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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Vinland National Center' Meaningful Life Skills project in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Vinland National Center located at 3675 Ihduhapi Road, Loretto, MN 55357. The funding would be used for their program to enhance life skills training for individuals in Substance Abuse Disorder treatment.

Vinland National Center is a 501(c)3 Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUD) facility located in Loretto, Minnesota. It is the only residential SUD program in the state of Minnesota that meets the complex needs of adults with disabilities seeking treatment for drug and alcohol abuse, specializing in brain injuries and other cognitive issues as well as those clients with severe and persistent mental illness. The project will provide for a Meaningful Living Skills portion to Vinland's treatment program. This would help clients learn basic computer skills, so that they might be able to learn how to conduct online banking, or to search out recovery support meetings and/or podcasts, apply for jobs and search for a place to live. Teaching these basic skills will help individuals when transitioning from Vinland back to the outside world.

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

Please know that I appreciate your consideration of my requests and look forward to working with you as the appropriations process moves forward. If you have questions or require additional information, do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Phillips', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dean Phillips
Member of Congress