



March 26, 2026

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 \$500,000 in funding for the **City of Dallas Forest Audelia Community Center** project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Dallas, located at 1500 Marilla Street, Dallas, TX 75201. The funding would be used to transform a vacant shopping center into a neighborhood park and multipurpose center. The funds will be used to construct the community center, which will include a new recreation center, library, police station, and boxing gym.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because residents currently lack a centralized community hub where families can access recreation, educational programming, and city-supported services. The Forest Audelia Community Center will directly address these issues by providing safe indoor space, reducing service gaps, and expanding opportunities for youth, families, and seniors.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 5305(a)(2).

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