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April 26, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$500,000 in funding for the Association House of Chicago (AHC)-Expansion of Workforce Development Programs in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Association House of Chicago, located at 1116 N. Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, 60651.

This funding would be used to expand workforce development training. AHC seeks to expand capacity to serve hundreds more participants annually through its BankWork\$ Financial Careers, CareerWork\$ Ready and NextJob Training programs, and to inaugurate its Transitions to Culinary Careers/Kitchen Training program, a 200-hour food preparation curriculum leading to industry credentials and job placements.

\$500,000 of CPF funding will expand workforce development capacity with AHC, doubling the number of trainees to 280, and doubling the economic impact in the region to \$12,125,568 of new annual income generated in the Chicago region. Given the mobility of the newly trained workers, the expansion program will increase economic development, economic stability through living-wage jobs and reduce unemployment in Illinois through the provision of qualified workers to Illinois businesses. The program will also improve public health by directly addressing public determinants, increasing healthcare access through employer-provided healthcare and a concurrently impacting public benefits enrollments.

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

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress