

Congressionally Directed Spending Requests – Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

Auburn Public Safety Building

Recipient: City of Auburn

Location: Auburn, ME

Amount: \$2,500,000

Purpose: To renovate and expand the Auburn Fire Department to co-locate all critical safety elements, including Fire, Police, and Emergency dispatch services in to one facility. A centralized public safety building will improve critical communication between all aspects of the city's safety services.

Augusta: Bangor Street Improvements

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Augusta, ME

Amount: \$4,800,000

Purpose: To improve safety of a section of Bangor Street in Augusta, including for pedestrian and bicycle use. There have been at least 16 pedestrian and 10 bicycle crashes on this section of roadway in the last 10 years, including a fatal pedestrian crash.

Rail Improvements in Northern Maine

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Aroostook County, ME

Amount: \$12,960,000

Purpose: To upgrade the Presque Isle and Houlton Lines and the mainline from Millinocket to Scapan Township, allowing for 25 mile per hour speeds. Increases in both speed and capacity will improve freight rail service and serve more commercial entities in northern Maine.

Bangor Commercial Kitchen Incubator

Recipient: City of Bangor

Location: Bangor, ME

Amount: \$1,010,000

Purpose: To support agricultural producers and processors by funding the installation of a commercial kitchen incubator that would assist these entrepreneurs with business development and job creation throughout northern Maine in a professional, shared-use environment.

Belfast Street Improvements

Recipient: City of Belfast

Location: Belfast, ME

Amount: \$4,971,500

Purpose: To fund street improvements in Belfast, ME.

Downtown Berwick Safety Improvements and Revitalization

Recipient: The Town of Berwick

Location: Berwick, ME

Amount: \$3,141,875

Purpose: To increase vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle safety and access throughout the area, consistent with the recommendations of the 2019 Berwick Downtown Vehicle, Bicycle and Pedestrian Study.

Youth Education and Engagement Center

Recipient: Bangor Region YMCA

Location: Brewer, ME

Amount: \$3,000,000

Purpose: To support construction of a Youth Education and Engagement Center at the Bangor Region YMCA. Additional capacity will help support community needs related to childcare, youth education and development, chronic disease prevention, and workforce recruitment and retention needs.

Customs and Border Protection Facility

Recipient: Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority

Location: Brunswick, ME

Amount: \$2,600,000

Purpose: To design, permit, and construct a Customs and Border Protection facility enabling aircraft operators to land at the Brunswick airport, clear customs, and continue on to their destination.

Camden – US Route 1 Transportation

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Camden, ME

Amount: \$10,000,000

Purpose: To reconstruct a section of US Route 1 to address deficiencies with safety, mobility, pavement structure, drainage, pedestrian access, ADA compliance, and bicycle access. Route 1 is a highly used commuter route for the regional workforce and plays a role in providing a link to the passenger ferry terminals in Lincolnville and Rockland, both vital to the coastal islands.

Town of Danforth Downtown Revitalization

Recipient: Town of Danforth

Location: Danforth, ME

Amount: \$120,000

Purpose: To support economic redevelopment and community revitalization in Danforth by funding construction of a public community space, the relocation of an existing playground, and property surveys to inform future plans on the site, which will also include a fishway.

Dover-Foxcroft, Dover Bridge #5118 Replacement

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Dover-Foxcroft, ME

Amount: \$7,200,000

Purpose: To replace a 91-year-old bridge that carries more than 2,000 cars per day over the Piscataquis River.

East Millinocket Industrial Complex Redevelopment

Recipient: Town of East Millinocket

Location: East Millinocket, ME

Amount: \$2,851,025

Purpose: To repair and renovate a former paper mill site to accommodate transportation, shipping, and receiving via train and truck traffic. This project is part of an effort to revitalize the area, which has experienced economic hardship since the mill's 2014 closure.

Katahdin Region Economic, Community & Family Development

Recipient: Eastern Maine Community College

Location: East Millinocket, ME

Amount: \$3,800,000

Purpose: To expand and renovate the Katahdin Higher Education Center to increase access to childcare and additional job training resources for families in the region.

