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Washington, D.C. – Today, the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) announced that Stockton will receive \$7,817,161 to allow law enforcement agencies to hire, preserve, and/or rehire 17 career law enforcement officer positions. Additionally, the San Joaquin County Sherriff's office was awarded \$4,595,360, which will allow the preservation or creation of 14 more positions.

"At a time when we need both real, good-paying jobs and increased security for the people of Stockton, this funding is absolutely crucial," said Congressman McNerney.

"I am grateful that Stockton's requests for funding were heeded. It will go a long way to supplement the tireless efforts of our city and county officials to make our communities safer," said Rep. McNerney. "The citizens of Stockton deserve to have the best safety and security we can provide."

Congressman McNerney has continually demonstrated his support for Stockton's need for federal funding, writing to the Attorney General to advocate for the Stockton police force.