

MEMBER:  
COMMITTEE ON  
WAYS AND MEANS  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRADE  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SECURITY  
COMMITTEE ON  
THE JUDICIARY  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION,  
CITIZENSHIP, REFUGEES, BORDER SECURITY,  
AND INTERNATIONAL LAW  
DEMOCRATIC STEERING AND  
POLICY COMMITTEE

*Linda T. Sánchez*  
39TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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

DC OFFICE:  
1222 LONGWORTH BUILDING  
WASHINGTON, DC 20515  
(202) 225-6676

DISTRICT OFFICE:  
17906 CRUSADER AVENUE  
SUITE 100  
CERRITOS, CA 90703  
(562) 860-5050

[www.lindasanchez.house.gov](http://www.lindasanchez.house.gov)

## Funding Priorities in our Community

In order to create a more transparent and accountable process, Congressional Democrats have instituted new reforms to ensure every American can easily determine which funding requests—sometimes known as “earmarks”—have been submitted for consideration and possible funding.

The responsible application of federal resources designated for local projects of high public purpose can have widespread benefits for our communities, our state, and our nation.

Knowing the great needs in my district, I have strongly encouraged all local cities, school districts, colleges and universities, government agencies, and non-profit social service agencies to submit applications to me for these funds. In making appropriation requests, I seek to use taxpayer dollars wisely, considering cost-effectiveness and community support. These projects may support renewable energy, higher education, health outreach, environmental protection, infrastructure, and transportation initiatives that have regional and national benefits.

Below you will find a list of the projects, listed alphabetically, which I have submitted to the Appropriations Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives for Fiscal Year 2011. Although I know only a few of the projects will be selected for funding, I believe each would be valuable to our community.

**ABC Assistive Technology Pilot Program For Special Needs Children.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: ABC Unified School District, located at 16700 Norwalk Boulevard, Cerritos, CA 90703. Amount requested: \$190,634. The purpose of this program is to improve the learning outcomes of special needs children through the use of technology. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because science-based evidence demonstrates that children, whether autistic, mentally or physically challenged, moderately through severely visually impaired, deaf and hard of hearing, or with learning disabilities, can achieve improved outcomes in school and in adult life through use of targeted technology.

**ABCUSD School Community Violence Prevention.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: ABC Unified School District, located at 16700 Norwalk Boulevard, Cerritos, CA 90703. Amount requested: \$187,751. The purpose of this program is to fund a Los Angeles County Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer, provide a mental health counselor, and implement anti-bullying/anti-harassment programs in Artesia High School. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because this program would increase student safety and

attendance and create a positive learning environment in which students can achieve and succeed at Artesia High School.

**Agile Port and High Speed Ship Technology Transition Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: California State University, Long Beach, located at 6300 State University Drive, Suite 220, Long Beach, CA 90815. Amount requested: \$3,500,000. The purpose of the project is to research ship designs that can meet Strategic Rapid Deployment requirements and be used commercially to support the movement of cargo containers in coastal and inland waterways. Dual capability ships would be built in American shipyards with significant long term economic benefits and replace the costly Rapid Reserve Fleet. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would advance both defense and civilian transportation projects. CCDoTT also provides local economic and education benefits by funding research projects carried out by CSULB faculty and students.

**Alondra Boulevard Improvements.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Paramount, located at 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA, 90723. Amount requested: \$2,000,000. The purpose of this funding is to make improvements on Alondra Boulevard in Paramount from the east City limit to the west City limit. The funding would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the existing pavement is deteriorated and requires resurfacing to preserve structural integrity. The traffic signal upgrades will improve vehicle and pedestrian safety.

**Artesia Water Conservation.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Artesia, located at 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, CA 90701. Amount requested: \$358,800. The purpose of this funding is to provide a variety of water conservation improvements to several City of Artesia facilities. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will reduce the city's dependency on water, saving taxpayers money and freeing water for other uses.

**Big Brothers/Big Sisters Mentoring Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Catholic Big Brothers Big Sisters, located at 1530 James M. Wood Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90015. Amount requested: \$75,000. The purpose of this program is to mentor at-risk and foster youth in Los Angeles County. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because mentoring has been shown to help improve academic performance, decrease school dropout rates, and increase confidence in skills achieved and relationships built.

