



# **Fiscal Year 2026 Member Directed Community Project Funding Guide**



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Congressman James P. McGovern

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink, reading "James P. McGovern".

February 14, 2025

Dear Friend:

In recent years, the House Appropriations Committee has allowed Members of Congress to submit Community Project Funding requests (formerly known as “earmarks”) to designate funding for local projects in their districts. Members of Congress know their districts best and this is a tremendous opportunity to identify specific funding needs for their local communities.

The Republican House majority has not yet released guidance for the Fiscal Year 2026 appropriations process, but I want to share this draft guidance to give eligible applicants ample opportunity to prepare a thorough application.

**It’s important to note that funding opportunities and eligibility guidelines are subject to change.** Once the formal guidelines for Fiscal Year 2026 are announced, we will contact you if there is any additional information required or if any changes to project eligibility impact your application.

**All materials required for the submission of a Community Project Funding request must be received by the McGovern office no later than **March 7<sup>th</sup>**. This deadline applies *only* to Community Project Funding requests.**

In the following pages, you will find information specific to the submission guidelines for each Appropriations Subcommittee and its relevant jurisdiction. I also want to highlight a few “big picture” things to keep in mind:

- Per last year’s House Appropriations Committee rules, Members of Congress can submit **a maximum of 15 Community Project Funding requests across all subcommittees.** Unfortunately, this means that our office will not be able to advance all requests that we receive.
- **Last year, non-profit entities could not request projects related to Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.**
- For the 15 projects that we *do* submit to the Appropriations Committee, **there is no guarantee of funding.**
- Members of Congress are required to post the 15 Community Project Funding requests on their congressional website and certify that neither they nor their immediate family have a financial interest in any of these requests.
- **For-profit entities are forbidden** from receiving Community Project Funding. Only state and local governments and verified 501(c)(3) organizations are eligible to receive funding.
- Members of Congress are required to submit a written statement describing the “federal nexus” for each Community Project Funding request, showing that the purpose of the project is tied to a federal authorization law.

- Last year, memorials, museums, and commemoratives (i.e. projects named for an individual or entity) were not eligible for Community Project Funding.
- Community Project Funding is **only available for one-year funding** (FY 2026) and cannot include multi-year funding.
- Congressman McGovern will **NOT** accept Community Project Funding requests from outside MA-02.
- **Only** Community Project Funding submissions received electronically will be considered. See below for electronic forms.
- Per the Appropriations Committee, **only projects with demonstrated community support will be considered.** Examples include, but are not limited to:
  - Letters of support from elected community leaders (e.g. mayors or other officials);
  - Press articles highlighting the need for the requested Community Project Funding; Support from newspaper editorial boards.
  - Projects listed on State intended use plans, community development plans, or other publicly available planning documents; or
  - Resolutions passed by city councils or boards.
- Several Federal programs eligible for Community Project Funding requests require a State or local match for projects either by statute or according to longstanding policy. The Appropriations Committee will not waive these matching requirements for Community Project Funding requests. *Note: This does not mean that matching funds must be in-hand prior to requesting a project, but that local officials must have a plan to meet such requirements in order for the project to be viable.*

Please keep in mind that this guidance is subject to change. I look forward to working with you to advocate for the Second District as we continue to build a stronger, healthier, more prosperous Commonwealth for all.



James P. McGovern  
Member of Congress

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## **Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies CPF Eligible Accounts**

### **Rural Development, Community Facility Grants**

Grants to purchase, construct, or improve essential community facilities, to purchase equipment, and pay other related project expenses. Examples of eligible projects include but are not limited to: medical or dental clinics, healthcare facilities, police or fire departments, and public works vehicles.

Project requests for non-essential facilities such as community gardens or museums will not be considered. Priority will be given to essential projects, such as those focused on public health and safety.

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

The Member's request must demonstrate community support. Members should ensure that their request provides the most complete description of the project as possible. Submissions should include details on all proposed use of funds, activities that will occur, timeline, and detailed information on the complete service territory.

Such requests are also subject to cost share requirements specified in 7 CFR 3570.63(b). Please review program regulations carefully. In-kind contributions and other Federal formula or grant resources cannot be counted towards match requirements.

Community Facilities grants 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 and non-federal cost share requirements. For fiscal year 2023, the average Community Facilities CPF award was about \$1.3 million.

### **Agricultural Research Service, Building 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. 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. Facility requests must be for ARS-owned facilities or for facilities that are already partnering with ARS.

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.

Requested funding for new facilities that do not have an existing ARS tie will not be considered.

### **Rural Utilities Service, ReConnect Grants**

ReConnect broadband pilot grants facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. Grant 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 25 Mbps downstream and 3 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 a city, town, or incorporated area that has a population of greater than 20,000 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 25 Mbps downstream and 3 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 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.

Additionally, applicants are reminded that all policies and procedures apply, including environmental and related reviews and the non-federal cost share requirement of 25% of the overall project cost. Policies and procedures can be found at <https://go.usa.gov/xexPT>.

USDA's Rural Development office is a valuable resource to answer program questions, including eligibility. For fiscal year 2024, the average ReConnect CPF award was nearly \$1.2 million.

### **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 programming.

Any requests are subject to all regulations governing the program which can be found at 7 CFR Part 1734. The program requires a 15% match that cannot come from another Federal source. Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide as much detail as possible on how the award will be utilized, what equipment of service will be acquired and any information on population(s) served. The program is intended to serve rural areas with populations of 20,000 or less.

The State Rural Development Office is a valuable resource to answer program questions, including eligibility. For fiscal year 2024, the average DLT CPF award was \$600,000.

### **Natural Resources Conservation Service, Consolidated 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. Examples of specific objectives include reducing soil erosion, improving soil health, enhancing water supplies, improving water quality, increasing wildlife habitat, and reducing damage caused by floods and other natural disasters.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide details on the work to be done, including if the project will conduct surveys, investigations, or research, and if there is a plan to publish the results of any such work. Members should also describe any preventive measures to be taken, such as engineering operations, methods of cultivation, or changes in use of land.

