

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
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Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for “Bellefonte Ave. Storm Drain Improvements” in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Alexandria, located at 301 King Street, Suite 3500, Alexandria, VA 22314.

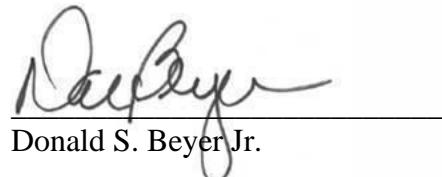
This request is for funding for the installation of new drainage infrastructure along E Howell Avenue, and E Bellefonte Avenue. The City of Alexandria, Va is facing more frequent severe flooding events. These infrastructure updates have already been identified as part of the Flood Action Alexandria program, which seeks to implement short- and long-term flood mitigation measures to reduce economic losses, and protect people and property from the impacts of flooding.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would be of great benefit to the public to help with stormwater management and accelerate the implementation of solutions that provide relief from flooding impacts that affect residents and business owners. Storm sewer systems in many parts of the City were designed and installed, in some cases, more than a century ago and as such do not account for the increasing intensity and frequency of severe storm events. The Flood Action Alexandria program implements projects that improve localized drainage to make neighborhoods more resilient to climate change and flash flooding.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,

  
Donald S. Beyer Jr.