

United States Senate

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The Honorable Patty Murray
Chair
Senate Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Susan Collins
Vice Chair
Senate Appropriations Committee
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The Honorable Tammy Baldwin
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Senate Appropriations Subcommittee
on Labor, Health and Human Services,
Education, and Related Agencies
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Shelley Moore-Capito
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Dear Chair Murray, Vice Chair Collins, Chair Baldwin, and Ranking Member Capito,

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 2024 Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Tina Smith
United States Senator

**Smith, Tina(D-MN) Labor and Health and Human Services
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Alexandria Technical and Community College	This project updates and modernizes equipment to attract new populations of students to the transportation field to help remedy worker shortages. It will improve job ready occupational experiences, eliminate cost of maintaining inefficient equipment, and prepare new age transportation technicians.	Alexandria MN	\$2,250
The Hormel Institute, University of Minnesota	This project will renovate 10,200 square feet of space within The Hormel Institute's facility to house the latest state of the art technologies and instruments, and provide the space optimization required to fully serve all Minnesota cancer and biomedical researchers.	Austin MN	\$2,500
Riverland Community College	Riverland Community College will create a new academic program to support the development of workforce needs and build a vertical farming lab that will provide hands-on opportunities for students to learn about this innovative approach to sustainable food systems.	Austin MN	\$1,275
Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota	Greater Minnesota's Children's Museums exist to provide playful learning for every child. An important service area for the museums are schools. The need for outside-of-the-classroom experiences has grown while resources and capacity for educators to provide these opportunities have decreased.	Baxter-Brainerd, Bloomington, Breckenridge, Duluth, Fergus Falls, Grand Rapids, Hutchinson, Mankato, St. Cloud, and Willmar MN	\$1,000
Critical Care Services, Inc. (D.B.A. Life Link III)	Funding will expand the Anoka central base to better serve the surrounding area, particularly rural communities. This base facilitates more than 700 transports annually. This base also serves as the central training and maintenance hub for base crews and the entire aircraft fleet.	Blaine MN	\$3,000
Health Commons at Pond	Health Commons at Pond is a school-based health center (SBHC), as well as a free and charitable clinic. In SBHCs, children are provided services that meet the specific needs of students most historically disenfranchised. Funding will extended services.	Bloomington MN	\$100
Normandale Community College	This proposal funds the purchase of necessary equipment to Normandale's Center for Interprofessional Education and Simulation. The Center will allow students in various healthcare programs to learn together through simulated scenarios that build teamwork and communication skills.	Bloomington MN	\$1,697
Normandale Community College	This proposal will fund the build out of a Student Resource Center from a volunteer-led office into a fully staffed, one-stop program to address students' basic needs. Normandale is focused on becoming a student-ready college that is committed to a holistic approach to student needs.	Bloomington MN	\$400
Northland Community and Technical College	This proposal funds staffing to encourage students towards emerging technology and technician career fields. The vision is to facilitate social and economic mobility through a revolutionary approach to experiential learning.	Bloomington and Thief River Falls MN	\$897

Valley Lake Boy's Home, Inc.	This proposal funds the purchase of a vehicle so residents can be transported to appointments, classes, and jobs. Valley Lake Boy's Home is a transitional living house for males, 16-21. The home allows young men to live in a home with fewer restrictions, with structure and guidance from adult staff.	Breckenridge MN	\$40
Crescent Cove	Crescent Cove is the only pediatric respite and hospice home in Minnesota. Private health insurance does not consider respite care to be necessary and does not reimburse for these expenses. Crescent Cove relies on philanthropy and raising funds to cover the costs for families.	Brooklyn Center MN	\$1,572
Dakota Child and Family Clinic	Resources, Education and Comprehensive Accessible Healthcare clinics are on site barrier-free healthcare clinics. This proposal would purchase an EMT/Ambulance type vehicle that can be retrofitted to serve as a mobile clinic exam room as well as house and transport necessary supplies and equipment.	Burnsville MN	\$350
M Health Fairview Ridges Hospital	This proposal supports the cardiac catheterization/interventional imaging laboratory. The funds would allow M Health Fairview Ridges Hospital to upgrade its 15-year-old cardiac catheterization/interventional laboratory equipment.	Burnsville MN	\$1,800
Minnesota West Community and Technical College	This proposal will develop an EV charger technician program that will provide skills such as installation, troubleshooting, operation, and maintenance of the chargers. A certificate of this nature will align with the electrician programs within the state college system.	Canby MN	\$1,700
Change the Outcome	Funding will support the development and production of a new documentary building awareness of opiates among teens during the deadly fentanyl crisis. This educational documentary will replace the current documentary used by CTO as the ballast of our innovative programming.	Chanhassen MN	\$375
Cloquet Area Fire District	The Cloquet Area Fire District (CAFD) identified that a modern, safer new ambulance and fire station facility is required to continue providing essential ambulance, fire/rescue services to Northern Carlton and Southern St. Louis Counties.	Cloquet MN	\$4,000
Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College	This proposal invests in evidence-based practices of reimagining policing. The training and skills offered in this proposal must begin in the academic setting before students are first hired as peace officers. Providing equipment and training is necessary to create better policing.	Cloquet MN	\$400
Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College	There is a need for insulation installers, energy auditors and knowledgeable construction workers in green energy related jobs in northeast Minnesota. Funding enables the college to provide training and testing; increasing the number of qualified workers in building performance/green energy.	Cloquet MN	\$108
Dakota County	In Dakota County, social workers are embedded in local police departments to follow up on crisis situations and provide resources and services. Funds would offset the cost of expanding the county's crisis follow-up services, specifically the embedded social worker program with law enforcement.	Dakota County MN	\$800
Intermediate School District 917	This project will develop a teacher apprenticeship program to be approved by the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry so participants can "earn while they learn" and work alongside an experienced mentor teacher as a paraprofessional.	Dakota County and Hennepin County MN	\$1,000

