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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
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 for Eugene Civic Park community facility improvements within the Committee's Community Project Funding effort in Fiscal Year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Eugene Civic Alliance located at 2077 Willamette Street, Eugene, Oregon 97405.

The funding would be used to execute capital improvements, including excavation, a new retaining wall, and pad for bleacher seating, for Eugene Civic Alliance's historic Civic Stadium to expand capacity. Eugene's shortage of athletic facilities inhibits its ability to host sports events and tournaments, preventing our community from fully accessing the growing sports tourism industry.

To deliver this project, Eugene Civic Alliance will remove the Civic Stadium's existing wall, damaged by a fire that destroyed the historic Civic Stadium in 2015, stabilize the hillside, and install 1,000 bleacher seats. Completing Civic Park and the grandstand will provide a space for Eugene to host not only youth sports tournaments, sports camps and clinics, but also community festivals and similar events. These events will boost our local economy by attracting out-of-town visitors and increasing traffic to local businesses. This project will help bring spectator sports back to Civic – supporting the local economy while providing residents the opportunity to enjoy a game or an event in their beloved park.

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

Sincerely,

Peter A. DeFazio
Member of Congress