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May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,598,923 for the Village of Hope in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, located at 401 Fort Road, Toppenish, WA 98948.

The funding would be used to renovate 25 warehouse units, which currently serve up to 100 homeless individuals, and construct 9 new units, which will serve up to 40 additional homeless individuals within the Village of Hope. The current application waiting list is up to forty-six chronically homeless families within the community, and the number is rising. The project completion would address the unmet needs of the chronically homeless and provide vulnerable individuals and families on the Yakima reservation with resources, support, and guidance to minimize their barrier to finding permanent housing and improving their quality of life.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will address the critical and unique needs of Native American residents on the Yakima reservation that are faced with multifaceted challenges, including limited transportation, absence of credit history, unemployment, overcoming complex trauma, mental health issues diagnosed and undiagnosed, and lack of primary education. The project will also support long term reductions in criminal justice costs and recidivism rates as the Village's wrap-around services support safe and sustainable housing.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4). 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 "Dan Newhouse".

Dan Newhouse
Member of Congress