**Boys and Girls Club Teen Center.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Boys & Girls Club of Whittier, located at 7905 South Greenleaf Avenue, Whittier, CA 90602. Amount requested: \$90,000. The purpose of this project is to offer academic, enrichment, and vocational services to teens in Whittier, La Mirada, and surrounding areas. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would improve learning outcomes for teens and provide them with a positive environment in which to spend their after-school hours.

**Brownfield Environmental Technician Job Training.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Hub Cities Consortium, located at 2677 Zoe Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255.

Amount requested: \$196,606. The purpose of this project is to provide certificate training for environmental technician jobs to low-income individuals. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would provide a direct pipeline for program graduates to Brownfield projects in the City of Lynwood and its enterprise zone designation. Graduates would earn a 40 hour HAZWOPER certificate, 30 hour OSHA Certificate, Lead Certificate, and CPR Certificate.

**Cerritos College Portable Entertainment Technology Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Cerritos Community College District, located at 11110 Alondra Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650. Amount requested: \$343,000. The purpose of this program is to provide education and training in a professional certificate program in green entertainment technology. This project would be a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because it would provide hands-on vocational training for displaced workers and other community college students in a growing career field.

**Cerritos Library Teen Zone Project.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Cerritos, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703. Amount requested: \$350,000. The purpose of this program is to better meet the educational needs of teens in Cerritos and surrounding areas by improving the hardware and software available and providing an interactive study and activity space specifically for them. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would promote better individual and team study and research habits and make high quality computer and internet resources available to teens of all economic backgrounds.

**Cerritos Public Safety Technology Improvements.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Cerritos, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703. Amount requested: \$273,000. The purpose of this program is to make needed public safety technology improvements to the City of Cerritos Sheriff's station. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the improvements would increase the safety of the residents of Cerritos and surrounding regions.

**City of Lynwood Emergency Operations Center.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lynwood, located at 11330 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262. Amount requested: \$100,000. The purpose of the project is to retrofit the City of Lynwood's primary Emergency Operations Center, located in City Hall and to establish an alternate Emergency Operations Center at the City's Department of Public Works Yard. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would allow for enhanced communication, readiness, and redundancy in the case of an emergency event, keeping the residents of Lynwood and nearby areas safer.

**Compton Creek Reevaluation.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Los Angeles County Flood Control District, located at 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, CA 91803. Amount requested: \$900,000. The purpose of this project is to study Compton Creek and address flood risk and water quality. This funding would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds

because it would help mitigate flood insurance premiums, and improve the quality of water in the community.

**Compton Young Scholars Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Compton Unified School District, located at 501 South Santa Fe Avenue, Compton, CA 90220. Amount requested: \$142,298. The purpose of this request is to expand the Young Scholars Program that seeks to improve student outcomes by providing boys in grades 4-8 with positive male role models and increased academic support. The program seeks to hire twenty college-age mentors who will interact with up to ten mentees each. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the program helps students at-risk of negative education outcomes to succeed and stay in school. In addition, mentoring has been shown to decrease a mentee's likelihood of engaging in violent or illicit behavior and to increase school attendance and performance.

**East Asian Security Studies Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Whittier College, located at 13406 East Philadelphia Street, Whittier, CA 90601. Amount requested: \$850,000. The purpose of this project is to expand language course development and language centers, enhance international economics and military security curriculum, and provide Whittier College students and faculty opportunities to study abroad and participate in globalization conferences. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it is preparing the next generation of American political and business leaders to effectively promote U.S. interests in East Asia.

**Eco-Garden Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Water Replenishment District of Southern California, located at 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90712. Amount requested: \$100,000. The purpose of the Eco-Gardener Program is to teach low-skilled laborers to become successful, "green" entrepreneurs. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help turn low-skill, low-income workers into higher-skilled, eco-friendly entrepreneurs who could eventually hire their own staff and create jobs in Los Angeles County as they use environmentally friendly techniques to maintain landscaping in our drought-prone region.

