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February 3, 2026

Dear Lindsay Bacher,

This is to notify you of an update on my request for Community Project Funding (CPF) to support the City of Saint Paul's Hayden Heights Library Reconstruction in the Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) House of Representatives Appropriations cycle. **On Tuesday, February 3rd, President Trump signed the funding package containing the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations for FY26, and your project has officially been allocated \$3,150,000 in federal funding.** My office looks forward to working with you to ensure funding is obligated in a timely manner by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The final funding for this project is \$850,000 below the amount requested, and this lower funding allocated by the Majority Republicans reflects a missed opportunity to invest fully in the vision presented by the city. In the both the 118th and 119th Congresses, the Republican Majority has departed from the equitable split of funding for community projects, and this has resulted in less funding for Democratically nominated projects. Please know that I continue to advocate for maximum funding our communities and my constituents even under these difficult conditions.

As a project that was first submitted to my office for funding in Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25), I want to convey my appreciation for your continued commitment to working with my office to see this project across the finish line. After the disappointment of last year, when the full year continuing resolution passed by Congressional Republicans removed all FY25 CPFs, I am happy to be able to deliver better news to you on the outcome for this project.

Congratulations on having your CPF signed into law, and please feel free to reach out at any point as the obligation of funding is processed by this administration with any questions. The point of contact in my office for this request is Erin Melody (Erin.Melody@mail.house.gov; 202-225-6631). Please keep her updated as you receive contact from the Department of Housing and Urban Development on this funding, and she will be in touch with any further communication or guidance we receive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Betty McCollum".

Betty McCollum
Member of Congress