

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

May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Golden Park Renovation Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Downey, located at 11111 Brookshire Ave, Downey, CA 90241.

This project will build a Dog Park within Golden Park, which spans eight acres and is located in the southern part of the City, just south of Imperial Highway. The park currently offers various amenities such as picnic shelters, a community room, a playground, an outdoor basketball court, walking trails, and a baseball field. The proposed location for the Dog Park would be in the southern section of the park, along Pritchard St. This area is currently an open grassy space that is not programmed or extensively used. The Dog Park would occupy approximately 18,000 sq. ft. The purpose of this project is to provide a designated area for dog owners to bring their pets for exercise and socialization within the park. The establishment of the Dog Park aligns with the existing recreational activities offered at Golden Park and utilizes an underutilized space. Additionally, the project benefits from ample parking, easy access, and an existing water source. It is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it will provide much needed public amenities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and 5305(a)(5).

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, appearing to read 'R. Garcia', is written over a horizontal line.

Robert Garcia
Member of Congress