**ELAC Accelerated Basics for College.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: East Los Angeles College, located at 2340 Firestone Boulevard, South Gate, CA 90280. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this project is to dramatically improve the retention and transfer rates of Latino and other academically disadvantaged students through improved curriculum and faculty development, with particular emphasis on the needs of second-language learners. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would increase the language skills and academic success of East Los Angeles College students, ensuring that more students graduate, ready to pursue successful careers or further academic studies.

**ELAC Urban Green Energy Auditing.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: East Los Angeles College, located at 2340 Firestone Boulevard, South Gate, CA 90280. Amount

requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this proposal is to train and educate 350 people to become self-employed, certified green energy auditors. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the program would address the shortage of individuals certified to ensure buildings under construction or retrofitted are meeting LEED certification standards.

**Florence-Firestone/Walnut Park Transit Vehicles.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, located at Post Office Box 1460, Alhambra, CA 91802. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this funding is to procure two alternative-fuel transit buses with wheelchair lift/ramps. These buses would be used for a new shuttle service to operate within the unincorporated County areas of Florence-Firestone and Walnut Park. The funding would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would create a new shuttle service for local residents increasing their clean transit options.

**Gang Alternatives Program for Southeast Los Angeles County.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Gang Alternatives Program (GAP), located at 2555 Industry Way, Suite A & B, Lynwood, CA 90262. Amount requested: \$150,000. The purpose of this program is to provide multi-week educational seminars at public schools to 4th grade students and their parents on strategies to avoid gang involvement and bullying. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the program reduces gang involvement, bullying, and violence in the high-crime area of Florence-Firestone. Participating students will be introduced to positive alternatives and techniques for achievement and encouraged to set goals and make positive lifestyle choices.

**Gateway Cities Stormwater Catch-Basin Treatment Plan.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Los Angeles Gateway Authority/City of Long Beach, located at 11111 Brookshire Avenue Downey, CA, 90241. Amount requested: \$6,720,506. The purpose of the project is to implement a comprehensive stormwater treatment system to clean polluted stormwater for the 27 cities in the Gateway Cities Council of Governments region. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would capture trash, bacteria, and oils from the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers before they reach recreational waters, making our area beaches cleaner and safer for families and wildlife.

**Goals for Life Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Goals for Life, located at 13100 Studebaker Road, Norwalk, CA 90650. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this program is to motivate and improve academic performance for youth at-risk of negative educational outcomes in southeast Los Angeles County by connecting youth with mentors who are active and former professional athletes. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because participants would have better grades, improved attitudes, increased attendance in school, and active interest in higher education and community service. Program participants have shown a reduction in the rates of teen pregnancy, dropping out of school, and gang involvement.

**Hamilton Middle School Health Education Outreach Project.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: The Children's Clinic, located at 2790 Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach, CA

90806. Amount requested: \$60,000. The purpose of this program is to expand health education and promotion services to the medically underserved communities of North Long Beach, East and South Los Angeles County. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would address minority health disparities by providing desperately needed health information to help area residents avoid and control diabetes, properly treat asthma, develop healthy eating habits, and generally improve health outcome and decrease the necessity for costly health interventions in the long run.

**Hawaiian Gardens At-Risk Youth Summer Employment Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Hawaiian Gardens, located at 21815 Pioneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716. Amount requested: \$45,400. The purpose of this program is to provide at-risk youth in Hawaiian Gardens with the opportunity to gain work experience and an appreciation of their community by working for a summer within a city department. This program would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would hire twenty (20) youth and provide them with job readiness training in areas such as interview skills and etiquette. The program would also provide mentoring by city staff. Job training and mentoring have been shown to help in efforts to keep at-risk youth in school and out of trouble.

**Health Information Technology.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: American Indian Healing Center, Inc., located at 12456 East Washington Boulevard, Whittier, CA 90602. Amount requested: \$90,000. The purpose of this program is to improve health outcomes among the American Indian populations of Los Angeles County by improving the ability of the American Indian Healing Center, Inc. to track and monitor patients, especially those with chronic conditions. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because American Indians die of illnesses like tuberculosis, alcoholism, diabetes, pneumonia, and influenza at far higher rates than other Americans.

