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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 Roxbury Worx Program in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is The American City Coalition (TACC), located at 2136 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02119. The funding would be used for the Roxbury Worx Program, a workforce development program with a focus on formerly incarcerated individuals. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Roxbury Worx is a diversion program that leverages job training and hiring commitments from employers to reduce recidivism and promote economic mobility.

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