

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3215

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for CareerWise Bronx Apprenticeship Training Center in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is CareerWise New York, located at 500 Seventh Ave, Suite 9A-117, New York, NY 10018.

The funding would be used to purchase a property for a new workforce training facility to support the expansion of the CareerWise New York apprenticeship programming to accommodate 1,000 youth apprentices in tech, finance, and business fields. CareerWise New York is an industry-designed, career-first training model of modern youth apprenticeships. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the direct beneficiaries are New York City public high school students, especially low-income students of color, who would have access to high quality earn and learn opportunities that afford them upward economic mobility.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,



Ritchie Torres
Member of Congress