

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

May 23, 2025

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Downey Downtown Renovation in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Downey, located at 11111 Brookshire Ave., Downey, California, 90241.

The City of Downey proposes to transform an underutilized, city-owned parking lot at the southeast corner of La Reina Avenue and 2nd Street into a new public recreational space. The project will remove existing asphalt and construct a vibrant public space featuring walkways, trees, landscaping, seating areas, and recreational activities for families and children. Located in a built-out and park-deficient community, this project will provide critical public space, support downtown businesses by increasing pedestrian activity, and improve the overall quality of life for residents and visitors.

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 "Robert Garcia", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Garcia  
Member of Congress