

Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard Fiscal Year 2010 Appropriations Requests

Commerce, Justice, and Science

Project Name: Champions of Change: Youth Soccer Gang Prevention Initiative

Recipient: U.S. Soccer Foundation

Recipient Address: 1211 Connecticut Avenue, NW, #500, Washington, DC 20036

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Champions of Change initiative funds pilot programs across the country – in this case *Red Shield* in Los Angeles in the 34th Congressional District – to demonstrate the effectiveness of using soccer as a tool for keeping at-risk children and teenagers from joining gangs. Utilizing existing grant mechanisms, the U.S. Soccer Foundation would leverage federal funding with existing Foundation infrastructure resources to provide grants to locally-based soccer programs in the urban communities that are most heavily affected by gang violence. As reported in the 2006 National Youth Gang Survey, some 785,000 gang members and 26,500 gangs were active in more than 3,400 U.S. jurisdictions in 2006. According to the Department of Justice, prevention is a critical strategy within a comprehensive response to gangs. The sport of soccer is now recognized as a powerful magnet to successfully attract at-risk youth to innovative educational programs that provide positive alternatives to the negative peer pressures that so often lead to gang involvement and juvenile delinquency. Investing in youth who are at high risk for gang participation and empowering them with soccer-based leadership responsibilities and workforce development opportunities would provide a significant contribution to an environment of sustainable social change on a national scale, particularly in Hispanic and other ethnic communities where soccer has such a strong cultural influence.

Requested Amount: \$200,000

Project Name: Chrysalis Ex-Offender and Homeless Job Training Initiative

Recipient: Chrysalis – Changing Lives Through Jobs

Recipient Address: 522 S. Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The funding will enable Chrysalis to provide expanded employment services to help economically disadvantaged individuals work toward self-sufficiency. Specifically, the ex-offender program seeks to significantly reduce recidivism, providing a vital service to all levels of government. Moreover, this unique program benefits the local and national economy by immediately creating jobs for individuals who have few, if any, viable employment opportunities. With a focused program to help individuals reattach to the workforce and retain their jobs, Chrysalis offers a strategic path to a hopeful future, and successfully increases the safety and security of Los Angeles by helping ex-offenders who might otherwise resort to criminal activity. The ex-offender program will serve between 250 and 350 people this year.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Community Law Enforcement and Recovery (CLEAR) Program

Recipient: City of Los Angeles

Recipient Address: City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Room 303, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

CLEAR works to facilitate the recovery of gang-infested communities by decreasing gang crime in targeted communities through an effective collaboration with City and County criminal justice agencies. The City of Los Angeles is home to numerous gangs and gang members. As of July 2007, the Los Angeles Police Department identified 430 active gangs. Within the City there is estimated to be over 40,800 gang members. The CLEAR program is a necessary tool in combating LA's gang activity and has had a verifiable impact in decreasing gang crime and on maintaining lower levels of gang crime. The CLEAR team includes the Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County Probation Department, Los Angeles City Attorney, Los Angeles County District Attorney, California Department of Corrections, and Los Angeles Mayor's Office. Community members have been meaningfully engaged in the process of community recovery, and government agencies, both within and outside the criminal justice system, have created innovative mechanisms to collaborate amongst themselves and with these communities. The success of CLEAR is remarkable: as of October 2008, year-to-date gang crime in CLEAR sites is down 7.4%; gang-related violent crime is down 12.9%; overall Part I crime (property and violent crimes) is down 3.8%; and Part I violent crime is down 4%.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: The Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program for Infants and Toddlers

Recipient: Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)

Recipient Address: 201 Centre Drive, Suite 3, Monterey Park, CA 91754-2142

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

CASA of Los Angeles is requesting \$375,000 in conjunction with the Zero to Three Los Angeles program (located in downtown Los Angeles in the 34th Congressional District) for a specialized program focusing on early intervention and permanent placement for infants and toddlers (ages 0-3) in the foster care system. This funding will enable CASA of Los Angeles, in conjunction with Zero to Three, to recruit, train, and supervise CASA volunteers who will effectively address the unique needs of infants and toddlers (0-3) under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles dependency court. Across the country, nearly 500,000 abused, neglected and abandoned children are in foster care. Approximately 21,500 of those children are in Los Angeles County, making it the largest foster care system in the nation. Research has shown that very young children in the child welfare system are at great risk for long-term harm because their brains are developing more rapidly than at any other time in their lives. By age three, a child's brain is 85% of its adult size. Early relationships (most often with parents) provide the foundation that determines whether a baby's brain is hard-wired for social and emotional well-being or isolation and failure. Early trauma and stress alter brain development and the way chronically neglected or abused children view the world. Maltreated babies are at greatest risk for future school failure, juvenile justice system involvement, and other poor developmental outcomes.

Requested Amount: \$375,000

Project Name: Hollenbeck PAL

Recipient: The Hollenbeck Police Activities League (PAL)

Recipient Address: 1505 E. 1st Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The *Good News Kids (GNK)* program is an innovative youth development program that

combines leadership development and digital communications training to empower and motivate middle-school-age children to achieve their academic and life goals. Through a fourteen-week intensive course, program participants will gain essential skills in verbal, non-verbal and written communication, critical thinking and research skills and using digital technology. Youth who successfully complete the leadership training lessons advance to “The Good News Team,” the digital journalism segment of the program. PAL will offer one session of Good News Kids per semester and will offer an additional intensive summer session for advanced students. The Hollenbeck Police Activities League (PAL) was founded in 1992, through the efforts of the Hollenbeck Division of the Los Angeles Police Department and community residents, to implement activities for high-risk youths in response to the juvenile crime increase in the area.

