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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

As you begin crafting the Fiscal Year 2026 Commerce, Justice, Science and related agencies bill, I respectfully request \$2,000,000 in funding for the Dallas Police Department in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Dallas, located at 1500 Marilla Street Dallas Texas.

The funding would be used for the program goal to "weed out" violent crime, gang activity, drug use, and drug trafficking in targeted, high-crime neighborhoods while "seeding" the neighborhood with social and economic revitalization. The project is an appropriate use of the taxpayer funds because a Weed & Seed program would complement and bolster the Dallas Police Department's Violent Crime Reduction Plan modeled after the original federal program.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for purposes authorized by the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,



Beth Van Duyne
Member of Congress