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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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April 25, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Altamonte Springs Police Technology Upgrades** project in the fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is **City of Altamonte Springs, Florida**, located at 225 Newburyport Ave. Altamonte Springs, FL 32701.

This project will allow the Altamonte Springs Police Department to purchase police technology that will transform body-worn camera audio into first-draft police reports, transcribe recorded interviews, and automate redactions. It will also allow them to purchase equipment (ballistic shields, breaching equipment) and training to respond to active shooter events.

These law enforcement tools and equipment will dramatically reduce officer time spent on administrative tasks and increase officer availability, and case readiness for all public safety incidents. On a daily basis, local law enforcement officers collaboratively partner with state and federal law enforcement agencies. They use their local resources in partnership in assisting their state and federal colleagues. Federal resources to fund police technology will allow local law enforcement to continue to support their partnership efforts.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds by enhancing departmental efficiency and decrease time spent on report writing by police officers. Community Project Funding will support the addition of a software program to our existing police infrastructure that will dramatically reduce officer time spent on administrative tasks and increase officer availability, and case readiness.

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,

Cory Mills
Member of Congress