Requested Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: Strengthening Family and Mental Health Services for Underserved Youth in Los Angeles County

Recipient: Phoenix House

Recipient Address: 11652 Eldridge Ave, Lake View Terrace, CA 91342

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

To ensure community reintegration of youth in their care, Phoenix Academy of Los Angeles will use funds to expand its substance abuse recovery management services, which include outpatient, mental health, family, and vocational services. Phoenix Academy will expand services and improve the effectiveness of interventions for youth in crisis, prior to involvement with the juvenile justice system; enrich the scope of family services to engage parents and guardians in the recovery process of troubled youth; strengthen mental health services; and enhance long-term recovery by providing outpatient treatment services and referrals to other providers in the community. In contrast to the national trend of declining drug use among teens, Los Angeles County shows a growing number of arrests and admissions to publicly-funded addiction treatment facilities. The National Drug Threat Assessment 2009 shows that Los Angeles remains the largest illegal drug production and distribution center in the country. According to 2006 U.S. Census Bureau population data, over 1 million youth aged 12-18 live in Los Angeles County and over 70,000 of these adolescents cycle through its juvenile justice system – the world’s largest. Research studies have demonstrated a high correlation between criminal activity and adolescent drug use. Phoenix Academy of Los Angeles is the only facility providing long-term residential substance abuse treatment for adolescents in the county, with a capacity to house 120 young people.

Requested Amount: \$400,000

Defense

Project Name: California Enhanced Defense Small Manufacturing Suppliers Program

Recipient: California Manufacturing Technology Consulting

Recipient Address: 690 Knox Street, Suite 200, Torrance, CA 90502

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used for the California Manufacturing Technology Consulting (CMTC) to assist with development and deployment of its rapid response small business defense manufacturing supply chain program to meet urgent defense requirements to reduce costs, eliminate shortages and expand suppliers for parts and equipment. Small and medium-sized manufacturers (SMMs)

are critical to defense readiness and CMTC's defense supply chain program is working with California's vast network of 30,000 manufacturing suppliers, including those located in the 34th Congressional district, to develop systems and techniques to engage and expand SMMs in California to provide a cost-effective, secure, rapid response supply capability to the Department.
Requested Amount: \$3,700,000

Project Name: Go For Broke National Education Center

Recipient: Go For Broke National Education Center

Recipient Address: 371 Amapola Avenue, Suite 110, Torrance, CA 90502

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Go For Broke National Education Center will be a state-of-the-art learning center and memorial located in downtown Los Angeles, designed to develop character and leadership skills in young Americans based on the values of unwavering loyalty, patriotic service to Nation, personal strength and determination as embodied in those Japanese Americans who honorably and courageously served our Nation during a time of great peril, fear, mistrust and suspicion. Congress has previously called attention to the need to educate the public about the lessons learned from the internment of Japanese Americans during WWII. The Go For Broke National Education Center will fulfill this Congressional mandate by providing an interactive education experience to thousands of visitors and by training high school teachers so they can effectively teach about the Go For Broke veterans' sacrifices and service.

Requested Amount: \$6,000,000

Project Name: Low Cost Titanium Satellite Propellant Tank Shell

Recipient: ATK Space Systems Spacecraft Systems

Recipient Address: 6033 East Bandini Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

ATK Commerce will pioneer alternative manufacturing methods using DARPA developed low-cost titanium powder and powder metallurgy to fabricate high quality, low cost tanks through processing methodologies and capabilities that enable high-volume, near-net fabrication of simple and complex tank shapes with almost no raw material loss. This efficient process has the potential to improve tank strength, maneuver performance and corrosion resistance and significantly decrease the cost, time and energy use required for tank manufacture and scrap recycle. This process can also significantly increase U.S. titanium production, decrease U.S. reliance upon non-nation resources and retain this valuable technology within U.S. control for use in numerous defense and commercial applications. Development of innovative technologies to ensure the protection and survivability of U.S. space assets is essential for national security, civilian safety, economic health and competitive advantage. The presence of U.S. satellites and other spacecraft provides our nation with intelligence collection to ensure military effectiveness, persistent surveillance and reconnaissance to detect and defeat chemical, biological, nuclear and other enemy attacks, and the information to provide civilians with early warning communications and other life-saving response. Investment in technologies to ensure the protection and survivability of U.S. spaces assets is imperative to guarantee these securities.

Requested Amount: \$2,300,000

Project Name: Web Based Teaching Programs for Military Social Work

Recipient: University of Southern California

Recipient Address: 3720 S. Flower Street, Suite 325, Los Angeles, CA 90089

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The University of Southern California proposes to revolutionize teaching and training technology used for preparation of competent social workers for the armed forces that will not only improve instruction and retention, but also decrease the training time. The proposed project will complete the design and evaluation of “virtual humans,” virtual reality simulations, and highly interactive online courses for degree and nondegree certification in military social work. This project rapidly increases the number of highly qualified mental health professionals and first responders able to work effectively with active military service members, their families, and returning veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan. The program will improve preparation of these professionals through highly innovative training methods using virtual reality simulations and highly interactive online courses, modifying software platforms previously developed through US Army funding.

Requested Amount: \$4,500,000

Project Name: Women’s Wellness and Health Studies Center – California Hospital Medical Center/Johns Hopkins

Recipient: California Hospital Medical Center

Recipient Address: 1401 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds: The purpose of this funding request is to establish a women’s wellness and health studies center and to carry out a research program relating to breast, cervical, uterine and ovarian cancers in an ethnically diverse female population. It is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because health disparities are well documented related to the provision of health services to minorities and to the carrying out of biomedical research relating to minorities. Providing clinical services to these underserved minority populations in east Los Angeles and carrying out a research program will provide valuable information that can lead to the best and most cost-effective therapies for cancers affecting these minority populations.

