

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the City of Salem's Reducing Community Violence through Trust-Building and Smart Policing project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Salem. This project is located at 555 Liberty St. SE, Salem, OR 97301.

Funds will be used to add a crime analyst, software and hardware necessary for receiving and disseminating real-time intelligence, and two officers dedicated to acting on the intelligence and conducting community outreach with the funded position. These resources will shortly be used for convening stakeholders, developing a community-based strategy, securing memorandums of understanding with community partners, reducing shootings by 5 to 10 percent a year, and improving information sharing, transparency, and coordination with partners. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because violent crime has risen in Salem, and this project will help the community reduce violent crime in the future.

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



Andrea Salinas
Member of Congress