**LA County Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Friends of CASA of Los Angeles, located at 201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 3, Monterey Park, CA 91755. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this program is to serve the needs of abused and neglected children in the foster care system through recruitment, training, supervision, and support of community volunteers to serve as Court Appointed Special Advocates. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will help address the developmental, healthcare, and other needs of foster children to help them become productive members of society.

**LACCD Training, Education, & Job Placement Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Los Angeles Community College District, located at 770 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Amount requested: \$650,000. The purpose of this project is to expand access to high-paying jobs in the construction industry. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it seeks to address the high unemployment rate in Southeast Los Angeles County. LACCD would collaborate with the Painters District Council 36 and employers to provide

apprenticeship jobs with benefits as well as a one-stop job training/placement service to up to 1,500 students.

**LACMTA Bus Acquisition Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, located at One Gateway Plaza, MS:99-9-2, Los Angeles, CA, 90012. Amount requested: \$10,000,000. The purpose of this funding is to replace aging buses with clean reliable vehicles. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will provide a safe transportation option that reduces pollution locally.

**Lakewood Sewer Containment & Capacity Upgrade.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lakewood, located at 5050 Clark Avenue Lakewood, CA 90712. Amount requested: \$825,000. The purpose of this project is to replace aging sewer lines and add new lines in the City of Lakewood. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would increase the capacity of the system and reduce sewer line leaks and the need for costly repairs on aging pipes

**Lakewood Transit Stop Improvements.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lakewood, located at 5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712. Amount requested: \$400,000. The purpose of this funding is to improve transit stops by installing approximately 15 new bus passenger shelters, benches and litter receptacles at various locations within the city. Solar power lighting will be used. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will make transit stops more energy efficient and reduce overall costs as well as contributing less to global warming versus using a traditional power source.

**LBT Clean Fuel Buses & Facilities.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Long Beach Transit, located at 1963 East Anaheim Street, Long Beach, CA 90813. Amount requested: \$6,000,000. The purpose of this funding is to rehabilitate Long Beach Boulevard. It would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because Long Beach Boulevard is a major arterial connecting Long Beach and Los Angeles through South Gate. The condition of the roadway has been evaluated as 'poor' in the City's Pavement Management Report.

**Literacy Opens Doors Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Whittier Area Literacy Council, Inc., located at 12911 Hadley Street, Whittier, CA 90601. Amount requested: \$70,000. The purpose of the project is to expand free, one-on-one, literacy and English as a Second Language tutoring for children by providing services in new satellite locations in the community. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because its expected outcomes are improved school achievement and enhanced civic engagement for residents of the 39th Congressional district who live in the greater Whittier area.

**Long Beach Boulevard Project.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of South Gate, located at 8650 California Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280. Amount requested: \$4,800,000. The purpose of this funding is to rehabilitate Long Beach Boulevard. It would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because Long Beach Boulevard is a major arterial connecting

Long Beach and Los Angeles through South Gate. The condition of the roadway has been evaluated as 'poor' in the City's Pavement Management Report.

**Long Beach Police Department Technology Equipment Upgrades.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Long Beach, located at 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA 90802. Amount requested: \$500,000. The purpose of this project is to acquire effective technologies to improve the efficiency of the local police force and bolster public safety in the City of Long Beach. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because residents and visitors to the City of Long Beach will be safer.

**Long Beach Public Library Improvements.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Long Beach, located at 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA 90802. Amount requested: \$500,000. The purpose of this project is to improve the offerings at the Long Beach Public Library System by purchasing computers and computer equipment, books, and other materials. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help the library meet its growing demand for educational, research, and recreational information services.

**Lynwood Health Center Equipment.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: JWCH Institute, Inc., located at 1910 West Sunset Blvd, Suite 650 Los Angeles, CA 90026. Amount requested: \$126,040. The purpose of this program is to ensure that the JWCH Clinic has the equipment it needs to adequately serve low-income families in need of healthcare services in Los Angeles County. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help families obtain primary care in their community and control their chronic conditions. The clinic expects to double its capacity by increasing its client base from 3,054 to 6,500 unduplicated patients and to measurably improve health outcomes amongst its patients.