In FY25, the Subcommittee only considered projects for funding recipients that are State, local, and Tribal organizations, or conservation districts. Non-profit recipients will not be considered.

The State Conservationist is a valuable resource to answer program questions, including eligibility. House CPFs in the account averaged about \$1.3 million in FY24.

### **Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Water and Waste Disposal Grants**

The Water and Waste Disposal Grant Program may be used to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and disposal; sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and storm water collection, transmission, and closure.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide details on the number of households and businesses served and details of the exact work to be completed.

Eligible entities include rural areas and towns with population of 10,000 or less and Tribal lands in rural areas. The account has not been subject to CPFs in the previous years. Potential recipients will be required to provide a 25% non-federal cost share.

The State Rural Development Office is a valuable resource to answer program questions, including eligibility.

**Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related  
Agencies CPF Request Form**

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Deadline: March 7<sup>th</sup>

[APPLY HERE](#) and submit any supplemental documents to the staff contacts above.

**General Questions, with Additional Questions Below for Specific Accounts**

The website address of the proposed recipient.

Has the recipient secured all necessary funds to complete the project, including non-federal cost share requirements?

For Rural Development projects, is the project for an eligible purpose and does it meet all eligibility requirements, with the exception of any Median Household Income requirements, under current law?

Does the entity plan to make grants to other entities from the funds provided and, if so, to whom?

Why is the project a priority for the district? Briefly explain the community benefits.

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)?

Has the project received Federal funding before and, if so, how much, when, and from which agency or agencies and program(s)?

Have you contacted the State Rural Development Office/State Conservation Office to discuss the project and confirm eligibility? (If not, it is strongly advised to ensure project eligibility.)

For ARS B&F only, is it an existing USDA owned and operated facility? (It must be, in order to be eligible.)

For ARS B&F only, what is the estimated start date of the project? How soon could the feasibility/engineering design phase commence? [mm/yy]

For ARS B&F only, does the project have distinct and separable phases?

For ARS B&F only, what is the estimated completion date of the project? When does completion of construction occur? [mm/yy]

For ReConnect requests only, 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 Conservation Operations requests only, briefly describe how the project will reduce soil erosion, enhance water supplies, improve water quality, increase wildlife habitat, or other objectives that will help conserve, maintain, and improve natural resources.

For Water and Waste requests only, provide relevant information, such as the number of households, businesses, or farms that would be served



## Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies CPF Eligible Accounts

### **Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)**

Byrne Justice projects assist state, local, and Tribal law enforcement efforts to enforce laws, address violent crime, increase prosecutions, improve the criminal justice system (including the correctional system), provide victims' services, and other related activities.

Funding must be for activities consistent with, and supportive of, the Office of Justice Programs' mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

Prohibited Uses 34 U.S.C. 10152(d) provides:

*(d) Prohibited uses*

*Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no funds provided under this part may be used, directly or indirectly, to provide any of the following matters:*

- (1) Any security enhancements or any equipment to any nongovernmental entity that is not engaged in criminal justice or public safety.*
- (2) Unless the Attorney General certifies that extraordinary and exigent circumstances exist that make the use of such funds to provide such matters essential to the maintenance of public safety and good order-*
  - (A) vehicles (excluding police cruisers), vessels (excluding police boats), or aircraft (excluding police helicopters);*
  - (B) luxury items;*
  - (C) real estate;*
  - (D) construction projects (other than penal or correctional institutions); or*
  - (E) any similar matters.*

In addition, the Republican majority on the Appropriations Committee will not support the use of Byrne Justice Community Project Funding for the following:

- Initiatives that involve the distribution of drug paraphernalia.
- Initiatives that undermine the 2nd Amendment or infringe upon rights guaranteed by the Constitution without due process of law.
- Initiatives that appear to be anti-law enforcement or unrelated to criminal justice.
- Larger projects for the construction or renovation of penal or correctional institutions that will exceed the capability of single-year funding.

Prioritization will be focused on improving the effectiveness of law enforcement, increasing officer safety, curbing the opioid crisis, and other strategic priorities.

Projects with non-profit recipients may be eligible, so long as the purpose is to carry out work that closely aligns with the purposes of the Byrne JAG program. Such projects will be closely examined.

Awarded grants will be subject to the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide. Here are the links to the Department's guidance and frequently asked questions regarding the Byrne-JAG program, which may help guide you in gauging the eligibility of a proposed Byrne project:

<https://bja.ojp.gov/program/jag/overview> and  
<https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/jag-faqs.pdf>

Allowable costs are those costs consistent with the principles set out in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, and those permitted by the grant program's authorizing legislation.

### **Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) – Technology and Equipment**

COPS Technology and Equipment projects support state, local, and Tribal law enforcement efforts to develop and procure the technology and equipment needed to respond more quickly and effectively, improve officer safety, increase transparency and enhance community relations.

Funding must be aligned with the purposes of section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)). Projects will be considered if they develop and/or acquire technologies and equipment, including interoperable communications technologies, modernized criminal record technology, and forensic technology, to assist State, Tribal, and local law enforcement agencies, including by reorienting the emphasis of their activities from reacting to crime to preventing crime and training law enforcement officers to use such technologies.

Eligible recipients for COPS Technology and Equipment Community Project Funding are State, Tribal, and local law enforcement agencies.

Funding for building construction or renovation projects is not an eligible use of COPS Technology and Equipment Community Project Funding.

### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Coastal Zone Management**

Coastal Zone Management projects support the protection, restoration, and responsible development of our nation's diverse coastal communities and resources.

Funding must be for activities consistent with, and supportive of, NOAA's mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1451 et seq.).

Coastal Zone Management projects are subject to any applicable cost-share required by law under the Coastal Zone Management Program.

### **NASA Safety, Security, and Mission Services**

NASA Safety, Security and Mission Services projects support science education, research, and technology development related to NASA's mission.

