

FY2023 Member Directed Community Project Funding Guide

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Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies

Eligible Accounts

Rural Development, Community Facilities Grants

Grants to purchase, construct, or improve essential community facilities, to purchase equipment, and pay other related project expenses. Essential community facilities include, but are not limited to, healthcare facilities, public facilities, public safety measures, educational services, or other community support services. Examples of eligible projects include medical or dental clinics, towns halls, courthouses, childcare centers, police or fire departments, public works vehicles, or distance learning equipment.

Any project must serve a rural area as specified in <u>7 CFR 3570.53</u> (rural areas including cities, villages, townships and Federally Recognized Tribal lands with no more than 20,000 residents).

The Community Facilities program has a cost share calculated on a graduated scale. The applicant should be aware of any cost share as documented in 7 CFR 3570.63(b).

Community Facilities grants generally cannot be used to pay initial operating expenses or annual recurring expenses, refinance existing debt, pay interest, build or repair facilities in non-rural areas, or pay for construction costs of facilities that will be used for commercial rental space. The State Rural Development Office is a valuable resource to answer program questions, including eligibility.

For fiscal year 2022, the average CPF funding level was just over \$1 million. The Committee will consider higher project requests for fiscal year 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Rural Utilities Service, ReConnect Grants

ReConnect broadband pilot grants facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. Grants funds can be used for the costs of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment needed to provide broadband service to rural areas without sufficient broadband access, defined as 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream.

The area must be rural and lack sufficient access to broadband service. A rural area is any area which is not located within: (1) A city, town, or incorporated area that has a population of greater than 20,000 inhabitants; or (2) an urbanized area contiguous and adjacent to a city or town that has a population of greater than 50,000 inhabitants. Sufficient access to broadband is

defined as greater than 90% of any rural area in which households have fixed, terrestrial broadband service delivering at least 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream. Mobile and satellite services will not be considered in making the determination of sufficient access to broadband. Stand-alone middle-mile projects are not eligible under the ReConnect Program. However, middle-mile facilities are eligible if they are needed to bring sufficient broadband service to all premises in the area.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to include information in their requests, such as the number of households, businesses, or farms that will be served in the area, what the performance of the service to be offered will be, and whether healthcare or educational facilities will be served.

All policies and procedures apply, including environmental and related reviews and the cost-share requirement of 25% of the overall project cost. Policies and procedures can be found at https://go.usa.gov/xexPT.

For fiscal year 2022, the average ReConnect CPF award was nearly \$2 million. The subcommittee will consider higher project requests for fiscal year 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Rural Utilities Service, Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants

The Distance Learning and Telemedicine program (DLT) helps rural residents better utilize the enormous potential of modern telecommunications and the internet for education and healthcare, two critical components of economic and community development. The DLT program helps rural communities acquire the technology and training necessary to connect educational and medical professionals with students, teachers, and patients in rural areas.

Grants may be used for audio and video equipment, broadband facilities that support distance learning or telemedicine (not actual broadband), computer hardware or network components/software, and acquisition of instructional programing. All requests are subject to all the regulations governing the program which can be found at <u>7 CFR Part 1734</u>. The program requires a 15% match that cannot come from another federal source.

Competitive awards typically range from \$50,000 to \$1,000,000 and the Committee will consider projects in this range. This a new account for the fiscal 2023 House process; in fiscal year 2022, the average Senate CPF in this account was \$359,000. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Agricultural Research Service, Buildings and Facilities

The Agricultural Research Service (ARS) owns and operates laboratories and facilities across the United States. Many of these laboratories/facilities are decades old, have outlived their functional lifespan, and are badly in need of major repairs, renovation, or replacement. Facility requests must be for ARS-owned facilities or for facilities that will enhance ongoing ARS work. Requests can assist in the acquisition of land, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural research programs of the Department of Agriculture.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide details on the research to be conducted, why the research is a high priority, as well as details on the modernization and why it is critical in carrying out the research.

Natural Resources Conservation Service, Conservation Operations

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) supports private landowners, conservation districts, and other organizations to conserve, maintain, and improve the Nation's natural resources. Conservation Operations has four major program components: Conservation Technical Assistance, Soil Survey, Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecasting, and Plant Materials Centers. Examples of specific objectives include reduce soil erosion, improve soil health, enhance water supplies, improve water quality, increase wildlife habitat, and reduce damage caused by floods and other natural disasters.

This is a new account for the fiscal year 2023 House process; in fiscal year 2022, the average Senate CPF in this account was \$1.1 million. The Committee will consider higher project requests for fiscal year 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to accommodate and will depend on program demand and other variables.

Instructions

For each Community Project Funding request in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Project Name
- 2. Legal name of the project recipient
- 3. Location of the requesting organization
- 4. The website address of the proposed recipient
- 5. Is the applicant a government or non-profit? If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?
- 6. Location of the project

- 7. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 8. Description of the overall goals and objectives of the proposed project.
- 9. What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2023?
- 10. What is the total cost of the project?
- 11. If there are additional costs necessary to complete the project, have those been secured?
- 12. For rural development projects, is the project for an eligible purpose and does it meet all eligibility requirements under current law?
- 13. Does the entity plan to make grants to other entities from the funds provided and if so, to which entities?
- 14. Why is the project a priority for the district? Briefly explain the community benefits.
- 15. Has any funding for the project been included in any presidential budget and if so, how much, in which fiscal year, and in which agency or agencies and program(s)?
- 16. Has the project received federal funding before and if so, how much, when, and from which agency or agencies and program(s)?
- 17. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

For ReConnect Program Grant requests only

18. For ReConnect requests, please provide relevant information, such as the number of households, businesses, or farms that would be served, what the performance of the service to be offered will be, and whether healthcare or educational facilities will be served.

For Distance Learning and Telemedicine requests only

18. For Distance Learning and Telemedicine, please provide details on how the award will be utilized, what equipment of service will be acquired and any information on populations served.

For Agricultural Research Service, Buildings and Facilities requests only

- 18. What is the estimated start date of the project? How soon could the feasibility/engineering design phase commence? [mm/yy]
- 19. Does the project have distinct and separable phases?
- 20. What is the estimated completion date of the project? When does completion of construction occur? [mm/yy]

For Natural Resources Conservation Service Conservation Operations request only

- 18. For Conservation Operations requests, please provide details on the work to be done, including if the project will conduct surveys, investigations, or research.
- 19. For Conservation Operations requests, please describe any preventive measures to be taken, such as engineering operations, methods of cultivation, or changes in use of land.

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

Eligible Accounts

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Scientific and Technical Research and Services (STRS)

Funding must be for activities consistent with and supportive of NIST's mission and within its authorities, such as STEM education activities, scientific research, or other activities that support American manufacturing and industry.

This account does not fund vehicles or building construction or renovation.

The median award in this account for FY22 was \$1,250,000. The Committee may consider similar or higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

NIST Construction of Research Facilities, Extramural Construction

This account funds the construction and renovation of research facilities, provided that such facilities will be used in a manner that is aligned with and supportive of the mission of NIST.

This a new account for the fiscal 2023 House process; in fiscal year 2022, the median Senate CPF in this account was \$10,000,000. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)

Byrne JAG Grants assist state, local, and tribal law enforcement efforts to prevent crime, improve the criminal justice system, provide victims' services, and other related activities. Community projects funded under this category must comply with the requirements cited in JAG statutes and be consistent with Justice Department guidance for the program. The Justice Department provides an <u>overview of the program</u> and <u>frequently asked questions</u> regarding Byrne-JAG.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit community project funding designed to help improve police-community relations. Historically, the Committee has not funded vehicles or building construction or renovation as part of community project funding under this account.