A Place to Belong	A Place to Belong is a social club for adults who are diagnosed with a serious mental illness. We are seeking funding to help us with strategic planning and additional staffing expenses for the outreach and recruitment of persons with mental illness that are between the ages of 18-35.	Detroit Lakes MN	\$75
Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal will provide the critical funding needed to re-start a proven pathway to attract, grow and retain rural psychologists in Minnesota.	Detroit Lakes MN	\$1,350
Minnesota State Community and Technical College	This proposal will fund simulation equipment to enhance M State's learning environments and increase high-quality, accessible, hands-on training for current students. This project will increase access to health careers for underrepresented students.	Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Moorhead MN	\$1,650
First Witness Child Advocacy Center	This proposal is to support the Operations and Training Director position and a new Training and Prevention Specialist position. These two positions are integral to oversee, conduct, and improving efforts of sexual abuse prevention and professional training in our local community and beyond.	Duluth MN	\$100
Duluth Art Institute	The Duluth Art Institute requests funds to provide aging artists with disabilities access to equipment and facility that addresses barriers to accessing art, arts education, and community integration opportunities. The funding is to update studio equipment to meet ADA standards.	Duluth MN	\$200
College of St. Scholastica, Inc.	Funds would allow for retrofitting current spaces to allow occupational therapy students to provide relevant and necessary mental health services. OTs are uniquely positioned to focus on promoting successful development in youth including increasing independence in managing mental well-being.	Duluth MN	\$2,879
Critical Care Services, Inc. (D.B.A. Life Link III)	Funding will help to relocate the Duluth base so it can better serve the region. Life Link III is a hospital owned nonprofit organization representing 10 major health systems by providing critical care and specialized air medical transportation.	Duluth MN	\$2,000
Lake Superior College	Lake Superior College is a regional leader for healthcare education. Funds will be used to purchase equipment that supports the use of simulation in teaching course content, providing students with simulated scenarios that emulate real-life situations, without causing patient harm.	Duluth MN	\$1,762
Duluth Art Institute	The Duluth Art Institute requests funds to support four critical arts education programs that address the achievement gap and promote social-emotional skill development, art education, and community integration opportunities-Youth Leadership Training, Art Classes, and Teen Open Studio.	Duluth MN	\$70
23rd Veteran	The mission of 23rd Veteran is to provide happier, healthier lives for veterans living with trauma. This request is to fund our signature program called 23V Recon, that provides a 14-week immersive experience in trauma reconditioning and positive psychology.	Duluth and Twin Cities MN	\$150
Nexus Family Healing	This proposal funds startup costs, including salaries, program expenses, and equipment for a 40- bed Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility program in East Bethel, MN. There are significant and chronic concerns about the availability of high-end services for children in the state.	East Bethel MN	\$855

M Health Fairview Southdale Hospital	M Health Fairview Southdale Hospital is one of the largest Mom and Baby Centers in the Twin Cities. Providing modern facilities and equipment is necessarily to provide services for the large volume of families who deliver their children at Southdale.	Edina MN	\$5,500
West Side Community Health Services (dba Minnesota Community Care)	This proposal is for funding to support the renovation/construction, equipment, and technology infrastructure to expand health services at Minnesota Community Care's (MCC) Farmington Clinic MCC is Minnesota's largest federally qualified health center (FQHC).	Farmington MN	\$3,000
Soul Purpose dba (Matthew House)	This project provides funding for significant repairs and upgrades to Matthew House to ensure the safety of its residents. Matthew House is a nonprofit home for up to 10 men who are transitioning out of treatment programs, jail or prison.	Fergus Falls MN	\$165
Welcome House	This proposal is for general operating funds of a new women's recovery housing program for the first two years. Funding will allow the organization to get well established without the burden of start-up expenses.	Fergus Falls MN	\$150
Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa	Grand Portage needs a new Emergency Management Facility. The facility will provide a warm, secure place to park emergency service vehicles as well as office space for meetings and planning. The current facility does not allow for parking of all vehicles.	Grand Portage MN	\$2,500
Itasca Economic Development Corporation	The Forge provides dynamic environments where the public can access work readiness skills training, pre-apprenticeship training, and in-demand occupational training. Funds received will be used to fully staff The Forge and offer externships to area educators.	Grand Rapids MN	\$339
Reif Arts Council (Reif Center)	We are seeking funds to return arts education opportunities to pre-pandemic, sustainable levels. Funding would revitalize and expand the ability to reach hundreds of area students in education programs, as well as several thousand students through field trips to live arts events at the center.	Grand Rapids MN	\$20
Reverence for Life and Concern for People dba Project Turnabout	This proposal funds phase two of a safety and security upgrade to the facility. Having this security system in place would reduce the number of calls to local authorities and assist them when they are required to investigate as while providing a safe and secure atmosphere for patients.	Granite Falls MN	\$300
Apple Tree Dental	Funding will support the expansion of the Hawley Center for Dental Health so it can provide essential healthcare services in Northwestern Minnesota. This project will increase access to critically needed dental services, reduce health disparities, and improve care coordination.	Hawley MN	\$3,690
Groves Learning Organization	Groves Literacy Partnerships (GLP) requests funding to support the continued expansion and implementation of the Groves Literacy Framework with three public charter schools in Hennepin County beginning with the 2023-24 school year. GLP helps emerging and struggling readers.	Hennepin County MN	\$131
African American Registry	The Teacher's Forum is an online book for teachers or candidates and supports virtual learning. The service supplements existing curricula with diverse content and pedagogy. This project expands this service to more teacher education programs and incorporates Readability Level System (RLS) software.	Hennepin, Ramsey, Sterns, Winona, and Blue Earth Counties MN	\$500

