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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$225,000 in funding for the Moorpark College Work-Based Learning Project in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Moorpark College, Ventura County Community College District, located at 7075 Campus Road, Moorpark, CA 93021.

The funding would be used for work-based learning opportunities for students and giving them real-world insights into potential careers. The project supports 150 students in internships that provide experiential learning. The project would fund 150 college student internships at \$1,500 each. Students would work at area businesses for at least 75 hours, earning \$14.50 per hour while enrolled for college credit. The \$1,500 internship total also includes administration and payroll fees and statutory benefits. While earning college credit in a Moorpark College internship class, students engage with employers in tasks that benefit the business and the student. Students gain experience by applying classroom concepts in a real-world environment. The project uses existing processes at the college's Career Transfer Center, which provides access to internships, apprenticeships, work-based learning activities, and job placement. The center also actively engages with the local business community to locate internship opportunities. Each internship team consists of a student, a workplace supervisor and a faculty advisor. The team sets learning objectives for the student and meets three times to ensure that students achieve their learning objectives. In the end, the student accomplishes a specific goal, gains work-based learning experience and earns a wage. Academic studies show that work-based learning students are more likely to complete their studies and achieve their academic goals.

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

Sincerely,

JULIA BROWNLEY Member of Congress