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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for The Connect – Lexington Park project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Reach Back and Lift 1, Inc. located at PO Box 101, Lexington Park, MD 20653.

The funding would be used to purchase, renovate, and repurpose a local property in order to house the following services: entrepreneur hub, retail boot camp program, community engagement initiatives, violence prevention. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will create a community resource in St. Mary's County's most impoverished area.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress