



Representative Josh Harder

A Congressional Report:

FEDERAL INVESTMENTS FOR THE CENTRAL VALLEY IN THE HOUSE FUNDING BILLS

The Central Valley has been left behind for too long. Cities like San Francisco and Los Angeles receive millions of dollars of federal funding while we get pennies on the dollar. As a result, our schools, roads, and water projects are falling behind. This report outlines federal funding Rep. Harder secured in the House funding process to bring more investments to the Valley.



FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS



Rep. Harder secured \$1.6 billion for water projects, the largest investment in a *decade*...

and guaranteed that Medicare and Medicaid would receive full funding, even after the administration proposed cutting billions from each program...

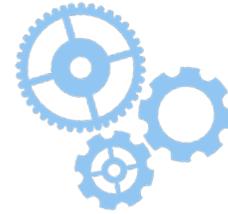


and increased investments for the Economic Development Administration which funds programs like Opportunity Stanislaus.

The following report details the programs vital to the Central Valley that Representative Josh Harder fought for and ultimately secured in the House of Representatives 2020 Funding Package.



Water



Jobs, Education & Economic Development



Renews investments in the 2016 Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act



Provides funding to refuges including San Joaquin River National Wildlife Refuge, which will provide water for 22,000 acres of farmland



Funds the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir which will provide an additional 85,000 acres of off-stream water storage for the Central Valley



Funds the North Valley Water Recycling Program that will provide as much as 30,600 acre feet per year



Funds the Sites, Los Vaqueros, and San Luis Reservoir water projects



Supports local programs such as, West Stanislaus Irrigation District Fish Screen project



Invests in projects to promote clean drinking water, flood control, and to address rural water need



Funds categorical grants to assist state clean water programs



Funds 21st Century Community Learning Centers, which provide after-school programs



Supports Effective Educator Development and Teacher Quality Partnerships



Funds Programs that invest in small business like the Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program, Community Development Financial Institutions Program and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity



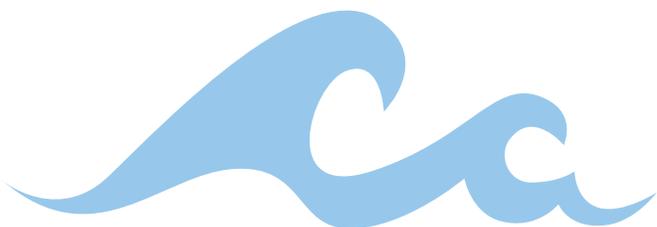
Supports the Health Workforce Program which aims to attract skilled workers to the Valley



Invests in Head Start and early education programs



Funds LEARN grants and the Innovative Approaches to learning program, to promote literacy and provide books to children in low-income areas



Health Care

 Funds the Health Workforce Program to attract more doctors and nurses to the Valley

 Funds Title X, which provides quality primary care and preventative health care for low-income patients

 Dedicates funds for the Asthma Control Program, which researches asthma - a condition that affects more than 1.5 million children in California

 Invests in Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration Grants, which make mental health care more accessible.

 Fully funds Medicare and Medicaid which helps thousands of working families, people with disabilities and those recovering from addictions. Local facilities like Aegis Treatment Center in Modesto, receive payments through Medicaid to provide addiction treatment and behavioral health services

Agriculture

 Funds Pest and Disease prevention programs like the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

 Provides funding for Crop insurance and the Ag safety net

 Invests in new agricultural research to ensure the safety of our nation's food supply, improve nutrition and health, and sustain our resources

 Funds the Rural Energy for America Program

 Funds the Market Facilitation Program which facilitates exports, so farmers can sell their products on a global scale

 Funds grants to help build more safe, low-income rural housing for farm workers

 Funds the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, which helps an estimated 11 percent of Central Valley residents

 Invests in the Value-Added Agricultural Product Market Development program, to help eligible farmers enter into or expand value-added activities



Infrastructure

 Invests in Community Development Block Grants which fund neighborhood projects like rebuilding sidewalks in Ceres and Hughson, making parks accessible in Newman, and improving water infrastructure in Modesto

 Provides funding for infrastructure projects like Central Valley Gateway and State Route 99 and Mitchell Road Interchange Project

 Funds New Starts which provide critical transportation projects including new rail and bus transportation programs

 Maintains and increases support for Amtrak

 Funds the Rural Broadband Access Loan and Loan Guarantee programs

 Expands Economic Development Administration grants program which provides investments that supports construction for public works programs

 Funds multiple programs to provide transitional and short-term housing for families

 Invests in the Essential Air Service to bolster local airports

Veterans

 Funds for VA Medical facilities such as French Camp VA facility in San Joaquin County and the Palo Alto VA

 Funds Veterans Treatment Courts to facilitate recovery for veterans who suffer from substance use disorders, mental health conditions, or trauma

 Funds to support housing solutions for homeless service members through HUD and VA partnered programs

 Bolsters VA programs that work to reduce the rates of veteran suicides, shorten wait times, and ensure proper medical care, like the National Strategy for Preventing Veteran Suicide

 Invests in critical infrastructure, administrative, and technology advancements to shorten VA wait times

 Provides funding for Veterans Employment and Training Service to provides job training for veterans after they finish their service

Law Enforcement & First Responders



The COPS program which helps local police departments put more officers on the beat



Regional Information Sharing Systems Program which helps collect data to fight crime



Discretionary grants for Drug Courts designed to make the criminal justice system more efficient



Volunteer Fire Assistance and State Fire Assistance programs



Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program

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State Homeland Security Grant Program, the Urban Area Security Initiative, and Operation Stonegarden programs which help to facilitate national security preparedness by facilitating planning, organization, equipment purchase, and training across federal, state and local law enforcement agencies



Housing & Homelessness



Housing and Urban Development grant funding for programs that help to build and maintain low-income housing



Promoting the “Housing First” model of homelessness prevention, which has been proven effective across the country



HUD Community Development Block Grant program which provides money to improve infrastructure and deliver food to homebound seniors



Capital improvement funds for public housing repairs and modernization



Bolster existing homelessness programs including the Continuum of Care Program, the Emergency Solutions Grants Program and the Rural Housing Stability Assistance Program

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Catholic Charities of Stockton’s Supportive Services