Edgecomb to Boothbay – State Route 27

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Lincoln County, ME (Edgecomb to Boothbay)

Amount: \$8,000,000

Purpose: To fund roadway, pedestrian, and bicycle improvements on State Route 27.

Eastern Slope Regional Airport Runway Improvements

Recipient: Town of Fryeburg (Sponsor)/Eastern Slope Airport Authority (Operator)

Location: Fryeburg, ME

Amount: \$3,500,000

Purpose: To extend the runway in accordance with the FAA-approved Master Plan to permit aircraft to operate under wet or contaminated conditions.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Kennebec Valley Youth Center

Recipient: Boys & Girls Clubs of Kennebec Valley

Location: Gardiner, ME

Amount: \$650,000

Purpose: To provide funding for the construction of a new youth center and sports facility. This project would provide safe, quality, reliable childcare and youth programs for children ages six weeks to high school, as well as serve as a senior citizen center.

Renovation of Johnson Hall

Recipient: Johnson Hall, Inc.

Location: Gardiner, ME

Amount: \$350,000

Purpose: To support renovations of the Johnson Hall Opera House, built in 1864, including the installation of safety measures.

Walkable Houlton Project

Recipient: Town of Houlton

Location: Houlton, ME

Amount: \$732,000

Purpose: To repair and replace sidewalks, make improvements to the Gateway Crossing Pedestrian Bridge, and expand on Houlton's Downtown Sidewalk Project.

Bates Mill #5 Cleanup

Recipient: City of Lewiston

Location: Lewiston, ME

Amount: \$1,000,000

Purpose: For the removal of asbestos and the replacement of the roof of the historic Bates Mill #5 Building. Final renovation of this mill site would bring further economic development to downtown Lewiston.

Safe Voices Building Improvement

Recipient: Safe Voices

Location: Lewiston, ME

Amount: \$393,750

Purpose: To support the renovation of a resource center in downtown Lewiston that supports victims of domestic violence and sex trafficking.

Loring Economic Development Infrastructure Project

Recipient: Loring Development Authority of Maine

Location: Limestone, ME

Amount: \$2,700,000

Purpose: To make roadway improvements and demolish substandard, blighted structures at Loring Commerce Centre.

Livermore Falls – State Route 17 Reconstruction

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Livermore Falls, ME

Amount: \$4,000,000

Purpose: To reconstruct a section of State Route 17 to address deficiencies with safety, mobility, pavement structure, drainage, pedestrian access, ADA-compliance, bicycle access, and parking. The project would improve travel times and safety for traffic to and from the Androscoggin Mill in Jay.

Machias Valley Municipal Airport Improvements

Recipient: Town of Machias

Location: Machias, ME

Amount: \$1,250,000

Purpose: To acquire land for a longer runway at Machias Valley Airport, which would facilitate LifeFlight, the lifesaving medical/emergency air transport for the region. This development would allow LifeFlight to respond to emergency service in this rural region, and provide critical care and lifesaving services.

Town of Madison Forest Products Hub Economic Revitalization

Recipient: Town of Madison

Location: Madison, ME

Amount: \$1,000,000

Purpose: To construct an Anaerobic Digester that would convert organic feed stock into renewable biogas at the site of the former UPM paper mill. This project, which is located in an Opportunity Zone, is expected to help generate economic development in a rural area that is still contending with the 2016 loss of the mill – its largest employer.

Millinocket – Remediation & Reuse Study of a Former Wastewater Treatment Plant

Recipient: Our Katahdin

Location: Millinocket, ME

Amount: \$671,250

Purpose: To fund a study of the options for remediation and reuse of the wastewater treatment plant of the former Great Northern Paper Company.

Newport – US Route 2

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Newport, ME

Amount: \$4,000,000

Purpose: To improve safety and mobility in the area of the intersection of Route 2 and Route 7 in Newport. The intersection of US Route 2 and State Route 7 is a busy junction. There are several high crash locations in the area that would be addressed through this project providing safety benefits for motorists.

Perkins Cove Revitalization Project

Recipient: Town of Ogunquit

Location: Ogunquit, ME

Amount: \$2,850,000

Purpose: To reconstruct the iconic Perkins Cove Pedestrian Footbridge and Harbormaster's Quarters, which provide the only southerly access to the numerous small businesses located in and adjacent to the Cove.

