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In response to Robert Dye's interview with Manuel Fierro:

Yes,, I called for an investigation by GAO, but at the urging of many western Kansas constituents. Certainly, these people are entitled to know how initial federal funds were spent by Manuel Fierro and the Kansas Human Needs Corporation before additional funds are granted.

Mr. Fierro complains that he was not given proper attention by my office; but several members of my staff spent considerable time talking with him and researching the project in order to evaluate the needs of the Human Needs Corp. in terms of need for additional federal monies. Mr. Fierro has failed to bring out that we repeatedly asked him to furnish a report of the Human Needs Corp. expenditures for evaluation purposes. When this was not provided, I contacted GAO for an investigation to give us the necessary information.