Funding must be for activities advancing the purposes described in section 20102 of title 51, United States Code. Projects should focus on science, education, research, and technology development related to NASA's mission.

The following projects will not be considered for NASA Safety, Security and Mission Services Community Project Funding:

- Building construction or renovation projects.
- Medical research projects.

**NIST Scientific and Technical Research and Services (STRS):**

Funding must be for activities consistent with and supportive of NIST's mission and aligned with one or more of the functions and activities described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

Funding for building construction or renovation projects is not an eligible use of NIST Scientific and Technical Research Community Project Funding.

## **Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies CPF Request Form**

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Deadline: March 7<sup>th</sup>

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### **General Questions, with Additional Questions Below for Specific Accounts**

Entity Requesting Funds (legal name of the non-federal project sponsor, no abbreviations; non-profits must attach evidence that the organization is a registered non-profit under section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986):

Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):

Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):

Short description of the project to appear in the report:

Complete Description of Project (limit 1000 characters, including spaces):

Total Project Cost (including breakdown of federal/non-federal shares):

Requested Amount:

Provide detailed budget information as to how the funding is anticipated to be spent (attach budget if necessary).

Explanation of the request, including an explanation of why this is a good use of taxpayer funds:

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### **Additional Questions for BYRNE JAG Project Requests**

Is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986? [yes/no]

Can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the appropriations act? [yes/no] If yes, please provide any details that may be helpful for understanding the scalability of the project.

Is the purpose of this request the construction or renovation of a building? [yes/no]

Are you aware of another Member making a request for this same project? [yes/no]

Please provide the location of this project, in the format '*City (or County), State*'.

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### **Additional Questions for COPS Technology and Equipment Project Requests**

Is the recipient a State, Tribal, or local law enforcement agency?

Can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the appropriations act? [yes/no] If yes, please provide any details that may be helpful for understanding the scalability of the project.

Is the purpose of this request the construction or renovation of a building? [yes/no]

Are you aware of another Member making a request for this same project? [yes/no]

Please provide the location of this project, in the format '*City (or County), State*'.

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#### **Additional Questions for NOAA Coastal Zone Management Requests**

Is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986? [yes/no]

Can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the appropriations act? [yes/no] If yes, please provide any details that may be helpful for understanding the scalability of the project.

Are you aware of another Member making a request for this same project?

Please provide the location of this project, in the format '*City (or County), State*'.

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#### **Additional Questions for NASA Project Requests**

Is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986? [yes/no]

Can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the appropriations act? [yes/no] If yes, please provide any details that may be helpful for understanding the scalability of the project.

Is the purpose of this request the construction or renovation of a building? [yes/no]

Are you aware of another Member making a request for this same project? [yes/no]

Please provide the location of this project, in the format '*City (or County), State*'.

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#### **Additional Questions for NIST Scientific and Technical Research and Services**

Is the recipient entity a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986? [yes/no]

Can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the appropriations act? [yes/no] If yes, please provide any details that may be helpful for understanding the scalability of the project.

Are you aware of another Member making a request for this same project?

Please provide the location of this project, in the format '*City (or County), State*'.

## **Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies CPF Eligible Accounts**

### **Military Construction**

Community Project Funding requests must follow the guidelines included in this section. Each project request must be for fiscal year (FY) 2026 funds only and cannot be for multiyear funding. In addition, requested projects must meet the following criteria:

- Be included on an unfunded requirements/unfunded priorities list (UFR/UPL) from a military service or combatant command or the FY26-FY30 Future Years Defense Program (FYDP).
  - Projects suggested by an installation or unit commander will not be accepted.
- Have at least 35 percent of its design completed.
  - For projects that have not reached 35 percent design, planning and design funding can be requested.
- Able to be obligated in FY26.
- Submitted to the House Armed Services Committee (HASC) for inclusion in the FY25 National Defense Authorization Act or previously authorized.
- Have a DD Form 1391, which is DoD's justification for military construction projects. The Armed Services' Congressional Liaison Offices can help provide these documents.
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  - If your office does not have a direct point of contact, we recommend you contact the appropriate office: List of Congressional Liaison Offices

### **Construction and Unspecified Minor Construction – Active Components**

Eligible Community Project Funding requests include both construction and unspecified minor military construction projects for active components in the accounts listed below. An unspecified minor military construction project is a project that has an approved cost equal to or less than \$9,000,000.

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

### **Construction and Unspecified Minor Construction – Reserve Components**

Eligible Community Project Funding requests include both construction and unspecified minor military construction projects for Reserve Components in the accounts listed below. An unspecified minor military construction project is a project that has an approved cost equal to or less than \$9,000,000. **Note: 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 matching funds. The Committee will not waive match requirements.

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

### **Lists of Eligible Community Projects**

Eligible Community Project Funding requests are those that are submitted to Congress by DoD, the Services, and Combatant Commanders.

Sources include:

- **Unfunded Requirements/Unfunded Priorities Lists (UFR/UPL)** – UFRs/UPLs are lists that the Services and Combatant Commanders provide to Congress identifying priority projects that were not included in the President’s budget request. UFRs/UPLs are available to Congress within ten days of the release of the President’s budget and can be found by contacting the Armed Services’ Congressional Liaison Offices.
  
- **Future Year Defense Program (FYDP)** – The FYDP is a projection of the forces, resources, and programs needed to support DoD operations over a five-year period. The FYDP is released simultaneously with the President’s budget request. The FY26-29 FYDP listing the military construction projects that may be eligible for Community Project Funding in FY25 can be obtained through the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) website: <https://comptroller.defense.gov/Budget-Materials/>.

Please contact the Subcommittee if you have any issues identifying the eligible FY25 sources for military construction Community Project Funding requests.

The Committee may limit the number and amount of any Community Project Funding in FY26, based upon the availability of funds. Any caps will be determined by the Chair after reviewing the full universe of requests.

## **Military Construction, Veteran Affairs, and Related Agencies CPF Request Form**

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### **Questions for Military Construction Accounts**

Which Service is the project for?

Project Title.

