Congressionally Directed Spending Requests – Agriculture, Rural Development, and Food and Drug Administration

Corinna Fire Department Fire Station
Recipient: Town of Corinna
Project Location: Corinna, ME
Amount: $1,725,000
Purpose: To relocate the Fire Department to a larger, town-owned building that is better suited to meet the town and surrounding communities’ emergency and safety needs. The current building is small, crowded, and in need of repair. The Fire Department serves the towns of Corinna and Exeter, which are two rural communities, and has mutual aid agreements with six surrounding towns.

Harrison Food Bank & Community Center
Recipient: Harrison Food Bank
Project Location: Harrison, ME
Amount: $387,932
Purpose: To complete the renovation of the Harrison Food Bank and Community Center. This is the largest food bank in the State of Maine, serving 500 low-income families from 92 towns per week. With the support of this investment, the Center will facilitate classes, public meetings, dinners, and veterans’ services. The space may also be suitable as a shelter for the town of Harrison in emergency situations.

Town of Machiasport Public Works Project
Recipient: Town of Machiasport
Project Location: Machiasport, ME
Amount: $1,125,000
Purpose: To replace a public works facility in Machiasport, to store and maintain critical town public works equipment. The new site will be located close to the Municipal Complex, which will improve collaboration with other town services.

Rumford Fire Station
Recipient: Town of Rumford
Project Location: Rumford
Amount: $1,000,000
Purpose: To support the building of 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.

Washburn Public Safety Building
Recipient: Town of Washburn
Location: Washburn, ME
Amount: $750,000
Purpose: To support construction of a new Public Safety building to house the Fire and Police Departments in the Town of Washburn. The current building is more than 100 years old and is inadequate to house critical town safety equipment. The current Police Department consists of three full-time officers sharing one small office in the building, which also houses the Town Office and is not adequate for any of these uses.
June 17, 2021

The Honorable Patrick Leahy  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard Shelby  
Vice Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tammy Baldwin  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Agriculture,  
Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable John Hoeven  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Agriculture,  
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Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, Chairman Baldwin, and Ranking Member Hoeven:

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 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies 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