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The Honorable Patrick Leahy
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The Honorable Richard Shelby
Vice Chairman
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The Honorable Brian Schatz
Chair
Subcommittee on Transportation
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The Honorable Susan Collins
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation,
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Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, Chairman Schatz and Ranking Member Collins:

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 2022 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senator

Congressionally Directed Spending Requests Submitted by Senator Jeanne Shaheen to the FY 2022 Transportation Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill

Project Location	Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Amount Requested (in thousands)
Bedford, NH	Bedford Historical Society	This congressionally directed spending request would provide funding to support the Bedford Historical Society (BHS) in its efforts to continue rehabilitating the former Stevens-Buswell School in order to open it as a new community center.	\$300
Bethlehem, NH	Colonial Theatre	This congressionally directed spending request would fund the installation of an heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system at the Colonial Theatre in Bethlehem, New Hampshire.	\$100
Concord and Penacook, NH	CATCH Neighborhood Housing	CATCH is requesting a \$250,000 federal appropriation to cover the anticipated unbudgeted COVID-19 pandemic-related increases in material costs. This funding will ensure that the Rosemary's Way residential development in Penacook is completed on time and as planned, creating 42 new low-to moderate-income housing units in Concord. Rosemary's Way construction is slated to be completed in January 2022. This funding will enable CATCH to keep Rosemary's Way development on schedule and within the current financing structure. Concord is in significant need of additional affordable housing inventory. The vacancy rate for two-bedroom units in Concord is 1.4 percent, compared to a regional vacancy rate of 5 percent and a national rate of 7 percent. At the same time, the median gross rent in Concord is \$1,262 –nearly 20 percent higher than it was just five years ago.	\$250

Concord, NH	City of Concord	<p>This funding would go toward widening the existing piers supporting the Loudon Road Bridge in Concord. This widening will allow for a sidewalk on one side, shoulders on each side for bicycle use, a five-lane travel way section with a 4-foot median, and a 14-foot multi use path on the north side of the bridge. The project will make crossing the river safer for all modes of transportation, while alleviating what is currently a chokepoint to and from downtown and west Concord. The bridge improvement will also provide the needed infrastructure to link the two ends of the proposed Merrimack River Greenway Trail, which will provide a 12 mile multi-purpose paved trail from the Pembroke town line to Boscawen.</p>	\$1,000
Concord, NH	City of Concord	<p>Funding for this request will provide for the engineering and construction of a multi-modal boulevard in order to link the Horseshoe Pond Corporate Park to downtown Concord. The Horseshoe Pond Corporate Park is home to dozens of businesses, hundreds of employees and the Grappone Conference Center. Currently, in order to travel from this location ½ miles to downtown Concord, one must either take I-393 or take a circuitous 2.5 mile surface road journey through the NHTI campus. Results from a city-commissioned traffic study show that building this boulevard, known as the Storrs Street Extension, would relieve traffic off North Main Street and provide increased access for hundreds of cyclists and pedestrians per day. In addition, the boulevard itself will provide numerous development opportunities in adjacent lots and restore a currently blighted area of Concord.</p>	\$1,000
Dover, NH	City of Dover	<p>This request is for funding to replace the decking of the Chestnut Street Bridge in Dover. In addition, funding would be used to widen the sidewalk along the bridge in order to improve pedestrian use and allow for proper</p>	\$650

		snow plowing. Smart signal technology will also be installed to control the crosswalk at the end of the bridge and improve safety for pedestrians.	
Dover, NH	City of Dover	Funding this request would provide for the complete reconstruction of Central Avenue, the main thoroughfare in Dover. The project would follow “Complete Street” policy guidelines, ensuring safety for all road users and pedestrians. Specific construction would be for road resurfacing, stormwater drainage, bicycle and pedestrian amenities, intersection improvements with lighting and intelligent traffic signalization. This project will provide improved pedestrian and bicycling facilities in this area, and improved utility connections with new water and stormwater infrastructure will improve the quality of life and economic vitality of the area.	\$2,000
Dover, NH	City of Dover	This congressionally directed spending request would provide funding to extend a multi-use trail to connect Dover Middle and High School with local lower income multifamily apartments to provide a safe bike/walk route to school for local students.	\$650
Grafton and Coos Counties, NH	Affordable Housing, Education and Development, Inc.	This funding would support AHEAD, a nonprofit community development corporation based in Littleton, New Hampshire, in a project to create up to 150 newly constructed, affordable housing units on a 77-acre, in-town site with 29 acres designated for conservation and recreational uses and up to 17 acres designated for use as the site of a new elementary school. Funding would be for the acquisition of this site and for infrastructure development including construction of roadways, water and sewer systems and underground electrical systems. This project would help address the significant affordable housing shortage in the North Country.	\$970

Hillsborough and Rockingham Counties, NH	Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter	This funding would support the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter (NSKS) in renovating the old Sacred Heart elementary school at 35 Spring St. to serve as an emergency shelter and permanent housing for individuals experiencing homelessness. The shelter will provide space for families with children, single adult men, and single adult women. In addition, 11 units of permanent housing for single adults will be provided. Emergency childcare for families experiencing homelessness, healthcare services to be provided by the local Community Health Center, and job training will all be provided on site.	\$900
Hillsborough and Rockingham Counties, NH	Manchester-Boston Regional Airport	The Manchester-Boston Regional Airport (MHT) has undertaken a public-private partnership to develop up to a 100,000 square-foot air cargo facility, with a private developer funding the building and related work, and MHT funding the aircraft apron, taxiway connectors, utility relocation, and an access road. The partnership leverages private investment to bring much needed air cargo capacity and high paying jobs to New Hampshire. The cost of the Airport's share of the project is significant and, without federal assistance, will require the Airport to issue bonds to construct the apron, which will increase the cost of the project and be counterproductive to the efforts the Airport has undertaken to lower airline operating costs.	\$15,000
Hillsborough County, NH	Waypoint	This proposed project would fund Waypoint's work in Manchester to open the first ever emergency shelter and dedicated permanent housing units for youth and young adults in NH. Opening an emergency shelter and permanent housing requires significant investment. While Waypoint has launched an aggressive fundraising campaign and the Manchester Board of Mayor and Alderman have approved a request from Waypoint for nearly \$730,000 in Community Improvement	\$771

		Program funding for the shelter, to be able to complete this project requires a federal appropriation.	
Hooksett, NH	Town of Hooksett	Funding provided through this CDS request would support the Town of Hooksett in expanding its sewer system in the west side of the town between Exits 10 and 11 of Route 93. The new sewer system will allow for increased flows for the existing businesses and promote development for potential businesses requiring higher sewer flows.	\$1,500
Keene, NH	City of Keene	The project intends to renovate the City of Keene's existing Recreation Center's restrooms to meet ADA requirements, improve the Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems to provide greater energy efficiency within the building and improvements to the lobby which connects these two spaces.	\$334
Lebanon, NH	City of Lebanon	This request would fund renovations of a former school building to convert it into a Community Center in a distressed area of Lebanon, New Hampshire.	\$750
Londonderry, NH	Town of Londonderry	Funding provided through this CDS request would support the Town of Londonderry in their construction of a sewer pump station and associated infrastructure to provide sanitary sewer service for future economic development in the area around New Hampshire Exit 4A along I-93.	\$1,050
Manchester, NH	Manchester Housing and Redevelopment Authority	This funding would support the Manchester Housing and Redevelopment Authority (MHRA) in conducting pre-development activities that will enable the agency to meet its due diligence, complete engineering and site work design, architectural design and bid documents to substantially rehabilitate Kelley Falls Apartments, a post-WWII public housing development in Manchester comprised of 132 units.	\$1,000

Manchester, NH	Victory Women of Vision	Victory Women of Vision (VWV) is a Manchester-based nonprofit dedicated to helping immigrants and refugees resettle in NH. Funding for this project would assist VWV in establishing a center to centralize their services for immigrant populations. These services include financial support, access to information and communication (translation, interpretation) services. The center will also have a cultural food pantry and serve as a community/information center.	\$500
Merrimack County, NH	City of Concord, Community Development Department	Funding for this project would go toward street improvements of a 1-mile stretch of Manchester Street to create a three lane section with a dedicated two-way left turn lane for businesses and neighborhood access. Consistent with the City's complete streets policy, a 5-foot bike shoulder will be constructed along with a 5-foot paved sidewalk and grassed buffer. Right-of-Way to accommodate a future five-lane roadway, if required in the future, will be acquired as part of the project as well. Selected water and sewer main and service line improvements will also be constructed to allow stormwater infiltration providing water quality improvements and reducing peak discharges. The project has been fully designed and engineered by the City.	\$1,000
Nashua, NH	City of Nashua	This funding would support improvements to Walnut Street in Nashua. The Walnut Street "Oval" is the result of 1950s urban renewal, and has led to a lack of circulation, prohibition of vehicular movement, and an unsafe situation for pedestrians. This project would tighten the impacted intersections, reintroduce sidewalks, realign the roadways to connect them and allow for traffic flow, create new intersections, and install signaling. Combined, these improvements will reintroduce a street grid that allows traffic to move efficiently and vastly improve pedestrian safety. Early conceptual and engineering studies	\$3,000

		have been completed with the design phase beginning immediately upon receiving funding.	
Nashua, NH	City of Nashua	Funding for this request would provide necessary, rehabilitative upgrades to the Taylor Falls Bridge in Nashua, which are intended to prevent a much more costly, and more disruptive, complete replacement of the deck within the next decade. This is a heavily trafficked bridge and an important connection over the Merrimack River. A disruption to travel over this bridge could force travelers from communities on both sides of the river to travel miles out of the way to one of the other crossings to the north or south.	\$2,700
Nashua, NH	City of Nashua	This congressionally directed spending request would provide funding to support efforts to construct a plaza around the Nashua Public Library in Nashua, New Hampshire. The plaza will provide a public gathering space as well as areas for sports, public art and performances and events.	\$500
Newport, NH	Town of Newport	This congressionally directed spending (CDS) project will enable the Parlin Field Airport in Newport, New Hampshire to completely resurface its 3,400 ft. runway to ensure continued safe, sustainable usage by local residents, tourists and businesses.	\$650
Portsmouth, NH	NH Community Loan Fund	This CDS request would help the NH Community Loan Fund provide affordable housing for low- and very low-income families in Portsmouth. Funding would go toward development of an existing manufactured housing cooperative known as the Woodbury Cooperative. Development activities would include removing abandoned, dilapidated commercial buildings, improving water and sewer infrastructure, reorienting two manufactured homes to improve spacing for fire safety, the addition of four new affordable homes and the	\$343

		widening of the shared driveway to accommodate fire trucks and ambulances.	
Statewide, NH	Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SPRC)	This request would fund each of the nine New Hampshire Regional Planning Commissions' efforts to prepare a new regional housing needs assessment (RHNA) and update their comprehensive plans which were last updated in 2015. This statewide update of RHNAs by each region will provide needed information such as an analysis of housing supply and demand, and fair share housing calculations that communities and agencies require for their own planning efforts.	\$950
Statewide, NH	New Hampshire Judicial Branch	The funds obtained through this request would be used to expand the landlord-tenant mediation pilot program statewide so that all New Hampshire residents, regardless of location, can use mediation. Currently, only landlords and tenants who have cases in either Concord or Claremont Circuit Courts are able to mediate their cases. Additional funding will be used to expand the capacity of the program so that it can be offered in all 31 district divisions in New Hampshire. Mediation promotes housing stability and expanding this program would provide tenants and landlords across NH access to this useful and stabilizing program.	\$556
Strafford and Rockingham Counties, NH	Seacoast Family Promise	This CDS request would support the development of affordable housing facilities in Strafford and Rockingham counties to provide permanent supportive housing for families with children.	\$1,000
Strafford and Rockingham Counties, NH	Our Place, Inc.	The funding from this CDS request will allow Our Place to hire an architect to consult with in evaluating potential properties for purchase and renovation that will provide permanent supported housing and services to adults with developmental disabilities in Seacoast, New Hampshire. Our Place will offer a	\$7

		<p>combination of housing choices of one- and two-bedroom apartments, each with their own kitchen and bathroom. 24-hour support will be available as needed and accessibility will be maximized across the property. Our Place will be built to accommodate people with a wide range of support needs. The property will have a large kitchen for optional group meal prep and family-style dining as well as a living space. Funding will allow One Place to hire an architect, skilled in ADA and accessibility, to help the organization evaluate potential properties suitable for this project.</p>	
Strafford County, NH	Easter Seals of New Hampshire, Inc.	<p>Easterseals will use the funds towards building modernization, a modest expansion and accessibility improvements to the Champlin House senior community center. Funds will support engineering, architectural services and construction of physical improvements. Expected outcomes would be interior modifications and expansion to create larger, more spacious program areas, the addition of an elevator, upgraded/new bathroom facilities, and improvement of meal preparation capacity.</p>	\$1,000
Strafford County, NH	Community Action Partnership of Strafford County	<p>This funding would support the Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC) to consolidate its separate anti-poverty programs within one facility in Dover. CAPSC partnered with the Housing Partnership to create 42 workforce housing units, and CAPSC occupies 17,000 square feet of commercial space on the ground floor with Head Start, homeless and housing programs, fuel assistance and administrative services. Project funding would eliminate CAPSC's mortgage on this property and provide additional reductions in expenditures on utilities, phone service, and technology. The dollars saved would be reinvested back into its programs and would contribute to the</p>	\$1,000

long-term sustainability of the
organization.