Amount Requested: \$5,900,000

Energy and Water

Project Name: Energy-Efficiency Project

Recipient: City of Bell Gardens

Recipient Address: 7100 Garfield Avenue, Bell Gardens, CA 90201

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding for this project will provide new, energy efficient recreational lighting to the dark passive-side area of John Anson Ford Park. Installation of this lighting will provide a safe area for after-dark recreational uses and allow the City to save on energy costs by implementing solar panels and other green alternatives. This project would aide in the federal government’s objectives to seek green initiatives and provide energy efficient public facilities, while enhancing community safety at one of the largest recreational parks in the area. The John Anson Ford Park serves the very densely inhabited urban community of Bell Gardens as well as the bicycle community utilizing the adjacent Rio Hondo Channel bike lanes and adjacent City of Downey residents along the city’s borders.

Requested Amount: \$1,000,000

Project Name: Harbor / South Bay Water Recycling Project, Los Angeles

Recipient: West Basin Municipal Water District

Recipient Address: 17140 S. Avalon Blvd., Suite 210, Carson, CA 90746

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Harbor/South Bay Water Recycling Project will annually develop up to 48,000 acre-feet of recycled water for municipal, industrial, and environmental purposes in the Los Angeles area. The Project includes interconnections between the new project, the existing West Basin Water Recycling Project and the Central Basin Municipal Water District's water recycling program. Once all of the separate components are connected, the overall project will develop up to 70,000 acre-feet of new water supplies for non-potable uses in the region. This will not only help California reduce the need to import water from the Colorado River and the San Francisco Bay Delta, but will directly reduce the amount of effluent discharged into the Santa Monica Bay, a National marine Estuary. This project is not a new start and is authorized under Section 502(b)(43) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-53), as amended by Section 108 (c)(6) of the Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2001 (Public Law 106-554).

Requested Amount: \$8,700,000

Project Name: San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund

Recipient: San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority

Recipient Address: 1720 West Cameron Ave., Suite #100, West Covina, California, 91710

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund is being used to design, construct, and operate water projects to contain and treat the spreading groundwater contamination in the San Gabriel and Central Groundwater Basins. The plume of contamination in these two groundwater basins, which serve as the primary source of drinking water for almost 3 million people in Los Angeles County is spreading at the rate of several miles a year.

Requested Amount: \$10,000,000

Project Name: Southern Los Angeles County Groundwater Optimization Pipeline Project

Recipient: Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Recipient Address: 4040 Paramount Blvd, Lakewood, California 90712

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Southern Los Angeles County Groundwater Optimization Pipeline Project consists of a series of extraction wells in the vicinity of the spreading grounds with associated pipelines to expedite the delivery of this water. This project will help reduce the region's reliance on imported water by increasing local supply, improving water supply reliability for the region as a whole. Benefits of the WRD Groundwater Optimization Pipeline Project include the following: conservation of local storm water runoff; up to \$5.1 million in annual cost savings based on conserving additional storm water; increased reliance on local groundwater resources; reduction in dependence on imported water from environmentally-sensitive Sacramento and Colorado Rivers; greenhouse gas emissions reduction due to decrease pumping of water from the Bay Delta area; increased drought protection; and increased protection against interruptions of water supply during earthquakes, flooding, and other natural disasters.

Requested Amount: \$1,725, 000

Los Angeles River Revitalization Projects

Purpose and Why These Individual Projects Are a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The historic Los Angeles River courses 51-miles through the second largest city in the United States; millions of people live within close proximity of its watershed. For the last several years, the City of Los Angeles has worked cooperatively with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Los Angeles County on projects within the Los Angeles River watershed. These projects and studies, identified below, will meet the City's goals as articulated by the City of Los Angeles, the Corps of Engineers, and by the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan. Restoration and revitalization of this prized river and watershed will not only upgrade the flood control infrastructure, but also create environmental restoration to the River's long-neglected banks, and revitalize a community resource that supports recreational activities and economic development. The following projects are part of the Los Angeles River Restoration Master Plan.

Recipient: City of Los Angeles

Recipient Address: 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles CA 90012

Project Name: Los Angeles River Revitalization Study

To build upon the existing Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Study for the Los Angeles County Drainage area, which is consistent with the City's Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan. The Los Angeles River Revitalization Study was authorized in the 2007 Water Resources Development Act.

Amount Requested: \$2,100,000

Project Name: Los Angeles River Demonstration Projects

Funding would be used to allow the Corps to evaluate new high-tech materials as alternatives to concrete, test effectiveness of wetlands for runoff management and water quality improvements, and assess methods to sustain different vegetation types. The demonstration projects were authorized in the 2007 Water Resources Development Act. The pilot demonstration project will maximize the benefits and minimize the costs of the eventual implementation of the LA River Ecosystem Restoration Study by evaluating potential design concepts. Monitoring and evaluation will be conducted on the restoration management measures implemented as part of the demonstration project, and the results and analysis will be used to inform aspects of the larger study.

Amount Requested: \$5,000,000

Project Name: L.A. River Watercourse Headworks

Funding will be used to continue the Feasibility Study for eco-system and habitat and restoration and to develop and evaluate potential restoration alternatives in the Headworks area.

Amount Requested: \$562,000

Project Name: Los Angeles River Infrastructure Model

A one-time request to construct a physical model of 32 miles of the Los Angeles River within the City of Los Angeles in order to model its hydrologic and hydraulic conditions for guiding future regional flood management, emergency response, water support, and environmental restoration decisions.

Amount Requested: \$1,250,000

Project Name: Sepulveda Basin Ecosystem Analysis and Restoration (Sepulveda BEAR)

The overall Sepulveda BEAR approach will result in environmental restoration improvements to the Los Angeles River and three of its critical tributaries (the Encino, Woodley, and the Haskell streams/channels) where they converge in the southeast portion of the Sepulveda Basin. Funds are sought to initiate an investigation of alternatives for various environmental restoration projects within and around the Los Angeles River in the Sepulveda Basin.

