



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

April 14, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I respectfully request your consideration for the Fiscal Year 2027 funding in the amount of \$2,350,000 for The Southeast Marion County Public Safety Radio Tower Project, a community safety infrastructure initiative, as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Marion County Board of County Commissioners, located at 601 SE 25<sup>th</sup> Ave, Ocala, FL 34471.

Funding this project would be a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because it strengthens critical public safety communications infrastructure, improves emergency response times, and ensures reliable coordination among first responders during daily incidents and major disasters. By closing coverage gaps and enhancing system resilience, the project directly protects lives and property while supporting continued community growth and disaster preparedness.

This project has a federal nexus because the requested funding is consistent with the purposes authorized under 42 U.S.C. §5305(a)(2) and §5305(a)(4), which allow construction of public facilities and improvements and activities that benefit public health and safety. The proposed public safety radio tower is publicly owned communications infrastructure that improves emergency response, strengthens disaster preparedness, and provides broad community-wide benefit.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Randy A. Fine".

Randy Fine  
Representative, FL - 06