Amount Requested for FY26.

Program (Is the funding request for construction, unspecified minor construction, or planning and design?)

Project Location (State/Territory Title).

Installation Name (Location Title).

Is the project on the FY26-FY29 FYDP? If so, which fiscal year?

Is the project on a FY25 Service or Combatant Command unfunded requirements/unfunded priorities list (UFRs/UPLs)?

Does the project have a DD Form 1391?

If a Reserve Component project, does it require a State funding match?

Is this project at or above 35% design complete?

Can the project funds be obligated in FY26?

Has a corresponding request been submitted to HASC for inclusion in the FY26 NDAA? If a project was previously authorized in a NDAA, please provide the fiscal year.



## **Energy and Water Development and Related Appropriations CPF *Eligible Accounts***

### **Corps of Engineers –**

- **Investigations**
- **Construction**
- **Mississippi River and Tributaries**
- **Operation and Maintenance**

### **Bureau of Reclamation – Water and Related Resources**

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 FY25. 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 and Continuing Authorities Program, if any, in the Construction account. While requests for specific projects will be accepted, please consider this limitation when making requests. 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.

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### **For Corps and Reclamation CPF Requests**

**Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):**

**Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):**

**Name of Authorized Project:**

**Complete Description of Project (limit 1000 characters, including spaces):**

**Estimated Start Date:**

**Estimated End Date:**

**Amount Requested for FY26:**

- If the project is included in the President's budget request, the amount requested for FY26 should be only the additional amount above the budget request that you are requesting for the project.

**Total Project Cost:**

**Is the project authorized?**

- What is the statutory citation?

**What is the FY26 capability? (This amount is the maximum funding level the Subcommittee will consider for inclusion in the appropriations bill. The existence of a capability amount does not guarantee that funding level – or any funding – will be able to be accommodated in the appropriations bill; it simply indicates the maximum amount that can be considered for inclusion).**

**For a Corps of Engineers projects, what is the correct appropriations account in which to request funding?**

**For a Corps of Engineers project, is this project a new start?**

**For a Corps of Engineers project, is this project an environmental infrastructure (EI) project?**

**For a Bureau of Reclamation project, is this project authorized only under section 4007, 4009(a), or 4009(c) of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016 (P.L. 114-322)?**

## **Homeland Security CPF Eligible Accounts**

### **Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Projects**

FEMA's PDM grants assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments with planning and implementing sustainable, cost-effective measures to provide long-term, permanent risk reduction to individuals and property from future natural hazards, such as floods and wildfires, while reducing reliance on federal funding for future disasters.

For PDM grant requests, the applicant must answer specific eligibility questions to ensure the proposed project meets FEMA's requirements as detailed in the most recent [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#). Applicants should consult their [State Hazard Mitigation Officers](#) to help answer these questions.

For any PDM projects designated for funding in the FY 2026 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the respective State or Territorial Administrative Agency, or Tribal government, must submit an application to FEMA and serve as the administrative agent for the grant on behalf of the entities responsible for the project (grant subrecipients).

CPF funding in the FY 2023 House bill ranged between \$320,482 and \$10,000,000 for individual PDM grants.

#### Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Checklist:

- Have you confirmed the requesting jurisdiction is a state, tribal government, local government, or territory as defined in the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. § 5122(4),(6),(8))?
- Have you confirmed that the proposed activity is consistent with the current FEMA-approved multi-hazard mitigation plan in compliance with 44 CFR Part 201?
- Have you confirmed that the requesting entity can provide a [Benefit-Cost Analysis](#) that validates the cost-effectiveness of the request?
- Does the total project cost you entered reflect federal and non-federal resources?
- Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required non-federal cost-share (25 percent of the total project cost, or 10 percent of the total project cost for small, impoverished communities as detailed in the NOFO)?
- Have you indicated the minimum amount of federal funding needed for the project to advance if it is not feasible to fund the full federal cost-share of the total project cost?

### **Emergency Operations Center Grant Program**

FEMA's EOC grants improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, strategically located, and fully interoperable EOCs with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. According to the National Fire Protection Association, an EOC is defined as a "facility or capability from which direction and control is exercised in an emergency. This type of center or capability is designated to ensure that the capacity exists for leadership to direct and control operations from a centralized facility or capability in the event of an emergency."

Similar to CPF requests for PDM grants, applicants must answer specific eligibility questions for EOC grants to ensure the proposed project meets FEMA's requirements as detailed in the most recent [NOFO](#).

For any EOC projects designated for funding in the FY 2026 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the respective State or Territorial Administrative Agency, or Tribal government, must submit an application to FEMA and serve as the administrative agent for the grant on behalf of the entities responsible for the project (grant subrecipients).

CPF funding in the FY 2023 House bill ranged between \$158,176 and \$3,000,000 for individual EOC grants.

Emergency Operations Center Grant Checklist:

- Have you confirmed the requesting jurisdiction is a state, tribal government, local government, or territory as defined in the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. § 5122(4),(6),(8))?
- Does the EOC request involve the construction or upgrading of a multipurpose facility, such as a public safety building or police/fire station?
  - If yes, does the CPF request limit costs to only the square footage directly associated with the EOC and not the entire facility?
- Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required non-federal cost-share (25 percent of the total project cost)?
- Have you indicated the minimum amount of federal funding needed for the project to advance if it is not feasible to fund the full federal cost-share of the total project?

## Homeland Security CPF Request Form

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### General Questions, with Additional Questions Below for Specific Accounts

Entity Requesting Funds (legal name, no abbreviations):

Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):

Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):

Project description (not more than 1,000 characters):

Include a budget describing in detail how the requested federal funding will be used by the grantee.

Include an explanation of why the project is a good use of taxpayer funds.

Has this request been submitted to another Member, if yes, which Member(s) and who is the staff point-of-contact?

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### Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects

Is the proposed project eligible under the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the PDM grant program?

Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required non-federal cost share (25% of total eligible activity costs, or 10% for small, impoverished communities), as detailed in the NOFO? If less than the requested amount is provided as the federal share, would additional state, local, or other eligible funding sources be available to support the project?

