

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear New York Organization/Institution:

Attached please find my Appropriations Request Form for Fiscal Year 2010. Please note that all requests for FY2010 appropriations must be submitted to my office electronically **on or before Friday, February 27, 2009**.

In order to comply with new Congressional reforms increasing the transparency of this process, I will post information on my website on each project request that I receive. This information will include the purpose of the project and who is asking for the funding.

It is important to remember that the appropriations process is only one option for securing funding for your project or initiative. I also **strongly encourage** you to consider pursuing and applying for federal grants.

Information on federal grants that are administered by various government agencies is available in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance at <http://www.cfda.gov> and at [www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov). If you find a grant that you wish to apply for, please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions or would like to request a letter of support from me on behalf of your application.

If you have any questions about the attached Appropriations Request Form, your project, or the appropriations process, please do not hesitate to contact Nick Viggiani, my District Projects Director in Albany at [nick.viggiani@mail.house.gov](mailto:nick.viggiani@mail.house.gov) or Joseph Eaves, my Legislative Director in Washington, DC at [joseph.eaves@mail.house.gov](mailto:joseph.eaves@mail.house.gov) and please remember the **February 27<sup>th</sup>** deadline.

Thank you for your interest and for working with me on initiatives that will benefit the 21<sup>st</sup> Congressional District of New York.

Sincerely,



PAUL D. TONKO  
Member of Congress

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