The median award in this account for FY22 was \$500,000. The Committee may consider similar or higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that

average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment

Technology and Equipment Funding will be provided for community project grants for State, local, and tribal law enforcement to develop and acquire effective technologies and interoperable communications that assist in investigating, responding to, and preventing crime, provided that such equipment meets the applicable requirements of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Office of Law Enforcement Standards (OLES).

This funding will allow recipients the opportunity to establish and enhance any of a variety of technical equipment and/or programs to encourage the continuation and enhancement of community policing efforts within their jurisdictions. These projects should help improve police effectiveness and the flow of information among law enforcement agencies, local government service providers, and the communities they serve.

Historically, the Committee has not funded vehicles or building construction or renovation as part of community project funding under this account. Applicants for community project funding requests under this program may not subgrant to other organizations or agencies.

The median award in this account for FY22 was \$520,000. The Committee may consider similar or higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Operations, Research, and Facilities

Community project funding for NOAA will only be considered within the Operations, Research, and Facilities account. This account does not fund construction projects, and as such, any such requests will not be considered. Requests for funding will be considered for research, demonstration, or education projects performed by external partners or for prioritizing NOAA internal funds for geographically specific projects. Any such project must be aligned with NOAA's mission and within their existing authorities.

The Committee will not entertain requests for community project funding for the National Weather Service or the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations.

Coastal Zone Management funds are distributed to states on a formula basis and will not be considered for community project funding.

The median award in this account for FY 22 was \$750,000. The Committee may consider similar or higher project amounts for FY 23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that

average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

NASA – Safety, Security, and Mission Services

Funding must be for activities consistent with and supportive of the work of NASA's mission directorates and within the agency's authorities, such as STEM education activities and scientific research. Funding for building construction or renovation projects will not be considered for community project funding.

The median award in this account for FY22 was \$900,000. The Committee may consider similar or higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Instructions

For each Community Project Funding request in the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Project title
- 2. Legal name of the project recipient
- 3. Location of requesting organization
- 4. Project location
- 5. Is the applicant a government or non-profit. If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?
- 6. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 characters and only include a description of what the project is.
- 7. Description of the overall goals and objectives of the proposed project, including how the requested funds would be spent to achieve those goals.
- 8. What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2023?
- 9. What is the total cost of the project?
- 10. Is the requested project currently authorized in law? If yes, please provide a specific legal citation of such authorization.
- 11. Are the proposed project activities consistent with the activities of the Federal agency? If yes, please describe how these activities are consistent with the activities of the Federal Agency.
- 12. Has the project been funded in the past? If so, how much funding has been provided to date? Were such funds provided for discrete, severable activities?

- 13. Specify any non-Federal sources of funding that have been or are fully anticipated to be applied toward the project, including any dollar amounts and timelines for funding.
- 14. Is the proposed recipient currently in material non-compliance of a prior grant award made by the proposed Federal funding agency?
- 15. Recognizing that the Appropriations Committee may not be able to provide the full amount of funding requested, can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the Appropriations Act? If yes, please provide any details that may be helpful for understanding the scalability of the project.
- 16. Please describe the current developmental status of this project.
- 17. What is the estimated impact of this project, e.g. number of jobs created/sustained, number of community members served, other projected impacts?
- 18. Are you aware of another Member making a request for this same project?
- 19. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

For NIST Scientific and Technical Research and Services request only

- 20. Has the intended recipient received any competitive grant funding or other funding from NIST at any time in the past ten years? If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?
- 21. For any science research project request, please provide the name of the individual who is anticipated to be the Principal Investigator for the research project, as well as a link to such person's curriculum vitae, and a list of this person's peer-reviewed publications related to the topic of the requested research project.

For NIST Construction of Research Facilities – Extramural Construction requests only

- 20. Please provide a detailed budget and schedule timeline for the planned construction or renovation project associated with this request.
- 21. Please explain how this project is aligned with the mission of NIST.

For Byrne JAG requests only

- 20. Is this request consistent with all current statutory and regulatory requirements of Byrne Justice Assistance Grant recipients and subrecipients?
- 21. Is this project intended to serve primarily youth under age 18?
- 22. Is this request to fund primarily the purchase of a vehicle(s)?
- 23. Is this request to fund the acquisition of property or the construction or renovation of a building?

24. Has the intended recipient received any COPS or Byrne-JAG funds at any time in the past ten years? If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?

For Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment Requests only

- 20. Is this request to fund primarily the purchase of a vehicle(s)?
- 21. Is this request to fund the acquisition of property or the construction or renovation of a building?
- 22. Has the intended recipient received any COPS or Byrne-JAG funds at any time in the past ten years? If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?

For NOAA Operations, Research, and Facilities requests only

- 20. Has the intended recipient received any competitive grant funding or other funding from NOAA at any time in the past ten years? If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?
- 21. For any science research project request, please provide the name of the individual who is anticipated to be the Principal Investigator for the research project, as well as a link to such person's curriculum vitae, and a list of this person's peer-reviewed publications related to the topic of the requested research project.

For NASA Safety, Security, and Mission Service requests only

- 20. Is the project intended to serve primarily youth under age 18?
- 21. Has the intended recipient received any competitive grant funding or other funding from NASA at any time in the past ten years? If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?
- 22. For any science research project request, please provide the name of the individual who is anticipated to be the Principal Investigator for the research project, as well as a link to such person's curriculum vitae, and a list of this person's peer-reviewed publications related to the topic of the requested research project.

Defense

Eligible Accounts

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Army

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Navy

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Air Force

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Space Force

Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Defense-Wide

The Department of Defense (DOD) relies on scientific and technical knowledge developed in large measure through research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) funded by the department and performed by industry, universities, federal laboratories, and others.

Project amounts in these accounts were funded between \$200,000 and \$4 million in fiscal year 2022. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Instructions

For each Community Project Funding request in the Defense Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Provide the name of the specific recipient for the project request and the amount requested for fiscal year 2023.
- 2. Is the applicant a government or non-profit? If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?
- 3. Provide a description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 3. Provide a description of the desired outcome of the project and how it would benefit the Department of Defense.
- 4. List the line number and Program Element number proposed to fund the project. This information can be found in the budget justification documents that will be posted at, https://comptroller.defense.gov/Budget-Materials/.
- 5. Disclose whether the project is being requested in another bill.

- 6. State whether the request is a new or existing project; if existing, whether it previously received federal funds; and if so, identify the account, amount of funding, and fiscal year.
- 7. Provide the total cost of the project.
- 8. List the required funding in future years and the source of that funding.
- 9. Determine whether the program could start in a limited capacity if the Appropriations Committee cannot fully fund the request.
- 10. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

Project amounts in these accounts were funded between \$200,000 and \$4 million in fiscal year 2022. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies

ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Eligible Accounts

Army Corps of Engineers Investigations

Army Corps of Engineers Construction

Army Corps of Engineers Mississippi River and Tributaries

Army Corps of Engineers Operation and Maintenance

Bureau of Reclamation Water and Related Resources

To assist you in identifying and providing the official project name and project authorization, a list of authorized projects in a searchable PDF format can be found here. Please locate your authorized Corps or Reclamation project and use the official project name as it appears in the list. Once you locate the name of your project, you also need to provide to the Public Law and section of the law that authorizes your project (example: P.L. 110–114, Section 1401).