Pittsfield – State Route 11 Rehabilitation

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Pittsfield, ME

Amount: \$3,200,000

Purpose: To rehabilitate a section of State Route 11. This project would address deficiencies with safety, mobility, pavement structure, drainage, pedestrian access, ADA-compliance, and bicycle access. Main Street in Pittsfield is the primary North to South roadway in the town and carries over 3,000 vehicles daily.

The Abyssinian Meeting House

Recipient: The Committee to Restore the Abyssinian Meeting House

Location: Portland, ME

Amount: \$1,700,000

Purpose: To support the restoration of the third oldest African American meeting house in the United States. The Abyssinian is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Presque Isle – Route 1 Reconstruction

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Presque Isle, ME

Amount: \$1,200,000

Purpose: To provide preliminary engineering funding for improvements to a two-mile stretch US Route 1 (Main St) in Presque Isle.

Rockland Commercial Fish Pier Redevelopment

Recipient: City of Rockland

Location: Rockland, ME

Amount: \$1,500,000

Purpose: To make repairs and resiliency improvements necessary to continue to provide safe and affordable working waterfront access for the region at this municipally-owned facility. The pier needs major deck, structural and electrical work typical of similar facilities at this stage of life, in addition to site stabilization.

Rumford Fire Station

Recipient: Town of Rumford

Location: Rumford, ME

Amount: \$1,000,000

Purpose: To construct a new Fire Station to replace the Central Fire Station built in 1923, which is structurally compromised and at increasing risk of total collapse. The current facility does not allow for modern equipment to fit inside and has significant damage to the concrete floor, foundation, and load-bearing walls.

Searsport – US Route 1 Reconstruction

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Searsport, ME

Amount: \$9,200,000

Purpose: To reconstruct a section of US Route 1 in the town of Searsport to address deficiencies with safety, mobility, pavement structure, drainage, pedestrian access, ADA compliance, bicycle access, and parking. US Route 1 through Searsport is one of the last remaining sections that are considered “unbuilt” in mid-coast Maine.

Skowhegan Run of River Project

Recipient: Main Street Skowhegan

Location: Skowhegan, ME

Amount: \$2,000,000

Purpose: To support construction of shoreline seating outputs, paved walkways and access trails, a riverfront promenade, and other infrastructure improvements to support the Run of River project, which is projected to generate significant and sustained economic activity in the region.

Land acquisition for the Stonington Water District Development

Recipient: Town of Stonington

Location: Stonington, ME

Amount: \$393,750

Purpose: To preserve working waterfront access for the fishing industry and to expand the municipal water system. This project involves acquiring a critical parcel of land in the downtown fishing harbor that is adjacent to the Stonington Sanitary District and that will increase public waterfront access.

Vassalboro – State Route 32

Recipient: Maine Department of Transportation

Location: Vassalboro, ME

Amount: \$800,000

Purpose: To repair Route 32 (Main Street) in Vassalboro, which serves as a connection from State Route 3 to Winslow and carries nearly 2,500 cars per day.

America's Volunteer Driver Center

Recipient: ITNAmerica

Location: Westbrook, ME

Amount: \$1,000,000

Purpose: To support America's Volunteer Driver Center work with the Federal Transport Administration (FTA) and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to build a national coalition, in participation from industry and philanthropy, for a national public service campaign to recruit and train volunteer drivers. This would also fund a study to determine the effectiveness of a nationwide public awareness campaign on recruiting and training volunteer drivers that provide assistance to older Americans living in rural or suburban communities that lack the density for traditional mass transportation.

Eastern Trail Engineering Design

Recipient: Eastern Trail Management District

Location: York County, ME (Kennebunk, Wells, North Berwick)

Amount: \$700,000

Purpose: To undertake engineering design for a new 11-mile segment of the Eastern Trail that would connect to the southern terminus of an off-road trail in Kennebunk, through Wells and into North Berwick. The proposed project would support the development of an active transportation corridor and recreational trail that offers significant social, economic, and environmental benefits.

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June 23, 2021

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The Honorable Brian Schatz
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Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, and Chairman Schatz:

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2022 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator