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The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
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The Honorable Richard Shelby
Vice Chairman
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The Honorable Patty Murray
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Senate Appropriations Subcommittee
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Education, and Related Agencies
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The Honorable Roy Blunt
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Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, Chair Murray and Ranking Member Blunt:

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 2023 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senator

**Shaheen, Jeanne(D-NH) Labor and Health and Human Services
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Lakes Region Community College	Lakes Region Community College would use Congressionally-Directed Spending funds to launch a new paramedic certificate program. The College would use this funding to provide full tuition scholarships for 30 students and to address instructional and administrative costs for the first year of the program. Recognizing the barriers facing potential students, Lakes Region Community College has designed a 12-month program with flexible and convenient schedules for working firefighters and EMTs. The College has completed the curriculum development process for the creation of this new Paramedic Certificate program to begin in Fall 2023. The College has identified space on campus to be converted into a clinical training space, reviewed faculty and administrative support needs and is purchasing clinical apparatus and equipment.	Belknap County NH	\$611
Headrest	Headrest is seeking funding to expand their current residential treatment operations to southern New Hampshire to help combat the opioid epidemic in the state. They would use this funding to create a continuum of care that includes Low-Intensity Residential Treatment, Outpatient and Intensive Outpatient, Sober Living, Impaired Driver Care Management Program, and the Headrest Opportunities for Work Program (H.O.W.). The building they use is in need of significant renovation to meet the standards of safety and wellbeing that are required for someone on the path to long-term sobriety.	Boscawen NH	\$850
Mount Washington Valley Adult Day Center	The purpose of this project is to expand Adult Day Care services to Carroll County residents who do not qualify for Medicaid but cannot afford the access to the services. This project would allow funding to expand access to the Center would be used to subsidize attendance, transportation and nutrition for those families, allowing them access to the services they need.	Carroll County NH	\$125
Mt. Washington Valley Adaptive Sports	The purpose of this project is to expand the recreational opportunities in the Mt. Washington Valley for those with disabilities through the purchase of equipment that can be used outside of traditional snow sports.	Carroll County NH	\$169
Cheshire Medical Center	Cheshire Medical Center seeks support for infrastructure costs to update the Family Medicine Residency Clinic to be more accessible to patients. These upgrades include a new elevator, entry way and entrance.	Cheshire County NH	\$1,930
River Valley Community College	The River Valley Community College is seeking \$500,000 to update the radiography classroom at the college. The funding for this project will support will allow the school to purchase one fully energized x-ray suite consisting of an x-ray table, x-ray tube, fluoroscopic unit, an upright x-ray imaging stand and an associated control panel. Minor remodeling to fit all of the equipment will be needed. This project will support graduates in their study of Radiologic Technology Services.	Claremont NH	\$500
New Hampshire Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors	The New Hampshire Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors Association (NHADACA) to increase the number of licensed substance-use disorder clinicians through the addition of 3 staff members in their Licensing Support Program.	Concord NH	\$600
Hospice and Palliative Care Alliance of NH	This funding would support the Home Care, Hospice & Palliative Care Alliance, in partnership with the VNA Health System of Northern New England, in hiring a full-time nurse educator to implement a year-long structured home-care nursing education program. The funding would also cover subscriptions for nurse residents and preceptors for an online curriculum and resources to promote the residency program among prospective early career nurses.	Concord NH	\$155

NHTI - Concord's Community College	NHTI would use Congressionally-Directed Spending to update and expand dental education programs at NHTI and increase oral health services offered through NHTI's public clinic. Specifically, funding would be used to purchase 31 dental chairs, including equipment and technology, as well as bracket trays, overhead lights, suction and arms, along with water syringe and ultrasonic scaler units. The funding would also support a dental clinic outreach staff person to work with Medicaid populations to support their utilization of services.	Concord NH	\$767
