

News from U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC)

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## **Spratt Announces COPS Grant for Catawba Indian Nation**

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) announced today that the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) has awarded \$148,167 to the Catawba Indian Nation to enhance their law enforcement capabilities. The money will be used to hire a new full-time and a new part-time officer, and to buy much-needed training equipment.

“The need for increased security has severely taxed our local law enforcement since September 11,” Spratt said. “I am pleased to be able to announce this grant, which should help alleviate some of this strain while enhancing our ability to detect and combat threats to our local communities. As a long-time supporter of the COPS program, I hope it will be the first of many such sorely-needed grants provided to protect the people of South Carolina.”