

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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Junipero Beach Fitness Zone Improvements in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Long Beach, located at 411 West Ocean Blvd, Long Beach CA, 90802.

Community project funding would be used to replace the existing pull up bars and add additional exercise equipment to support the growing number of individuals utilizing the Junipero Beach fitness zone. The project would allow people walking along the beach pedestrian path to stop and use additional equipment or allow parents to work out while their children are using the adjacent playground. Funding would be used to excavate the area, add all the aggregate base/compaction, provide rubber safety surfacing and then install the equipment and all their footers.

The fitness equipment located within the Junipero Beach fitness zone has reached the end of its useful life and does not adequately meet community needs or demand. The existing equipment is extremely limited and often has large groups of people waiting for equipment to be available. This project would expand the number of free and accessible fitness opportunities available for residents and people visiting the City.

Investing in free, accessible fitness opportunities along the coast will bring new and returning visitors to Long Beach and allow residents to exercise with premier equipment within their own community. Junipero Beach is adjacent to bike lanes, pedestrian paths, and a sizable parking lot, making the fitness zone easily accessible.

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