If you are not able to find your authorized Corps project in the authorized project list, or if you have difficulty finding the authorization information, contact your local Corps District office to obtain this information. If you are not able to find your authorized Reclamation project in the authorized project list, or if you have difficulty finding the authorization information, contact your local Reclamation Region office to obtain this information. If your project is not on these lists, but is authorized, please speak to your local Corps District office or your Reclamation Region office to obtain this information.

All requests for the Corps of Engineers (Corps) and Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) accounts listed above should reflect a funding amount that can be realistically utilized in FY22. In the event that the Subcommittee cannot fully fund your request, the Subcommittee may reach out to the Corps and Reclamation regarding useful increments of funding.

Please note that for the Corps, the Subcommittee may provide funding for a very limited number of new start projects, if any, in the Investigations, Construction, and Mississippi River and Tributaries accounts. While requests for new starts in these accounts will be accepted, please consider this limitation when making requests.

Please note that for the Corps, the Subcommittee may provide funding for a limited number of Environmental Infrastructure projects, if any, in the Construction account. While requests for specific projects will be accepted, please consider this limitation when making requests. For these projects, please provide the requested information in the appropriate place in the "Supplemental Questions" tab of database.

Please note that for the Corps, the Subcommittee may include a very limited number of Continuing Authorities Program projects, if any, in the Construction account. While requests for specific projects will be accepted, please consider this limitation when making requests. For these projects, please provide the requested information in the appropriate place in the "Supplemental Questions" tab of database.

Projects authorized under sections 4007, 4009(a), and 4009(c) of the Water Infrastructure Improvements Act for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016 (Public Law 114–322) will not be accepted.

Instructions

For Community Project Funding request for the Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Official Project Name. This should be the official project name, from the list mentioned above, or found in consultation with your local District or Regional office
- 2. Location of the requesting organization
- 3. Project location
- 4. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words including why this is a valuable use of taxpayer funds.
- 5. Amount Requested for FY23
- 6. FY23 President's Budget Request Amount
- 7. FY22 Enacted Amount
 - a. If not included in FY22 enacted legislation or a work plan, write \$0
 - b. If included in FY22 enacted legislation, the FY22 enacted amount is the total of the President's budget request (if any) plus the amount in the Corps or Reclamation work plan (if any).
- 8. Can this project obligate all requested funds within 12 months after enactment?
- 9. Are you making the same request of another subcommittee this fiscal year?
- 10. Why is this project a priority?
- 11. Please provide project authorization
- 12. Is this a Corps request for an authorized Environmental Infrastructure Project?

- 13. Is this a Corps request for Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) project? If yes, please provide the specific Continuing Authorities Program section applicable to your project request (i.e. "204", "1135", etc.).
- 14. If making a Corps request
 - a. Name the Corps Division where the project is located
 - b. Name the Corps District where the project is located
- 15. If making a Reclamation request
 - a. Name the Reclamation Region where the project is located
- 16. Is there a non-federal sponsor of the project or a non-federal project partner? If so, please provide more information on the partner or sponsor.
- 17. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support. It is recommended that this be from the non-federal sponsor of the project or the project partner for the project being requested.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Eligible Accounts

Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, Sustainable Transportation

Cybersecurity, Energy Security, Emergency Response

Electricity, Energy Storage

Nuclear Energy

Fossil Energy, Carbon Management, Critical Minerals

All CPF requests for the Department of Energy (DOE) should reflect a funding amount that can complete the project or complete a discrete segment of the project. In the event that the Subcommittee cannot fully fund your request, information is required to be provided about a minimum funding level that could be realistically utilized in FY23 to advance the project or complete a discrete segment of the project. If the minimum amount exceeds available funding, then the project may not be funded.

Funds may not be used to support building construction (no brick and mortar). Electric vehicle (EV) charging station projects will not be considered unless there is a renewable energy or energy storage connection to the charging station.

Statutory cost sharing requirements may apply to these projects, as required by section 988 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The amount of required cost sharing will depend on the scope and technological maturity of the project:

- Research or development activities of a basic or fundamental nature: no minimum cost share
- Research or development activities of an applied nature: minimum 20 percent cost share
- Demonstration or commercial application: minimum 50 percent cost share

The number of projects and the amount will be limited. In FY10, the last year these DOE CPFs were included in the House, House projects selected for funding received \$740,000 on average, 7 and the range of funding was approximately \$75,000 to \$3 million. Note that the Committee may consider similar or slightly lower amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

<u>Instructions</u>

For each Community Project Funding request for the Department of Energy, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Official Project Name
- 2. Legal name of the project recipient
- 3. Location of the requesting organization
- 4. Is the recipient a government or non-profit? If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?
- 5. Project location
- 6. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 7. Estimated Start Date
- 8. Estimated End Date
- 9. Amount Requested for FY23 (the federal share)
- 10. Total Project Cost
- 11. FY23 President's Budget Request Amount, if not included in the FY23 PBR, write \$0
- 12. FY22 Enacted Amount, if not included in FY22 enacted legislation, write \$0.
- 13. Can the project obligate all appropriated funds within 12 months after enactment?
- 14. Please provide the minimum amount of funding, or smallest useful increment of funding, that could be used to advance the project or complete a discrete segment of the project if the full requested amount is not available.

- 15. Is the recipient a government or non-profit? If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code? Please provide information to support the recipient's status and include the organization's Employer Identification Number (EIN).
- 16. Provide an explanation of the benefit of the project to addressing the nation's energy challenges. *This should not repeat the Project Description already provided*.
- 17. Will the recipient have the ability to meet the statutory cost sharing requirements that may apply to the project? As a reminder, statutory cost sharing requirements may apply to the project, as required by section 988 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.
- 18. Will the requested funding complete the project? If the Subcommittee cannot fully fund your request, information is required to be provided about a funding level that could be realistically utilized in FY23 to advance the project or complete a discrete segment of the project.
- 19. Please provide the minimum amount of funding, or smallest useful increment of funding, that could be used to advance the project or complete a discrete segment of the project if the full requested amount is not available.
- 20. What type of project is this?
 - a. research or development activities of a basic or fundamental nature
 - b. research or development activities of an applied nature
 - c. demonstration or commercial application activities
 - d. if more than one of the categories above, please provide an explanation
 - e. if none of the categories above, please provide an explanation
- 21. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

Financial Services and General Government

Eligible Accounts

Small Business Administration, Small Business Initiatives

This account supports small businesses, such as entrepreneur training, workforce development, counseling, research, and construction or acquisition of facilities. Project recipients must be other units of government or nonprofit organizations to be considered eligible.

The average award in this account for FY22 was \$650,000. The Committee may consider a similar project range for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

National Archives and Records Administration, National Historical Publications and Records Commission

Projects in this account should help ensure online public discovery and use of historical records collections, encourage public engagement with historical records, strengthen the nation's archival network, or publish documentary editions of historical records. Generally, projects should comply with the eligibility requirements for existing National Historical Publications and Records Commission grants programs as specified at,

https://www.archives.gov/nhprc/apply/eligibility.html

This account was not eligible for community project funding in the House in FY22 but was eligible for equivalent funding in the Senate. The average award in FY22 was just under \$500,000. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

General Services Administration, Federal Buildings Fund - New Construction, Major Repairs and Alterations, and Basic Repairs

Projects in this account are limited to line items in the <u>GSA Federal Buildings Fund</u> requested by the Administration in either the FY22 or FY23 budget request.

