

Description of Request: \$333,000—Veterans' training and Employment program. I requested these funds from the Department of Labor ETA and TES account for veterans' training and Employment programs. This program assists veterans with necessary job training and employment skill building.

The entity to receive funding for this project is The University of West Florida, located at 11000 University Parkway Pensacola, FL 32514. The funding would be used to provide training and employment counseling to veterans. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project. Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended for a "front" or "pass through" entity; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROY BLUNT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

Mr. BLUNT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009.

Account: Natural Resources Conservation Service—Watershed/flood prevention operations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southwest Missouri Resource Conservation and Development, Inc., at Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Address of Requesting Entity: 601 Business Loop 70 West Columbia, Missouri 65203

Description of Request: \$287,000 is provided for the Upper White River Basin to provide additional conservation technical assistance to support the South Missouri Water Quality Project staff for a water quality program in southern Missouri. Technical assistance includes forestry conservation, urban nutrient management and storm water planning, farm nutrient planning for confined animal feeding operations, cartography map products, watershed planning and assessment, and water quality information and education activities. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because this watershed has experienced tremendous population growth in the last decade that has resulted in an increase in nonpoint source pollution pressure. The funding provides

Account: DOJ—COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Greene County, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 933 N. Robberson Springfield, MO 65802

Description of Request: \$800,000 is included for the Greene County Emergency Operations Center. It is my understanding this funding is to be used for the necessary equipment of the emergency operations center. The equipment will include computers, software, televisions, video conference equipment and other specialized equipment for the facility. The use of taxpayer funds is justified as this equipment is necessary for the operation of

the EOC. The total equipment required is for interoperability of all agencies in the event of a disaster.

Account: Department of Justice—COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Springfield, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 840 N. Boonville, Springfield, MO

Description of Request: \$700,000 will be used to help fund replacement of the existing Police Department records management system and automated field reporting software, hardware and servers. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the funding will enable continuous operations and eliminate periods when records are not accessible and field reports created by mobile data units are disrupted. The technology will enable the sharing of law enforcement information with other agencies.

Account: Department of Justice—COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Taney County, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 127 Main St., Forsyth, MO, 65653

Description of Request: \$400,000 will help Taney County, MO to purchase and implement a county wide, multi-jurisdiction public safety mobile data network as well as a criminal justice information sharing system. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because this project will greatly enhance overall investigations and increase officer safety by enabling them instant access to critical time sensitive information on the street, when they need it most.

Account: Department of Justice—COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Webb City, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 200 S. Main St, Webb City, MO 64870

Description of Request: \$150,000 will help to fund provide law enforcement technology for Webb City, Missouri. Webb City needs to purchase portable radios and mobile vehicle radios of 800 MHz. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the current radios utilize a 150 MHz frequency that has gaps throughout the city and is very limited outside of the city limits. This prevents a seamless channel of communication in times of disaster.

Account: Army Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Springfield, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 840 N. Boonville, Springfield, MO

Description of Request: \$478,000 will be used to help complete the feasibility study and begin pre-construction engineering and design of Jordan Creek. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the Army Corps of Engineers study looks at a range of alternatives to the water resource needs in the area including non-structural flood damage measures, development of environmental and floodplain buffer zones along the river, and creation of floodplain overflow wetlands.

Account: Department of Energy—EERE—Solar Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Crowder College

Address of Requesting Entity: 601 Laclede Avenue, Neosho, MO 64850

Description of Request: \$951,500 will be used to fund programs and services at the

Missouri Alternative Renewable Energy Technology Center. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the funding will be used in part to fund the new center which will be for delivery of new business and incubator services and education and training programs in constructions technologies and renewable energy. The facility will serve as a living laboratory, modeling the best practices known for solar and thermodynamics energy systems and striving for zero energy consumption and serve as a regional center for renewable energy.

Account: Department of Energy—EERE—Other

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Greene County, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 933 N. Robberson, Springfield, MO 65802

Description of Request: \$475,750 will be used to help fund a portion of the renovations of the Greene County courthouse. Greene County would like to add a green roof to the courthouse. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the roof would serve as an environmentally friendly way to insulate the building and control storm water. This project is to assist Greene County in our effort to truly be green citizens. The energy efficiency of the project and the storm water control of the project are the largest benefits to Greene County.

Account: Army Corps of Engineers—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers—Little Rock

Address of Requesting Entity: 700 W Capitol Ave # 7340, Little Rock, AR 72201

Description of Request: \$6,667,000 will be used by the Corps of Engineers for operational and maintenance items at Table Rock Lake including rehabilitation of head gates and rehabilitation of powerhouse station service units. This request was made by the Administration and is the entire operations and maintenance budget for Table Rock Lake. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because Table Rock Lake provides vital flood control on the White River and is a significant source of peak hydropower.

Account: Department of Interior—EPA—STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Project

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: McDonald County, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. 345 Pineville, MO 64856

Description of Request: \$500,000 will be used by Public Water Supply District (PWSD) #1 for the second phase of a wastewater expansion project to augment recently constructed infrastructure financed from PWSD funds. The proposed project will supply the Village of Jane with needed sewer service. The Village of Jane is a small but rapidly growing community in south-central McDonald County on the bank of Little Sugar Creek, a 303d impaired waterway. In addition to the benefits of improved water quality within the Little Sugar Creek watershed and encouraging additional commercial and residential development in the area, the proposed project will also provide needed wastewater service to properties recently purchased by the McDonald County R-1 School District and Crowder College to house a second high school campus and a community college campus respectively.

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozark Tri-County Health Care Consortium

Address of Requesting Entity: 4301 Doniphan Drive, Neosho, MO 64850

Description of Request: \$476,000 would be used to construct a new Federally Qualified Health Center in Cassville, Missouri. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the Health Center will increase medical capacity and add full dental services to serve all of Barry County by moving from the current leased facility that provides only medical services.

