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The Honorable John Hoeven Chairman Senate Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture SD – 129 Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen Ranking Member Senate Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture SH – 125 Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Hoeven and Ranking Member Shaheen,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2026 Agriculture Appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,

Chris Van Hollen United States Senator

Van Hollen, Chris(D-MD) Agriculture Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Potomac Fire Company No.2 Inc.	Funds will be used to replace a 33-year-old fire engine to better serve and protect the Town of Westernport.	Allegany County MD	\$675
CalvertHealth Medical Center	Funds will be used to renovate the labor and delivery area, labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum rooms, a nursery and make other facility upgrades to improve the Family Birth Center.	Calvert County MD	\$1,000
The Benedictine School for Exceptional Children, Inc	Funds will be used for building renovations featuring a state-of-the-art teaching kitchen, a computer lab, and spaces for a variety of vocational training and self-employment support for adults living with developmental disabilities.	Caroline County MD	\$1,500
Charles County Public Library	Funds will be used to outfit a makerspace at the new La Plata branch library with STEM-related equipment such as 3D printers and laser cutters to encourage educational opportunities and support local entrepreneurship.	Charles County MD	\$67
The Foxie G Foundation, Inc	Funds will be used to support the construction and development of an equine-assisted therapy center to provide mental health services to veterans, first-responders, dementia patients and their caregivers, and at-risk youth.	Charles County MD	\$428
Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital	Funds will be used to support renovations, repairs, rehabilitation, and accessibility improvements for Camp Winona which annually hosts more than 5,000 Maryland Girl Scouts and volunteers for outdoor education, leadership skill-building, and workforce development training.	Charles County MD	\$642
Commissioners of Cambridge - City of Cambridge	Funds will be used to purchase a new fire and rescue truck for Dorchester County's Rescue Fire Company to replace the oldest in their fleet, which is 13 years past its service life.	Dorchester County MD	\$1,000
Town of Deer Park	Funds will be used for the acquisition of a maintenance vehicle and small tractor with backhoe attachment to provide vital services to the Town of Deer Park. These services include park maintenance, debris cleanup, snow removal, road maintenance and general town maintenance.	Garrett County MD	\$115
Garrett Regional Medical Center	Funds will be used for a comprehensive radiation department and on-site radiation treatment services for cancer patients in Garrett County, MD and surrounding communities which currently lack convenient access to this care.	Garrett County MD	\$3,000
Kent County Board of County Commissioners	Funds will support the purchase and installation of a backup emergency power generator for the Kent County emergency medical service headquarters, ensuring that power loss or disruption events do not interrupt the continuity of emergency services provided to Kent County residents.	Kent County MD	\$45
Town of Chestertown	Funds will be used to renovate and improve access to Chestertown facilities, including the police and fire stations, the Town Hall, and the town-owned dock.	Kent County MD	\$346
Washington College	Funds will complete construction of Washington College's Innovation Plant, a community-focused entrepreneurship center and innovation hub. The hub will provide workforce training and entrepreneurial support, filling critical gaps in economic opportunity across the Upper Shore region.	Kent County MD	\$1,025
Town of Eagle Harbor, Inc.	Funds will support expansion and renovation of the Eagle Harbor Community Center and new downtown outdoor amenities to support residents as well as local economic growth opportunities, including a park, an outdoor pavilion, and performance space.	Prince George's County MD	\$800

Town of Capitol Heights	Funds will support the construction of a community facility that will house the Town Hall, citizen services, and Boys and Girls Club. The project will strengthen critical community services, enhance public engagement, and support youth development.	Prince George's County MD	\$3,500
USDA BARC	Funds will be used to make essential upgrades to continue agricultural research at BARC, including to finish steam system repairs from power plant to endpoints, repair water towers and the water treatment plant, and repair wastewater main lines.	Prince George's County MD	\$20,000
Town of Barclay	Funds will support construction of a community center and town hall to increase access to resources and information for residents and visitors.	Queen Anne's County MD	\$1,044
Chesapeake Conservancy Inc.	Funds will enhance public education and conservation capacity through creation of a visitor's center at Janes Island State Park. The center will benefit local residents, support tourism and provide access to high-quality environmental and local historical educational opportunities.	Somerset County MD	\$4,125
University of Maryland Eastern Shore	Funds will be used for specialized equipment, vehicles, and supplies to support the new Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program at UMES. This program is essential to address the nationwide veterinarian shortage, particularly in rural areas.	Somerset County MD	\$2,200
City of Crisfield	Funds will be used to construct a new fire department and emergency shelter for the City of Crisfield, which will replace the existing 65-year-old station that is not suitable for modern needs and emergencies.	Somerset County MD	\$1,358
University of Maryland Shore Regional Health	Funds will be used to support construction of a new Regional Medical Center in Easton that would promote greater access to urgent healthcare by serving as the Mid-Shore's hub for acute hospital based services.	Talbot County MD	\$5,000
Hancock Fire Company, Inc.	Funds will be used to support the purchase of a much-needed new fire engine to ensure the community continues to have functioning fire emergency services. This new engine will replace the current obsolete unit.	Washington County MD	\$806
San Mar Children's Home, Inc. DBA San Mar Family and Community Services, Inc.	Funds will be used to renovate buildings to provide supportive services and housing for young people to prevent homelessness.	Washington County MD	\$867
Town of Hebron Volunteer Department	Funds will support critical fire station infrastructure improvements essential to its operations and service. This project will enhance emergency response capabilities, modernize facilities, and ensure the continuation of lifesaving services to Hebron and surrounding areas.	Wicomico County MD	\$1,500
Delmar Fire Department	Funds will be used to purchase a new and modernized ladder truck that will allow the Delmar Fire Department to better respond to emergencies within the community.	Wicomico County MD	\$1,500
Town of Berlin	Funds will support the construction of a multigenerational community center that will house the SHORE UP! Head Start Center, programs for kids and families, computer labs, and recreational spaces at the site of the historic Flower Street School.	Worcester County MD	\$1,400