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INTELLIGENCE

Chairman Tom Cole  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Washington DC 20515

Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Washington DC 20515

May 1, 2025

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Reentry Works, in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Connections Work (formerly Berks Connections/Pretrial Services), located at 19 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Reading, PA 19601. The funding would be used to provide comprehensive case managed reentry workforce development to increase skills and societal productivity. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will increase workforce skills for those soon to be released from county jail and thereby reduce recidivism rates, and provide necessary support and oversight for successful reintegration.

The project is eligible through the Department of Justice and has a Federal nexus 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chrissy Houlahan".

Chrissy Houlahan  
Member of Congress, PA-06