This account was not eligible for community project funding in the House in FY22 but was eligible for community project funding in the Senate. The awards in FY22 ranged from \$500,000 to \$50 million. The Committee may consider a similar project range for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Instructions

For each Community Project Funding request in the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Name of the project recipient, including any sub-recipients/grantees
- 2. Location of the project
- 3. Location of the requesting organization
- 4. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 5. Why is the project a priority, including the local, regional, and/or national benefits provided by the project?
- 6. What is the total cost of the project? Please include funding requested broken out by discrete activity, if applicable.
- 7. If the request does not fully fund the project, describe where the remaining funding comes from to fund the project.
- 8. If the appropriations committee is not able to provide the full amount of funding requested, can this project start in a limited capacity?
- 9. Is this a new or ongoing project?
- 10. Please provide a history of funding for the project, including Federal, state, or local government; non-profit; corporate.
- 11. Are there matching funds associated with the requested funds? If yes, please list the source(s) and amount(s).
- 12. Will the funds go to an organization that will make sub-grants of those funds to other organizations? If yes, please list the sub-grantees.
- 13. Is the project a capital project or will the funds support operating costs?
- 14. Provide the oversight and management structure, including accountability measures, of the project. Who will oversee and be accountable for the administration/management of the project?
- 15. What performance standards will be used to evaluate whether the program or project supported by the funds meets its mission?
- 16. Has the organization or any potential sub-grantees been subject to sanction or litigation by State, Local, or Federal governments in the past five years? If so, please provide details.
- 17. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

For Small Business Initiatives project requests only

18. How will this project directly benefit small businesses and/or entrepreneurs at the local, regional, and/or national level?

For National Historical Publications and Records Commission project requests only

- 18. How will this project directly help ensure online public discovery and use of historical records collections, encourage public engagement with historical records, strengthen the nation's archival network, or publish documentary editions of historical records?
- 19. Has the organization received funding from the National Archives and Records Administration in the past 5 years? If yes, please provide details on the amount(s) and purpose(s) for which these funds were received.

For New Construction, Major Repairs and Alterations, and Basic Repairs requests only

- 18. Does the public have access to the building the project will be completed in?
- 19. Can this project be executed by a small business?
- 20. Does this request augment an existing Basic Repairs project?
- 21. Has a Major Alteration and Repairs project been completed at this site in the last three years?

Homeland Security

Eligible Accounts

Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants

Only projects that meet the requirements detailed in the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program will be considered for funding, including the cost-share requirement and environmental and historic preservation requirements, as applicable. For any projects designated for funding in the final fiscal year 2022 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the state agency responsible for administering mitigation grants in the requestor's state must submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and that entity will serve as the administrative agent for the grant. Therefore, all project proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate state agency affirming that it believes the project is eligible.

Project funding for FY22 ranged between \$150,000 and \$9,950,000 for Pre-Disaster Mitigation grants. The Subcommittee does not expect to fund projects for FY23 that exceed the maximum amounts for FY22.

Emergency Operations Center Grants

Only projects that meet the requirements detailed in the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Emergency Operations Center Grant Program, including the cost-share requirement and environmental and historic preservation requirements, as applicable, will be considered for funding. For any projects designated for funding in the final fiscal year 2022 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the respective state administrative agency (SAA) must submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and that agency will serve as the administrative agent for the grant. Therefore, all project proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate SSA affirming that it believes the project is eligible.

Project funding for FY22 ranged between \$36,000 and \$3,000,000 for Emergency Operations Center grants. The Subcommittee does not expect to fund projects for FY23 that exceed the maximum amounts for FY22.

<u>Instructions</u>

For each Community Project Funding request in the Homeland Security Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Project name
- 2. Legal name of the organization requesting the funds
- 3. Location of requesting organization
- 4. Project location
- 5. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 6. What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2023?
- 7. Budget describing how the requested federal funding will be used by the recipient
- 8. Include an explanation of why the project is a good use of taxpayer funds—this information must also be included on Rep. Himes' official House website
- 9. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

For Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant requests only

- 10. Is the requesting jurisdiction a state, Indian tribal government, local government, or territory as defined by section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122)?
- 11. Is the proposed project eligible under the most recent <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity</u> for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant program?
- 12. Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required non-federal cost share, consistent with 2 CFR Sections 200.29, 200.306, and 200.434?
- 13. If less than the requested amount were provided as the federal share, would additional state local or other eligible funding sources be available to support the project?
- 14. Can the requesting jurisdiction provide a Cost-Benefit Analysis or other documentation that validates cost-effectiveness, which is defined by FEMA as having a Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCA) of 1.0 or greater? A non-FEMA BCA methodology may only be used if preapproved by FEMA in writing.
- 15. Is the entity that will benefit from the proposed activity covered by the current FEMA-approved multi-hazard mitigation plan in compliance with 44 CFR Part 201? If so, what is the Final FEMA Approval date.
- 16. Is the proposed project consistent with the goals and objectives of a FEMA-approved state, territorial, or tribal mitigation plan and the adopted mitigation plan of the local jurisdiction?
- 17. Can the recipient describe how the project provides long-term permanent risk reduction, i.e., it is not used for emergency protective measures?
- 18. Can the recipient describe how the project takes into account future conditions?
- 19. Can the recipient describe how the project supports the needs of vulnerable populations?
- 20. Does the recipient specifically encourage the adoption and enforcement of the latest disaster resistant building codes?

- 21. Provide a clear and detailed description of the proposed mitigation activity.
- 22. How will the mitigation activity be implemented?
- 23. Who will manage and complete the mitigation activity?
- 24. What risks will remain from all hazards after project implementation (i.e., residual risk)?
- 25. Has the project has been submitted to current or previous competitive BRIC funding cycles? If yes, please provide the subgrant ID.

For Emergency Operations Center Grant Program requests only

- 10. Is the requesting jurisdiction a state, Indian tribal government, or local government as defined by section 102 or 602 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 USC 5122, 5195a?
- 11. Is the proposed project eligible under the most recent <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity</u> for the Emergency Operations Center Grant Program?
- 12. Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required 25 percent non-federal cost share?
- 13. If less than the requested amount were provided as the federal share, would additional state local, or other eligible funding sources be available to support the project?
- 14. Is the requestor in a position to enhance their emergency management capabilities and address their Emergency Operations Center needs?
- 15. Is the proposed project related to a structure or facility that meets the <u>definition of an</u> <u>EOC</u>, to include supporting incident management (on-scene) operations across multiple functional disciplines and/or jurisdictions?
- 16. Is the facility (or will the facility) be the primary Emergency Operations Center for the jurisdiction?

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

Eligible Accounts

Save America's Treasures (SAT) through the National Park Service

The Save America's Treasures grant program is for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant collections and historic properties. The SAT program falls under the purview of the Historic Preservation Fund account and was established in 1998 to celebrate America's premier cultural resources in the new millennium (Public Law 113–287, Section 308902, 128 Stat. 3244; 54 USC 3089 et seq.) The existing competitive grant program funds two categories of projects:

- Awards managed by the National Park Service (NPS) for preservation projects at properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places for national significance or designated a National Historic Landmark; and
- Awards managed by the Institute of Museum and Library Services for projects involving nationally significant collections (including artifacts, museum collections, documents, sculptures, and other works of art).

All grant recipients must comply with relevant requirements for recipients of Federal financial assistance and program-specific requirements found on NPS's SAT website.