Amount Requested: \$600,000

Recipient: County of Los Angeles

Recipient Address: 900 S. Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, CA, 91803

Project Name: Tujunga Wash Restoration Project Phase 2

To increase the available water supply in the Antelope Valley providing sufficient supplies for the equivalent of 15,300 new single-family residences and a Property Tax base increase of nearly \$59 million annually.

Requested Amount: \$2,850,000

Project Name: Sun Valley Watershed Feasibility Study

To initiate and continue the feasibility study for the Sun Valley Watershed, consistent with County of Los Angeles' Sun Valley Watershed Management Plan.

Requested Amount: \$600,000

Project Name: Arroyo Seco Watershed Feasibility Study

To initiate and continue the feasibility study for the Arroyo Seco Watershed with the focus on flood control and eco-system restoration.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Whittier Narrows Dam Feasibility Study

A one-time request to enable the Corps to complete the required environmental documentation and update the Los Angeles County Drainage Area (LACDA) Water Conservation and Supply Santa Fe-Whittier Narrows Dams Feasibility Study completed by the Corps in 2000, and receive formal management/command approval to change operations.

Requested Amount: \$300,000

Project Name: Hansen Dam Feasibility Study

A one-time request to enable the Corps to complete the required environmental documentation and update the Los Angeles County Drainage Area (LACDA) Water Conservation and Supply Hansen Dam Feasibility Study completed by the Corps in 2000, and receive formal management/command approval to change operations.

Requested Amount: \$200,000

Recipient: Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission

Recipient Address: 320 W. 4th Street Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90013

Project Name: Ballona Creek Environmental Restoration

To continue the feasibility study of the Ballona Creek Watershed. The study will evaluate habitat restoration, improvements to water quality, trash migration, recreation and related issues along the lower reach of Ballona Creek.

Requested Amount: \$900,000

Financial Services

Project Name: TELACU Neighborhood Stabilization Corporation

Recipient: The East Los Angeles Community Union (TELACU)

Recipient Address: 5400 E. Olympic Blvd., Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90022

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

TELECU will sponsor a rent-to-own program for families to acquire bank-owned single family homes. Federal funding will be equally matched by TELACU and private debt financing will be raised to purchase discounted bulk portfolio of homes from a bank. Local families will rent to own over 5 to 7 year period, thereby stabilizing communities by preventing increasing number of vacant homes. Families will receive financial education to ultimately purchase their own residence at a reasonable price with an affordable mortgage. The sales price will be fair and predetermined. The project will allow for additional appreciation in home value and equity for each family, and banks will remove unproductive assets from their balance sheets, thereby increasing their ability to lend and stimulate the economy.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: United States Federal Courthouse

Recipient: Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, General Services Administration

Recipient Address: Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building, 1 Columbus Circle, NE, Washington, DC 20544

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds: Construction funding for new federal courthouse for the Central District of California, Los Angeles Division. This courthouse project is at the top of the Judiciary's priority list. The Central District of California is the largest district court in the nation, covering seven counties and over 17 million people. The existing facility, built in 1938, lacks adequate space to house the court, forcing the court to divide its operations between the original courthouse and a facility three blocks away. This split operation creates countless inefficiencies and critical security concerns.

Amount Requested: \$475,000,000

Homeland Security

Project Name: Region 1 ECC Project

Recipient: County of Los Angeles

Recipient Address: 1320 N. Eastern Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90063

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to purchase technology upgrades for the California Emergency Management Agency (CA EMA) Region One Emergency Coordination Center (ECC).

The CA EMA Region I ECC coordinates the fire mutual aid response for Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo counties, which have a combined population of over 14 million people. Wildland fires do not contain themselves to single jurisdictions and often burn over Federal, State, and local lands. The coordination of these responses is critical to save lives and property. The Region I ECC technology is outdated and their ability to coordinate regional resources is being taxed to the limit.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: A Response Network for PreHospital Emergency Medicine Emerging Disease and Public Health

Recipients: EMSAT: Advanced Technology for Emergency Medical Services, a 501c3 non-profit; Downey Fire Department

Recipients Address: C/O Hahn and Hahn, Attorneys, 301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Ninth Floor, Pasadena CA 91101

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

This project will provide the community and the paramedics of Downey Fire and Los Angeles County with a secure, cost-effective, wireless pre-hospital information and communication network using cellular and wireless technology. The data collected during paramedic response is analyzed in real time for the detection of emerging infectious disease and bioterrorism events and for the rapid delivery of situation awareness notices to the County Department of Health, the receiving hospitals, and responding paramedics in the field.

Requested Amount: \$1,025,000

Project Name: Retrofit Fire Station 27 to City Emergency Operation Center

Recipient: City of Commerce

Recipient Address: 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA 90040

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to retrofit the existing old Los Angeles County Fire Department Fire Station 27 in order to permanently house the City of Commerce Emergency Operation Center. The retrofit will include new state of the art emergency equipment (72-hour emergency generators, communications, computers, satellite, etc) and supplies necessary to operate and coordinate emergency/disaster response during a major emergency event in Southern California.

Requested Amount: \$1,000,000

Project Name: Seismic Renovation of Existing Hospital Buildings

Recipient: Good Samaritan Hospital

Recipient Address: 1225 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90017-2395

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Good Samaritan Hospital must undertake seismic renovation to mitigate future earthquake damage, because past damage caused by the Northridge Earthquake in 1994 revealed that certain building codes' structural specifications at that time did not perform as well as expected. Good Samaritan seeks funding to continue to make certain that additions, renovations, and new equipment added to its building structures can withstand a violent earthquake. Eleven hospitals suffered structural damage and were unusable after the Northridge quake. Not only were the

hospitals unable to serve their local neighborhoods, but they had to transfer their patients to other hospitals -- which increased the burden on those which were still operational.

