

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2506

March 19th, 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 Teen Empowerment's Visions for the Future in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Center for Teen Empowerment, located at 130 Warren Street Boston, MA 02119. The funding would be used for Visions for the Future which provides mentoring, emotional support, and job training to successfully support emerging adults, ages 17-24. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would reduce community violence, decrease recidivism, and support public safety programming.

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