Brigid's House of Hope	Brigid's House will be providing housing, services, and intensive case management to survivors of Human Trafficking in New Hampshire. The current organizational budget for FY2022 has funding to support two case manager positions. By 2023, a third Case Manager position will be necessary to effectively support the clients living both on and off-site, as well as to support residents in after-care once they exit the 12-month residential program.	Concord NH	\$63
University of New Hampshire	The University of New Hampshire is seeking CDS funds to support and establish a career pathway for the outdoor recreation industry through a mobile application, the formation of an advisory board for workforce development and retention and a website portal providing guidance for NH Career and Technical Education development for schools and industry partners.	Durham NH	\$710
University of New Hampshire	CDS funding would provide much-needed upgrades to the research/observation structures (observation booths), technology (video and audio systems), and developmentally-appropriate equipment and materials used by UNH's CSDC. The upgrades would expand teaching, outreach, service, and research opportunities. The CSDC is the state's premier child development lab facility and is one of fifty NH childcare facilities that are nationally accredited. CSDC has a strong reputation for training early childhood educators and serves over 350 UNH students annually by providing a setting for professional fieldwork for over 30 courses.	Durham NH	\$1,500
Plymouth State University	This funding would support renovations of the Samuel Read Hall Building on the Plymouth State University (PSU) campus to expand the available physical learning space for PSU's nursing program.	Grafton County NH	\$2,100
Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce	The 'Native American Employment, Educational & Cultural Program' is designed to provide an opportunity for Native Americans from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota to work as seasonal workers and gain multiple employment skills. Participants would also experience a variety of educational and cultural opportunities offered by many individuals and groups in New Hampshire. The unemployment rate on the reservation is 80%, while many businesses in New Hampshire struggle to find seasonal workers during peak tourism seasons in the summer and fall. Federal funds will allow for the program to be expanded to cover other seasonal opportunities (winter & summer) in the tourist/travel industry throughout New Hampshire and to increase the number of participants from the reservation. CDS funds will cover the costs of financial aid for the participants.	Hampton NH	\$50
Dartmouth College	Dartmouth College will use these funds to fully equip a nanoscale manufacturing hub that can be utilized by both academia across New Hampshire as well as small and medium sized nanotechnology companies. It would specifically use CDS funds to purchase four pieces of equipment – a plasma-enhanced chemical vapor deposition, an ellipsometer, a sputtering system and an air particle cleaning module. This hub would enhance New Hampshire's ability to attract world-class researchers to local academic centers and nearby nanotechnology companies, instead of watching fledgling nanotechnology companies opt to locate or relocate to Massachusetts or New York where such nanoscale manufacturing facilities already exist.	Hanover NH	\$1,815
New England College	New England College would use funds awarded through Congressionally Directed Spending to renovate the nursing education areas of New England College's Science Building to support the increase in students, including building out a large instructional meeting room, expanding classrooms and instructional labs and adding state of the art equipment throughout the building.	Henniker NH	\$3,326

New England College	New England College will use these funds to make a one-time acquisition of twenty state-of-the-art training mannequins which are used to provide nursing students with hands-on nursing experience and professional confidence before they practice on actual patients. This training equipment will support NEC's innovative 3-year Bachelor's in Nursing Science program, which expands the school's nursing program in order to respond to the region's critical nursing shortage. Funds would also be used to hire additional adjunct faculty members and additional preceptors, who are experienced, highly qualified nursing professionals, practicing at a clinical site(hospital) who provide mandatory supervision, guidance and mentorship to nurses in training.	Henniker NH	\$500
New Hampshire Food Bank Mobile Food Pantries	The New Hampshire Food Bank is requesting federal funding to help address the increased food insecurity and the lack of food pantries due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The New Hampshire Food Bank will purchase tens of thousands of boxes of food from local suppliers in New Hampshire over the course of 12 months.	Hillsborough County NH	\$947
