



**Tony Cárdenas**  
**Congress of the United States**  
29th District, California

April 23, 2021

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Individual Placement and Support (IPS) Program in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Penny Lane Centers, located at 15305 Rayen St. North Hills, CA 91343.

The funding would be used for providing 60 working-age homeless individuals with severe mental health impairment (or co-occurring substance abuse disorders) with job training, training, placements, as well as mental health, substance abuse, and supportive services through the Individual Placement and Support (IPS) program. The new IPS program expansion plan was prompted by our demonstrated effectiveness in generating positive outcomes in the priority population (currently a 67% employment rate) and the need to expand these services to other clients of Penny Lane Centers' permanent supportive housing programs in the 29th Congressional District. The new expansion will serve high acuity chronically homeless individuals (those with physical or mental disorders).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Cárdenas".

TONY CÁRDENAS  
Member of Congress  
California, 29<sup>th</sup> District