



May 2, 2025

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

The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$793,600 in funding for the **Expanding Access to Children's Health's Critical Child Abuse Services for Children Across North Texas** project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Children's Health Systems of Texas, located at 1935 Medical District Drive, Dallas, TX 75235. The funding would be used to hire medical providers specially trained and certified in Child Abuse Pediatrics who serve at-risk youth in North Texas. The funding will also be used for supplies, equipment, and other resources necessary to provide assistance to the children who have been victims of abuse, neglect, and other crimes. These child abuse pediatricians work alongside the Dallas Police Department, Dallas Children's Advocacy Center, the District Attorney's Office, and Child Protective Services (CPS) while utilizing the resources and medical subspecialties at Children's Health, many of which can be found nowhere else in the region.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these funds ensure children across North Texas who endure abuse and neglect receive the most accurate diagnoses and comprehensive, highest quality care.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie E. Johnson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Julie E. Johnson
Member of Congress