April 30, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $3,000,000 for Corvallis Housing First’s Southtown Permanent Supported Housing Project within the Committee’s Community Project Funding effort in Fiscal Year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Corvallis Housing First, located at 2311 NW Van Buren Ave., Corvallis, OR 97330.

The funding would be used to develop additional and better-suited units of Permanent Supported Housing (PSH). The project recipient is Corvallis Housing First – they strive to provide solutions to homelessness, specifically focusing on providing housing and case management services for individuals experiencing homelessness. Currently, they offer 39 units of supported housing in Corvallis, but, as experts in the community, their estimates show that between 150 to 200 individuals are in need of this resource in our community. Corvallis Housing First recently purchased a property, an old Budget Inn, as well as over a half-acre of land that is appropriately zoned and near services to best serve people in need of PSH. This recent purchase, combined with the funding from this project, offers a very unique opportunity to develop additional housing that is appropriate, accessible, and healthy.

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

Sincerely,

Peter A. DeFazio
Member of Congress