

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-3302**

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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

We write to request that any final Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations legislation include a minimum of \$360 million for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP), a \$25 million dollar increase from the House-passed FY24 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act.

This past week, Hamas terrorists unleashed an unprovoked and appalling attack on Israel, killing more than 1,400 people—including both civilians and soldiers. Many more have been taken captive or are otherwise unaccounted for. In the days since the start of the attack, there has been an alarming rise in antisemitic threats and demonstrations worldwide, including on American soil.

This is not a new problem. On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Jewish Community Campus in Durham, North Carolina was evacuated due to a bomb threat. Earlier this year, the Anti-Defamation League's annual Audit of Antisemitic Incidents reported that in 2022 alone, antisemitic incidents increased by 30 percent in North Carolina. Antisemitism is real, it is happening right at our doorstep, and we must support our Jewish community now more than ever.

We must continue responding to this troubling rise in antisemitism with robust NSGP funding to bolster the security of Jewish houses of worship. These religious communities deserve our support in making the necessary investments to keep their leaders, staff, and congregations safe. Again, we strongly urge you to include a minimum of \$360 million for NSGP in any final FY24 Appropriations legislation.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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