

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2201

March 24, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Grand Traverse Bay YMCA in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Grand Traverse Bay YMCA, located at 3700 Silver Lake Road, Traverse City, MI 49684.

The funding would be used to support the construction of 3,300 sq. ft. of multi-purpose classrooms at the West YMCA facility. These classrooms will provide dedicated programming space for the 200+ middle school students who spend their after-school hours at the West YMCA socializing, completing their homework, and collaborating with one another in a safe and supervised way. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will allow the West YMCA facility to integrate more youths into a safe after-school space that fosters mental wellness and meaningful connectivity. This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Jack Bergman
Member of Congress