Minnesota North College	This proposal will fund the development of a pilot certificate program that aligns existing automotive and diesel technician, electrical maintenance, and solar and engineering programming to address the autonomous vehicle, electric vehicle, and connected vehicle (AV/EV/CV) market.	Hibbing MN	\$2,000
Minnesota Humanities Center	Third Way Civics (3WC) addresses problems of polarization and civic decline via undergraduate learning. This proposal expands 3WC self-sustaining civic-learning curricula at institutes of higher education across the state.	Hibbing, Mankato, Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Winona MN	\$348
Inver Hills Community College	Inver Hills Community College requests funding to purchase simulation equipment to develop a Health Sciences Center for Interprofessional Education (IPE) and Simulation. This center would allow for an increase in the delivery of interprofessional education.	Inver Grove Heights MN	\$250
United Way of Northeastern Minnesota	This proposal will sustain the Buddy Backpacks program through the 2023-2024 school year and expand it to help fight childhood hunger year-round in northeastern Minnesota. Buddy Backpacks provides meal kits to more than 1,000 local food-insecure children on Fridays and holiday breaks from school.	Iron Range MN	\$150
Mille Lacs Health System	This project will expand and modernize the current Isle Family Medicine Clinic. It is aging and inadequate for current and projected healthcare demand including more exam rooms, expanded physical therapy, and behavioral and mental healthcare needs.	Isle MN	\$2,500
Lake Superior College	This project is to start a Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) program. This project would provide ultrasound equipment used to train students as well as the funds required for a consultant to write the curriculum and self-study reports.	Lake Superior College and St. Luke's Hospital MN	\$200
Finishing Trades Institute of the Upper Midwest Trust Fund	Our primary goal is to provide specialized student services, on campus. Services will provide mental health and substance use disorder awareness and education programs, 24/7 crisis services, individual counseling, student advocacy, and independent living education programs.	Little Canada MN	\$1,106
Mahnomen Health Center / Mahnomen County / City of Mahnomen	MHC is proposing to construct a new nursing facility and hospital on current property. The current building has outlived its life expectancy and does not meet building code requirements, life safety code requirements, and does not meet the ongoing needs of the population.	Mahnomen MN	\$30,000
Minnesota State University, Mankato	This proposal establishes a community facing mental health training clinic as part of the Center for Rural Behavioral Health. The clinic would increase training capacity for academic programs that produce behavioral health professionals and explore additional behavioral health training programs.	Mankato MN	\$1,000
Minnesota State University	This program will provide Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) training to Minnesota communities. The Training will initially focus on farmers who require UAS in the operations of their farms.	Mankato MN	\$209
M Health Fairview St. John's Hospital	M Health Fairview St. John's Hospital requests funding to update and expand its emergency department services to meet the growing needs of the community. Since the beginning of the pandemic, the hospital has experienced growing emergency department patient volumes and higher patient acuity.	Maplewood MN	\$510

The Aliveness Project	This proposal funds a clinic expansion and redesign. The project expands an on-site clinic in South Minneapolis to increase access to Pre-exposure prophylaxis medication, educational outreach, and wrap-around services for HIV-positive residents in greater Minneapolis and beyond.	Minneapolis MN	\$1,000
Division of Indian Work	The purpose of this project is to increase the number of healthy American Indian babies born in MN and to reduce the number of babies that are removed from families due to prenatal exposure to drugs and alcohol.	Minneapolis MN	\$200
Minneapolis Public Housing Authority	This project supports staffing to facilitate research and evaluation of the Stable Homes Stable Schools program which offers rental assistance, support, and short-term housing stability subsidies to families who are experiencing housing instability and whose children attend a high-need school.	Minneapolis MN	\$400
Way to Grow	This project address educational disparities caused by the pandemic. Funds will be used for a curriculum and educational supplies that will help vulnerable children catch up academically and prepare them for future success. The Great by Eight program is a targeted initiative for K-3 children.	Minneapolis MN	\$400
Alliance of Early Childhood Professionals dba Wicoie Nandagikendan	Our program Wicoie Nandagikendan has been teaching Dakota and Ojibwe language immersion at the early childhood level since 2006. To best serve our children, we need a van to transport them to different sites.	Minneapolis MN	\$200
Indian Health Board of Minneapolis, Inc.	The project consists of the new construction of the 30,000 square foot Indian Health Board Medical and Dental Center.	Minneapolis MN	\$2,150
Native American Community Clinic	This proposal funds equipment that will support the expansion of a dental program. The Native American Community Clinic provides high quality, culturally responsive care to predominantly Native American patients out of the American Indian Cultural Corridor in Minneapolis.	Minneapolis MN	\$1,969
Family Tree, Inc. (DBA Family Tree Clinic)	Family Tree Clinic (Family Tree) is a community clinic in Minneapolis providing quality, affordable sexual and reproductive health care, as well as primary care, for diverse needs. This project seeks to significantly grow Family Tree's capacity by expanding clinic services.	Minneapolis MN	\$800
People Serving People	People Serving People combines emergency housing with programs that help families address barriers to stability. This proposal increases access to quality early education opportunities for families experiencing homelessness, previous experiences of homelessness, and at risk of homelessness.	Minneapolis MN	\$52
Minneapolis Community and Technical College	The objective of this project is to create a micro-internship program for women in Information Technology at Minneapolis Community and Technical College. Minneapolis Community and Technical College is a major provider of computer-related associate degrees in Minnesota.	Minneapolis MN	\$50
Twin Cities Rise	Twin Cities Rise (TCR) transforms the lives of those impacted by racial or socio-economic barriers through Personal Empowerment, career training, and meaningful employment. TCR will transition curriculum and program content into a design best suited to a younger audience.	Minneapolis MN	\$450

