

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the COTA Paratransit and COTA//Plus Vehicles Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Central Ohio Transit Authority, located at 1600 McKinley Ave, Columbus, OH 43222.

The funding would be used to provide for the replacement of 10 paratransit vehicles used by COTA's Mainstream Service to serve Americans with Disabilities Act customers and 15 COTA//Plus vehicles, which provide on-demand shared ride service to individuals, including seniors and individuals with disabilities, as well as offer origin-to-destination service for those who cannot access fixed-route transit services.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, nor does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Joyce Beatty
Member of Congress