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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Breaking the Cycle of Interpersonal Violence in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Ruby's Place, located at 20880 Baker Rd, Castro Valley, CA 94546-5729. The funding would be used for expanding the capacity of Restorative Action for Family Transformation (RAFT).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it strengthens coordination between the justice system and community-based services in order to reduce repeat system involvement. Expanded capacity will allow more eligible referrals to be accepted and served, rather than being turned away due to limited diversion funding. The project also integrates substance use disorder treatment and recovery through a standing partnership with Riley Recovery Centers, which provides services to adults engaged through RAFT and to youth through the Restorative Pathways drop-in center in Castro Valley. This combination of diversion capacity and treatment access supports public safety goals by addressing factors that often contribute to repeat offending and continued justice contact.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,



Member of Congress