**Lynwood Shot Spotter Gunshot Location System.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lynwood, located at 11330 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA 90262. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this proposal is to purchase a Shot Spotter GLS - a law enforcement tool that provides 'real time' gunfire alerts and data to law enforcement officers. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would reduce police response times, increase arrests, save lives, and remove a greater number of illegal weapons from Lynwood's streets, thus promoting overall safety in Southeast Los Angeles County.

**Maintenance and Management Trainee Jobs Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lakewood, located at 5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712. Amount requested: \$401,616. The purpose of this program is to provide transferable job skills and experience to individuals in professional management positions as well as a variety of skilled and semiskilled trades relating to local city government. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help young and inexperienced workers gain the experience typically required to land a permanent job in these fields. Training would focus on projects relating to



environmental sciences, climate action plans, emergency management, public works operations, capital improvement plans, and more.

**Mayfield HS School Resource Officer.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Bellflower Unified School District, located at 10140 Alondra Boulevard, Bellflower, CA 90706. Amount requested: \$68,000. The purpose of the proposal is to provide a School Resource Officer from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for Mayfair High School in Lakewood, CA. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will help maintain safe conditions at Mayfair High School and build on positive student-law enforcement interactions.

**MOLAA @ Atlantic Avenue.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Museum of Latin American Art, located at 628 Alamitos Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90802. Amount requested: \$198,000. The purpose of the project is to fund 'MOLAA @ Atlantic Avenue,' an innovative community asset that would underscore and serve the tremendous diversity - especially Latino - found in the Southern California region. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would increase public access to modern and contemporary Latin American art while providing 100 CSU students with invaluable career training per year. The project is consistent with MOLAA's mission to bring relevant world class arts experiences to the local community.

**MudTown Farms Development Project.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Watts Labor Community Action Committee, located at 10950 South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90059. Amount requested: \$209,854. The purpose of this project is to create a model urban agriculture center that will help youth living in poverty live healthier, more fulfilled lives by empowering them to grow nutritious foods and learn entrepreneurial skills. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because local youth would learn practical business and farming skills they can use in future careers as well as more information about nutrition and healthy living.

**Neighborhood Mobile Recreation.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lynwood, located at 11330 Bullis Road, Lynwood, CA, 90262. Amount requested: \$200,000. The purpose of this funding is to bring the City of Lynwood's neighborhood mobile recreation program to targeted city neighborhoods. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will create opportunities for Lynwood students to learn in their home neighborhoods.

**Plant 22 Photovoltaic Generator.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Lakewood, located at 5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712. Amount requested: \$700,000. The purpose of this project is to provide solar energy to power the booster pumps at the City of Lakewood's water storage facility. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will eliminate up to 25,920 kW of electrical load from the local power grid during peak load periods on long summer afternoons, saving taxpayers money and protecting the environment.

**Project Green Campus.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Rio Hondo College, located at 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601. Amount requested: \$650,000. The purpose of this project is to reduce Rio Hondo College's carbon footprint at its campuses, and provide green collar job training to its students by engaging them in green energy upgrades on campus. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it both reduces energy use and prepares a local workforce for new green energy sector jobs.

**Regional Groundwater Monitoring Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Water Replenishment District of Southern California, located at 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA, 90712. Amount requested: \$1,250,000. The purpose of this project is to increase water supply in the region. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because construction of a "deep aquifer" well will allow the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD) to find new water groundwater supply and further WRD's effort to complete a comprehensive network of monitoring wells covering more of its service area in the Central and West Basins.

**School Resource Officer Program (South Gate).** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of South Gate, located at 8650 California Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of the project is to provide a School Resource Officer from the South Gate Police Department for schools in the City of South Gate. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help maintain safe conditions at schools in South Gate and build on positive student-law enforcement relations.

**Security Guard Training for Veterans.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Project Amiga, located at 2001 Tyler Avenue Suite, 203, South El Monte, CA 91733. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this project is to provide job training to veterans and their families with the skills needed to become licensed as a Security Guard. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would provide direct job training and placement services to veterans and their families in this time of high unemployment and economic uncertainty.