Requested Amount: \$2,300,000

Interior and Environment

Project Name: Air Purification Filters for Schools

Recipient: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Recipient Address: 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar CA 91765

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

These funds would be used to retrofit or replace HVAC systems in schools located in the 34th Congressional District impacted by the pollution and toxic air resulting from busy highways, industrial facilities, and marine traffic. The proposed project is part of an effort to retrofit HVAC systems and supply high-efficiency filters to approximately 2,500 classrooms in impacted areas in Los Angeles County. A recent health study conducted by the California Air Resources Board indicates that 18,000 premature deaths and health costs of \$26 billion are attributable to exposure to fine particulate matter in California. Studies have shown that children are more susceptible to the health effects of particulate matter than adults. Many schools are located in areas adjacent to busy highways or industrial facilities; therefore, students at these schools are exposed to higher levels of particulates emitted by these nearby sources. The costs associated with this program are expected to be offset by reduced school absences and health care costs.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Downey Regional Water Reclamation and Groundwater Augmentation Project

Recipient: City of Downey

Recipient Address: 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

This project will construct an influent recycled wastewater pipeline, the first critical component required for a state-of-the-art advanced water treatment plant that will produce high-purity recycled water which will be injected into the Central Groundwater Basin for storage and recovery, reducing the region's reliance on ever-decreasing supplies of imported water. By using 5 million gallons of municipal wastewater, which on a daily basis would otherwise flow into the Pacific Ocean, and by generating all power required to operate the treatment plant onsite using a non-polluting fuel cell, the project will provide energy-efficient, environmentally-friendly, highly reliable, and highly treated recycled water supply to five cities in Southeast Los Angeles County (Gateway Region).

Requested Amount: \$1,000,000

Project Name: Maywood Neighborhood Sewer Improvement Project

Recipient: City of Maywood

Recipient Address: 4319 East Slauson Avenue, Maywood, CA 90270

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Proposed Maywood Neighborhood Sewer System Rehabilitation Project will reline and replace deficient portions of the City of Maywood's existing sanitary sewer pipes in order to prevent wastewater from leaking into the area's water aquifer. In addition, the project will improve the capacity and flow characteristics of the existing sanitary sewer systems to mitigate

potential sanitary sewer overflow problems. The City of Maywood's sewer system is comprised of 21 miles of sewer lines, most of which are 70 years old and in dire need of rehabilitation. The City sewer system is prone to potential sewage backup into the neighborhood homes and commercial properties which may endanger the health and well-being of residents. Projects of this magnitude require an investment too large for small cities to undertake and they require the assistance of federal appropriations in order to meet the strict mandates from the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State Regional Water Quality Control Board (SRWQCB) related to the protection of water quality and water resources.

Requested Amount: \$1,000,000

Project Name: Reservoir Water Tank Site 17

Recipient: City of Huntington Park

Recipient Address: 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park CA 90255

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to reconstruct and recoat a water reservoir tank that suffers from structural failure of its roof support beams and frequent internal coating failure, resulting in structural safety and potential water quality issues. Project requires structure rehabilitation and internal recoating. This well site is an integral part of the city's potable water system and serves to store and distribute water to this community of 65,000 residents.

Requested Amount: \$350,000

Project Name: Sewer Infrastructure Modernization

Recipient: City of Bell

Recipient Address: 6330 Pine Ave., Bell, CA 90201

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The City of Bell is requesting funding to clean, rehabilitate, and upgrade its sewer system to comply with statutory rules and requirements. The City of Bell's current infrastructure was built to handle a far less dense population. The continued growth and high density in the City have stressed the system infrastructure: replacing and upgrading the current aging infrastructure will allow the City of Bell to attract and retain businesses that require better infrastructure and higher volume demands. Enhancement of the city's infrastructure has a direct impact on job creation and the local economy, in addition increasing efficiency and saving the City and its residents money on maintenance and repairs.

Requested Amount: \$675,000

Project Name: Water System Improvements

Recipient: City of Bellflower

Recipient Address: 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, CA 90706

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funds are requested to improve water system reliability and provide adequate water supply and quality to the schools, homes and businesses of Bellflower, which, in turn, is an essential component of sustaining economic development and growth, and enhancing the livability of the community. In addition, the project would provide increased system pressure and reliability for fire protection.

Requested Amount: \$1,000,000

Labor, Health & Human Services, and Education

Project Name: At-Risk-Youth Technology Intervention Program

Recipient: City of Bell

Recipient Address: 6330 Pine Ave., Bell, CA 90201

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The City of Bell is surrounded by the most populated region in the State of California. In addition, school aged children (ages 12 – 16) make up a large percentage of the population. Because of the socio-economic situation of the area, most families are comprised of two working parents or multiple working relatives. The result is one of the largest concentrations of “Latch Key Kids” in the State. Understanding that these children need instructive and comprehensive programming from 2PM – 8PM, the City of Bell has created the “At-Risk-Youth Technology Intervention Program-City of Bell Computer Learning Laboratory” to provide comprehensive learning activities to School Age Youth during that critical time of the day. The program is designed to provide expanded and enhanced access to computer instruction and the Internet. The City of Bell provides services at four locations throughout the City. Funding will be used to purchase and install equipment for the innovative program.

Requested Amount: \$200,000

Project Name: Camp CHLA

Recipient: Childrens Hospital Los Angeles

Recipient Address: 4650 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90027

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Childrens Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA) would like to expand its successful “Camp CHLA” to offer four additional summer sessions (“camps”) and a spring break session to high school students, especially minority students, who are considering careers in nursing, medicine or related fields. The purpose of the program is to nurture the interest in health care already demonstrated by these high school students in order to encourage them to pursue higher education and health care training that will turn them into the next generation of health care professionals. Demand for the limited number of slots in Camp CHLA has exceeded supply; CHLA receives four applications for every available slot. This innovative project addresses the national challenge of attracting minorities to the health care work force.

