

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 24, 2023

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

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

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Grayson County Sheriff's Office, located at 117 S. Main Street in Leitchfield, KY 42754, to upgrade their less than lethal response and part of their fleet of patrol vehicles for fiscal year 2024. The project title is Grayson County Sheriff's Office Community Response & Safeguard Initiative. This is a good use of taxpayer dollars because the Sheriff's Office currently has 11 deputies (including the Sheriff) that responds to calls. Typically, we have 2-3 deputies working at the same time, but that number is often reduced to a single deputy working alone. Having reliable equipment is very important, especially in cases where a deputy responds to a call by himself. In addition to the sworn deputies the Sheriff's Office is also required by statute to provide security for the local Judicial Center. There are currently have 8 Certified Court Security Officers, and the Sheriff's Office anticipates needing to hire 3-4 more within a year.

The project has a Federal nexus through the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Brett Guthrie
Member of Congress