

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 26, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-305 Capitol Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Small Business Incubator in Clayton County Georgia in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Clayton County, Georgia located at 112 Smith Street, Jonesboro, GA 30236. The Small Business Incubator will be located at 6670 Merchants Way in Morrow, Georgia 30260.

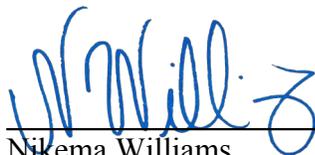
The funding would be used for the Phase 3 buildout of the Clayton County Small Business Incubator, including completing the remaining design, construction, and operational elements necessary to fully activate the incubator and expand its impact through an integrated workforce development component. Phase 3 will focus on final interior buildout, workforce training and entrepreneurial readiness spaces, advanced technology infrastructure, and programming capacity that aligns small business growth with talent development and job placement.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these funds will ensure that the incubator is fully equipped to serve local entrepreneurs and small businesses with the resources they need to thrive. By securing this funding, Clayton County will create a dynamic hub of innovation and enterprise that will empower small businesses, generate local jobs, and contribute to the long-term economic vitality of Clayton County.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a) (4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Nikema Williams
Member of Congress