

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3808

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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the City of Scranton Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Training Center in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is The City of Scranton, located at 340 N Washington Ave., Scranton, PA, 18503.

The funding would be used to construct and equip a mixed-use facility that will serve as a central coordination hub for disaster response. The EOC's primary functions will include situational awareness, resource management, operational planning and public information management. The proposed project will support incident management operations across multiple functional disciplines for the benefit of Lackawanna County and surrounding municipalities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure adequate emergency management coordination and public safety measures are in place in the event of a crisis or a natural disaster.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

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

Sincerely,



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