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The Honorable Hal Rogers
Chairman
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
and Science
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Matt Cartwright
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
and Science
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Rogers and Ranking Member Cartwright,

I am requesting funding for the Innovation in Public Safety: Advanced Training Pathways for Formerly Incarcerated Ohioans project in the fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO) Cleveland, located at 1500 Hamilton Ave., Cleveland, OH 44114. The funding would go to support CEO Participant Training Tuition and pay for participant stipends and support services. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves public safety in a sustainable way that will build safer communities, all while meeting the growing workforce needs in the Cleveland community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress