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The Honorable Cindy Hyde-Smith
Chairman
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and
Urban Development, and Related Agencies
SD – 184
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and
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Dear Chairman Hyde-Smith and Ranking Member Gillibrand,

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 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies 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,



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**Van Hollen, Chris(D-MD) Transportation Housing and Urban Development
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Anne Arundel County	Funds will be used to remediate and rehabilitate the Meyer Building at the Crownsville Hospital Memorial Park to provide the community with essential amenity and support spaces as well as crucial health and wellness services.	Anne Arundel County MD	\$5,000
The Arc Central Chesapeake Region	Funds will be used to transform a 6.5-acre former grain silo site into residential housing and commercial space. The development will serve Easton residents by addressing housing demand, fostering economic growth, and providing outdoor spaces and recreational amenities.	Anne Arundel County MD	\$2,000
City of Annapolis	Funds will be used to complete construction of the College Creek Connector Trail, a high-priority trail corridor at a prominent gateway into the State Capital. The project will serve recreational cyclists, commuters and local residents.	Anne Arundel County MD	\$2,900
City of Annapolis	Funds will support the implementation of the long-term park improvement plan developed to ensure that all people can visit, experience, and enjoy the natural and cultural resources of the Chesapeake Bay.	Anne Arundel County MD	\$3,000
Parity Baltimore Incorporated	Funds will be used to purchase vacant and blighted properties for rehabilitation in order to transform convert them into affordable homes.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,524
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to create a trail link needed to connect existing and planned trails in South Baltimore and around the region. The trails provide access to the newly built Middle Branch Health and Wellness Facility and the MedStar Harbor Hospital.	Baltimore City MD	\$5,800
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to complete survey, engineering, and environmental review work for the 104-year-old Hanover Street Bridge in order to determine the most effective method to address the aging structure.	Baltimore City MD	\$850
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to complete the renovation of the West Baltimore MARC Station, including restrooms, waiting rooms, lighting, and communications systems to improve service and access for residents, commuters, and travelers using on the MARC Penn Line.	Baltimore City MD	\$5,000
Ivy & Pearls for Excellence, Inc.	Funds will be used for essential infrastructure updates to the Ivy Family Support Center to allow for restoration and expansion of community health programs; school supply, food, and clothing drives; and new multigenerational tutoring and mentorship programs.	Baltimore City MD	\$940
Ulman Foundation	Funds will support the renovation and expansion of the Annex to increase the reach and scope of services to adolescent and young adult Marylanders being treated for cancer. The demand for free, supportive lodging for patients undergoing cancer treatment exceeds Ulman House's current capacity.	Baltimore City MD	\$750
B&O Railroad Museum	Funds will be used to restore the South Car Works building - the oldest, continuously operating railroad repair facility in the nation. This building will become the Museum's new entrance facing Southwest Baltimore to spark community economic development.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,500
Harbor East Apostolic Community Housing Development Corporation	Funds will be used to restore a vacant structure at the Turpin-Showell Legacy Cultural Center to better support the needs of the community. The Center will be comprised of a 21st century multi-level facility designed to accommodate offices, classrooms, and community spaces.	Baltimore City MD	\$5,000

Saint Luke's Youth Center, Inc.	Funds will be used to transform the long-vacant historic Clergy House into a Family Resource Center—providing the surrounding West Baltimore community with state-certified childcare, mental health services, and workforce development opportunities.	Baltimore City MD	\$2,100
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used for pedestrian crossing safety improvements near schools and parks with significant crash history. The project also includes ADA ramps and related signing and pavement markings.	Baltimore City MD	\$2,000
Parks & People, Inc.	Funds will be used to expand Henrietta Lacks Park by converting blighted housing into community facilities, including a garden and recreational areas.	Baltimore City MD	\$900
The Chimes Foundation, Inc.	Funds will be used to construct and renovate homes for people with physical and developmental disabilities in order to support greater independence for residents.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,000
Everyman Theatre Inc.	Funds will be used to support capital renovations in order to expand programming space, to allowing the theatre to offer additional education and engagement services to the community.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,000
Maryland Zoological Society, Inc. dba The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore	Funds will be used to replace outdated and decaying utilities in the Zoo's historic Main Valley, allowing for new habitats and guest facilities that facilitate jobs, educational opportunities, and increased access for visitors.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,566
New Shiloh Community Development Corporation	Funds will be used to construct the New Shiloh Village Recreation and Cultural Arts Center, which will be used for community services including youth mentoring, childcare, culinary training, and senior health and recreation activities.	Baltimore City MD	\$4,000
Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland, Inc.	Funds will be used to construct a state-of-the-art-kitchen in the new Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland headquarters. The new facility will allow for expansion of program services for low-income, elderly adults with a meal production facility, storage space and an accessible loading dock.	Baltimore City MD	\$3,100
LifeBridge Health	Funds will be used to support the creation of a food distribution, meal production, and teaching kitchen in the Factory, a neighborhood resource center that will host nonprofit organizations and increase food access, reduce hunger, and promote healthy eating.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,500
Maryland Institute College of Art	Funds will be used for The Shed, an initiative to transform three neglected MICA sites along North Avenue, Trenton Alley, and Falls Road into a vibrant, public, open air creative corridor that is accessible and safe for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers.	Baltimore City MD	\$949
North East Housing Initiative, Inc. (NEHI)	Funds will be used for acquisition, rehabilitation, and maintenance to turn blighted properties into safe, affordable housing for low- to moderate-income individuals.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,000
Rehoboth CDC	Funds will support the development of a senior housing community that will include a community health clinic, affordable housing, and other critical services for seniors in the Brooklyn neighborhood of Baltimore City.	Baltimore City MD	\$1,500
Baltimore Museum of Industry	Funds will be used to support an initiative to collect stories and memories to document the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse and its impact on the Port of Baltimore. This historical information and perspective will be the basis of an exhibition and a school curriculum on the Port's importance.	Baltimore City MD	\$730
Baltimore County Public Library	Funds will support the construction of a new Baltimore County Public Library branch in an underserved community on the east side of the county. This building will replace the current branch, which is inadequate in size and lacks the modern amenities residents need.	Baltimore County MD	\$4,000

Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to advance multimodal access, connectivity, and pedestrian safety improvements around the Reisterstown Plaza Metro Station. This project will also replace an underutilized Park & Ride to support new transit-oriented development.	Baltimore County MD	\$7,463
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to improve access to campus and update pathways, trails, and wayfinding signage for students and members of the community, including residents at the nearby Edenwald Senior Living Community.	Baltimore County MD	\$2,430
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used for trail improvements to allow for ADA accessibility at Oregon Ridge Park.	Baltimore County MD	\$3,000
Players Philanthropy Fund dba Ed Reed Foundation	Funds will be used to renovate the REED House, a space for out-of-school time activities for youth in the Upton neighborhood of West Baltimore. REED House will provide academic support, food access, and mental health services and work opportunities to reduce youth violence in the community.	Baltimore County MD	\$500
Natural History Society of Maryland	Funds will support the renovation of the building, allowing the Society to better serve nearby middle- and low-income communities. The Natural History Society of Maryland is an anchor in the community and educates the public about Maryland's natural resources.	Baltimore County MD	\$2,000
Reisterstown Main Street	Funds will be used to replace deteriorating street lampposts in order to enhance safety and visibility.	Baltimore County MD	\$320
The Arc Baltimore	Funds will be used to make improvements at the Arc's employment center and to address high-priority repairs and accessibility modifications for several homeowners. Funds will also support vehicle modifications for individuals with developmental disabilities of low to moderate income.	Baltimore County MD	\$806
Pikesville Armory Foundation	Funds will be used to support the construction and rehabilitation of the decommissioned Pikesville Armory to house a new workforce development makerspace that will provide access to tools, resources, expertise, and incubation space—empowering local entrepreneurship.	Baltimore County MD	\$2,500
Carroll Community College	Funds will be used to establish a new Applied Technology and Trades Center to address critical workforce shortages among tradespeople in the fields of manufacturing, welding, plumbing, carpentry, and automotive/electric vehicle maintenance and repair.	Carroll County MD	\$1,261
Town of Mount Airy	Funds will support Phase 2 of the building's restoration which will provide structural stabilization and interior and exterior improvements—all critical to its long-term preservation.	Carroll County MD	\$2,700
NorthBay Education	Funds will be used to make accessibility improvements to the classroom and living spaces, as well as upgrades to the trail network and waterfront and adventure elements of the site to better serve students regardless of abilities.	Cecil County MD	\$620
Charles County Government	Funds will be used to complete the environmental review process for the development of a transit service from the Branch Avenue Metro Station in Camp Springs to Waldorf/White Plains, which would reduce traffic congestion, improve local commuting and increase mobility in Southern Maryland.	Charles County, Prince George's County MD	\$5,000
Habitat for Humanity Choptank, Inc.	Funds will be used to support infrastructure improvements to allow for the creation of affordable and energy-efficient homes for low-income residents.	Dorchester County MD	\$750
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to complete utility upgrades and design for the Downtown Frederick Streetscape project, which will increase safety, improve pedestrian access, and support visitors and local businesses in Downtown Frederick.	Frederick County MD	\$2,488

Frederick County	Funds will support the redevelopment of an over 50 year-old Community Center in Frederick, allowing for the continuation and expansion of services for older residents and the addition of affordable housing for seniors on the property.	Frederick County MD	\$7,500
Maryland Deaf Community Center	Funds will be used to support the renovation of the Maryland Deaf Community Center in Frederick, MD. The Center will provide deaf and hard of hearing people throughout the state with a space to access resources, educational, cultural, and social programs.	Frederick County MD	\$975
Habitat for Humanity of Frederick County, Inc.	Funds will be used to support affordable workforce homeownership in Frederick County by supporting construction costs for Phase II of the West All Saints Condominium Project and land acquisition for future Habitat for Humanity of Frederick County homes.	Frederick County MD	\$500
Life and Discovery Inc (dba Asian American Center of Frederick)	Funds will be used for construction of a new facility to support local economic growth, small businesses, recreation, and other uses to address the needs of the community currently lacking access to nearby resources.	Frederick County MD	\$2,400
City of Frederick	Funds will be used to renovate and outfit a facility to provide educational programming, enrichment, recreation, and behavioral health supports for youth and young adults at risk of homelessness.	Frederick County MD	\$2,000
Discovery Center at Water's Edge	Funds will be used to modernize and expand The Discovery Center at Water's Edge, a vital community hub fostering STEM education.	Harford County MD	\$3,839
City of Aberdeen	Funds will be used to construct an ADA-accessible playground, walking trail, and multi-purpose field at a new City Activity Center that will provide outdoor recreation opportunities for the community.	Harford County MD	\$1,000
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used for the construction of a shared use path along Guilford Road, between Oakland Mills Road and Carroll Heights Avenue.	Howard County MD	\$3,000
Howard County	Funds will be used to update and improve the North Laurel Community Center and Elkridge 50+ Center which serve as warming and cooling centers and emergency shelters during emergencies.	Howard County MD	\$1,250
Howard County	Funds will be used to renovate and update Attick Towers so that the building's senior and disabled residents have a safe and affordable place to live.	Howard County MD	\$2,000
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used for improvements to the Centreville and Chestertown freight rail lines in Kent and Queen Anne's Counties. Several businesses on the Eastern Shore rely on these rail lines. Functioning freight rail lines will help reduce the number of trucks on the roads.	Kent County, Queen Anne's County MD	\$5,000
Montgomery County	Funds will be used to purchase new electric buses to support the County's transition to a zero-emission fleet by 2035.	Montgomery County MD	\$4,912
Montgomery County	Funds will be used to transform underutilized and vacant space into a vocational training hub, equipping low-income workers with skills in construction, healthcare, and energy.	Montgomery County MD	\$1,000
City of Takoma Park	Funds will be used to expand and improve the City of Takoma Park Police Department's mental health crisis response program and ensure Marylanders in need are met with trained and compassionate support.	Montgomery County MD	\$420
Montgomery Housing Partnership, Inc.	Funds will be used to redevelop the Amherst into a modern, energy-efficient, and affordable community. This project will add affordable units for low- to moderate-income families, supporting Montgomery County's affordable housing needs.	Montgomery County MD	\$1,000

Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used for multimodal safety improvements on streets in and adjacent to Olde Towne Gaithersburg, based on the highest-priority recommendations from the City's 2024 Safe Routes to School study on three local public schools.	Montgomery County MD	\$800
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to construct cyclist and pedestrian safety improvements near a Flash Bus Rapid Transit Station in Montgomery County in order to improve transportation options for commuters and residents.	Montgomery County MD	\$5,000
AfriThrive Inc.	Funds will be used to upgrade and renovate a community kitchen, cold storage, and food pantry in Essex, Maryland to support low-income families in the region.	Montgomery County MD	\$800
Springsong Museum	Funds will be used to support the transformation of a vacant former industrial site into a museum inspired by the life of longtime Montgomery County resident Rachel Carson. The museum will also provide visitors a history of the area through the diverse communities that have lived there.	Montgomery County MD	\$2,000
Montgomery County	Funds will be used to repair homes owned by low-income individuals with the goal of increasing participation in Maryland weatherization programs and reducing electric and heating bills.	Montgomery County MD	\$250
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to enhance pedestrian safety and accessibility by upgrading sidewalks to meet ADA standards and improve connectivity to public transit.	Prince George's County MD	\$2,000
Alice Ferguson Foundation	Funds will be used to renovate the Cafritz Environmental Center, which serves up to 5,000 students and community members each year. Improvements will allow for improved accessibility and program capacity.	Prince George's County MD	\$1,021
Housing Authority of the City of College Park	Funds will be used for building upgrades.	Prince George's County MD	\$16,000
Sanctuary AP3 Co.	Funds will be used to support critical pre-construction activities for new affordable housing units for low-income seniors and families.	Prince George's County MD	\$2,000
City of Greenbelt	Funds will be used to maximize Springhill Lake Recreation Center's programmable space to allow expansion of after-school and summer programs, meet quality childcare needs, and add STEAM activities. Currently, staff struggle to meet community needs due to limited space.	Prince George's County MD	\$750
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to construct a shared-use path along MD 201 for safer pedestrian and bicyclist travel.	Prince George's County MD	\$6,500
The Arc Prince George's County	Funds will be used to renovate a building to serve as a new community hub for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. The site will include an adult medical day program, outreach/education for children, benefits enrollment center, and job training.	Prince George's County MD	\$6,000
Prince George's County	Funds will be used to design and construct a new animal shelter to expand access to veterinary services and animal adoption for residents.	Prince George's County MD	\$9,000
The Ivy Community Charities of Prince George's County, Inc.	Funds will be used to support construction of community facilities to house an accelerator program with training, coaching, and networking opportunities to help build the capacity of emerging nonprofits in the County.	Prince George's County MD	\$2,000
City of Greenbelt	Funds will be used to replace the water-damaged roof at the Youth Center, a community space and home to summer camps, preschool program, and the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club.	Prince George's County MD	\$1,555

Latin American Youth Center	Funds will be used to renovate the Latin American Youth Center in Riverdale, which will allow for the expansion of services for youth and their families, including housing counseling, workforce development, mental health services, and education programs.	Prince George's County MD	\$2,000
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used for the design, engineering, permitting, & construction of the Thompson Creek Connector Road & Trail Extensions on MD Route 8. The new roadway in Stevensville will have an adjacent pedestrian & bicycle trail to improve safety and reduce congestion around the US50/301 interchange.	Queen Anne's County MD	\$1,770
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to address structural conditions on two bridges that are a vital lifeline to essential services for island residents.	Somerset County MD	\$640
Cedar Lane Senior Living Community III Inc.	Funds will support Cedar Lane Phase IV, an affordable senior housing complex that will add new housing units with activities and services for Maryland's senior citizens.	St. Mary's County MD	\$4,000
Commissioners of St. Mary's County	Funds will be used to construct a multi-use YMCA recreation center in Lexington Park that will enhance the quality of life for residents of St. Mary's County through wellness and fitness programs and multi-generational programming.	St. Mary's County MD	\$2,000
Maryland Department of Transportation	Funds will be used to expand the existing trail system to enhance connectivity and provide walkable access to community services and multimodal transportation options for residents and visitors.	Talbot County MD	\$411
Town of Easton	Funds will be used to enhance public access and make improvements to Easton Point Park, a public waterfront park in the Town of Easton. Improvements include a secure, primary entrance, a pathway to the waterfront, reduction of impervious surface, and a living shoreline.	Talbot County MD	\$620
Easterseals DC MD VA, Inc.	Funds will be used to purchase and renovate a building to address the lack of childcare availability in Washington County. This facility will accommodate children ages 6-weeks to 4-years-old and meet a critical need in a county with no accredited child development centers.	Washington County MD	\$2,500
Doleman Black Heritage Museum	Funds will be used to transform a former Coca-Cola Bottling Company factory from a blighted building into a museum which seeks to preserve and promote the history and culture of Black Americans in Washington County and to enhance economic growth and attract tourism in the surrounding neighborhood.	Washington County MD	\$6,277
Robert W. Johnson Community Center	Funds will be used to support urgent repairs and renovations to the longstanding community hub serving youth, families, and seniors in Hagerstown. These improvements will preserve a vital local institution, enhance programs, and address infrastructure needs.	Washington County MD	\$3,000