

United States Senate

May 13, 2025

The Honorable Susan Collins
Chair
Senate Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20510

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

The Honorable Jerry Moran
Chair
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee
on Commerce, Justice, Science, and
Related Agencies,
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chris Van Hollen
Ranking Member
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee
on Commerce, Justice, Science, and
Related Agencies,
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chair Collins, Vice Chair Murray, Chair Moran, and Ranking Member Van Hollen,

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

Sincerely,



Tina Smith
United States Senator

**Smith, Tina(D-MN) Commerce, Justice and Science
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Washington County Sheriff's Department	Construct a Public Safety Canine Training Facility and purchase life-saving water rescue and recovery equipment.	Afton MN	\$1,500
Lake of the Woods County	The boat will be used for emergency response, search and rescue, medical evacuation, and public safety enforcement in one of the most remote and difficult-to-access areas in the continental United States.	Baudette MN	\$1,000
City of Blaine	The project will fund the replacement of the 20-year-old Joint Powers Command Vehicle operated by the Blaine Police Department and the Spring Lake Park-Blaine-Mounds View (SMB) Fire Department.	Blaine MN	\$1,470
Hennepin Technical College Foundation	Conex containers will create a simulated neighborhood where peace officers, firefighters, and EMTs can train collaboratively to navigate and approach emergencies in a busy, real-world setting.	Brooklyn Park MN	\$3,940
City of Burnsville	The funding would be used to replace an over 20 year old Public Safety Mobile Command Post (MCP) vehicle. The MCP is used regionally to support public safety operations during large scale or high risk incidents. The current MCP is outdated and unreliable.	Burnsville MN	\$2,200
Maria Pew Family Foundation dba Maria's Voice	This project continuation and expansion would make the 3rd District one of the few in MN and possibly one of the few in the US to provide cities, school districts and first responder entities and their employees the ability to avoid or prevent domestic violence in their own lives.	Chaska MN	\$331
City of Paynesville	The City of Paynesville proposes constructing a new 17,850 sq/ft Emergency Services Center to house modern fire and police facilities, enhancing safety, response times, and operational readiness for 10 rural communities in central Minnesota.	City of Paynesville MN	\$6,600
Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa	The current tribal court operates out of a shared courtroom/conference room. The space is not safe to address court matters. A new facility will provide a safe and accessible to adequately address the Band's expanding community justice needs.	Cloquet MN	\$8,335
St. Louis County	"This project will create Minnesota's largest public safety records consortium and improve public safety. This collaborative project between the nine counties will allow for seamless data sharing of 911 communications records, jail records and law enforcement data. It will make our public safety a	Cook, Lake, Aitkin, Carlton, Wing, Cass, Koochiching, Itasca, Stevens, Big Stone, Lac Qui Parle, Yellow Medicine, Pope, Douglas, Grant, Wilkin, Chippewa, Renville, Kandiyohi, and St. Louis MN	\$4,000
City of Eagan	For upgrades to the Police Firearms Range, improving safety, efficiency, and sustainability to meet the needs of law enforcement and the public.	Eagan MN	\$3,000
City of Elko New Market	The Elko New Market Police Department needs to replace 8 body worn cameras, 4 squad mounted cameras, and move from server based video storage to cloud based video storage.	Elko New Market MN	\$104

