WI 53711
  - **Purpose:** To support the work of EPIC-N, a rapidly growing network of approximately 50 universities across the country that use the “EPIC model” of matching declared community needs to university resources (such as faculty expertise and student project learning hours). EPIC-N has completed more than 1,5000 projects in more than 250 communities.
  
- **Urban League of Greater Madison, WI – Black Business Hub Accelerator Program**
  - **Amount:** \$1,000,000
  - **Recipient:** Urban League of Greater Madison
  - **Address:** 2222 S. Park Street  
Madison, WI 53713
  - **Purpose:** To provide support to historically under-represented populations within Madison, WI’s entrepreneurial ecosystem and provide technical assistance and training services inspired in part by the City of Madison’s MarketReady Program.

- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Odyssey Project**
  - **Amount:** \$500,000
  - **Recipient:** University of Wisconsin – Madison
  - **Address:** 97 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706
  - **Purpose:** To provide free college courses and wrap-around support to adult learners in need, as well as pre-college enrichment for their children. Additionally, to support courses for incarcerated learners.
  
- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Historic Structures Assessment Systems**
  - **Amount:** \$5,000,000
  - **Recipient:** University of Wisconsin – Madison
  - **Address:** 97 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706
  - **Purpose:** To develop non-destructive evaluation techniques to be applied toward the evaluation of building element assessments of historic structures.
  
- **University of Wisconsin – Madison Traumatic Brain Injury Research**
  - **Amount:** \$2,500,000
  - **Recipient:** University of Wisconsin – Madison
  - **Address:** 97 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706
  - **Purpose:** To develop a novel methodology for detecting and detailing cellular injury signatures to inform new point-of-care diagnosis and detection strategies for traumatic brain injuries.
  
- **City of Madison, WI Blackhawk Pond Outlet Retrofit**
  - **Amount:** \$725,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Madison
  - **Address:** 210 Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703
  - **Purpose:** To reconstruct and lower the outlet structure of Blackhawk Pond, construct an overflow for Blackhawk Pond, and reconstruct and lower the storm sewer under Swallowtail Road.

- **City of Madison, WI Vision Zero**
  - **Amount:** \$2,000,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Madison
  - **Address:** 210 Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703
  - **Purpose:** To support Madison’s Vision Zero, a data driven and equity-centered strategy intended to eliminate traffic deaths and severe injuries on city streets by 2030 by improving pedestrian, bicycle, and motor vehicle safety for all users at high injury intersections.
  
- **City of Madison, WI Water Main Rehabilitation**
  - **Amount:** \$1,125,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Madison
  - **Address:** Madison Water Utility  
119 E. Olin Avenue  
Madison, WI 53713
  - **Purpose:** To replace and rehabilitate approximately 5,750 feet of existing water mains along Nakoosa Trail, Ziegler Road, Redland Drive, Bewick Drive, and Pulley Drive in the City of Madison’s Sycamore Plan District.
  
- **Children’s Service Society of Wisconsin Mental and Behavioral Health Services**
  - **Amount:** \$200,000
  - **Recipient:** Children’s Service Society of Wisconsin
  - **Address:** 1716 Fordem Avenue  
Madison, WI 53704
  - **Purpose:** To expand Children’s Service Society of Wisconsin’s school-based mental and behavioral health services into two middle schools in Wisconsin’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District.
  
- **WISCAP Wisconsin Homeownership Network**
  - **Amount:** \$250,000
  - **Recipient:** Wisconsin Community Action Program Association, Inc. (WISCAP)
  - **Address:** 30 W. Mifflin Street, Suite 406  
Madison, WI 53703
  - **Purpose:** To create a homeownership network in Wisconsin that will coordinate financial institutions, trade associations, corporations, small businesses, government entities, non-profits, and other housing-related entities into a consortium that will improve homeownership rates in struggling communities.

- **SWCAP Lafayette County, WI Community Facility**
  - **Amount:** \$1.7 million
  - **Recipient:** Southern Wisconsin Community Action Program, Inc.
  - **Address:** 149 North Iowa Street  
Dodgeville, WI 53533
  - **Purpose:** To construct a community facility that will house an expanded Head Start program and medical clinic for moderate and low-income families.
  
- **Access Community Health Center – Dodgeville Dental Clinic**
  - **Amount:** \$250,000
  - **Recipient:** Access Community Health Centers, Inc.
  - **Address:** 2901 W. Beltline Highway, Suite 120  
Madison, WI 53713
  - **Purpose:** To expand the Dodgeville Dental Clinic by adding four new dental operatories, installing an elevator, and updating the HVAC system to serve an additional 2,000 patients per year.
  
- **UW Health – Connect Rx Wisconsin**
  - **Amount:** \$3,000,000
  - **Recipient:** UW Health
  - **Address:** 7974 UW Health Ct.  
Middleton, WI 53562
  - **Purpose:** To develop and deploy Connect Rx Wisconsin, a comprehensive care coordination model intended to build household income and improve health outcomes by integrating healthcare and social services within electronic health records.
  
- **City of Baraboo, WI Fire Dept. and Dist. Ambulance Service – Tech & Equipment**
  - **Amount:** \$2,167,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Baraboo
  - **Address:** 101 South Blvd.  
Baraboo, WI 53913
  - **Purpose:** To purchase needed technology and equipment for the City of Baraboo, WI fire department and ambulance service.

- **Forward Service Corp. – JAG-WI**
  - **Amount:** \$135,182
  - **Recipient:** Forward Service Corporation
  - **Address:** American Parkway, Suite 301  
Madison, WI 53718
  - **Purpose:** To support the JAG-WI program at the Prairie Phoenix Academy in the Sun Prairie, WI School District.
  
- **Arts Wisconsin – Placemaking**
  - **Amount:** \$120,000
  - **Recipient:** Arts Wisconsin
  - **Address:** 451 N. Few St.  
Madison, WI 53703
  - **Purpose:** To support research measuring the impact of creative development and placemaking on rural community growth and well-being, perform a regional inventory of community cultural assets, host planning consultations with regional organizations to develop action plans focused on economic vitality, and hold placemaking workshops to inform municipal and county elected officials about placemaking opportunities.
  
- **City of Fitchburg, WI Stormwater Management Climate Change Resiliency Project**
  - **Amount:** \$848,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Fitchburg, Wisconsin
  - **Address:** 5520 Lacy Road  
Fitchburg, WI 53711
  - **Purpose:** To improve the resiliency of Fitchburg’s stormwater management system by investing in comprehensive solutions that emphasize green infrastructure and promote groundwater recharge where possible.
  
- **City of Fitchburg, WI – N. Fish Hatcher Rd. Community Hub Project**
  - **Amount:** \$400,000
  - **Recipient:** City of Fitchburg, Wisconsin
  - **Address:** 5520 Lacy Road  
Fitchburg, WI 53711
  - **Purpose:** To support the development of a community “hub” that will consist of enhanced park space on the north side of Traceway Drive in Phase 1 and a community center on the south side of Traceway Drive in Phase 2.



- **Focused Interruption Violence Prevention Programming – Madison, WI**
  - **Amount:** \$250,000
  - **Recipient:** Focused Interruption
  - **Address:** 31 S. Mills St.  
Madison, WI 53715
  - **Purpose:** To implement evidenced-based violence prevention programming in Madison, WI, an area in which more than 50 people were shot last year – more than double the number of persons shot in 2018 and 2019 combined.
  
- **Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County, WI – Planning and Land Acquisition**
  - **Amount:** \$4,000,000
  - **Recipient:** Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County
  - **Address:** 800 Clay Street  
Darlington, WI 53530
  - **Purpose:** To support the replacement of a 69-year old hospital in Darlington, WI.
  
- **Wisconsin Cranberry Research Station**
  - **Amount:** \$400,000
  - **Recipient:** Wisconsin Cranberry Research and Education Foundation
  - **Address:** N3206 Janke Road  
Black River Falls, WI 54615
  - **Purpose:** To construct a machine shed and shop at the Wisconsin Cranberry Research Station, the state’s first major research facility for cranberry production.

I thank you for your full and fair consideration of these requests. I certify neither I, nor my immediate family, have any financial interest in these Community Project Funding requests, and I have made them publicly available on my website at the following address: <https://pocan.house.gov/community-and-member-designated-project-requests>. Please do not hesitate to contact me anytime with any questions or concerns, and your staff may contact David Bagby of my staff at (202) 225-2906 or david.bagby@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,



Mark Pocan  
Member of Congress