**South Gate Citywide Street Lights.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of South Gate, located at 8650 California Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280. Amount requested: \$500,000. The purpose of this project is to replace 75 year old streetlights with energy efficient lights. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because conversion of these lights from 'series circuit street lights' to 'multiple circuit street lights' would reduce energy consumption by 75 percent.

**St. Francis Licensed Vocational Nurse to Registered Nurse Bridge Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: St. Francis Medical Center, located at 3630 East Imperial Highway, Lynwood, CA 90262. Amount requested: \$450,000. The purpose of this program is to prepare disadvantaged and underrepresented minorities to serve as registered nurses in the underserved communities of Southeast Los Angeles County. This would a valuable use of

taxpayer funds because it would help produce more registered nurses, a profession in high demand and short supply, especially in southeast Los Angeles; and because it would help improve the employment prospects of disadvantaged Latina students, who face higher rates of unemployment and uninsurance than their more affluent counterparts.

**Teen Educational Enrichment Network.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: Los Angeles County Community Development Commission, located at 2 Coral Circle, Monterey Park, CA 91755. Amount requested: \$175,000. The purpose of this project is to expand after school tutoring and access to academic resources to teens in South Whittier. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help students improve their academic performance by providing them with tutoring services, access to technology, academic enrichment, and employment opportunities. Academic intervention is especially important in this community where 71 percent of the students are low-income and many are at-risk of becoming discouraged, disinterested, and unmotivated to learn.

**Telegraph Road Realignment.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of La Mirada, located at 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, CA 90638. Amount requested: \$2,620,000. The purpose of this funding is to realign Telegraph Road, west of La Mirada Boulevard, from its intersection at Wicker Drive/Hutchins Drive to its intersection with Imperial Highway. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would result in reduced traffic congestion and vehicle emissions, and improved traffic circulation and air quality.

**THINK After School Program.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: THINK Together, located at 2100 East Fourth Street, Suite 200, Santa Ana, CA 92705. Amount requested: \$200,000. The purpose of this program is to provide free academic enrichment in a safe and supervised school-based setting to 2,700 students in the unincorporated communities of Whittier. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would keep students safe after school while helping them to improve their academic achievement and physical fitness. Such after-school programs help students perform better academically.

**Watts Towers Storm Drain Improvement Project.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Los Angeles, located at 200 North Spring Street, Third Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90004. Amount requested: \$624,197. The purpose of the project is to improve the storm drain system near Watts Towers State Park. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would prevent flooding, make the neighborhood more pedestrian friendly, enhance small business opportunities, and improve the overall look of this historic area.

**Whittier After School Programs.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Whittier, located at 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, CA 90602. Amount requested: \$120,000. The purpose of this program is to increase academic and fitness outcomes for Whittier youth in grades 2-12. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would provide academic support and community-based wellness programs for latch-key kids. Additionally, research

demonstrates that after-school programs directly contribute to a decline in after-school delinquency.

**WHITTIER, CA.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: City of Whittier, located at 13230 Penn Street Whittier, CA 90602. Amount requested: \$400,000. The purpose of the project is to execute the planning and design elements for a larger water reliability project that would rehabilitate and replace water pipelines, reservoirs, and pump facilities in the City of Whittier's water system. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would increase water supply and reliability in this semi-arid and seismically active area.

**Youth Development Service - Independent Living.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: LA County - Department of Children & Family Services, located at 425 Shatto Place, Los Angeles, CA 90020. Amount requested: \$200,000. The purpose of this program is to assist current and former foster youth with transition services in the area of post secondary and vocational education so that they can become self-sufficient. This program would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would help foster youth, who are at high risk of homelessness, unemployment, and depression, transition successfully into adulthood. Foster youth frequently have no safety net when they reach 18 and have lower levels of high school and college education than their counterparts, so this important program would provide critical support to a vulnerable population.

**YWCA Sexual Assault Crisis Services.** The entity to receive funding for the project is: YWCA of Greater Los Angeles, located at 3345 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90010. Amount requested: \$300,000. The purpose of this program is to enable the YWCA of Greater Los Angeles to recruit, train, and deploy individuals capable of providing assistance to victims of sexual assault. This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would address the shortage of individuals trained to deal with victims of sexual assault.