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April 26, 2021

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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for a Juvenile Justice Diversion - Mental Health Services and Substance Abuse Treatment/Prevention Program in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corporation a (501(c)3), located at 4300 Lyons Avenue, Suite 300, Houston, TX 77339.

Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corporation and Pleasant Hill Ministries along with partners from Harris County District Attorney's Office and Juvenile Probation created the Center for Urban Transformation (CUT). In August 2019 under the financial oversight and administration of Fifth Ward Community Development Corporation (FWCRC), FWCRC+CUT launched its first critically needed community program: Juvenile Justice Diversion, which has assisted on average 100 children each year. The funding if awarded will allow expansion of the program would support the provision of services outside of Fifth Ward to serve other at-risk youth.

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

Sincerely,



Sheila Jackson Lee  
Member of Congress