

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-0502

March 17, 2026

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

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

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **New Bookmobile** project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is **Mendocino County Library**, located at 105 North Main Street, Ukiah, CA 95482.

The funding would be used to replace its aging Bookmobile vehicle. The Bookmobile is the primary, and in many cases the only, point of access to library services for residents in Mendocino County's most geographically remote and economically vulnerable communities. The current Bookmobile has exceeded its service life, and when it is out of operation, entire communities, including seniors, children, tribal members, and low-income households, lose access to books, broadband, and essential public resources.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it preserves the only reliable source of library access for more than 1,100 residents of rural Mendocino County who have no other practical option.

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

Sincerely,



**JARED HUFFMAN**  
Member of Congress