



Congressman Don Bacon
Second Congressional District of Nebraska

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the DCSO Interoperable Public Safety Response Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, located at 3601 North 156th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68116-2025. The funding would be used to replace its aging portable radio system and collaborate with, train, and distribute the same equipment and technology to neighboring agencies in both rural and urban areas, ensuring radio networks are interoperable across multiple agencies both in its jurisdiction and throughout District 2. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because although DCSO's service area is extensive, its current portable radios are over 10 years old. Considering the agency's broad jurisdiction and the need to protect county residents, schools, and the courthouse complex, upgrading and replacing the outdated radios will ensure widespread compatibility with regional first-responder networks, including the Omaha Police Department and Nebraska state agencies.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 1701 (b) (8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10152).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Don Bacon". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Member of Congress