



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Tipton Montgomery Drive Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Tipton, Iowa, located at 407 Lynn Street, Tipton, IA 52772.

The funding would be used to convert an existing one lane, gravel Access Road into a concrete, curb and gutter, residential street with an accompanying parallel 10-foot-wide concrete pedestrian/bicycle trail. The new street will be called "Montgomery Drive." The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Montgomery Drive will pass through a 20-acre area of undeveloped land and open it up to single-family residential development. This project will help solve the housing crisis in Tipton by opening a large area for development allowing more residents to move to the city and contribute to the economic development of this community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Mariannette J. Miller Meeks
Mariannette Miller-Meeks, M.D.
Member of Congress