

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

May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the In-Custody Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Program within the Jefferson County Detention Facility in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, located 200 Jefferson County Parkway, Golden, CO 80401.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because, by providing the option of long-acting naltrexone for extended-release injectables upon release, this program decreases the chances of an overdose and allows individuals to become stable in the community. If individuals are able to stabilize, connect with resources, and become less reliant on social programs and systems and more self-sustaining, it benefits the community, law enforcement agencies, hospitals, and various other community entities. Providing the long-acting naltrexone for extended-release injection allows for a fourth avenue, for an individual to determine the best option for them, allowing them the autonomy to determine how they can be the most successful in the community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brittany Pettersen". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Brittany Pettersen  
Member of Congress