



*Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515*

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The Honorable Tom Cole,
Chairman
Subcommittee on Transportation,
Housing and Urban Development, and
Related Agencies
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Quigley,
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation,
Housing and Urban Development, and
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Quigley,

As you begin your critical work on the Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I request that you include \$2,000,000 for the City of San Jose's Monterey Road Corridor Safety and Transit Improvements project. This request for Community Project Funding is associated with the Department of Transportation Highway Infrastructure Projects account.

The requested funding will allow the City to build several miles of protected bike lanes and dedicated bus lanes on Monterey Road between Blossom Hill Caltrain Station (Ford Road) and Keyes Street. Monterey Road predates the modern freeway as the City's original north-south road and needs significant pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements due to recent development along the road. Between 2017 and 2021, there were 19 traffic deaths on Monterey Road, leading the City to designate it as a Vision Zero Priority Safety Corridor

Bicycle safety improvements would include curb protected bike lanes, and protected intersections that separate through bicycles from right turning autos. Pedestrian safety improvements would include pedestrian crossing enhancements such as curb bulb outs to reduce crossing distance, upgrading crosswalks to high visibility, adding advance stop bars for vehicles, and improvements to bus stops. The project's dedicated bus lanes would also improve bus service for four bus routes.

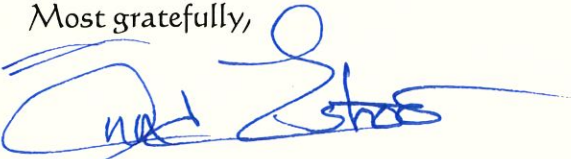
As an indication of community support, I've enclosed the following documents:

- A letter of support from San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan
- The City of San Jose's Vision Zero report

- The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's Monterey Corridor Community-Based Transportation Plan
- The Monterey Corridor Working Group's final report

If enacted, this request would improve public transit service and safety along a dangerous road in my Congressional District, and it's why I wholeheartedly support this Community Project Funding request and ask that you do so as well.

Most gratefully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anna G. Eshoo", with a large, stylized flourish above the name.

Anna G. Eshoo

Enclosures