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April 30, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Court Advocacy and HIRE Up Program in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Avenues for Justice, Inc. located at 100 Centre Street, Room 1541, New York, NY 10013. The funding will be used to support the HIRE Up program, connecting formerly incarcerated young people to services and workshops such as for workforce development, job readiness with certifications, digital and financial literacy, and additional skill based learning to keep them out of jail and prison. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will keep young people from further involvement with the criminal justice system, helping to decrease crime in the neighborhood and ensure local law enforcement resources are focused in other priorities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with 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,

Dan Goldman
Member of Congress