Avivo	Avivo provides comprehensive transformational services to people who are experiencing chronic homelessness, unemployment, life transitions, substance use disorder, and mental illness. Avivo's main campus has a need for capital improvements, and this project provides an addition to the building.	Minneapolis MN	\$5,000
Domestic Abuse Project	This proposal is for the cost of creating a trauma-informed office space that includes project management costs, construction and technology builds, and office furniture and decor that create a welcoming, culturally responsive, accessible, and warm environment.	Minneapolis MN	\$252
Hennepin County, MN	Hennepin Healthcare EMS serves a primary service area with both urban and suburban communities that spans 266 square miles and a population of one million throughout Hennepin County. Funds will support life-saving ambulances, equipment and a facility enhancement.	Minneapolis MN	\$2,700
Neighborhood HealthSource	Neighborhood HealthSource, a community clinic in North Minneapolis, requests development funds for a health and housing multi-use facility on Lowry Avenue North.	Minneapolis MN	\$250
Minneapolis Community and Technical College	The objective of this project is to equip and upgrade assistive and learning technologies at Minneapolis College to be housed in an Accessibility and Usability Lab.	Minneapolis MN	\$40
Minneapolis Community and Technical College	The objective of this project is to upgrade the IT learning labs to meet industry standards and demands in cybersecurity, computer programming and IT services. Minneapolis Community and Technical College is a major provider of computer-related associate degrees in Minnesota.	Minneapolis MN	\$700
Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches (GMCC)	Many schools lack sufficient resources to support or engage their students in STEM activities or expose them to various STEM careers such as engineering or computer science. Funds will be used to provide academic support, teach out-of-school STEM and coding curriculum, and provide career support.	Minneapolis MN	\$250
People Serving People	This proposal funds annual program supplies, savings account matches/incentives, and class costs for the Families for Finance program which contains financial literacy and empowerment courses, financial work plan development, and a savings plan with a \$1,500 1:1 matching incentive for families.	Minneapolis MN	\$200
The Museum of Russian Art	This project provides programming to enhance third grade literacy to ensure that they achieve this crucial educational marker.	Minneapolis MN	\$75
YWCA Minneapolis	This proposal helps YWCA Minneapolis expand program offerings, growing its network of support, and extending the length of its relationship with youth.	Minneapolis MN	\$400
GMCC (Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches)	Houseless, BIPOC, and immigrant populations are disproportionately affected by substance use disorder (SUD). This project provides community-based, culturally appropriate, and trauma-informed recovery support to address SUD in Minneapolis.	Minneapolis MN	\$250
M Health Fairview Health Commons	This proposal provides support for a staff and training for the Culturally Informed Response to Opioid Use Disorder project. The project focuses on improving the experience and health outcomes of East African patients through the opioid crisis.	Minneapolis MN	\$1,000

Pillsbury United Communities	This proposal funds case managers for the Let Everyone Advance with Dignity (LEAD) public safety program. LEAD engages individuals who have had or are at risk for contact with law enforcement because of unmet mental health needs, substance use, homelessness, and/or extreme poverty.	Minneapolis MN	\$750
People Serving People	People Serving People combines emergency housing with programs that help families address barriers to stability. This proposal increases access to quality early education opportunities for families experiencing homelessness, previous experiences of homelessness, and at risk of homelessness.	Minneapolis MN	\$200
Children's Residential Treatment Center	Our program needs to add polycarbonate panels to our windows in our mental health facility for adolescents. The adolescents we serve often attempt to break the windows so they can run away, or so they can get glass to use to harm themselves or others.	Minnetonka MN	\$20
CCM Health	This project will renovate the clinic to improve the behavioral health services offered. This renovation will allow for all providers and staff to be located within a central area of the primary care clinic. The space will house up to seven staff, including areas for providing telehealth services.	Montevideo MN	\$743
City of Montevideo	The project is to develop a nonprofit organization/board to help facilitate child care efforts in the community. The funds would be used to create grant and loan programs to be made available to providers in Montevideo.	Montevideo MN	\$400
Minnesota Autism Center	This proposal will fund start-up expenses at five new clinics in underserved communities in Minnesota. Expenses include initial payroll, rent, office and program supplies, training, and one-time equipment expenses including furniture, technology, and building modifications.	Monticello MN	\$714
Moorhead Area Public Schools	This proposal funds staffing to help the school create a partnership between local community agencies and Moorhead Area Public School programs to provide the support/services needed to families to overcome barriers so their child can come to school ready to learn.	Moorhead MN	\$100
Clay County Local Government	This project is for a new 32-bed regional facility that will house withdrawal management and detoxification services. The current facility does not meet the increasing demand for substance use disorder (SUD) services. Greater Minnesota has very limited access for withdrawal management services.	Moorhead MN	\$10,150
Concordia College	This project will support community mental health and wellbeing through curricular and programming development. Concordia will develop a Master of Social Work (MSW) program which will meet the Minnesota requirements for licensed independent clinical social workers (LICSW).	Moorhead MN	\$685
Minnesota State Community and Technical College	This proposal will upgrade technology, equipment and facilities for a Business and IT Training Center on the Moorhead campus that is designed to replicate the environment that M State graduates will experience when they enter the workforce.	Moorhead MN	\$2,000
Morrison County United Way	This proposal funds books and equipment for five Morrison County schools. The Imagination Library program mails a free, age-appropriate book directly to each enrolled child every month. Every child younger than five, in our service area is eligible to participate, regardless of family income.	Morrison County and Todd County MN	\$14