Saint Anselm College	The Meelia Center for Community Engagement at Saint Anselm College seeks support to hire six full-time positions to coordinate and deliver programs that connect Ukrainian refugees with services like child care, health care, mental health services, job training and financial assistance. Funds would also be used to renovate an existing community center to include a computer lab, classroom space, outdoor community space and an updated kitchen and food pantry.	Hillsborough County NH	\$600
School of Nursing - St. Joseph Hospital of Nashua,	The purpose of this project is to fund the modernization of existing physical infrastructure at the School of Nursing at St. Joseph Hospital, improve energy efficiency, upgrade the HVAC system and remedy accessibility shortfalls.	Hillsborough County NH	\$2,925
Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Hampshire	Big Brothers Big Sisters of NH seeks funds to match 100 mentors with children. Funds will go towards screening, background checks, training and other program costs.	Hillsborough County NH	\$200
New Hampshire Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors As	This funding will go to Reality Check Inc. in working to combat the drug and alcohol epidemic in New Hampshire. Reality Check Inc is a Drug and Alcohol addiction nonprofit that works in 32 towns in New Hampshire, primarily in Cheshire and Hillsborough county.	Jaffrey, Cheshire County NH	\$145
Monadnock Family Services	The purpose of this project is to fund the purchase and installation of a new, more efficient heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system at a property acquired by Monadnock Family Services. This will provide thermal comfort and acceptable indoor air quality, support reductions in utility costs and gain in efficiencies to control the temperature, humidity, and purity of the air in the building so that savings can be reinvested in workforce expansion. The end result will be improved services, necessary for the well-being of individuals suffering from mental health and substance use disorders.	Keene NH	\$675
Keene State College	Keene State College would use Congressionally-Directed Spending funds to support the creation of paid college internships in critical shortage fields, including health care, education and manufacturing. These internships will lead to co-sponsored employment post-graduation, ending in employer-sponsored retention and longevity incentives. KSC will collaborate with K-12, post-secondary, for-profit, not-for-profit and municipal/county partners to design and expand synergies between educational (internship) and employment (apprenticeship) experiences. The requested resources will support new clinical education models and early phase internships, as well as post-graduate apprenticeships, where employers share in the cost of incentivizing longevity.	Keene NH	\$3,000
Monadnock United Way, Impact Monadnock Program	Monadnock United Way seeks support to build out its Early Childhood Region 1 Program. This project brings together local families with community leaders and groups to ensure that young children (prenatal through age 8) have access to systems of support so they can learn, be healthy and thrive. Funding would support the formation of three community-based coalitions.	Keene NH	\$500
Cheshire Medical Center	Cheshire Medical Center is seeking to replace and upgrade their Mammography technology. The newer equipment will allow for sharper images and smarter technologies that will continue to help find invasive cancers – regardless of patient age or breast density.	Keene NH	\$731

Cheshire Medical Center	Cheshire Medical Center would use funds awarded through Congressionally Directed Spending to upgrade and replace technology for minimally invasive operating room equipment.	Keene NH	\$951
Monadnock United Way	Monadnock United Way's Impact Monadnock has successfully implemented the Pyramid Model at 7 childcare sites over the last four years, with positive effects for children and families. This request would allow them to expand the Pyramid Model into 4 new childcare and preschool settings in 2023.	Keene NH	\$125
Dartmouth Health	Dartmouth Health would use funds awarded through Congressionally Directed Spending to support construction of a Teaching Kitchen on Dartmouth Health's medical center campus.	Lebanon NH	\$1,000
White Mountain Science, Inc.	White Mountain Science, Inc. seeks to increase its capacity to support northern NH students and teachers by growing and updating their vehicle fleet and adding STEM equipment to their vehicles.	Littleton NH	\$110
Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Hampshire	The Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Hampshire (CASA NH) is requesting \$100,000 to enable the agency to build a more robust operation to offer services and aid to children victimized by abuse and neglect. This funding will allow CASA NH to hire additional staff in every department of the organization, which will expand services to all children and families in need.	Manchester NH	\$100
Best Buddies International, Inc.	Best Buddies of New Hampshire is requesting \$250,000 to support their Inclusion Project for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD). Best Buddies will use this money to create a more inclusive environment for students with IDD. This funding will go to helping 45 school-based chapters statewide.	Manchester NH	\$250