Can the requesting jurisdiction provide a Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) or other documentation that validates cost-effectiveness, which is defined by FEMA as having a BCA of 1.0 or greater? A non-FEMA BCA methodology may only be used if preapproved by FEMA in writing.

Consistent with the NOFO for PDM grants, is the proposed activity consistent with the goals and objectives in both the state or tribal hazard mitigation plan (44 CFR Part 201) and the local hazard mitigation plan of the jurisdiction in which the project is located?

If so, what is the FEMA approval date and when will the plan expire?

Have you confirmed that the funding request does not include unallowable activities for PDM grants (e.g., dredging waterways; the purchase of emergency vehicles and equipment)?

**Describe how the proposed activity expands mitigation capacity rather than repair and maintenance of existing capacity.**

**How will the project provide long-term, permanent risk-reduction, as opposed to simply supporting short-term, temporary emergency protective measures?**

**Can the recipient describe how the activity supports the needs of people disproportionately at risk of harmful impacts of natural disasters?**

**Does the recipient specifically encourage the adoption and enforcement of the latest disaster resistant building codes?**

**Provide a clear and detailed description of the proposed mitigation activity.**

**How will the mitigation activity be implemented?**

**Who will manage and complete the mitigation activity?**

**What risks will remain from natural hazards after project implementation (i.e., residual risk)?**

**How does the activity reduce the risk to individuals and property for future natural hazards, while reducing reliance on federal funding for future disasters?**

**Has the project been submitted, selected, or awarded funding in current or previous PreDisaster Mitigation (PDM), Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC), 7 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA), or Hazard Mitigation Grant Program fiscal year grant cycles?**

**If so, what is the subgrant ID, or which grant program and fiscal year was the application submitted, selected, or awarded funding?**

**Have you or the community consulted with state, county, or local emergency management officials, or with FEMA about the proposed project?**

**If so, please provide the name of the official, the agency they represent, and their contact information.**

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### **Emergency Operations Center Grant Program**

**Is the proposed project eligible under the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program?**

**Is the requested federal funding amount limited to a maximum of 75% of the total project cost?**

**Can the requesting jurisdiction provide the required 25% non-federal cost share?**

**If less than the requested amount is provided as the federal share, would additional state, local, or other eligible funding sources be available to support the project?**

**Have you reviewed the funding restrictions and allowable costs section of the NOFO for EOC grants?**

**Have you confirmed the funding request does not include unallowable activities for EOC grants (e.g., personnel costs; replacement radios for police, fire, and other response personnel; generators for**

**emergency shelters; any equipment that is portable and does not directly support the functional and operational capabilities of an EOC)?**

**Is the proposed project related to a structure or facility that meets the definition of an EOC, to include supporting incident management (on-scene) operations across multiple functional disciplines and/or jurisdictions?**

**For EOC projects that involve construction or upgrading of multipurpose facilities, such as public safety facilities, police/fire stations, etc., EOC grants may only be used for those parts of the facility that are directly associated with the EOC. Does the requested federal funding amount reflect the proportionate facility construction cost, which is generally based on the square footage (floor space) of the EOC compared to the square footage of the entire facility?**

**Have you or the community consulted with state, county, or local emergency management officials, or with FEMA about the proposed project?**

**If so, please provide the name of the official, the agency they represent, and their contact information.**

## Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies CPF *Eligible Accounts*

### **Environmental Protection Agency – State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) for certain water infrastructure projects**

These projects include 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.

There is a minimum 20% cost share requirement for any portion of a project funded through a STAG infrastructure grant and the Committee will not waive matching requirements. 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. However, assistance provided by a SRF does count towards the project’s matching requirement. Matching funds do not need to be in-hand prior to requesting a project, but local officials must have a plan to meet such requirements in order for such a project to be viable.

<b>Projects that generally <u>ARE NOT</u> eligible for STAG Grants</b>			
<b>Clean Water / Waste Water</b>		<b>Drinking Water</b>	
<b>1.</b>	<b>Land</b> , except for projects described in the subsequent table under eligibility #11	<b>1.</b>	<b>Dams or rehabilitation of dams</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Operations and maintenance costs</b>	<b>2.</b>	<b>Operations and maintenance costs</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Non-municipal point source control</b>	<b>3.</b>	<b>Water rights</b> , 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
<b>4.</b>	<b>Acid rain drainage correction</b>	<b>4.</b>	<b>Reservoirs</b> , 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
<b>5.</b>	<b>Ambient water quality monitoring</b>	<b>5.</b>	<b>Laboratory fees for monitoring</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Flood Control Projects</b> , unless the project is otherwise managing, reducing, treating, or recapturing stormwater	<b>6.</b>	<b>Projects needed mainly for fire protection</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Privately owned sewer pipes</b>	<b>7.</b>	Projects for systems that lack adequate technical, managerial, and financial capability, unless assistance will ensure compliance
		<b>8.</b>	Projects for systems in significant noncompliance, unless funding will ensure compliance
		<b>9.</b>	Projects primarily intended to serve future growth



## Projects That Generally ARE Eligible for STAG Grants

### Clean Water / Waste Water

### Drinking Water

<p><b>Wastewater treatment plants, including sludge handling facilities</b> - new, 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.</p>	<p><b>1.</b></p>	<p>Facilitate compliance with national primary drinking water regulations or address serious risks to public health including non-regulated contaminants (i.e. PFAS).</p>
<p><b>Collector Sewers</b> - Small sewers that convey wastewater from residences, commercial establishments, and industrial sites to larger interceptor sewers.</p>	<p><b>2.</b></p>	<p>Rehabilitate or develop water sources (excluding reservoirs, dams, dam rehabilitation and water rights) to replace contaminated sources</p>
<p><b>Land</b> - 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.</p>		
<p><b>Water Reuse</b> - Projects involving the municipal reuse or recycling of wastewater, stormwater, or subsurface drainage water. This includes but is not limited to the purchase and installation of treatment equipment sufficient to meet reuse standards, distribution systems to support effluent reuse, recharge transmission lines, injection wells, and equipment to reuse effluent (e.g., gray water, condensate, and wastewater effluent reuse systems).</p>		
<p><b>Capital Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Projects</b> – e.g., river or streambank restoration, agricultural best management practices (i.e., buffer strips, manure containment structures), wetlands restoration, etc.</p>		

