

**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Rep. Sharice L. Davids**  
**Kansas Third District**

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for University of Kansas Hospital Authority Improvements to Olathe Boulevard in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is University of Kansas Hospital Authority, located at 4000 Cambridge St., Kansas City, KS 66160. The funding would be used for both roadway safety and access to critical healthcare services through improvements to Olathe Blvd., between Rainbow Blvd. to the west and Cambridge St. to the east. The proposed project will include a dedicated through lane and a right-hand turn lane along the eastbound Olathe Blvd. The turn lane will improve access to the health system's P1/P2 parking garages and reduce delays caused by increased traffic anticipated over the next decade.. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will lead to safer, calmer traffic operations and reduced delays on Olathe Boulevard for local residents, health system employees, medical students, healthcare patients and other visitors. Last year, the health system's facilities at 4000 Cambridge Street, Kansas City, KS. provided care to nearly 280,000 unique patients, most of whom traveled along Olathe Blvd. to get to their appointment. Additionally, the University of Kansas is a powerful engine of economic growth and job creation for the state of Kansas.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Sharice L. Davids  
Member of Congress