Apple Tree Dental	This project expands both the capacity and the range of advanced services provided at Apple Tree's Mounds View Center for Dental Health. Minnesota's most vulnerable young children, adults with special needs, and frail elders travel to the Center from across the state.	Mounds View MN	\$3,944
Apple Tree Dental	Apple Tree's Coon Rapids Center for Dental Health is a nonprofit Critical Access Dental clinic. This request will support the relocation of mobile programs that have delivered dental care to vulnerable children, adults, and elders. The new location will expand capacity to deliver on-site care.	New Brighton MN	\$2,154
South Central College	Funding for this project will build capacity in South Central College's Agribusiness programs in order to meet current industry needs. It will support faculty professional development and aligning curriculum to new technology and update equipment and technology.	North Mankato MN	\$1,639
Wilderness Health Inc.	This proposal will fund staff, equipment, and programming to support the expansion of telehealth projects to Wilderness Health Inc. member facilities, which are in rural areas in the region.	Northeastern part of the state MN	\$910
Laura Baker Services Association	This project is launching a Behavioral Support Services program for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD), their families, and the service system.	Northfield MN	\$500
Stratis Health	The Stratis Health CIRCLE of Care project is a substance use treatment program aimed at reducing morbidity and mortality for those with opioid use disorder (OUD). This proposal will implement the project in two rural counties.	Park Rapids MN	\$550
Pine Technical and Community College	This proposal funds Career Technical Education (CTE) equipment to develop new remote career and technical education learning options in high schools across the region. This funding will allow for a more consistent, and resilient delivery of CTE programming to nine rural school districts.	Pine City, Milaca, Mora, Isle, Braham, Ogilvie, Hinckley, Sandstone, and Willow River MN	\$1,600
United Way of Carlton County	This proposal funds the startup process for the creation of the Imagination Library program in Pine County. The Imagination Library is an early literacy program that helps form the reading and writing foundation for children, so they have the necessary skills to read.	Pine County and Carlton County MN	\$116
Mission Nursing Home	This request funds the purchase of a 15-passenger mobility vehicle with wheelchair accessible entrance so that social activities for patients may be offered off-site daily. Without access to group transportation activities are limited to on-site activity options only.	Plymouth MN	\$85
Missions Inc. Programs	The proposed project finalizes the full-scale renovation of client living quarters and installation of HVAC/ventilation within Mission Lodge, a supportive housing program housed in a 1940s era building owned by Missions Inc. Programs in Plymouth, MN.	Plymouth MN	\$1,650
M Health Fairview Northland Medical Center	The funding request will allow M Health Fairview Northland Medical Center to achieve considerable progress toward its safety readiness goals and ensure the Medical Center can continue to meet the growing emergency care needs of the community.	Princeton MN	\$208
Rise Up Health Clinics	This proposal will create a designated mobile clinic to reach school districts that do not have the space for a school-based health center. The clinic will include a van that is equipped with exam, lab, consulting spaces, and necessary equipment. Funds will also assist with training.	Ramsey County MN	\$750

Red Lake Nation College	This proposal will support the expansion of Red Lake Nation College's postsecondary pathways programming. The college will expand its Minneapolis site by Fall 2023, more than doubling the student body. Minneapolis has one of the largest and most underserved urban Native populations in the country.	Red Lake MN	\$699
C.A.R.E. Clinic	CARE Clinic is a non-profit clinic providing medical, dental, and mental health services for low-income and uninsured or publicly insured residents. This project will expand access and increase the scope of dental care by hiring a dentist to perform services that dental therapists cannot do.	Red Wing MN	\$372
Minnesota State College Southeast	Minnesota State College Southeast intends to expand the current one-year Mechatronics/Industrial Automation Technology program to a full two-year AAS-degree program. State-of-the-art training equipment and curriculum modification are supported by this proposal.	Red Wing MN	\$1,092
Best Buddies International, Inc.	The Inclusion Project for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities will establish community-based inclusion services at elementary, middle, and high schools in rural areas that will serve students who will take part in inclusive activities and leadership training opportunities.	Renville MN	\$336
Minnesota Urban Debate League, a program of Augsburg University	This proposal funds program expansion and innovation for access to students who may never have otherwise been able to participate in debate. Debate boosts academic skills and performance at all levels.	Richfield MN	\$175
Community Dental Care	This Robbinsdale clinic has considerably outgrown its existing space. The clinic expansion project will immediately address an existing backlog for both existing and new patients, including children and disabled adults, by expanding access to serve more vulnerable patients.	Robbinsdale MN	\$2,000
North Memorial Health	This request is for improving and expanding the Inpatient Mental Health Unit at North Memorial Health Hospital in Robbinsdale through a total renovation and expansion of the 26-bed unit. The Mental Health Unit remains well below the state-of-the-art inpatient unit their patients deserve.	Robbinsdale MN	\$3,000
ExerciseAbilities, Inc. (dba EA Therapeutic Health)	Expanding a physical rehabilitation and lifelong special wellness program for survivors of spinal cord injury, stroke, developmental disabilities, and other chronic conditions, in a non-profit community clinic located in Rochester, through acquisition of new capital equipment.	Rochester MN	\$500
Boys & Girls Club of Rochester	Funding would enhance BGC of Rochester's off-site out-of-school program expansion to double the number of K-12 students served. Funding will significantly increase daily attendance and community impact by expanding services to youth who have faced the greatest barriers.	Rochester MN	\$250
Reading Is Fundamental, Inc.	This proposal will fund the implementation of a program to support childhood literacy that includes book distributions, access to a digital interactive ebook library, literacy activities, teacher support, and parent engagement, reaching thousands of PreK through middle grades children in need.	Rochester MN	\$500
Kids in Need Foundation	Kids In Need Foundation (KINF) provides school supplies and resources to the most underserved schools in Minnesota. To collect data on variables identified as having a relationship to the Opportunity Gap, KINF proposes a longitudinal case study to reveal barriers a quality education.	Roseville MN	\$512