Makin' It Happen Coalition for Resilient Youth	Makin' It Happen would use Congressionally-Directed Spending funds to support the expansion of resiliency-focused mental health services offered to the greater Manchester region (Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Deerfield, Goffstown, Hooksett, Manchester, and New Boston). Congressionally-Directed Spending funds would enable the organization to expand and increase mental health trainings and reach underserved sectors of the population, with a focus on harm reduction and suicide prevention.	Manchester NH	\$250
Catholic Medical Center	This initiative is in collaboration with CMC, Elliott Hospital and the Network for Health and seeks to improve healthcare workforce development in the City of Manchester by creating healthcare career opportunities for diverse community applicants.	Manchester NH	\$1,200
Saint Anselm College	Saint Anselm College will use these funds to construct a new academic building to house the School of Nursing and Health Professions, including classrooms, faculty and administrator space and high definition virtual nursing labs, which will support a significant increase in nursing graduates that in turn will help address the nursing shortages.	Manchester NH	\$2,480
Victory Women of Vision	This funding would support Victory Women of Vision (VWV) in purchasing a refrigerator and freezer as well as shelving to help the organization store food pantry donations. CDS funding would also support the purchase of a small van to enable the transportation of students enrolled in VWV's youth mentoring program. The funding would also be utilized to purchase technology and furnishings for VWV's computer lab.	Manchester NH	\$125
New Hampshire Nurse Practitioner Association	NH Nurse Practitioners Association (NHNPA) would use funds to conduct a comprehensive survey that identifies existing NP practice models, areas for growth/scaling and barriers to expansion/replication. The survey would also evaluate hospital and health care systems' institutional policies and pinpoint barriers and facilitators of NP innovation. NHNPA would also use funds to develop and pilot an executive leadership training program (through a partnership with the University of New Hampshire) for an initial cohort of 15 participants that focuses on the economics and business of health care, leadership and innovation and design.	Meredith NH	\$320
New Hampshire Hunger Solutions	The purpose of this project is to enhance NH Hunger Solutions (NHHS) outreach and communications about federal nutrition programs in NH. This funding would support two new positions and increase NHHS's capacity to provide targeted outreach in low-income communities in Southern NH, the Seacoast and North Country regions, to improve enrollment and participation in federal nutrition programs.	Merrimack County NH	\$257

Lamprey Health Care	This federal funding would allow Lamprey Health Care to renovate and expand an unfinished space in an existing facility located in Nashua, NH to provide additional primary care, behavioral health and wraparound services to the surrounding area.	Nashua NH	\$500
United Way of Greater Nashua	This funding would support United Way of Greater Nashua to purchase refurbished laptops, provide financial support to students in-need for home internet service, and support the organization's transition from providing purely volunteer-based tutoring services to a professional and volunteer led tutoring program. This would be accomplished through recruitment activities, trainings and team-building exercises, technology purchases for employees, and marketing and promotion of United Way's tutoring services.	Nashua NH	\$100
Nashua Community College	Nashua Community College would use Congressionally-Directed Spending to purchase equipment needed to develop and run a soldering and component testing boot camp. The Soldering Test Tech Boot camp will provide beginning soldering students, including those new to the electronics industry, with knowledge and hands-on skills for both through-hole and surface mount technologies. The students will be exposed to classroom lectures and hands-on skill development through instructor demonstrations and real time instructor feedback. Congressionally-Directed Spending funds are needed to cover the initial cost of expensive industry-standard equipment, materials and training in order to overcome the major obstacle for the College in beginning this program.	Nashua NH	\$192
Nashua Police Athletic League	Nashua PAL's Youth Safe Haven promotes financial self-sufficiency for families in Greater Nashua through important child care services. PAL provides afterschool/summer care programming for youth ages 7-18 at NO cost for families, along with educational support, a food pantry, and much more. Recently, both the services needed by disadvantaged families along with the costs of the "every day" programming have increased.	Nashua NH	\$111