The property must be on the National Register of Historic Places in order to be eligible to receive funding. Grants are not available for work on sites or collections owned by the NPS. If the project has received previous appropriations, it is not eligible. A building or structure may only receive one SAT grant. Previous SAT projects can be viewed here: https://go.nps.gov/satmap. It is best to ask the State Historic Preservation Officer if the proposed work meets the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Buildings, https://ncshpo.org/.

All SAT grants require a dollar-for-dollar non-federal matching share. Recipients of any SAT project must be able to match the amount provided. The project funding threshold is up to \$500,000 for this account. The Committee will not consider higher requests.

Land Acquisition Through the Land and Water Conservation Fund

Federal acquisition of lands and water and interests therein must be for the purpose of land and habitat conservation and the encouragement of outdoor recreation, as established by the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Act of 1965. Land acquisition project requests funded from the LWCF should be requested through the agency that would manage the land being acquired. The four land management agencies are: within the Department of the Interior, (1) the Bureau of Land Management, (2) the Fish and Wildlife Service, (3) the National Park Service; and within the Department of Agriculture, (4) the Forest Service.

Third party organizations (i.e. The Nature Conservancy, Trust for Public Land, etc.) frequently participate in the federal acquisition process by coordinating the negotiation and purchase of tracts. If the project you are requesting involves a third-party organization, please be mindful that funding for a land acquisition project goes to the agency that will manage the land.

The Great American Outdoors Act of (Public Law 116-152) and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260) mandates that the president submit, along with the upcoming fiscal year's budget request, proposed and supplemental project lists. The Committee will look favorably upon requests for projects that appear in either of these lists.

EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG)

The vast majority of requests made to the Interior Subcommittee are for STAG infrastructure grants. These grants fund local wastewater and drinking water infrastructure projects. This includes construction of and modifications to municipal sewage treatment plants and drinking water treatment plants. Similar to past practice, the Committee will be limiting STAG infrastructure grants only to projects that are publicly-owned or owned by a non-profit entity and that are otherwise eligible for the funding from that state's Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (SRF) loan programs. Privately-owned projects are NOT eligible for infrastructure grants, even if they are otherwise eligible for assistance under a SRF program. The Committee will look favorably upon requests for projects that are listed on a state's most recent Intended Use Plan.

There is a minimum 20% cost share requirement for any portion of a project funded through a STAG infrastructure grant. For example, a \$1 million project could receive a maximum of \$800,000 from the Federal government, with the remaining \$200,000 the responsibility of the grantee. In almost all cases, other federal funds cannot be used to meet this 20% cost share. Ability to fund the 20% cost share is required before EPA can award a STAG grant. Please note that only the non-federal portion of assistance provided by a SRF can be applied towards a project's matching requirement.

STAG projects have very specific eligibility requirements, and the Committee will not consider projects that do not meet those requirements. Please contact the office for eligibility questions.

In FY22, the majority of EPA STAG infrastructure projects funded in the House bill ranged from \$60,000 - \$3,500,000. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

STAG projects have very specific eligibility requirements, and the Committee will not consider projects that do not meet those requirements. The following lists some of the project types that are **ineligible** for STAG grant funding:

	Projects that are NOT eligible for STAG Grants							
Clean Water / Waste Water			Drinking Water					
1	Land, except for projects described in the subsequent table under eligibility #11	1	Dams or rehabilitation of dams					
2	Operations and maintenance costs	2	Operations and maintenance costs					
3	Non-municipal point source control	3	Water rights, except if the water rights are owned by a system that is being purchased through consolidation as part of a capacity development strategy or if the water rights purchase is covered by EPA's DWSRF Class Deviation for Water Rights 2019					
4	Acid rain drainage correction	4	Reservoirs, except for finished water reservoirs and those reservoirs that are part of the treatment process and are located on the property where the treatment facility is located					
5	Ambient water quality monitoring	5	Laboratory fees for monitoring					
6	Flood Control Projects, unless the project is otherwise managing, reducing, treating, or recapturing stormwater	6	Projects needed mainly for fire protection					
7	Privately owned sewer pipes	7	Projects for systems that lack adequate technical, managerial, and financial capability, unless assistance will ensure compliance					
		8	Projects for systems in significant noncompliance, unless funding will ensure compliance					
		9	. Projects primarily intended to serve future growth					

The following list provides some examples of the types of projects that are eligible for STAG grant funding and which are most frequently funded:

	Projects that ARE eligible for STAG Grants								
	Clean Water / Waste Water		Drinking Water						
1	Wastewater treatment plants, including sludge handling facilities - upgraded (increase in treatment level) or expanded (increase in treatment capacity) facilities, including biological facilities, mechanical, a lagoon system, a land treatment system, or individual on-site systems.	1	Facilitate compliance with national primary drinking water regulations or address serious risks to public health including non-regulated contaminants (i.e. PFAS).						
2	Collector Sewers - Small sewers that convey wastewater from residences, commercial establishments, and industrial sites to larger interceptor sewers.	2	Rehabilitate or develop water sources (excluding reservoirs, dams, dam rehabilitation and water rights) to replace contaminated sources						
3	Interceptor Sewers - Large sewers that convey wastewater from collector sewers directly to a wastewater treatment facility	3	Install or upgrade treatment facilities						
4	Sewer Pipes - Rehabilitation is eligible only if pipes are publicly owned.	4	Install or upgrade storage facilities, including finished water reservoirs, to						

			prevent microbiological contaminants from entering the water system
5	Outfall Sewer - A sewer that conveys treated wastewater from a wastewater treatment facility to the receiving waters (i.e., a river, stream, lake, ocean, etc.).	5	Install or replace transmission and distribution pipes to prevent contamination caused by leaks or breaks in the pipe, or improve water pressure to safe levels
6	Storm Water Management – Measures to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water (i.e. storm sewers, green infrastructure, etc.).	6	Projects to consolidate water supplies – for example, when individual homes or other public water supplies have a water supply that is contaminated, or the system is unable to maintain compliance for financial or managerial reasons – are eligible for DWSRF assistance.
7	Combined sewer overflow (CSO) control and sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) control - Combined sewers are sewers that convey both wastewater and storm water and may overflow during periods of heavy rain. The costs to correct CSO and SSO overflow problems are eligible	7	Land is eligible only if it is integral to a project that is needed to meet or maintain compliance and further public health protection.
8	Infiltration/Inflow Correction - Construction activities that prevent surface water or groundwater from entering the sewer system	8	Project planning, design and other related costs
9	Water Security These projects include installation or upgrade of physical security infrastructure such as lighting, fencing, monitoring and access control. Also, cybersecurity measures, installation of safer treatment technologies, and more secure storage of on-site treatment.		
10	Septic Tanks Remediation, rehabilitation, removal and replacement of failing tanks are eligible, as well as installation of new tanks where none had previously existed.		
11	Land - The leasing and fee-simple purchase of land, including surface and subsurface easements, needed to locate eligible municipal or tribal projects, and land integral to the treatment process (e.g., land for effluent application or recharge basins), and a place to store equipment and material during POTW construction. Municipal purchase of land and/or conservation easements for source water protection are also eligible.		

State and Private Forestry within the U.S. Forest Service

The Forest Service is an agency within the Department of Agriculture. Requests that do not fit into the described categories below are unlikely to be eligible for funding under the Forest Service.

The State and Private Forestry account provides technical and financial assistance, usually through the network of State Foresters, to improve the management, protection, and utilization of the Nation's forests. Community projects are usually limited and include various

specific urban and community forestry projects and specific forest disease or pest treatment areas. Members may also request specific State fire assistance projects or specific forestry assistance projects in this account. The Committee will look favorably upon requests for projects that are listed on any federal or state ordinal list or are clearly demonstrated to meet the goals of a State Forest Action Plan(s).