Wilderness Health Inc.	This proposal will fund staff, expenses, and equipment to execute a program to address the mental health of health care professionals (HCP).	Rural Northeastern MN MN	\$99
Regions Hospital	These funds will enable increased access to emergency care for a rapidly growing patient population, which has a high percentage of people of color, low-income families, and non-English speaking patients. This project will expand and improve the arrival area of our Emergency Center.	Saint Paul MN	\$1,500
River Valley Health Services	This project will reconfigure space inside a Community Action Centers Food Distribution Center and create an outpatient clinic, providing provide the necessary outpatient medical equipment to allow health service providers to provide free medical care for the uninsured.	Shakopee MN	\$125
St. Francis Regional Medical Center - Allina Health	St. Francis Regional Medical Center and Allina Health will open a robust continuum of Mental Health and Addiction Out-Patient Services for Adults based in the community of Shakopee in Scott County.	Shakopee MN	\$1,000
Northeast Youth and Family Services	This proposal funds building renovations to sustain and expand Northeast Youth and Family Services' capacity and positive presence in the community. NYFS provides support ranging from mental health counseling to community meetings to reduce the need for law enforcement interventions.	Shoreview MN	\$1,793
Operation Prairie Venture	This proposal seeks funding for an intergenerational campus offering assisted living, memory care, townhomes, community meeting space, and a child care pod in Slayton, the seat of Murray County. The community faces the exodus of working-age adults and the need to support the elderly population.	Slayton MN	\$5,000
Friends of Career Solutions	CareerONE is an intensive five-week, day-long summer work readiness program for at-risk youth ages 14-17. Funding will be used for a portion of the direct costs budgeted including admin costs, staff salaries, college credit fees, and equipment.	St. Cloud MN	\$305
Perspectives Inc.	This proposal provides program expansion for children emerging from traumas associated with homelessness, addiction, and mental health disorders. Perspectives provides programming that includes housing, case management, chemical/mental health treatment, and children's services from infant to 18.	St. Louis Park MN	\$2,138
West Side Community Health Services (dba Minnesota Community Care)	This project will renovate/construct, furnish, and equip a new dental building. The improved clinic will help fill a gap in accessible and culturally relevant oral health care in St. Paul/Ramsey County for households who historically experience disparities in health care access.	St. Paul MN	\$3,700
Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans	MACV requests funding to launch a revamped Employment Services program in the Twin Cities. Launching a new program model focused on vocation-specific training is the best way to meet the needs of the veterans they serve.	St. Paul MN	\$420
House of Refuge Outreach Twin Cities	This proposal will purchase nutritious foods for a food shelf program, provide workshops for families who use the food shelf, and provide educational, recreational, cultural, health, wellness, job-training, and lifelong learning opportunities for youth and adults.	St. Paul MN	\$1,000
International Institute of Minnesota	Funding would improve career training outcomes of post-secondary-bound New Americans, including refugees and immigrants, through a one-time investment in the International Institute of Minnesota's College Readiness Academy (CRA).	St. Paul MN	\$375

International Institute of Minnesota	Funding would increase the staffing capacity of the Medical Careers Pathway (MCP) to serve an increasing number of New Americans, including refugees and immigrants, seeking thriving family-sustaining careers in the healthcare sector.	St. Paul MN	\$950
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The Phoenix Residence, Inc.	Phoenix Residence Inc. seeks to implement a workforce innovative solution to enhance the pipeline of the future workforce and the retention of the current Direct Support Professional (DSP) workforce through a job training program.	St. Paul MN	\$340
Ujamaa Place	This proposal is to supplement Ujamaa's budget to provide services to more men while growing the capacity of the workforce training program. Ujamaa Place educates and serves African American males ages 18-30, many of whom have been involved in the criminal justice system.	St. Paul MN	\$1,000
Community Dental Care	This Saint Paul clinic has considerably outgrown its existing space. The clinic expansion project will immediately address an existing backlog for both existing and new patients, including children and disabled adults, by expanding access to serve more vulnerable patients.	St. Paul MN	\$2,000
Metro State University	High fidelity and virtual simulation will be used to provide problem-based learning and integrate simulated nursing practice care to emphasize nursing knowledge, critical thinking, and problem-solving abilities for nursing students across multi-level nursing degree programs.	St. Paul MN	\$1,014
Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal would fund the purchase a mobile mammography unit to provide screening services to target communities in Minnesota. This mobile unit will increase screening rates in priority populations.	St. Paul MN	\$750
St. Catherine University	The proposed project provides simulation technology and equipment to enhance training for the next generation of health professionals for roles in a variety of critical, in-demand occupations including physician assistants, pediatric and adult nurse practitioners, and nurses and in various fields.	St. Paul MN	\$1,212
St. Paul City School	This proposal funds the construction of a school-based health clinic at St. Paul City School. St. Paul City School is a public charter school district that serves approximately 550 students who are typically underserved.	St. Paul MN	\$5,000
United Family Medicine	This proposal funds improvements and updates to this facility to ensure high quality and accessible care including the need for a patient navigation center.	St. Paul MN	\$1,965
Saint Paul College - A Community and Technical College	This project will create a Hub for Environmental Justice and Sustainable Energy (HEJSE). The HEJSE will develop environmental justice-centered educational pathways that leverage the College's career and technical education (CTE) expertise and financial commitments to address local workforce needs.	St. Paul MN	\$2,000
University of St. Thomas	This proposal funds the purchase of new equipment for the Emerging Media's technology lab. The Department prepares hundreds of undergraduate students each year to respond to the rapidly changing media environment.	St. Paul MN	\$1,050

City of Saint Paul	This proposal request funds to support technology-rich spaces in public library meeting rooms across Saint Paul and Ramsey County. Enhanced technology in these spaces will help advance equitable educational opportunities, including for K-12 who use libraries for afterschool and summer learning.	St. Paul MN	\$1,500
Restoration for All Inc. (REFA)	This project will provide sessions on financial literacy, entrepreneurship, life skills, and interviewing workshops, IT trainings, and STEM education to support Black, African immigrant, and refugee girls, ages 14-24, economically impacted by COVID-19.	St. Paul MN	\$500
Saint Paul Public Schools	This project will establish a Braided Journeys program at a new St. Paul Public Schools site. Braided Journeys is a culturally responsive, Tier 2 intervention to nurture and support American Indian (AI) students on their SPPS high school journey.	St. Paul MN	\$1,150
Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal would address mental health and substance use prevention among Minnesota youth by developing healthy social skills and coping mechanisms. The funding would support implementation of the LifeSkills Training (LST) curriculum in schools throughout the state.	St. Paul MN	\$586
Gustavus Adolphus College	Gustavus Adolphus College sees an increasing need for nurses and athletic trainers, and it will increase admission into its nursing program and create a master's in athletic training. These expansions require hiring faculty and staff, enhancing educational resources, and marketing programs.	St. Peter MN	\$820
The Zero Abuse Project	Zero Abuse will implement a project that will create evidence-informed child abuse prevention curricula for three different age groups, deliver pilot training while evaluating the evidence base of materials, and deliver child abuse prevention training to schools and communities across Minnesota.	Statewide MN	\$1,200
Advocating Change Together: Center for Disability Leadership	Many people with disabilities are not able to access technology because of economic barriers and lack of culturally aligned education on how to use it. Digital Equity for People with Disabilities provides laptops and curriculum to people with disabilities.	Statewide MN	\$108
Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal would provide staffing to assist a health equity leadership network to connect and build relationships among Minnesota health equity leaders in order to improve alignment and create a shared understanding of structural and systemic barriers that perpetuate health inequities.	Statewide MN	\$750
FamilyWise Services	FamilyWise strengthens families by promoting the safety, stability, and wellbeing of children. Funding would expand partnerships and connections in every part of the state to deepen prevention support for families across Minnesota.	Statewide MN	\$300
Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal will fund design, implementation, evaluation for a sustainable peer-support program to address long COVID in local rural communities. Many Minnesotans experiencing long COVID are unable to work or work fully for periods of time. Some may not be able to work at all.	Statewide MN	\$1,000
Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal would identify the needs of home care providers around spoken language healthcare interpreter services, provide grant money to pay for providers' interpreter services, and establish a statewide cultural awareness program for the providers the Minnesota Department of Health regulates.	Statewide MN	\$1,170

