June 18, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for DiverseIT expansion in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Adelante Development Center, located at 3900 Osuna Rd NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87109.

The funding would be used to expand the DiverseIT program, allowing Adelante to provide computer training and/or jobs to an additional 50 individuals. This will include training of seniors. Adelante has a current partnership with the City of Albuquerque to provide digital literacy classes to seniors which includes producing videos on tech for seniors. Training will also include people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to prepare those individuals for IT/tech jobs in the community. In addition to the expansion of DiverseIT, Adelante will explore two new business opportunities with the goal to provide jobs and training to 10 individuals. This may be through a set up for hydroponic farming or to create a landscaping training business to compliment the contracts we already have through our Facility Support Services.

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

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Stansbury
Member of Congress