In FY22, the majority of State and Private Forestry projects in the House bill ranged from \$50,000 - \$750,000. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

<u>Instructions</u>

For each Community Project Funding request in the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- Project Name
- 2. Legal name of the project recipient
- 3. Location of the requesting organization
- 4. Is the recipient a government or non-profit? If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?
- 5. Project location
- 6. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 7. What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2023?
- 8. What is the total cost of the project?
- 9. FY 2022 President's Budget Request (if applicable).
- 10. FY 2021 enacted level (if applicable).
- 11. Can the project obligate all of the appropriated funds within 12 months after enactment (yes/no)?
- 12. Was this request submitted to another subcommittee this fiscal year, and if so, which one?
- 13. Estimated start and completion dates for the project.
- 14. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

For Save America's Treasures requests only

15. If the request is for a preservation project, does the property meet the SAT requirement to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places at the national level of significance

- or to be designated a National Historic Landmark, either individually or as contributing to an historic district?
- 16. Is the recipient one of the eligible entities under the HPF, as identified in <u>54 USC</u> <u>308901</u>?
- 17. What type of eligible entity is the recipient?
- 18. Does the recipient have in place, or a plan to provide, the one-to-one match with nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contribution?
- 19. Would the requested project fund an eligible activity under the SAT program?
- 20. Is the applicant prepared to accept the required preservation easement/covenant that is required by the program?
- 21. Has this project been completed or advanced beyond emergency stabilization?
- 22. Is the applicant financially sound and capable of managing a federal grant so to minimize the risk of fraud, waste, and abuse and loss of federal funding?

For Land and Water Conservation Fund requests only

15. Is the requested project on either the president's proposed or supplemental LWCF project list submitted by the agency?

For EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grants project requests only

- 15. Please indicate whether this is a Clean Water SRF project or a Drinking Water SRF project
- 16. Does the project have (or expect to have within 12 months) its 20 percent matching fund requirement?
- 17. Is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water/Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?
- 18. Has the project received federal funds previously? If so, please describe.

For State and Private Forestry requests only

- 15. Does the recipient have in place, or a plan to provide, the one-to-one match with nonfederal cash and/or in-kind contribution?
- 16. Has the project received federal funds previously? If so, please describe.
- 17. Is the project ranked in a priority setting system/list? If so, please provide list name and rank.
- 18. How does this project meet the goals of the State Forest Action Plan and/or support community plans?
- 19. Does this project meet the eligibility requirements of one of the following Forest Service, State and Private Forestry Programs? Landscape Scale Restoration, Forest

- Health Management, Cooperative Fire Assistance, Forest Stewardship, or Urban and Community Forestry?
- 20. Provide evidence to support the project's eligibility within a specific State and Private Forestry program. Some examples include:

(If landscape scale restoration) Does this project meet the eligibility requirements of the Landscape Scale Restoration program as listed in the instructions on the Forest Service website?

(If Forest Health Management) Is this project treating a specific insect, disease, or invasive plant infestation listed in the FY23 Forest Service Budget Justification? (If Urban and Community Forestry) How does the project meet the goals outlined in the 2016-2026 Urban Forestry Action plan?

<u>Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related</u> <u>Agencies</u>

Eligible Accounts

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act demonstration program is the only Labor Department program that supports community project funding. Community project funding is designated under Training and Employment Services.

These projects must meet all statutorily mandated requirements, except that they are exempt from the requirement to compete. In addition, all projects must:

- 1. Include direct services to individuals to enhance employment opportunities;
- 2. Demonstrate evidence of a linkage with the State or local workforce investment system; and
- 3. Include an evaluation component.

Equipment purchases may be included within community project funding only as an incidental part of the entire project. A similar standard applies to curriculum development, which should be incidental to the project's emphasis on direct services to individuals.

Community project funding cannot be used for construction or renovation of facilities.

House project amounts in this account were funded between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 in FY 2022. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY 2023. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Health Facilities Construction and Equipment

Grants to help with the cost of construction, renovation, or capital equipment for facilities for provision of health, mental health, or substance abuse services, training of health professionals, or medical research. Examples of eligible facilities include hospitals; health centers and clinics; skilled nursing facilities; mental health centers; facilities for schools of medicine, nursing, or other health professions; and medical research laboratories.

In addition to construction and renovation, grants can be used to acquire capital equipment, such as lab equipment or x-ray machines. Equipment-only grants—that is, grants not involving

construction—are permissible (and commonly done). Generally, any equipment having a useful life of more than one year and a unit cost of at least \$5,000 will be eligible as capital equipment. In addition, equipment with lower costs may also be eligible, provided that it is treated as an item of capital expense under the recipient institution's pre-existing, written accounting policies. Equipment expenses for health information systems and systems and electronic medical records systems are permitted expenditures. The costs of expendable supplies such as pharmaceuticals, lab chemicals, or office paper are not eligible.

HRSA Health Facilities grants *cannot* be used to acquire land or purchase existing buildings, or to pay salaries or other operating costs. They cannot be used to pay for work previously completed. Grants can be used for architectural and engineering costs associated with an eligible construction project but cannot be used for general feasibility studies.

House project amounts in this account were funded between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 (or up to \$4,000,000 for projects jointly submitted by multiple Members) in FY22. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Health Surveillance and Program Support

Community project funding through SAMHSA provides resources for substance use and/or mental health services — including prevention, harm reduction, treatment, or recovery support services.

Generally, SAMHSA projects cover:

- Evidence-based substance use disorder and/or mental health treatment services
- Evidence-based harm reduction activities
- Crisis services, including 24-hour mobile crisis teams
- Suicide prevention activities including awareness training, screening, referral to treatment, as well as postvention activities
- Recovery support services, which includes case management, outreach, peer recovery mentors, peer support specialists, childcare, training, transportation, and housing, as well as helping individuals to navigate these various services
- Screening and assessment of individuals, including the presence of co-occurring mental and substance use disorders and referral to treatment
- Referral and access to treatment services
- Educational materials on substance misuse, HIV prevention, hepatitis prevention, and mental health promotion
- Practitioners or community members training on evidence-based behavioral health practices

- FDA-approved medications for the treatment of opioid use disorders in combination with comprehensive psychosocial services, including counseling, behavioral therapies, recovery support services, and other clinically appropriate services
- Projects that support the hiring of behavioral health providers

Note: This is not an exhaustive list of the types of programs and services that SAMHSA funds. A listing of SAMHSA NOFO's can be found here.

House project amounts in this account were funded between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 in FY22. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Children and Families Services Programs All community project funding through the ACF Children and Families Services Programs account must fall under one of the following categories:

- Child Abuse Prevention Community project funding may be used for projects to
 improve the prevention, assessment, identification, and treatment of child abuse and
 neglect through research, model service improvement, information dissemination, and
 technical assistance. Projects must serve or target children and families who are at risk
 or who have experienced child abuse and neglect.
- Social Services Research and Demonstration Community project funding may be used for projects to promote the ability of families to thrive through financial self-sufficiency in order to prevent and reduce poverty and to promote the healthy development and greater well-being of children and families. Projects can serve a diverse population including: low-income individuals, children, youth, families, individuals with developmental disabilities, and Native Americans

ACF community project funding cannot be used for construction or renovation of facilities.

The House LHHS bill did not include projects in this account in FY22. The Committee expects to consider project amounts in this account between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 for FY23.