<p><b>Interceptor Sewers</b> - Large sewers that convey wastewater from collector sewers directly to a wastewater treatment facility.</p>	<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p>Install or upgrade treatment facilities</p>
<p><b>Sewer Pipes</b> - Rehabilitation is eligible only if pipes are publicly owned.</p>	<p><b>4.</b></p>	<p>Install or upgrade storage facilities, including finished water reservoirs, to prevent microbiological contaminants from entering the water system</p>
<p><b>Outfall Sewer</b> - A sewer that conveys treated wastewater from a wastewater treatment facility to the receiving waters (i.e., a river, stream, lake, ocean, etc.).</p>	<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p>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</p>
<p><b>Storm Water Management</b> – Measures to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water (i.e. storm sewers, green infrastructure, etc.).</p>	<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p>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.</p>
<p><b>Combined sewer overflow (CSO) control and sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) control</b> - 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.</p>	<p><b>7.</b></p>	<p>Land is eligible only if it is integral to a project that is needed to meet or maintain compliance and further public health protection.</p>
<p><b>Infiltration/Inflow Correction</b> - Construction activities that prevent surface water or groundwater from entering the sewer system</p>	<p><b>8.</b></p>	<p>Project planning, design and other related costs</p>
<p><b>Water Security</b> -- 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.</p>		
<p><b>Septic Tanks</b> -- Remediation, rehabilitation, removal and replacement of failing tanks are eligible, as well as installation of new tanks where none had previously existed.</p>		

## **Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies CPF Request Form**

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### **General Questions**

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**Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):**

**Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):**

**Project description (not more than 1,000 characters):**

**Amount requested:**

**Total project cost:**

**FY 2026 President's Budget Request (if applicable):**

**FY 2025 enacted level (if applicable):**

**Can the project obligate all of the appropriated funds within 12 months after enactment (yes/no)?**

**Estimated start and completion dates for the project:**

**Was this request submitted to another subcommittee this fiscal year, and if so, which one?**

**Is this a Clean Water SRF project or a Drinking Water SRF project?**

**Is the project on your State's most recently finalized Clean Water/Drinking Water SRF Intended Use Plan (IUP)?**

**Has the project received Federal funds previously? If so, please describe.**

**Does the project have (or expects to have within 12 months) its 20% cost share requirement?**

**Given the Federal nexus requirement, does the project help meet or maintain Clean Water Act/Safe Drinking Water Act standards? If so, please describe.**

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**Eligible Accounts**

**\*\*\*New last year: non-profits are not eligible for THUD funding\*\***

**Highway Infrastructure Projects**

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 chapters 1 and 2 of title 23, United States Code, are also eligible.

All projects must be:

1. Capital projects or project-specific design for a capital project.
2. 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.
3. Administered by public entities or Tribal entities.

The Subcommittee will not fund activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. These include general operating expenses, and planning activities required under sections 134 and 135 of title 23, United States Code.

Applicants should be aware that Highway Infrastructure Projects have a non-Federal cost share calculated on a sliding scale. The cost-share requirements are defined in statute and vary based on activity, location, and other factors.

Additionally, most projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act. The Committee strongly encourages Members' offices and potential funding recipients to reach out to their state departments of transportation to determine the eligibility and viability of projects.

**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.

All projects must be:

1. Transit capital projects or project-specific planning/design for a transit capital project;
2. 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; and
3. Sponsored by designated recipients, States (including territories and the District of Columbia), local governmental authorities, and/or Indian tribes.

Public transportation or transit is defined in section 5302(15) and (22) of title 49, United States Code, as regular, continuing shared-ride surface transportation that is open to the general public or open to a segment of the general

public defined by age, disability, or low income, and does not include intercity passenger rail transportation, intercity bus service, charter bus service, school bus service, sightseeing service, courtesy shuttle service for patrons of one or more specific establishments, or intra-terminal or intra-facility shuttle services.

The Subcommittee will not fund activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. These include but are not limited to general operating expenses, joint development projects, and planning activities authorized under sections 5303, 5304, and 5305 of title 49, United States Code.

Additionally, most projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act. The Committee strongly encourages Members' offices to reach out to the project sponsor (i.e., transit agency) to determine the eligibility and viability of their projects.

The Subcommittee will continue to treat the Capital Investment Grants (CIG) program as programmatic requests and will not fund CIG projects under Transit Infrastructure Projects. Any projects for which the sponsor is seeking or will seek a CIG grant will not be considered.

### **Airport Improvement Program (AIP)**

AIP Community Project Funding requests are intended to enhance airport safety, capacity, and security, and environmental concerns.

All projects must be:

- AIP eligible in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq., and FAA policy and guidance.
- Included in the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).
- Supported broadly by local stakeholders, including residents, businesses, and elected officials.
- Administered by an airport and/or airport sponsor.

Projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act. The potential grantee should reach out to FAA Regional District Offices to ensure that projects will be in compliance with these mandates.

For large and medium primary hub airports, the grant covers 75 percent of eligible costs (or 80 percent for noise program implementation). For small primary, reliever, and general aviation airports, the grant covers a range of 90-95 percent of eligible costs, based on statutory requirements. Specific cost share requirements should be understood by the grantee, and verified by the FAA Regional District Office, along with other requirements to receive FAA funding.

### **Economic Development Initiative (EDI)**

EDI Community Project Funding within the Community Development Fund account of the HUD title is intended for economic and community development activities, consistent with statutory and additional Committee requirements.

