April 24, 2021

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting $184,595 under HRSA Equipment and Health Professions Education and Workforce Development categories for Clinica Amistad in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Clinica Amistad located at 101 W Irvington Road, Building 3-C, Tucson, AZ 85714. The location of the project is also 101 W Irvington Road, Building 3-C, Tucson, AZ 85714.

This program requests a $152,615 for replacement of outdated, often second-hand donations of clinic equipment. Most of Clinica Amistad’s patients are low-income individuals living below the poverty line; most do not have insurance and would otherwise be unable to receive medical care and demographic makeup of these patients is remarkably diverse 96.7% of our patients identify as Hispanic, black/African American, Asian, American Indian, or Alaska Native. Unprecedented demand for services has caused an increased depreciation of their current equipment which has been in steady decline after 19 years of use. Amistad y Salud invests in the future of southern Arizona with a workforce training program that prepares the next generation of health professionals through an inter-professional approach. This request includes $31,980 for workforce training expenses, including guarantee funding for 20 fellows to participate as medical interns and fellows in partnership with the University of Arizona to help underserved patients. The goal of Clínica Amistad is to assist at-risk individuals within our community to achieve and maintain optimal health and wellness regardless of their financial limitations.

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

Sincerely,

Raúl M. Grijalva  
Member of Congress