

Honorable Congresswoman Maxine Waters
10124 S. Broadway, Ste 1
Los Angeles, CA 90003

Re: Westchester Streetscape Improvement Grant

Honorable Congresswoman Waters:

The Westchester Playa Neighborhood Council (WPNC) is writing to request your assistance in completing the Sepulveda Boulevard Landscape Entry Project that you so wonderfully funded with a \$1 Million Federal grant.

This project has been coordinated by the Westchester Streetscape Improvement Association (WSIA) although formal administration has been the responsibility of the City of Los Angeles. After completing the first phase of the project on the west side of Sepulveda the City allowed an unexpended, undetermined amount of the grant to fall back under State control. (This amount is estimated to range from \$100,000 to \$200,000.) WSIA, the WPNC, and the community want these unused funds to be directed to further landscaping improvements on the east side of Sepulveda, as you intended in stewarding this grant through the Federal process. We are now told, however, that the State needs additional guidance as to the use of these unexpended funds.

We believe that a strong letter of support from the author of this funding would be a clear message to the State bureaucracy that the money should be returned for use to improve landscaping on the east side of Sepulveda.

Will you assist us, please? Thank you.

Sincerely,

Cyndi Hench
President