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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Uplifting and Empowering Families through Energy Efficiency in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is San Antonio Metropolitan Ministry, Inc. dba SAMMinistries, located at 1919 NW Loop 410 Suite 100 San Antonio, TX 78213. The funding would be used for a rehabilitation project aimed at improving the energy efficiency of the Transitional Living and Learning Center (TLLC) at SAMMinistries. The project will replace old windows, installing select Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners, and fit shut-off valves in resident showers in the 60-year-old building.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because SAMMinistries has successfully owned and operated the community's largest transitional housing facility for families experiencing homelessness for over 22 years. The TLLC serves children and families in San Antonio and Bexar County who are experiencing literal homelessness. 40 local families call the facility home for up to two years while they work to overcome homelessness.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by U.S. Code 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,



Joaquin Castro
Member of Congress