

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

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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe – Child Development Center Expansion in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Snoqualmie Indian Tribe located at 9571 Ethan Wade Way SE, Snoqualmie, WA 98065. The Child Development Center is located at 9575 Ethan Wade Way SE Snoqualmie WA 98065.

Child care options in the City of Snoqualmie and surrounding area are extremely limited and the demand is increasing. The expansion of the Snoqualmie Tribe's childcare center will increase capacity in the center to help meet this increased demand. The staff at the center will also teach cultural activities such as harvesting indigenous plants and traditional cooking.

The demand for childcare has returned to pre-pandemic levels, but there are fewer resources available to parents and children. The pandemic caused many childcare facilities in the Snoqualmie Valley/Eastside to close. This, in addition to staffing shortages, has resulted in fewer children being able to be accommodated. This facility, owned and operated by the Tribe and open to all residents, is a necessity for working families in the area. Additionally, the center will create nineteen direct jobs as well as support local vendors.

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

Sincerely,



Kim Schrier, M.D.
Member of Congress