Administration for Community Living (ACL), Aging and Disability Services Programs

Community project funding may be used for projects to improve or create new opportunities for older adults, individuals of all ages with disabilities, and their eligible family caregivers, to live independently and participate fully in their communities. Generally, community project funding should focus on improving access to, or the quality of, education, health services, training, support services, and independent living services for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and eligible family caregivers.

ACL community project funding cannot be used for construction or renovation of facilities.

The House LHHS bill did not include projects in this account in FY22. The Committee expects to consider project amounts in this account between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 for FY23.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

To ensure adequate flexibility in carrying out projects, descriptions should not refer to specific years or school years given the potential for delays in the obligation and implementation of awards.

Elementary and Secondary Education-Innovation and Improvement

Elementary and secondary education community project funding includes instructional services, afterschool centers, curricula development, teacher training, acquisition of books and computers, arts education, social and emotional learning activities, full-service community schools, and early childhood education. In general, the focus of elementary and secondary education community project funding should be providing early childhood or K-12 educational services.

Community project funding to provide and improve special education services at the elementary and secondary levels are also eligible under elementary and secondary education. Community project funding may include early intervention services for infants and toddlers, transition services, and postsecondary education services.

Eligible grantees are state education agencies, school districts, colleges and universities, and other public and private nonprofit entities. Generally, community project funding intended for individual schools is provided to the applicable school district and not directly to the individual school.

Community project funding *cannot* be used for construction or renovation of school buildings, except in the case of minor remodeling required as part of technology upgrades. Daycare and childcare projects that do not include educational services are also not eligible.

House project amounts in this account were funded between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 in FY22. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Higher Education- Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)

Community project funding can be designated under this heading for a wide variety of higher education projects. Generally, community project funding should focus on improving access to, or the quality of, postsecondary education. Community project funding *cannot* be used for

construction or renovation of academic buildings, except in the case of minor remodeling required as part of technology upgrades.

Examples of the types of projects that can be funded under FIPSE include projects to hire and train faculty, establish and improve degree programs, improve teacher preparation programs, develop and improve curricula, upgrade technology and telecommunications, acquire science laboratory equipment, provide student support, implement university partnerships with school districts, and establish research and training centers.

Grantees are usually colleges and universities but may include other public and private nonprofit organizations.

Except where specifically authorized, community project funding cannot be used for construction (or the acquisition of property) or renovation of buildings. In addition, grantees may not restrict participants based on race, ethnicity, or gender. Finally, recipients of community project funding may not sub-grant to other organizations or agencies.

House project amounts in this account were funded between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 in FY22. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Instructions

For each Community Project Funding request in the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- Project Name
- 2. Name of the project recipient
- 3. Location of the requesting organization
- 1. Is the recipient a government or non-profit? If a non-profit, is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?
- 4. Project location
- 5. Description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 6. Description of the overall goals and objectives of the proposed project
- 7. What is the requested dollar amount for this project in FY 2023?
- 8. Please provide a budget breakdown.
- 9. Is this one-year funding?
- 10. Provide an explanation of why this is a good use of taxpayer funds.

- 11. What are the sources of federal and non-federal funds?
- 12. Please provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any. Include both formula funds and any discretionary grants and fiscal years.
- 13. If the request does not fully fund the project, please describe where the remaining funding comes from to complete the project.
- 14. Are you requesting another Member of Congress make a request for the same project?
- 15. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

Eligible Accounts

Construction and Unspecified Minor Construction – Active Components

Eligible community project requests include both construction and unspecified minor military construction projects for active components. An unspecified minor military construction project is a project that has an approved cost equal to or less than \$6,000,000. The types of projects under this heading include construction, installation, equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, and facilities for the accounts listed below:

- Army
- Navy and Marine Corps
- Air Force
- Space Force
- Defense-Wide Agencies (Special Operations Command (SOCOM), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), etc.)

Construction and Unspecified Minor Construction—Reserve Components

Eligible community project requests include both construction and unspecified minor military construction projects for Reserve Components. An unspecified minor military construction project is a project that has an approved cost equal to or less than \$6,000,000. Some Reserve Component projects require a State funding match. Requesting offices must determine whether the proposed project requires such a match and if so, confirm that the project has current State match funding before the request can be considered. The types of projects under this heading include construction, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for training and administration for the accounts listed below:

- Army National Guard
- Air National Guard
- Army Reserve
- Navy Reserve
- Air Force Reserve

Planning and Design

Planning and design funding can be requested for specific projects when they are not yet at 35 percent design and therefore ineligible for construction funding. The types of projects under this heading include improving facility resilience, study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services for the accounts listed below:

- Army
- Navy and Marine Corps
- Air Force

- Defense-Wide Agencies (SOCOM, DHA, etc.)
- Army National Guard
- Air National Guard
- Army Reserve
- Navy Reserve
- Air Force Reserve

Lists of Eligible Community Projects

The eligible lists of community projects are those that are submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Defense or his/her designee. Projects that only appear on a list or FYDP provided by a base commander will not be accepted. Such lists include:

- Future Year Defense Program (FYDP) FYDP is a projection of the forces, resources, and programs needed to support Department of Defense (DOD) operations over a five-year span. The FYDP is released simultaneously with the President's budget request. The updated document listing projects eligible for FY 2022 will be obtainable after the FY 2022 full budget rollout, through the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) website: https://comptroller.defense.gov/Budget-Materials/
- Unfunded Requirements/Unfunded Priorities Lists (UFRs/UPLs) UFRs/UPLs are lists
 that each Service provides to Congress that identify priority projects which were not
 included in the President's budget request. These lists must be approved by the
 Secretary of Defense. UFRs/UPLs become available to Congress on the date of the
 President's full budget release (not skinny budget) and can be found by contacting the
 Congressional Liaison Offices of the Armed Services.
- Cost-to-completes (CTCs) CTCs are projects that have previously received an
 appropriation but require additional funding for completion. These lists represent the
 requirements identified by each Service for the additional funding necessary to
 complete a project. The lists are approved by each Service Secretary and can be
 obtained by contacting the Congressional Liaison Offices of the Armed Services.

These lists include projects, ongoing and upcoming, that ensure long-term viability, better readiness, increased resiliency, improved living and working conditions for service members and their families, and significant cost savings in perpetuity. Once FY 2022 lists are released to Congress, the subcommittee will recirculate this guidance with active hyperlinks so that you will be able to be routed to the official document.

As indicated above, some Reserve Component projects will additionally require a corresponding State funding match. Please verify said funding before submission. The Committee will not waive match requirements.

For your reference, current Milcon authorizations may be found in the FY22 NDAA DIVISION B—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATIONS, which you can access by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

The average award for Military Construction projects in FY22 was \$18 million. The Committee may consider slightly higher project amounts for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Instructions

For each Community Project Funding request in the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Which Service is the project for?
- 2. State/territory where project is located
- 3. Provide the name of the installation.
- 4. Provide the project name and amount.
- 5. Provide a description of the project consisting of not more than 1,000 words
- 6. Is the funding requested for planning and design costs?
- 7. Is the project for unspecified minor construction? Please provide background.
- 8. Is the project on the FY 2023-2027 FYDP?
- 9. Is the project on a Service unfunded requirement (UFR) or unfunded priority list (UPL)?
- 10. Is the project a cost-to-complete from a prior year? If so, what year?
- 11. Was the project previously authorized? If not, has a corresponding request been submitted to HASC?
- 12. Include the DD Form 1391
- 13. Is the project at 35 percent design and shovel-ready in FY 2023?
- 14. Can the project funds be obligated within 12 months of enactment of the bill?
- 15. If a Reserve Component project, does it require a State funding match?
- 16. If a construction funding request, has the Environmental Impact Study been initiated?
- 17. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

<u>Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related</u> <u>Agencies</u>

Eligible Accounts

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Airport Improvement Program (AIP)

Airport Improvement Program (AIP) community project requests may be used for enhancing airport safety, capacity, and security, and mitigating environmental concerns.