Rivier University	Rivier University is requesting funding to support a project that will expand the pipeline of a prepared and confident nursing workforce for New Hampshire. Rivier University will use these funds to purchase simulation technology to give the students the best chance to succeed. This technology will provide nursing students the ability to practice, refine, and replicate complex clinical procedures, so they are put in the best position to succeed when they enter the nursing workforce.	Nashua, Hillsborough County NH	\$1,301
Mid-State Health Center	Mid-State would utilize this CDS funding to expand its Community Health Center model to health care delivery for families with children, particularly women of reproductive age and their children.	Plymouth NH	\$750
Franklin Pierce University	Franklin Pierce University seeks federal aid to purchase simulation-training equipment that will enable its Master of Physician Assistant Studies Program to recruit and train more students. Special attention will be paid to training students who will work in rural and medically underserved areas.	Rindge NH	\$875
Community Health Action Network (CHAN)	The Community Health Access Network (CHAN) manages the electronic medical record (EMR) and practice management (PM) systems used by most of the federally qualified health centers in NH for the delivery and documentation of patient care. The current EMR and PM systems being used by CHAN are outdated and will soon no longer be supported by the vendor, resulting in loss of functionality and discontinued access to e-prescribing, patient portal, secure messaging and document management tools. As a result, the health centers must transition to a new system as soon as possible. CHAN is requesting funds to purchase new systems, pay implementation costs and continue to support the current systems during the transition and archive old data that must be retained for legal purposes.	Rockingham County NH	\$2,000
Mental Health Center of Southern NH, Center for Li	Jean's Place-Center for Life Management is a Mental Health Center in southern New Hampshire. They have two facilities in Derry and Salem New Hampshire. The department is requesting funding on behalf of Community Housing and Homeless Outreach to address the need for available beds for those suffering from an acute psychiatric illness in New Hampshire.	Salem NH	\$100

Greater Seacoast Community Health	Greater Seacoast Community Health seeks support to expand its Somersworth site and fulfill a rising demand for its integrated and oral health services. In particular, funds would be used to add exam rooms, behavioral health offices and administrative offices as well as a family center. Funds would also be used to support a Community Care Team that works in Strafford County to connect individuals to programs that identify basic needs and address social determinants of health.	Somersworth NH	\$2,300
University of New Hampshire	The University of New Hampshire, in collaboration with healthcare and academic partners throughout rural New Hampshire, will use funds provided for this project to design and implement a highly interactive learning and practice collaborative to create programs that will improve the resilience and wellbeing of New Hampshire's health care workforce.	Statewide NH	\$1,234
University of New Hampshire	This project would support the University of New Hampshire's Telehealth Practice Center in supplying four sites across rural New Hampshire– a county correctional facility, a county nursing home and two rural libraries – with telecommunications equipment, including installation costs and technical assistance to optimize use in the first year. This project will provide residents in these communities with better access to quality care, such as access to specialty providers, and create student learning opportunities to work with an underserved population in rural areas where there are critical workforce shortages.	Statewide NH	\$420
New Hampshire College & University Council	The project will deliver college knowledge and FAFSA completion opportunities to high school students in 10 target communities to assist these students with their college journey.	Statewide NH	\$234
University of New Hampshire	This funding would assist the University of New Hampshire in purchasing equipment and updating its infrastructure to expand the university's COVID-19 wastewater surveillance program.	Strafford County NH	\$1,903
Strafford County	Strafford County would use funds awarded through Congressionally Directed Spending to procure an architect and engineering services, conduct site and facility preparation and develop concept presentations in support of construction for a 215-bed skilled nursing facility in southeastern New Hampshire to replace the outdated and inefficient facility in current use.	Strafford County NH	\$2,000
University of New Hampshire	This project would establish, within one year, the NH Manufacturing Advances Education Collaborative for Students, Industry and Teachers (NH MAECSIT), a summer professional development program for teachers administered by the University of New Hampshire. NH MAECSIT would provide New Hampshire educators with an opportunity to learn advanced manufacturing concepts to better train the next generation of scientists and engineers.	Strafford County NH	\$1,200