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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Burke County Health & Human Services Building Renovation project in Fiscal Year 2026.


The entity to receive funding for this project is Burke County, located at 200 Avery Avenue, Morganton, North Carolina, 28655.

The funding would be used to renovate Burke County's health and human services building, which is more than 50 years old and in dire need of rehab. Burke County has a population of 90,000, of which approximately 35,000 are Medicaid recipients. The building also serves as a community asset that can facilitate community meetings and seminars. There are 250 county staff who work in the building every day. The \$7,000,000 allocation would be used to renovate the entire 65,000 square foot building. The total renovation budget is \$20,000,000.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Burke County Health Department serves as the home for essential programs that provide critical support to families, seniors, children, and vulnerable populations across the county. Constructed over 50 years ago, the building is now facing structural, mechanical, and functional challenges that hinder its ability to efficiently serve the public.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Tim Moore
Member of Congress