

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Andy Harris, M.D.
Chairman
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural
Development, Food and Drug Administration,
and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Sanford Bishop, Jr.
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural
Development, Food and Drug Administration,
and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chairman Harris and Ranking Member Bishop,

I am requesting \$1,050,000 for Brownsboro Independent School District to support campus entrance improvements and signage at Brownsboro High School, as well as the repair and improvement of the Brownsboro Junior High driveway and parking lot. Brownsboro High School, located along Highway 31, currently lacks prominent signage and visual elements that reflect the pride and excellence of the campus, despite serving as a highly visible representation of the district to the broader community. Additionally, deteriorating conditions at the junior high driveway and parking areas have created safety concerns and negatively impact daily traffic flow for students, staff, and visitors.

These projects are essential to ensuring safe, accessible, and welcoming school environments for the more than 2,600 students served by the school district across its communities. Enhancing the high school entrance with updated signage and improved curb appeal will create a more professional and inviting atmosphere, positively impacting over 800 students and staff while strengthening community pride. At the same time, replacing the deteriorated driveway and parking lot at Brownsboro Junior High with modern concrete infrastructure will improve safety, accessibility, and traffic efficiency for daily school operations.

This request represents a responsible and efficient use of taxpayer funds by addressing high-impact infrastructure needs that directly affect student safety and community perception. Proactive investment in these improvements will reduce long-term maintenance costs, prevent further deterioration, and ensure that school facilities reflect the quality and standards expected by students, families, and educators. Federal support for these targeted upgrades will strengthen educational environments, enhance public safety, and reinforce the vitality of communities across the district.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Lance Gooden
Member of Congress