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SUBCOMMITTEE ON MILITARY CONSTRUCTION,  
VETERANS' AFFAIRS AND RELATED AGENCIES

April 27, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Mobile Health for Rural and Medically Underserved Areas of Kern County Project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Kern County Hospital Authority located at 1700 Mount Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93306.

The funding would be used to modify the Kern Medical Mobile Vaccination program into a comprehensive mobile health care program that would address both primary and specialty care in the rural and medically underserved areas of Kern County. The clinics would focus on the rural part of Kern County to increase affordability of health care and increase access to America's most vulnerable populations. Due to the large geographic and rural nature of the county, as well as the large agriculturally-based economic activities and workforce, many of the county's 900,000 residents do not have appropriate access to care. The Central Valley is America's breadbasket, and it is important that our farmers and ranchers living in rural areas have the health care they need to stay healthy and continue producing our food for the nation.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Valadao".

David G. Valadao  
Member of Congress