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Tom Cole
Chairman
Subcommittee on THUD, Related Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives

Mike Quigley
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on THUD, Related Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Quigley,

I am requesting \$3 million under the FY 24 HUD-Economic Development Initiative program for Chicano Por La Causa's (CPLC) proposal to fund construction for a new senior housing development in Nogales, Arizona. This project will help address affordable housing shortages in Arizona, specifically for seniors.

The Senior Independent Living new construction residential development will be for seniors 62+ that live independently at 40% and 50% average median income and have access to other levels of care they may need. As the number of Americans over the age of 65 continues to grow, it's vital to provide safe, affordable housing options. This proposed independent elderly development is adjacent to two CPLC multi-family developments which will facilitate an intergenerational community. It's been studied that extended family contributes significantly to the total children's education success, family financial support and emotional support family members receive from parents to children and vice versa.

The \$3 million will go towards acquisition and construction of this total \$4.24 million project, for which CPLC has committed the remaining funds. CPLC has significant depth in residential and commercial development including new construction, rehabilitation and property management experience. Affordable Senior housing is a growing need in our community for those who cannot afford to pay the market rents. Often these families live on just Social Security or support from families.

CPLC has developed and managed over 3,200 multifamily units and 169 single-family units and has extensive experience structuring, negotiating and closing affordable multi and single-family rental and for-sale housing developments financed with Public/Private funding including Low-income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), HOME, CDBG, FHLB, AHP, SHP, PVB/PRA, VASH, City, State and federal NSP and other funding instruments.

This project meets all requirements, is shovel ready, and can obligate funds within a year. Thank you for your consideration for this important proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Raúl M. Grijalva". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'R' at the beginning.

Raúl M. Grijalva
Member of Congress