All projects must be:

- AIP eligible in accordance with sections 47101 to 47175 of title 49, United States Code, and FAA policy and guidance.
- Supported broadly by local stakeholders, including residents, businesses, and elected
 officials.
- Administered by an airport and/or airport sponsor

The average award in this account for FY22 was \$4 million. The Committee may consider project amounts of up to \$7 million for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Highway Infrastructure Program

Highway Infrastructure Projects are capital projects eligible under title 23 of the United States Code. Eligible projects are described under Section 133(b) of title 23, United States Code, as amended by title III of division A of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Tribal and territorial capital projects authorized under Chapter 2 of title 23, United States Code, are also eligible.

All projects must be:

- Capital projects or project-specific planning/design for a capital project.
- Supported by the state or Tribal government that would administer the project.
 Inclusion on a Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation
 Improvement Plan (TIP) would satisfy this requirement.
- Administered by public entities or Tribal entities.

The average award in this account for fiscal year 2022 was \$2.7 million. The Committee may consider project amounts of up to \$7 million for FY23. However, projects requesting

significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

Transit Infrastructure Projects

Transit Infrastructure Projects are public transportation capital projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code. Eligible capital projects are described under Section 5302(4) of title 49, United States Code, and Section 5339(b)(1) and (c)(1)(B) of title 49, United States Code.

All projects must be:

- Transit capital projects or project-specific planning/design for a transit capital project.
- Supported by the state, local governmental authority, or Tribal government that would administer the project. Inclusion on a Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) would satisfy this requirement.
- Administered by public entities or Tribal entities.

The average award in this account for fiscal year 2022 was \$2.5 million. The Committee may consider project amounts of up to \$7 million for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Initiative (EDI)

EDI community project funding may be used for economic and community development activities, including land or site acquisition, demolition or rehabilitation of housing or facilities, construction and capital improvements of public facilities (including water and sewer facilities), and public services. Requests may also include planning and other activities consistent with previously funded activities eligible under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program (title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.)), unless otherwise specified. EDI community project funding is not eligible for the reimbursement of expenses for activities or costs incurred prior to the obligation of funds, if such activities are not eligible under the CDBG program. Capital and operating expenses for fire and police stations are not eligible for EDI community project funding.

All projects must be:

Supported broadly by local stakeholders, including residents, businesses, and elected
officials.

 Administered by governmental or non-profit entities, including public housing agencies, as well as tribes and tribally designated housing entities.

The average award in this account for fiscal year 2022 was \$1.5 million. The Committee may consider project amounts of up to \$4 million for FY23. However, projects requesting significantly more than that average may be more difficult to fund and funding will depend on program demand and other variables.

<u>Instructions</u>

For each Community Project Funding request in the Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, applicants will be asked to provide the following information and respond to the following questions.

- 1. Project Name
- 2. Project location
- 3. Location of requesting organization
- 4. General description of the project and why it is needed.
- 5. What are the benefits of this project and why is it a priority?
- 6. What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2023?
- 7. Can the project obligate all appropriated funds within 12 months after enactment? If not, what would be the expected date of obligation?
- 8. Estimated start and completion dates.
- 9. Has the request been submitted to another Subcommittee or Committee this fiscal year? If yes, which one(s)?
- 10. Does the project have other public (federal, state, local) and/or private funds committed to meet match or cost-share requirements for costs related to construction, operations, and maintenance? If so, what is the source and amount of those funds?
- 11. Does the project require an environmental review? If so, what is the status and/or outcome of the environmental review and NEPA category of action (if applicable)?
- 12. Does this project enjoy the support of the community? Please describe community support and indicate whether you have letters of support, press clips, or other signs of community support.

For Airport Improvement Project requests only

- 13. How will the project contribute to the airport's disadvantaged business enterprise goals?
- 14. Is the project AIP-eligible?
- 15. Has the airport submitted a grant application for this same project to FAA? If so, when?
- 16. Would the project increase or decrease air traffic?
- 17. Would the project increase or decrease aviation safety?

- 18. Would the project increase or decrease environmental risks?
- 19. Does the airport and airport sponsor support the project?
- 20. Are there any stakeholders such as residents that live near the airport, state or local officials, state department of transportation officials that oppose the project?

For the Highway Infrastructure Project requests only

- 10. Type of project eligible under 23 USC 133(b).
 - a. NOTE: Options include: Highway, Bridge, EV Charging Infrastructure, Wildlife Crossing, Bike/Pedestrian, and Other (please specify).
- 11. Where is the project in the construction process?
 - a. NOTE: Options include: Planning and Environmental Review, Final Design, Right of Way, Capital purchase or lease, Construction, and Other (please specify)
- 12. Was the project on a State, Tribal or territorial Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or a transportation improvement plan (TIP) as of 12/31/2021? If yes, please provide a link to the plan.
- 13. Please provide the STIP or TIP ID Number and specify which plan (ex. North Carolina STIP, New York Metropolitan Transportation Council TIP) the ID Number comes from.
- 14. Please provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any. Include both formula funds and any discretionary grants.
 - a. EXAMPLE: FY20 TIGER/BUILD Grant: \$10 million; FHWA Formula Funds: \$5 million.
- 15. If the request does not fully fund the project, describe where the remaining funding comes from to complete the project.
 - a. EXAMPLE: Unidentified State funds will compose 10 percent of the remaining cost and previously identified federal formula funds (STBG) will make up the rest

For Transit Infrastructure Projects only

- 10. Where is the project in the construction process?
 - a. NOTE: Options include: Planning and Environmental Review, Final Design, Right of Way, Capital purchase or lease, Construction, and Other (please specify)
- 11. Was the project on a State, Tribal or territorial Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or a transportation improvement plan (TIP) as of 12/31/2021? If yes, please provide a link to the plan.
- 12. Please provide the STIP or TIP ID Number and specify which plan (ex. North Carolina STIP, New York Metropolitan Transportation Council TIP) the ID Number comes from.
- 13. Please provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any. Include both formula funds and any discretionary grants.
 - a. EXAMPLE: FY20 TIGER/BUILD Grant: \$10 million; FTA Formula Funds: \$5 million.

- 14. If the request does not fully fund the project, describe where the remaining funding comes from to complete the project.
 - a. EXAMPLE: Unidentified State funds will compose 10 percent of the remaining cost and previously identified federal formula funds will make up the rest.

For Economic Development Initiative Requests only

- 10. Is the project purpose primarily for services, new construction, rehabilitation, land or site acquisition, planning, or economic development?
- 11. Does the project primarily benefit persons of low-income or Tribal communities? If yes, please describe who the project is intended to benefit.
- 12. Who are the community partners participating in this project?
- 13. If the project purpose is for new construction or land or site acquisition, does it comply with local zoning requirements?
- 14. Is the project included or supported by an identified priority area within a state or local HUD Consolidated Plan? If yes, please provide a link to the plan.
- 15. Is the project intended to address climate change, resiliency, mobility, or equitable access to housing or services?