

Recipient:

Variety Care, Inc.

Project Name:

Variety Care Norman Expansion

Recipient Address:

3000 N. Grand Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Project Address:

901 N. Porter Ave, Norman, OK 73107

Amount Requested:

\$3,000,000

Project Explanation:

The proposed project is the construction of a 33,000 sq. ft. primary health care facility in Norman, Oklahoma. Comprehensive primary care services for individuals of all ages will include medical, integrated mental health, dental, vision, lab, X-ray, hearing screening, and medication assisted treatment for opioid addiction.

As a federally designated Community Health Center, Variety Care sets its fees using a sliding fee discount scale, so care is affordable to everyone. Variety Care does not turn anyone away due to an inability to pay. The health center's two existing Norman facilities do not have the space to expand and are at capacity for the number of patients served. Many more residents of Norman and surrounding areas need primary care than Variety Care can serve in its existing facilities.

By constructing a larger facility, Variety Care will accommodate a greater number of uninsured and underinsured residents, who do not have access to primary care, and expand additional services for the community that are not currently available due to the lack of space. This use of taxpayer funds will improve efficiency in health care delivery and help increase health outcomes for residents. This will contribute to job readiness and financial stability, full school participation for children, and better care for pregnant women and aging adults.

TOM COLE

4TH DISTRICT, OKLAHOMA

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100 EAST 13TH STREET, SUITE 213
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(580) 436-5375

April 27, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for expansion of a community health center in Norman, OK for Fiscal Year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Variety Care, Inc., located at 3000 N. Grand Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73107. The funding would be used to support the construction of a 33,000 sq. ft. primary health care facility at 901 N. Porter Ave, Norman, OK 73107, which will enable Variety Care, Inc. to serve a greater number of uninsured and underinsured residents and provide comprehensive primary care services for individuals of all ages, including medical, integrated mental health, dental, vision, lab, X-ray, hearing screening, and medication assisted treatment for opioid addiction.

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

Sincerely,

TOM COLE
Member of Congress