

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20510

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Maple Valley Pedestrian Bridge - Maple Valley, WA project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Maple Valley, located at 22017 SE Wax Rd, Ste 100, Maple Valley, WA 98038.

The funding would be used for the construction of a pedestrian bridge on SR 169 to connect residents, businesses, and visitors to local schools, bus stops, trails, parks, downtown businesses, and regional destinations. The project would reconnect neighborhoods, provide a safe pedestrian and bicycle route, and include an ADA compliant path. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because in 2018, a pedestrian was killed attempting to cross the highway after exiting a bus stop. Many residents attempt to cross the highway on foot to access the Maple Valley Farmers Market and surrounding businesses, schools, and offices. This project would eliminate the safety risk of crossing the highway by providing a safe option for people walking, biking, and riding transit buses. This is especially important for school-age children at Rock Creek Elementary School adjacent to the bridge. The lifespan for a pedestrian bridge is estimated at fifty to one hundred years, which provides assurance that these safety measures would be long-lasting and serve the surrounding community for generations.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 23 USC 133.

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

Sincerely,



Kim Schrier, M.D.
Member of Congress