

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Chairman Tom Cole
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro
House Appropriations Committee
2313 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Johnstown Public Safety Center project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Johnstown, located at 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901. The funding would be used to construct new police and fire facilities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed project will allow for construction of a new fire and police headquarters to better serve the community and support the health and well-being of first responders. This will significantly increase the capacity of fire, EMS, and police staff to respond to fire and medical emergencies, combat crime, connect citizens to other public resources, tackle the opioid addiction crisis, and ensure the safety of students. It will also aid these departments in both hiring and retention of first responders, which has been an ongoing challenge for this community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by one or more of the following eligible uses of the Community Development Fund (CDF): 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4), and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Joyce". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Joyce" clearly distinguishable.

John Joyce, M.D.

Member of Congress