

March 6, 2026

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
313 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington D.C. 20510

The Honorable Adam Schiff
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Schiff,

On behalf of the City of Redondo Beach, I am writing to respectfully request your support for four Congressionally Directed Spending proposals that address urgent public-safety, infrastructure, and behavioral-health needs in the City of Redondo Beach. Each project represents a targeted, high-impact investment that will strengthen essential services while reducing long-term costs to our community.

Alternative Crisis Response (ACR) Case-Management System Project

This project expands our ability to respond effectively to mental- and behavioral-health crises. The ACR Team—comprised of a licensed mental-health clinician and a substance-use professional—provides trauma-informed, non-law-enforcement intervention, reducing emergency room use and easing demand on police and fire personnel. The City requires a unified case-management system, portable field technology, and comprehensive staff training. In addition to modernizing data and communication tools, the project includes specialized training to ensure responders can fully leverage new technology, apply best-practice crisis-intervention techniques, and coordinate effectively with public safety, health, and housing partners

Emergency Medical Cardiac Monitor & Mechanical CPR Device Replacement Project

This project replaces aging cardiac monitors and mechanical CPR devices used daily by the Redondo Beach Fire Department. The current equipment has reached the end of its service life, creating reliability concerns and technology gaps that affect patient care and responder safety. Modernizing this equipment will strengthen emergency medical readiness and ensure first responders can continue delivering high-quality, lifesaving care.

Avenue F Stormwater Infrastructure Improvement Project

This project protects public safety and coastal water quality by constructing a stormwater infiltration system that captures and treats runoff from a 400-acre

watershed. It also replaces a failing 232-foot storm drain outfall that poses significant flood-risk and public-safety concerns. These improvements will modernize aging infrastructure, enhance stormwater reliability, and support long-term compliance with regional water-quality requirements.

King Harbor Seawall Replacement Project

The existing King Harbor seawall has reached structural failure and cannot be rebuilt in place. A new, more resilient seawall must be constructed seaward of the current structure to protect harbor facilities, utilities, public walkways, and shoreline assets from ongoing deterioration, storm impacts, and future sea-level rise. This project is essential to maintaining the safety, functionality, and economic vitality of King Harbor.

Thank you for your longstanding commitment to public safety, mental-health services, and resilient infrastructure. The City of Redondo Beach stands ready to provide any additional information your office may need as you review these requests. We deeply appreciate your partnership and your continued advocacy on behalf of our community.

Sincerely,

James A. Light

Mayor, City of Redondo Beach