Requested Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: Computer Workshop/Resource Room

Recipient: Southern California Rehabilitation Services

Recipient Address: 7830 Quill Drive, Suite D, Downey, CA 90242

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funds will be used to upgrade a computer workshop to teach and assist disabled clients with MS Office Programs, Internet access and typing. SCRS seeks to improve the quality of life for disabled people living in Southeast Los Angeles County including the cities of the 34th congressional district. The organization’s vocational services programs help disabled individuals retrain and secure employment. Upgrading of the computer workshop will expand SCRS ability to give their disabled clients the proper tools to enter the work force and find permanent employment.

Requested Amount: \$100,000

Project Name: Homeboy Industries: Solar Panel Installation training Program

Recipient: Homeboy Industries

Recipient Address: 130 W. Bruno Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to support Solar Panel Installation Training and Certification to at-risk, formerly gang-involved, and recently released young men and women in Los Angeles. Classes enroll 40 clients at a time in ten-week cycles, providing concrete skills training and a pathway to jobs in a growing field, as well as supporting a city- and nation-wide commitment to green energy. Los Angeles is recognized as having the largest and most complex gang problem in the country. As such, it is often the leader in gang intervention and prevention strategies for the nation, and Homeboy Industries gang intervention programs serve as a model for best practices nationwide. By creating both short-term job opportunities and skilled workers in an emerging field for the long term, Homeboy Industries is responding to the federal call for job creation and green energy in a critical urban area.

Requested Amount: \$200,000

Project Name: FASGI Homeless Employment Project

Recipient: Filipino-American Service Group, Inc.

Recipient Address: 135 N Park View Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to provide case management and job training for the participants of the transitional housing program for homeless adult individuals, who are provided board and lodging at FASGI's 20-bed shelter. With the objective of placing the client in permanent housing and increasing his/her skills, income and sense of self-determination, clients receive case management, job training, integration into FASGI's supportive services, and follow-up service for up to a year. The national economic downturn has resulted in an unemployment rate of 10.9 percent in Los Angeles County, increasing the demand for FASGI's services.

Requested Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: Good Samaritan Hospital Vascular Disease Lab

Recipient: Good Samaritan Hospital

Recipient Address: 1225 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles/California/90017-2395

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Good Samaritan Hospital seeks federal funding for a dedicated lab for the treatment of Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) to 1) raise the quality of cardiac and diabetic care available to patients in Southern California; 2) improve Good Samaritan's capacity to treat the increasing numbers of patients with PAD; 3) ensure that cardiac and diabetic patients have access to immediate, state-of-the-art care in an emergency; and, 4) allow Good Samaritan's Heart Institute to train new interventional cardiologists to perform complex procedures with a modern digital vascular and interventional imaging system. The hospital's goal is not only to enhance its diagnostic and research abilities, but also to advance its limb salvage, acute myocardial infarction, acute stroke intervention, and heart failure programs. Good Samaritan Hospital is heavily impacted because of its proximity to low-income neighborhoods, where the incidence of diabetes and its associated complications are high. In the past three years, Good Samaritan has seen the number of

peripheral artery procedures performed surge 61%. The volume is anticipated to further increase as the incidence of diabetes climbs.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Living Independently Through Employment Project

Recipient: City of Los Angeles

Recipient Address: City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Room 303, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Living Independently Through Employment (LITE) Project seeks to expand program services to include additional training and support services offered by the City of Los Angeles Workforce Development System for the City's homeless population. Funding will permit the expansion of pre-vocational training, as well as the expansion of existing employment supports will include work clothing, on-the-job training, transportation assistance, licenses/identification costs, and short-term vocational certificate programs. On any given night in Los Angeles County, there are an estimated 73,700 homeless persons living on the streets or shelters throughout the County with over 22,000 in the Metro Los Angeles area. Of that number, 54%--or 40,145--of homeless people live in the City of Los Angeles, with Skid Row reporting the greatest concentration of homeless at 5,130 persons. The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) recently conducted the 2009 homeless count which may well show a steep rise in the number of homeless individuals and families in the City due to the economic downturn and widespread job loss.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Lupus Cooperative of Los Angeles Demonstration Project

Recipient: Lupus LA

Recipient Address: 9220 Sunset Blvd., Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90069

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used for the Lupus Cooperative of LA (LCLA) to establish a demonstration project to improve health outcomes for people affected by chronic illness living in underserved areas of the 34th congressional district and Los Angeles County. The LCLA is a community-based, grassroots "cooperative" that creates an integrated network of community partnerships utilizing the already existing health and service providers to improve the quality, availability, and delivery of health care and support services for lupus patients and their families. This chronic disease management program is modeled after an extremely successful effort in New York City. An estimated 1.5 million Americans suffer from lupus—90% are women between the ages of 15 and 44 and are primarily women of color. Minority women tend to develop lupus at a younger age, experience more serious complications, and have higher mortality rates. Lack of education, diagnosis, and safe treatment of lupus is a growing health problem among minority and underserved urban populations.

Requested Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: NAHN Mentorship Program

Recipient: The National Association of Hispanic Nurses

Recipient Address: 1050 17th St. NW, Suite 510, Washington, DC 20036

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The NAHN Mentorship Program will identify Hispanic students interested in nursing and support them throughout nursing school and through the beginning of their employment. The program will work with area community centers and nursing schools to identify and support those interested in the nursing profession. The United States is facing a nationwide nursing shortage. According to the American College of Healthcare Executives, 72 percent of hospitals experienced a nursing shortage in 2004. In a 2000 study, The Department of Health and Human Services found that the US was 110,000 nurses short of the number necessary to adequately provide health care. By 2020, it is projected that we will be more than 1 million nurses short of what we need for quality health care. By identifying and then mentoring nursing students, the NAHN hopes to combat the current nursing shortage and improve healthcare service in our country.

