

# Congress of the United States

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Chairwoman Kay Granger  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Rosa L. DeLauro  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding to upgrade school resource officer's emergency response radio system in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Warren County Sheriff's Office, located at 429 East 10<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 102, Bowling Green, KY, 42102. The project title is School Resource Officers' Emergency Response Radio System.

The funding would be used to upgrade the emergency response radio system used by the Warren County Sheriffs Office's twelve School Resource Officers who are responsible for the safety of the 18,000+ students and 3,000 faculty and staff members in the Warren County Public Schools (WCPS) District. WCPS is the fourth largest and fastest growing school district in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and this project will provide funding to upgrade the emergency response radio system in four WCPS middles schools and three WCPS high schools.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this will allow school resource officers the ability to use their radios on-site to reach other sheriff deputies and various law enforcement and first responder agencies and emergency medical service units, directing them to the location of the school emergency which can directly impact response time and potentially save lives. At a time when student mental health referrals, student-on-staff violence and terroristic threats against schools have reached a record high, the project's need, and urgency is palpable.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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 "Brett Guthrie".

Member of Congress