

May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman, House Committee on
Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington DC 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting Community funding for the Martin County Sheriff's request for two service boats in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Martin County Board of County Commissioners, located at 2401 SE Monterey Road, Stuart, FL, 34996.

The funding would be used to purchase two boats to support the Sheriff's office, maritime law enforcement activities including interdictions, illegal immigration, and search and rescue among other activities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would increase the capacities and coverage of the Martin County Sheriff's operations to respond to the community's needs. It would also provide the service platforms not currently available unless the Sheriff's office works with other counties or Federal law enforcement organizations which are not always available.

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. § 10381(b)(8)). [for DOJ COPS Technology and Equipment projects].

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

Sincerely,

Brian J. Mast
Member of Congress