Amount Requested: \$1,500,000 (on behalf of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus)

Project Name: School-Based Literacy Programs

Recipient: East L.A. Classic Theatre

Recipient Address: 761 Terminal Street, Bldg.1, 2nd.Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90021

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to support in-school and after-school educational programs which seek to improve language, literacy and life skills for at-risk youth in Los Angeles schools. This funding will provide opportunities for 1,500 students to achieve academic success and social competency by addressing risk factors such as early academic failure, lack of literacy and speaking skills, lack of commitment to school, negative vision of the future, negative peer relationships, and poor behavioral models. The project seeks to address the student achievement in low academic performing schools, especially those that have a higher percentage of English language learners who are in dire need of such a successful academic enrichment program. Successful demonstration of innovative programs to enrich literacy skills is essential to national efforts to improve our educational system.

Requested Amount: \$150,000

Project Name: White Memorial Medical Center Diabetes and Chronic Disease Prevention Project

Recipient: White Memorial Medical Center

Recipient Address: 1720 Cesar Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90033

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

White Memorial Medical Center (WMMC) is proposing a project to integrate hospital inpatient care with community-based follow up care for diabetes and other health-related complications and chronic diseases that have high frequency in the Latino community, including high blood pressure, obesity, and cardiovascular disease. The project will develop a new, replicable program utilizing trusted portals – churches, schools, and well established community agencies – to enhance quality of services and physician care to diabetics and those with chronic disease in our East Los Angeles community, which is 89% Hispanic and low-income. Treating patients pro-actively will reduce the complications of diabetes will save the federal and state insurance programs significant dollars in future care. The purpose of this new outreach program is to achieve higher rates of self-management in WMMC's target population mostly located in the 34th Congressional District.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies (THUD)

Project Name: Atlantic Boulevard South

Recipient: City of Maywood

Recipient Address: 4319 East Slauson Avenue, Maywood, CA 90270

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Atlantic Boulevard South between 59th Street and Randolph Street is a multi-modal transportation corridor from Route 91 in Long Beach to Huntington Drive in South Pasadena. This major arterial also connects Route 105, Route 60, and Interstate 10 and is instrumental to traffic flow in the region and to communities in the 34th Congressional District. The street surface is in very poor condition which slows and hampers goods movement, creates safety concerns for motorists and is detrimental to the economic viability of Maywood's downtown business district on Atlantic Boulevard. Funding will go toward road improvements including grind and overlay, raised landscaped medians, concrete improvements and safety. Improvements to Los Angeles County's major roads and highways are critical the region's environment (Los Angeles remains a federal EPA "non-attainment" area) and to the effective facilitation of goods movements in the region (approximately 40 percent of all US imports come through the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach and travel to destinations throughout the US).

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Breed Street Shul Project – Preservation and Rehabilitation

Recipient: Breed Street Shul Project, Inc.

Recipient Address: 247 N. Breed Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to assist in the preservation and rehabilitation of the Breed Street Shul, a National Register of Historic Places-listed landmark, for use as an educational, cultural, social service and historic resource center. Located in the historic Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the Shul will house nonprofit organizations that serve contemporary needs—from literacy programs to parenting classes. The Breed Street Shul is a landmark 18,000 square foot former synagogue, an architectural treasure and touchstone of California and U.S. Jewish history. The Shul project is an important multi-cultural collaboration—an effort to preserve Jewish history, while housing critical social service organizations to benefit the communities working class Latino population.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Bus Shelters

Recipient: City of Bellflower

Recipient Address: 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, CA 90706

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used for the construction of bus shelters throughout the city to help promote the use of public transportation. Use of public transit, contributes to clean air, access to employment, and other factors that enhance the diversity and livability of a community. Vibrant communities with intermodal transportation systems support economic development and

sustainability of urban communities. The project will serve the residents of Bellflower as well as residents of other nearby communities that would take advantage of the bus service.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Downtown L.A. Streetcar Environmental Review

Recipient: City of Los Angeles

Recipient Address: City of Los Angeles, 200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used for an environmental review and alternatives analysis necessary to advance the revival of the Los Angeles downtown streetcar. This is the next phase of the streetcar revival plan which has widespread support in Los Angeles. Cities across the United States are turning to streetcars for a permanent transportation circulation system and as critical components of urban revitalization efforts. Streetcars increase transit ridership, encourage walkability, reduce car trips and spur economic development while providing connectivity between various forms of transit. The historic Broadway corridor is located in the center of downtown Los Angeles, in the heart of the Historic Core, part of an important National Register Historic District. The project is expected to assist in the revitalization of the City of Los Angeles urban core and increase intermodal transportation connectivity.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Evergreen Park Fitness Trail and Fitness Zone

Recipient: Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative

Recipient Address: 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1128, Los Angeles, CA 90017

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Evergreen Park Fitness Trail and Fitness Zone project entails the design and construction of two community driven improvements that will address critical health and wellness issues in the Boyle Heights community. Funding is requested for the installation of a 5K Fitness Trail and a Fitness Zone containing outdoor exercise equipment to be installed at Evergreen Park. This project is of critical importance to the 34th Congressional District and to the local community of Boyle Heights because it addresses the importance of creating a built environment that considers health and wellness issues. 29% of children in Boyle Heights are obese, compared to areas with obesity rates as low as 4%. High rates of obesity are of greater concern because being overweight increases the risk of developing the chronic illness of diabetes. Furthermore, Mexican Americans are twice as likely as whites to be afflicted by Type 2 diabetes. This puts Boyle Heights at particular risk, as Mexican Americans comprise 92% of the population. These new recreation areas will provide community-wide access to physical fitness opportunities in the dense, urban community of Boyle Heights.

