

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

March 28th, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Child Development Center Capital Improvements in the fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Associated Students Inc, California State University Long Beach, located at 5700 Atherton Avenue, Long Beach, California, 90815.

Since 1975, The Isabel Patterson Child Development Center offers affordable child care for students who are also parents of young children, on the campus of California State University, Long Beach. A roughly \$3.5 million investment will support long overdue capital renovations. The present facility includes elements which are unsafe or unfit for children, have reached their end of life, or are highly energy inefficient. The improved facility will provide care to students at CSULB who are earning a degree while raising small children, allowing students to pursue their educations while providing high-quality childcare for their kids. The project will support economic and social mobility for roughly 300 households.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by HUD EDI: 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,



Robert Garcia
Member of Congress