

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

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the construction of the Center of Healing, Teaching, and Learning in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Louis D Brown Peace Institute, located at 15 Christopher Street Dorchester, MA 02122. The funding would be used for the construction of a Center of Healing, Teaching, and Learning, to deliver essential services and for extending our reach, amplifying our mission to serve families and communities impacted by murder, trauma, grief, and loss. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would support the Louis D Brown Peace Institutes capacity to interrupt cycles of violence and trauma and reduce instances of community violence.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, 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,



Ayanna Pressley
Member of Congress