Requested Amount: \$340,000

Project Name: Garfield Avenue Improvements (Gage Avenue to Ferguson Drive)

Recipient: City of Commerce

Recipient Address: 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA 90040

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The project includes underground utilities improvements, pavement reconstruction, sidewalk and gutter improvements, signal upgrade and synchronization, at-grade railroad crossing upgrades,

widening of truck-impacted intersections, and new pedestrian lighting and crosswalks. The planned improvements will revitalize the area and improve traffic flow and safety and benefit the South Coast Region by providing major improvements to a heavily used and major thoroughfare in the area. Improvements to Los Angeles County's major roads and highways are critical to the region's environment (Los Angeles remains a federal EPA "non-attainment" area) and to the effective facilitation of goods movements in the region.

Requested Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Lakewood Blvd Phase 3 Improvements

Recipient: City of Downey

Recipient Address: 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey CA 90241

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

This project will complete the widening of Lakewood Boulevard between 5th Street and the northern city boundary. The project will widen the street with an additional travel lane in both directions; replace the existing traffic signal system with an Intelligent Transportation System; reconstruct curb returns at major intersections with 50-foot radii to enhance goods movement and facilitate truck movements; install landscaping and ornamental street and sidewalk lighting in center median islands and within parkways; close existing median openings at mid-block locations to enhance traffic safety; reconstruct pavement to extend the life of the infrastructure by 50 years; install decorative sidewalk; relocate utilities as necessary; and upgrade traffic signal equipment.

Requested Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Little Tokyo Recreation Center

Recipient: LTSC Community Development Corporation

Recipient Address: 231 E. Third Street, G106, Los Angeles, CA 90013

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be utilized to construct the Little Tokyo Recreation Center, a 38,000 square foot, multi-purpose recreational facility in Little Tokyo near Downtown Los Angeles. The facility will provide economic, cultural and physical benefits for youth and seniors. The Little Tokyo Recreation Center project will help to fill a void in recreational facilities in the Downtown area, and overall provide much needed social, health, and economic benefits to an underserved region of Los Angeles. The park-deficient inner city area is home to a large number of at-risk youth and the project is part of a public health response to the growing obesity epidemic. Planning healthy neighborhoods requires a strategy of increasing access to health and recreational resources. Only two recreation centers exist within a one-mile radius of the project. The project will also serve as an economic engine for the region, drawing in visitors and users throughout and beyond Los Angeles County.

Requested Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension

Recipient: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)

Recipient Address: One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The Metro Gold Line Eastside Light Rail Extension is a six-mile light rail project, with eight new stations, that connects Union Station in downtown Los Angeles to the intersection of

Pomona and Atlantic Boulevards in East Los Angeles. FTA executed a Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) for the Eastside project in June 2004, and groundbreaking occurred in July 2004. This is the final federal installment of the Full Funding Grant Agreement for what has become a national model for light rail construction. The project will open in June 2009, on time and on budget, and has an outstanding workplace safety record.

Requested Amount: \$73,434,551

Project Name: Metrolink Positive Train Control

Recipient: Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) Metrolink

Recipient Address: 700 S. Flower Street 26th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to develop and install a Positive Train Control collision avoidance system on the 216 miles of Metrolink commuter rail service's public-agency owned rail right of way and onboard all Metrolink trains to improve safety along the region's passenger and freight rail network. The Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 mandates implementation of PTC on railroads nationwide by 2015. In Los Angeles, the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) is developing an accelerated strategy to have PTC operational on all Metrolink train equipment by 2012, in conjunction with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Union Pacific railroads' goal to complete the installation of wayside PTC equipment along their rights-of-way in Southern California by 2012. Federal funding is necessary to complete the project by the required date.

Requested Amount: \$40,000,000

Project Name: Interstate 5 (I-5) Widening from I-605 north to I-710 Environmental Phase

Recipient: I-5 Consortium Joint Powers Authority (I-5 JPA)

Recipient Address: 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90651

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

The project continues the Interstate 5 (I-5) improvements in southeast Los Angeles County north of I-605. An environmental document and preliminary engineering is needed for this section, between I-605 to I-710, and funding is requested to prepare the necessary documents in building these two freeway-to-freeway interchanges. The project will widen the highway from existing 6 and 8 lane portions to 10 lanes, or 5 lanes in each direction, including a High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane. Matching funds, other state and local funds, as well as future appropriation requests, will be sought to fully fund the project. This project is needed to alleviate traffic congestion, reduce idle times and thus improve air quality, along I-5, between I-605 and I-710. I-5 is an interregional highway of national significance, included on the national defense highway system, and is used for commercial goods movement, passenger/commuter traffic, connecting the United States with both Mexico and Canada.

Requested Amount: \$5,000,000

Project Name: Trail Development Project

Recipient: City of Huntington Park

Recipient Address: 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park CA 90255

Purpose and Why It Is a Valuable Use of Taxpayer Funds:

Funding will be used to construct a 3/4-mile walking/running trail and facilities around the perimeter of the City of Huntington Park's largest park, Salt Lake Park. The project provides

facilities and a new recreation opportunity in an area with a severe shortage of park space. Funding also includes upgrades to aging facilities within Salt Lake Park to ensure ADA compliance. The city currently provides 0.47 acres of parkland per 1,000 people, far below the statewide standard of 5 acres per 1,000. The trail will provide additional physical fitness opportunities in a community with high prevalence of obesity and childhood obesity. According to a 2004 report by the California Center for Public Health Advocacy 39% of children in Huntington Park are overweight, and the LA County Health Department's October 2007 report on preventing childhood obesity ranks Huntington Park as the 10th highest childhood obesity rate out of 128 communities in LA County.

Requested Amount: \$300,000