Project requests for the FY 2026 Economic Development Initiative program must be eligible under one or more of the following criteria of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), 5305(a)(5); which are as follows—but limited to—land or site acquisition, demolition or rehabilitation; blight removal; and construction and capital improvements of public facilities, except for “buildings used for the general conduct of government.” Programmatic and operational expenses are not eligible.

- 5305(a)(1) – the acquisition of real property (including air rights, water rights, and other interests therein) which is (A) blighted, deteriorated, deteriorating, undeveloped, or inappropriately developed from the standpoint of sound community development and growth; (B) appropriate for rehabilitation or conservation activities; (C) appropriate for the preservation or restoration of historic sites, the beautification of urban land, the conservation of open spaces, natural resources, and scenic areas, the provision of recreational opportunities, or the guidance of urban development; (D) to be used for the provision of public works, facilities, and improvements eligible for assistance under this chapter; or (E) to be used for other public purposes;
- 5305(a)(2) – the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation (including design features and improvements with respect to such construction, reconstruction, or installation that promote energy efficiency) of public works, facilities (except for buildings for the general conduct of government), and site or other improvements;
- 5305(a)(4) – clearance, demolition, removal, reconstruction, and rehabilitation (including rehabilitation which promotes energy efficiency) of buildings and improvements (including interim assistance, and financing public or private acquisition for reconstruction or rehabilitation, and reconstruction or rehabilitation, of privately owned properties, and including the renovation of closed school buildings);
- 5305(a)(5) – special projects directed to the removal of material and architectural barriers which restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly and handicapped persons.

Given that projects must meet these authorized purposes of the CDBG program, the Committee expects to fund the following types of projects and other similar projects:

- Water or sewer infrastructure projects, which are not otherwise eligible to be funded as CPFs in EPA STAG (Interior bill) or Rural Water and Waste (Agriculture bill);
- Local road infrastructure, which is not otherwise eligible as a CPF in Highways (in this bill);
- Streetscape improvements;
- Public or non-profit housing rehabilitation, housing development financing, residential conversions, and neighborhood revitalization projects, which would increase housing supply and/or improve housing affordability in the local community;
- Projects with a clear economic development benefit, such as workforce training centers and manufacturing incubators;
- Projects that meet a compelling local need consistent with the statutory purposes. For example, food banks in economically disadvantaged neighborhoods, youth and senior centers, and multipurpose community centers.

All projects will be evaluated based on the individual submissions, and projects will be selected based on the merits of the project relative to other projects and the availability of CPF funding.

The following types of projects are not eligible for CPF funding:

- Museums, commemoratives, memorials;
- Swimming pools, water parks, golf courses;

- Healthcare facilities;
- Venues strictly for entertainment purposes – e.g., theaters and performing arts venues.
- Buildings for the general conduct of government (courthouses, post office, city halls), which are not allowed under the statute.

Due to the statutory restriction on using funds for “buildings for the general conduct of government,” things like courthouses and town halls cannot be funded.

EDI projects, like all projects funded by HUD, are subject to requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), HUD’s NEPA-implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 50 or 24 CFR Part 58, and all applicable federal environmental and historic preservation laws, regulations, and Executive Orders. An environmental review must be completed before HUD funds and new commitments of non-HUD funds can be used on a project (24 CFR 58.22).

In addition to meeting the above eligibility criteria, all projects must meet these Committee requirements:

- Administered by state, local, or tribal governmental entities or non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations.
- As a reminder, for-profit entities are not eligible for Community Project Funding. Projects for governmental entities to improve private properties pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4) will be highly scrutinized and possibly not funded.
- Projects submitted under 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1)(C) will be disfavored if the only or primary purpose of the project is “beautification” or historic preservation, without evidence of other community development or economic development benefits.

EDI projects are not eligible for the reimbursement of expenses for soft costs (planning, administrative) incurred prior to the completion of a grant agreement between HUD and the grantee; a grant agreement and a completed environmental review are necessary for reimbursement of hard costs (construction activities).

### **Port Infrastructure Development Program**

Port Infrastructure Development Program projects are projects eligible under Section 54301 of title 46, United States Code, as amended by title XXXV of division C of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022.

The Subcommittee will only fund projects that meet eligibility criteria and will be administered by eligible applicants, as described by statute. As a reminder, funding may not be directed to for-profit recipients. Due to the limited amount of total CPF funding, priority will be given to projects at small inland river and coastal ports and terminals, as described in 46 U.S.C. 54301(b), and to discrete, smaller-scale projects at larger ports and intermodal connections to ports.

This program has a statutory non-Federal matching requirement, with potential exceptions for small and rural area ports. Applicants should review 46 USC sections 54301(a)(8) and 54301(b) for more information on these cost-share requirements before submitting requests for funding. Note that recipients are also required to comply with reviews and audits from the Department of Transportation.

Additionally, these projects may be subject to various Federal requirements such as Buy America and the National Environmental Policy Act. The Committee strongly encourages Members' offices and potential funding recipients to reach out to their local port authorities and the Maritime Administration's [Gateway Offices](#) to help determine the eligibility and viability of projects.

For each Port Infrastructure Development Program project request, Members will need to provide specific information through the electronic submission process. The database will include the questions below to assist the Subcommittee in vetting and selecting projects.

### **Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI)**

Rail infrastructure projects are capital projects eligible under the CRISI program authorized in section 22907 of title 49, United States Code. CRISI provides grants to assist in financing the cost of improving passenger and freight rail transportation systems. All projects must be:

- Rail capital projects or systems planning for a rail capital project;
- Supported by the state, local governmental authority, or Tribal government that would administer the project; and
- Sponsored by public entities or Tribal entities.

The Subcommittee will not fund activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. These include but are not limited to general operating expenses, rail-related research, and workforce activities.

Projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act.



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**General Questions, with Additional Questions Below for Specific Accounts**

Non-federal Project Sponsor Requesting Funds:

Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):

Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):

Short Name of Project:

Complete Description of Project (limit 1000 characters, including spaces):

Has this project been submitted to any other Member of Congress, if so please list the Members' name and a staff point-of-contact:

Attach a letter of support from the non-federal sponsor of the project or the project partner for the project being requested. If there is no official non-federal sponsor or project partner, this can be a letter of support from the community or city/county.

