

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

March 27, 2026

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Hilltop Park Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Signal Hill, located at 2175 Cherry Ave, Signal Hill CA, 90755.

The Hilltop Park Improvement Project will transform one of Signal Hill's most iconic public destinations into a safer, more accessible, and regionally connected recreation asset. Located at the highest point in the area, Hilltop Park serves as a scenic community landmark that attracts more than 2,000 daily visitors for walking, biking, exercise, sightseeing, and outdoor gathering. Despite its popularity, portions of the park and surrounding access routes include aging infrastructure, limited ADA accessibility, insufficient user amenities, and incomplete connections to nearby local and regional trail and bikeway systems.

The proposed project will address these deficiencies through targeted capital improvements, including upgrades to walkways to meet ADA standards; pathway lighting and safety enhancements; upgraded guardrails; bicycle amenities such as racks, hydration and repair stations; wayfinding signage and kiosks; shaded seating and picnic areas; self-cleaning ADA-compliant restrooms; landscaping and irrigation improvements; and first- and last-mile access features that better connect the park to surrounding streets, trails, and multimodal corridors. These improvements will enhance the park's internal functionality while strengthening its role as a gateway to broader regional recreation and mobility networks.

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,



Robert Garcia
Member of Congress