Generation Hope MN	Generation Hope's Justice Empowerment Initiative helps justice-involved Minneapolis residents break the cycle through job training and support. Partnering with apprenticeship programs, it provides certifications and real-world experience, improving employment prospects and fostering reintegration.	Hennepin County MN	\$1,461
City of International Falls	Construction of a police department building.	International Falls MN	\$5,000
Criminal Justice Network (CJN)	The Criminal Justice Network proposes to build a jail management system for use by Sheriff's Offices in Minnesota. This project builds on 20+ years of experience developing and supporting technology solutions that provide information integration and sharing solutions across the criminal justice sec	Inver Grove Heights MN	\$1,800
Finishing Trades Institute of the Upper Midwest	To reduce recidivism by providing high quality apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship training for justice impacted individuals who are about to leave incarceration and return to their communities in Minnesota with robust post incarceration support.	Little Canada MN	\$1,896
City of Lonsdale	To purchase body cameras, in-squad cameras, and associated integration software and for the Fire Department to purchase radios.	Lonsdale MN	\$182
American Association of State Climatologists (AASC)	The Minnesota State Climate Office (MNSCO), with support from AASC, will use this grant to conduct a comprehensive update in Minnesota's drought plan. The last update was 16 years ago and does not address all current needs for the plan.	Minneapolis MN	\$375
Hennepin County Sheriff's Office	This program would support new initiatives created by the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office to address public safety threats that are rising sharply in Minnesota. The two areas this funding would address are fentanyl overdose deaths and mental health crises/barricades/high-risk warrant executions.	Minneapolis MN	\$610
City of Minneapolis	This project would expand the Minneapolis Police Departments capacity to access, analyze, and manage information obtained from digital devices and turn it into actionable intelligence to help solve violent crime.	Minneapolis MN	\$200
City of Minnetonka	The City of Minnetonka Police Department seeks Community Project Funding to upgrade our current records management system to a modern, cloud-based system.	Minnetonka MN	\$966
Ramsey County Sheriff's Office	Purchase of a Mobile Crisis Response Vehicle that will serve as a regional asset for inter-agency coordination, incident control, and hostage negotiations, improving multi-agency coordination and public safety.	Ramsey County MN	\$331
Scott County	Upgrade the law enforcement records management system to increase efficiency and ensure interoperability with neighboring jurisdictions	Shakopee MN	\$1,500
Scott County	Purchase new firing range equipment for regional law enforcement training facility	Shakopee MN	\$1,461
City of Saint Paul	This project will enhance cybersecurity, secure national food supply routes, and protect economic vitality via deployment of advanced CCTV and wireless communications technology.	St. Paul MN	\$1,600
Zero Abuse Project	The Zero Abuse Project will utilize this funding to implement strengthen its NOVA (Nexus for Open-source Virtual Assistance), an investigative tool that assists law enforcement with investigations containing child sexual abuse material, child sexual exploitation, and child sex trafficking.	St. Paul MN	\$1,000

Ramsey County	"Purchase and installation of a sensor network for real-time weather and trend data about hazardous levels of heat stress in the county's Urban Heat Island communities to improve heat emergency response and mitigation actions among elderly and low-income populations."	St. Paul MN	\$750
City of Saint Paul	Replace Saint Paul Police Department's current report writing and records management systems, eliminating the need for multiple software platforms.	St. Paul MN	\$1,593
Ramsey County	To enhance violence reduction efforts by expanding capacity to strategically and collaboratively tackle the opioid crisis by funding a team to partner with first responders in addressing addiction, mental health, and basic needs, furthering recovery and stability in Ramsey County.	St. Paul MN	\$1,229
Greater MSP	The project will enable Minnesota to drive leadership as a global Tech Hub for medical technology innovation, building high-wage jobs, manufacturing, research and investment in a flagship sector aligning the State's leading MedTech companies, healthcare systems, universities, and entrepreneurs	Statewide MN	\$5,000
Washington County	This project is to equip patrol, investigations, and the jail division with body worn cameras, equip squad fleet with cameras, and seamlessly integrate both systems to help streamline efficiency in sharing evidence with the Washington County Attorney's office.	Stillwater MN	\$2,500
City of Princeton/Mille Lacs County	Project will install simulcast radio equipment increasing signal strength for emergency responders. Calls are dispatched over the 911 Armer system from Milaca, 12 miles from the City of Princeton and surrounding townships. Signals are lost in buildings or at locations without clear sight lines.	The project will be completed on a tower located at 705 2nd Street North Princeton MN MN	\$750
Minnesota Department of Public Safety	The Minnesota Department of Public Safety will utilize this funding to expand its public education campaigns promoting secure firearm storage among gun owners and extreme risk protection orders for those in a crisis.	This project will be based at MDPS headquarters at 445 Minnesota St., St. Paul, MN 55101, but will be completed in all counties in Minnesota. MN	\$1,000
Prairie Island Indian Community Department of Public Safety	The Prairie Island Indian Community requests Congressionally Directed Spending to procure a desperately-needed Mobile Incident Command Vehicle outfitted with modern technology and support systems ("Requested Vehicle"). The Requested Vehicle will enable tribal law enforcement to focus on community-o	Welch MN	\$1,229
City of Woodbury	Congressionally Directed Spending resources will support Woodbury Police Department's adoption of a Records Management System (RMS), which will enable the agency to store, retrieve, and retain information, records, or files pertaining to law enforcement operations.	Woodbury MN	\$2,200
City of Woodbury	Federal investment will help Woodbury equip an emergency operations center (EOC) with communication systems, computers, maps, and other tools necessary for monitoring and managing emergency situations and large planned events. This equipment will ensure the safety of Woodbury residents.	Woodbury MN	\$2,200