WASHINGTON, D.C. – The City of Mendota was awarded a $39,325 grant to purchase equipment for the Mendota Police Department. The funds were awarded by USDA Rural Development's Community Facilities program.

"Federal grants for rural communities like Mendota are wise investments and help stimulate the local economy," Costa said. "These are vital funds for the Mendota Police Department, as needed equipment purchases will be made and improve the outstanding work already done by the policemen and policewomen in Mendota."

The funding released by USDA today helps finance essential community facilities for public use in rural areas. These facilities include childcare centers, hospitals, medical clinics assisted living facilities, and fire, rescues and police stations. Through this program, USDA ensures that these needed facilities are available for rural communities.