Why this project is a community priority?

Amount of Request:

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**Additional Questions for Highway Infrastructure Projects Requests:**

Project Name (*EXAMPLE: Main Street widening and resurfacing, City, State, Congressional District.*):

General description of the project and why it is needed:

Amount requested for the project:

Total project cost (*Provide the amount of the total cost of the project as outlined in the STIP or TIP.*):

Type of project eligible under 23 USC 133(b) (*Surface Transportation Block Grant Program*); 23 USC 201 (*Federal Lands and Tribal Transportation Programs*); 23 USC 202 (*Tribal Transportation Program*); or 23 USC 165 (*Territorial and Puerto Rico Highway Program*).

Estimated start and completion dates:

Has the request been submitted to a federal agency for non-earmarked funds, or to another Subcommittee or Committee this fiscal year? If yes, which one(s)?

Please provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any. Include both formula funds and any discretionary grants.

Does the project have other public (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?

If the request does not fully fund the project, describe where the remaining funding comes from to complete the project.

Is the project on a STIP or a TIP? If yes, please provide a link to the plan.

Please provide the STIP or TIP ID Number and specify which plan the ID Number comes from.

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**Additional Questions for Transit Infrastructure Projects Requests:**

Project Name (EXAMPLE: Main Street widening and resurfacing, City, State, Congressional District.):

Project Recipient

General description and scope of project; including benefits and explanation for why project is a priority:

Amount of CPF funding requested for project:

Total project cost

Does the project require an environmental review? If so, what is the status and/or outcome of the review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)?

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 yes, list sources and amounts of funds. *The cost-share requirements are defined in statute. In general, transit capital projects typically require 20 percent non-federal share.*

**If the project receives less than requested for the transit infrastructure projects, will the project proceed without waiting for additional funding sources?**

**Does the project intend to apply for any DOT discretionary programs before proceeding? If yes, will the project sponsor still proceed if not selected?**

**Provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any. Include formula funds and any discretionary grants.**

**Where is the project in the construction process? *Options: Planning and Environmental Review, Final Design, RFP/IFB Issued, Contract Awarded, Capital Purchase or Lease, Construction, and Other (please specify).***

**Estimated start and completion dates.**

**Is the project on a state, tribal or territorial transportation improvement plan (STIP) or a transportation improvement plan (TIP) as of 12/31/2022? If yes, provide a link to the plan.**

**Provide the STIP or TIP ID Number and specify which plan the ID Number comes from.**

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**Additional Questions for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Project Requests:**

**Project Name (EXAMPLE: Rehabilitate runway 6/24, Airport Name, City, State)**

**General description of the project and why it is needed.**

**Has the airport sponsor provided assurances that the project is eligible under AIP statutes? *Airport sponsors should engage with their Federal Aviation Administration Airport District Offices to ensure eligibility under statutory requirements.***

**What are the benefits of this project and why is it a priority?**

**Amount requested for the Community Project Funding for fiscal year 2026, and the total project cost.**

**Estimated start and completion dates.**

**Does the project have other public (federal, state, local) and/or private funds for the required cost-share and committed for the forecasted operations and maintenance costs? What is the source and amount of those funds?**

**Has the airport submitted a grant application for this same project to FAA?**

**Additional Questions for Economic Development Initiative Project Requests:**

**Project Name:**

**General description of the project and why it is needed.**

**What are the benefits of this project and why is it a priority?**

**Amount requested for the community project and total project cost:**

**Who are the community partners participating in this project? Have local community development organizations with prior experience with HUD programs been consulted?**

**Has the request been submitted to another Subcommittee or Committee this fiscal year? If yes, which one(s)?**

**Is this project consistent with the primary objective of the community development program? Please describe who the project is intended to benefit.**

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**Additional Questions for Port Infrastructure Development Projects**

**Project Name.**

**General description and benefits of the project and why it is needed.**

**Amount requested for the project.**

**Total project cost.**

**Who is the recipient? *Provide a website address if available.***

**Is the project at a small port, as described under 46 USC 54301(b)?**

**Is the project in a rural area, as described under 46 USC 54301(a)(12) – an area that is outside of a Census-designated urbanized area?**

**Estimated start and completion dates.**

**Has the request been submitted to a federal agency for non-earmarked funds, or to another Subcommittee or Committee this fiscal year? If yes, which one(s)?**

**Please provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any.**

**Does the project have other public (state, local) and/or private funds committed to meet match or cost-share requirements? If so, what is the source and amount of those funds?**

If the request does not fully fund the project, describe where the remaining funding comes from to complete the project.

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### **Additional Questions for CRISI Projects**

**Project Name.** *A short name by which the project may be identified, including a very brief description of what the funds will be used for and the project's location.*

**Project Recipient.** *The recipient must be a public entity such as a state department of transportation, public agency, or not-for-profit rail carrier that provides intercity rail passenger transportation, etc.*

**General description and scope of project, including benefits and explanation for why project is a priority.**

**Amount of CPF funding requested for project.**

**Total project cost.**

**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? if so, what is the source and amount of those funds? *The cost-share requirements are defined in statute. Rail capital projects under the CRISI program require a minimum 20 percent non-federal share.***

**If the project receives less than requested, will the project still proceed without waiting for additional funding sources?**

**Provide a history of federal funding for the project, if any. Include formula funds and any discretionary grants.**

**Where is the project in the construction process? *Options are: Planning and Environmental Review, Final Design, Right of Way, Contract Awarded, Capital Purchase or Lease, Construction, and Other (please specify).***

**Estimated start and completion dates.**

**Is the project on a state rail plan as of 12/31/2024? If yes, provide a link to the plan and specify page number.**

**Is the project included in a grade crossing action plan? If yes, provide a link to the plan and specify page number.**