Minnesota Department of Health	This proposal will help fund the delivery of training of existing healthcare professional trainings and tools developed through the Minnesota's Act on Alzheimer's Initiative, the MN Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP), and the NYU BOLD Center of Excellence on Early Detection.	Statewide MN	\$670
Minnesota Department of Health	This project will develop a Safety Champion-Community of Practice to improve the safety and health of Minnesotan's vulnerable populations living or receiving services in assisted living, home care, and long-term care throughout Minnesota, including rural areas.	Statewide MN	\$420
PCs for People	This proposal funds 800 newly refurbished computers to low-income households in collaboration with organizations and programs that provide workforce development, employment resources, and job training classes in Minnesota.	Statewide MN	\$150
Open Arms of Minnesota	This proposal funds meals and nutrition services to people living with life threatening illnesses in rural and out-state Minnesota. Funds will specifically be used to support the production, preparation and shipment of an additional 50,000 meals to nearly 600 clients and their families statewide.	Statewide MN	\$1,000
Minnesota State University, Mankato/MinnPoly	MinnPoly provides a unique applied learning educational programming and partnership network to respond to changing needs of industries, communities, and students in Minnesota. This proposal funds training and support for industry workforce and students.	Statewide MN	\$1,996
MN State IT Center of Excellence	This proposal supports project management and content development of an educational training program, Cyber for Physical Systems, that will reach multiple industries. The training program will be created by subject matter experts and delivered virtually and in person.	Statewide MN	\$400
Winona State University's Minnesota State HealthForce Center of Excellence	This proposal funds operational expenses, education, technology, and staffing to resolve Minnesota's dire nursing workforce shortage, address nursing workforce diversity and ensure sustainable nursing workforce strategy to secure the long-term health of Minnesotans.	Statewide MN	\$718
Winona State University's Minnesota State HealthForce Center of Excellence	This proposal funds education, equipment, and technology to raise high school students' awareness of healthcare career opportunities in Minnesota through education and career exploration activities, healthcare camps, student organization membership, and Nursing Assistant training and certification.	Statewide MN	\$1,307
Greater Twin Cities United Way	Greater Twin Cities United Way seeks investment to create a Community Innovation Hub to scale up community-developed solutions to persistent disparities, so all Minnesotans can thrive regardless of income, race, or place.	Statewide MN	\$1,029
Minnesota Alliance With Youth	This project supports training, evaluation, and support of our AmeriCorps Promise Fellow program which provides schools and organizations with the support and individuals to deliver a data-informed, evidence-based model based on the early warning indicators of high school dropout.	Statewide MN	\$250
Girls on the Run International	Girls on the Run delivers a physical activity-based positive youth development program. This project will assist in targeted outreach and location expansion to particularly attract girls in underserved communities by offsetting financial costs including equipment and transportation.	Statewide MN	\$2,500

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota	Lutheran Social Service (LSS) of MN has played an important role in the mental health system. This proposal allows LSS to connect with more clients by launching a modern technology system that allows for improved client experience with telehealth and streamlines intake and billing processes.	Statewide MN	\$1,139
Star Legacy Foundation	The proposal improves the Minnesota Center for Stillbirth and Infant Death's ability to serve bereaved families in low-income and marginalized communities through diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives, education, outreach, and technology.	Statewide MN	\$200
Amherst H. Wilder Foundation	The need for current and accurate data about people experiencing homelessness is particularly critical. This request is an investment in fundamental infrastructure that will inform policymakers and equip providers with data and research to make critical decisions to address and end homelessness.	Statewide, including six American Indian reservations MN	\$728
Northland Community and Technical College	The purpose of the project is to collaborate with local employers and enhance Northland's training to provide local students and employees the ability to earn credentials and upskill to meet the needs of local employers. Training will include precision manufacturing, automation, and mechatronics.	Thief River Falls MN	\$600
Northland Community and Technical College	This proposal funds the enhancing and remodeling of the Nursing Education lab and related classrooms at the Thief River Falls campus of Northland Community and Technical College. The campus serves a large geography and provides training and workforce for many smaller communities and facilities.	Thief River Falls MN	\$1,465
Northland Community and Technical College	This proposal provides support to criminal justice training for Northland Community and Technical College. The criminal justice program provides education and training for individuals who work in the northwest portion of Minnesota as a viable low cost option for education.	Thief River Falls MN	\$513
Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project, DBA Standpoint	Standpoint uses an Attorney/Advocate model to provide direct service to victim-survivors. Using a toll-free Action and Text Line, attorneys/advocates provide legal expertise that impacts victim-survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Funding will be used to retain Action Line retain staff.	Throughout the state MN	\$200
Age Well at Home	The project helps BIPOC preserve homeownership and generational wealth through Person Centered Trauma Informed relationship building, community partnering with healthcare, assessing older adult needs, and providing a homeowner driven work plan that improves the health and safety of older adults.	Twin Cities MN	\$500
Children's Health Care	By providing robust, sustained scholarships for 350 new and current staff members to increase their health care skills and earning potential, we will retain and grow talent. Diversifying our workforce will increase access to care and reduce health disparities among our patients and families.	Twin Cities MN	\$875
Children's Health Care	Funding will help establish The Kids First Translation Laboratory and Biorepository. This lab and biorepository will be a key resource for Children's-led investigative research and our growing repertoire of academic, industry, and biotech-sponsored studies.	Twin Cities MN	\$990
Think Small	Think Small will expand its childcare professional development and trainings in languages other than English, increase recruiting efforts for diverse educators, provide mentorship, and provide wage subsidies to increase the supply of quality child care in Ramsey County and neighboring communities.	Twin Cities MN	\$500

