

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the "Changing the Trajectory of Delinquency and Violence" project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Kennedy Krieger Institute (KKI), located at 1132 Annapolis Road Odenton, MD 21113. The funding would be used to support early intervention that decreases instances of serious criminality. Approaches to address delinquency and violence vary. One method is to intervene as early as possible on known risk factors such that later, more serious problems are avoided. This not only reduces the overall amount of crime and delinquency, but is a much less expensive strategy. The aims of the intervention approaches by KKI are designed to not only address immediate Behavioral Health problems, but to also impact juvenile delinquency, violence prevention, and reduce crime. These KKI services include several community outreach components including the Military and Family Committee of the Ft. Meade Alliance, as well as other military families organized by the Ft. Meade installation. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because violence prevention and crime reduction are public safety issues. Through KKI's work, young people on the wrong path will be given the tools to make better choices.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 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 "Steny Hoyer", written over a horizontal line.

STENY H. HOYER
Member of Congress