



CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Chairman Cole
Chairman, House Committee on
Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ranking Member DeLauro
Ranking Member, House Committee on
Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Advanced Manufacturing Initiative in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Ohio State University, at 281 W Lane Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43210. The funding would be used to renovate and purchase research equipment for laboratories at the Ohio State University's regional campuses located in Lima, Marion, Mansfield, and Newark.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will help sustain the program's emphasis on developing Industry 4.0 manufacturing-ready graduates, which requires the latest technologies and laboratory space. Funding would also be used to replace outdated equipment. These equipment investments and laboratory renovations and upgrades will promote strategic collaborations among manufacturers and educational institutions to develop a broader and deeper pool of in-demand talent to meet rapidly changing needs pertaining to our nation's technological competitiveness and innovation ability. The project has a Federal nexus because of the funding provided for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Carey".

Mike Carey
Member of Congress