St. David's Center for Child & Family Development	This proposal upgrades information technology infrastructure to accommodate the children's mental health services that St. David's provides. The current infrastructure is outdated, inadequate, and inefficient and new technologies have been out of reach for the organization.	Twin Cities MN	\$928
Metro State University	This project will support students and expand access to internship, research, apprenticeship and structured learning activities to help develop a diverse professional workforce, especially for university students who belong to underrepresented groups.	Twin Cities MN	\$1,119
Interact Center for the Visual and Performing Arts	This project provides funding for artistic salaries, artists' performance/exhibition fees, and production expenses for a program that challenges perceptions of disability by engaging artists with disabilities in full time, daily training in all aspects of visual and performing arts.	Twin Cities Metro Area MN	\$325
Essentia Health	Essentia Health is seeking federal funding to expand and renovate the Virginia Hospital Emergency Department. Project includes more ambulatory evaluation rooms and ED treatment rooms as well as adding behavioral health rooms.	Virginia MN	\$3,000
Gundersen St. Elizabeth's Hospital	This proposal allows the hospital to modify the layout of its surgery department. Through re-routing workflows and adding more advanced equipment, the hospital can meet new infection prevention requirements and recommendations and maintain the highest level of surgical care and patient outcomes.	Wabasha County MN	\$1,000
Gundersen St. Elizabeth's Hospital	Increased patient and community demand for rehabilitation care and a broad scope of wellness and chronic disease management services is prompting Gundersen St. Elizabeth's to invest in the construction of a progressive facility expansion.	Wabasha County MN	\$2,000
Minnesota State Community and Technical College	This proposal will fund equipment and an indoor climbing facility to assist M State's programs for electrical lineworkers to provide students with exposure to better training and opportunities to experience real work conditions prior to employment.	Wadena MN	\$2,000
Astera Health	This funding would be used for the building of rural based cancer program for larger broader scope of cancer treatment options and services in underserved region of Minnesota. The cancer center will be the closest treatment available for many in the underserved Central Minnesota region.	Wadena MN	\$2,100
Warroad Community Childcare Center	This project brings a high-quality, sustainable, childcare option to a Northern Minnesota community that is part of a childcare desert. The center will be built adjacent to The Warroad Senior Living Center, enabling not only high-quality childcare, but also intergenerational programming.	Warroad MN	\$530
Minnesota Agricultural Interpretive Center - Farmamerica	Farmamerica is seeking additional funds to increase Agricultural (Ag) literacy in Minnesota and the surrounding region. It is crucial that Minnesotans understand that Ag is more than a farmer in a field but is a part of their everyday lives.	Waseca MN	\$127
Youth Service Bureau, Inc	Youth Service Bureau (YSB) seeks funding for technology, equipment, and training to increase its capacity to meet the growing need for youth chemical health prevention services.	Washington, Dakota, and Ramsey Counties MN	\$100

Century College	The request will help fund the Start Right model to provide proactive, holistic, and intentional wrap-around support with a goal to increase retention of first-year and first-time-in-college students. The college is focused on developing retention strategies for these groups.	White Bear Lake MN	\$1,900
Century College	This project will help fund a new evening nursing program that mirrors an existing nursing day program. The evening program would admit qualified students who have not been admitted due to seating capacity. The program would maximize use of classrooms and physical lab during the evening hours.	White Bear Lake MN	\$1,972
Century College	The request will help fund expanded multi-modality/hyflex classroom opportunities for students. Century seeks to scale this model to include more course offerings, expand into career and technical programs, and provide greater flexibility and technical support for students.	White Bear Lake MN	\$1,482
Century College	The purpose of this request is to seek funding for Century College to increase college affordability for students by expanding access to open educational resources (OERs) and increasing courses offered with low/zero cost textbooks.	White Bear Lake MN	\$379
White Earth Band of Chippewa Indians	To help address alcohol misuse, the opioid epidemic, and methamphetamine use, WEB will partner with Pathfinder Solutions to develop Native American-centric digital therapy products and services that will be free of charge and designed with and for youth, families and the WEB community.	White Earth Reservation MN	\$2,000
Critical Care Services, Inc. (D.B.A. Life Link III)	Funding will allow critical infrastructure upgrades to this Willmar base. Life Link III is a hospital owned nonprofit organization representing 10 major health systems by providing critical care and specialized air medical transportation.	Willmar MN	\$1,500
Family and Children's Center of Minnesota	This funding investment will help Family & Children's Center expand its youth day treatment education initiative for behavioral health access, programming and services to Minnesota students and families.	Winona MN	\$750
Minnesota State College Southeast	This project will enhance current allied health programs by providing a cutting-edge interprofessional teambuilding and training simulation space. Enhancing these capabilities provides clinical-based experiences for future healthcare providers and shared space with community partners for training.	Winona MN	\$1,727
Winona State University	This proposal will upgrade technology in several campus spaces and purchase virtual reality equipment to fully integrate virtual reality applications in the Student Extended Reality Lab (SERL), nursing simulation labs, and anatomy and physiology lab.	Winona MN	\$131
Family and Children's Center of Minnesota	This funding investment will help Family & Children's Center expand its child and adult outpatient behavioral health programming to increase our capacity to serve children and families from underserved communities.	Winona MN	\$750
Minnesota West Community and Technical College	This proposal will allow Minnesota West Community and Technical College to develop a certificate in engineering & advanced manufacturing, procure a Fire Science "Burn Trailer" to aid in training for regional fire departments, and procure a windmill trainer to safely train wind energy technicians.	Worthington, Jackson, Canby, Pipestone, and Granite Falls MN	\$2,000