



May 2, 2023

Dear Representative Xiong:

On behalf of Minnesota residents benefiting from East Side Neighborhood Services' Employment Program, I want to thank you for including financial support for our programs in the 2023 Minnesota Omnibus Bill.

Additional funds for East Side Neighborhood Services (ESNS) will allow us to expand services offered to job seekers of all ages as they develop new skills and progress into career-building unsubsidized jobs. Most importantly, additional funds will enable us to offer a higher level of customer-based, personalized services. These services will benefit low-income individuals and families, while helping ESNS continue to support Minnesota's economy by training and assisting workers in vital fields.

We look forward to using these additional funds for the betterment of our clients and the State of Minnesota.

Thank you.

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