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri Southern State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 3950 E. Newman Road, Joplin, MO, 64801

Description of Request: \$381,000 would be used for patient simulation equipment for education and training of all nursing and allied healthcare students. These simulators will allow students to become proficient in assessing patients, making decisions and implementing care in a real-life setting all without jeopardizing the health and safety of real patients. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because patient safety and outcome are critically dependent on the competence of healthcare personnel.

Account: Elementary & Secondary Education (includes FIE)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65804

Description of Request: \$143,000 would be used for the Missouri Innovation Academy, an on-campus summer program for high school sophomores and juniors from low-income backgrounds. Students will live on the Missouri State University campus during the duration of the Academy. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because innovation will be the key to economic growth in the future and will involve the creation and application of technology to treat serious illness, address energy needs and other environmental challenges, increase national security, and introduce other inventions to improve the quality of life and stay competitive at the global level.

Account: Elementary & Secondary Education (includes FIE)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Springfield

Address of Requesting Entity: 840 N. Boonville, Springfield, MO 65802

Description of Request: \$571,000 would be used for Ready to Learn, which is a partnership with the highly utilized Springfield/Greene County WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) Clinic, Shady Dell Public Preschool and a collaboration of service providers. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because this program creates pre-kindergarten academic, reading readiness and social and emotional skill development to the client population 0 to under 7 years (Missouri preschool age) and their families.

Account: Elementary & Secondary Education (includes FIE)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Joplin Public Schools

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 128, Joplin, MO 64802

Description of Request: \$143,000 would be used for Enhancing Joplin's Opportunities by

Preparing and Leading Instructional Networking, or eJOPLIN, which seeks to transform classrooms for all learners through high quality teaching powered by technology. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the funding would be used to provide elementary school students the opportunity to be in either an eMINTS classroom or an eJOPLIN classroom. These classrooms will include one computer for every four students, an LCD projector, a laptop computer for the teacher, a Smart Board, educational software and a networked printer.

Account: Museums & Libraries

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65804

Description of Request: \$143,000 would be used for the Digital Archives Initiative: Phase II, which will continue Missouri State University's efforts to develop high quality, accessible digital collections. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because people in Southwest Missouri will have access to larger collections with additional important links to Ozarks related people, places, and events. To date, grant funds have enabled the department to establish and implement a digital imaging program that focuses on important regional collections.

Account: Federal Highway Administration—(TCSP) Transportation & Community & System Preservation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozarks Transportation Organization

Address of Requesting Entity: 117 Park Central Square, Springfield, MO 65801

Description of Request: \$237,500 will be used for construction of Interchange Improvements at 60/65 including flyover ramps and a grade separated railroad crossing. Use of taxpayer funds is justified as this is the one of the most important interchanges in the region. There is a history of severe accidents and high traffic volumes. The current interchange configuration was not intended for the traffic volumes that are present.

Account: Federal Highway Administration—Interstate Maintenance

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Joplin, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: 602 S. Main St. Joplin, MO 64801

Description of Request: \$152,000 will be used to study the most effective way to provide improved access to I-44. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because this project will provide access to I-44 for the commercial district. The commercial district would become enhanced and further developed, which would increase jobs and reduce vacancies and blight. The study for purpose and need as well as feasibility and location will provide the first step toward constructing this project.

Account: Federal Highway Administration—(TCSP) Transportation Community & System Preservation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Taney County, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: 127 Main Street, Forsyth, MO 65653

Description of Request: \$427,000 will fund rehabilitation of the Route 76 bridge over Lake Taneycomo and a roundabout at the Route 76/Business Route 65 Interchange in Hollister. The use of taxpayer funds is justified as this project will address congestion relief, safety and infrastructure maintenance.

Account: Federal Highway Administration—(TCSP) Transportation & Community System Preservation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozarks Transportation Organization

Address of Requesting Entity: 117 Park Central Square, Springfield, MO 65801

Description of Request: \$1,187,500 will be used to fund safety and capacity improvements to the Route 60 Bridge over the James River in Greene County Missouri. Changing geological conditions have resulted in increased unforeseen costs for the project. Use of taxpayer funds is justified as this project is a project of regional significance on the statewide system. The bridge is being replaced in conjunction with the US60/US65 interchange improvement project, which is the number one priority within the Springfield region for both the OTO and MoDOT. This project already appears in the STIP and is ready to begin in early 2009.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

Mr. GALLEGLY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the Congressional Record regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 1105, the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009:

Requesting Member: Rep. ELTON GALLEGLY
Bill: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Account: Department of Justice, OJP—Byrne Discretionary Grants

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: County of Ventura

Address of Requesting Entity: 800 So. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009

Description of Request: This \$280,000 request is for a Crime Lab Scanning Electron Microscope with Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy (EDS) detector and X-Ray Fluorescence capabilities. The EDS detector can identify the major elemental composition of most materials examined as evidence in crimes. It is currently the only tool in the laboratory for such examinations. The addition of X-Ray Fluorescence capabilities increases the analysis sensitivity 10 to 100 times. This will support the Ventura County Sheriff's Regional Crime Lab, the only laboratory in Ventura County doing DNA profiling and analysis.

Requesting Member: Rep. ELTON GALLEGLY
Bill: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Account: Department of Justice, COPS Methamphetamine Enforcement

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: County of Ventura

Address of Requesting Entity: 800 So. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009

Description of Request: This request of \$350,000 is for the purpose of providing funds for two California Multi-jurisdictional Methamphetamine investigators. The Ventura County Combined Agency Task Force (VCAT) is a collaborative effort with city, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies working toward the disruption, dismantlement, apprehension, and arrest of narcotic offenders and