**Congressionally Directed Spending Requests - Labor, Health & Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies**

**University of Maine System Adult Transitions, Learning and Success Pilot Program**  
*Recipient:* University of Maine System  
*Project Location:* Augusta, ME  
*Amount:* $945,000  
*Purpose:* To support adult learners in their first year of college, including intensive advising, tutoring, financial literacy, and technology skills. This statewide program aims to help students persist and complete their degrees, access career opportunities, and meet Maine’s workforce needs.

**City of Augusta’s Project Recovery Pilot Program**  
*Recipient:* City of Augusta  
*Project Location:* Augusta, ME  
*Amount:* $264,000  
*Purpose:* To implement a pilot program centered on improving treatment and recovery resources for people struggling with substance use disorders.

**Northern Light – Mercy Hospital McAuley Women’s Recovery Program**  
*Recipient:* Mercy Hospital  
*Project Location:* Bangor, ME  
*Amount:* $510,000  
*Purpose:* To support the renovation of a facility to better support women in recovery from substance use disorders with clinically-oriented recovery services.

**Agricultural Worker Training, Placement, and Support Program**  
*Recipient:* Eastern Maine Development Corporation  
*Project Location:* Bangor, ME  
*Amount:* $600,000  
*Purpose:* To develop a program, in collaboration with industry stakeholders, to train agricultural workers. Participants would develop the skills needed to work with the latest technologies in the agriculture industry.

**Building Science Education in Maine**  
*Recipient:* Maine Discovery Museum  
*Project Location:* Bangor, ME  
*Amount:* $500,000  
*Purpose:* For a professional development program for elementary education teachers to improve classroom science instruction.

**St. Joseph Hospital, Building an Age-Friendly Health System**  
*Recipient:* St. Joseph Hospital  
*Project Location:* Bangor, ME  
*Amount:* $1,500,000
Northern Light Blue Hill Hospital Emergency Department Modernization
Recipient: Blue Hill Memorial Hospital d/b/a Northern Light Blue Hill Hospital
Project Location: Blue Hill, ME
Amount: $1,000,000
Purpose: To support construction and equipment purchases needed to upgrade Emergency Department trauma and procedure rooms.

Best Buddies in Maine Inclusion Project for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
Recipient: Best Buddies International, Inc.
Project Location: Cumberland, ME
Amount: $331,000
Purpose: To support instructional services for middle and high school students with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

University of Maine-Farmington Early Education Enrollment Expansion
Recipient: University of Maine System
Project Location: Farmington, ME
Amount: $600,000
Purpose: To expand enrollment for young children in the University of Maine Farmington’s nationally accredited early education and childcare programs.

University of Maine-Farmington Early Education Degree Program Expansion
Recipient: University of Maine System
Project Location: Farmington, ME
Amount: $400,000
Purpose: To expand enrollment in the University of Maine Farmington’s early childhood education degree programs to expand Maine’s early childhood educator workforce.

University of Maine Teacher Residency Program
Recipient: University of Maine System
Project Location: Gorham, ME
Amount: $989,000
Purpose: To expand an immersive year-long teacher internship program for university students to serve elementary and secondary students. The collaboration across the University of Maine System will help address the teacher shortages in Maine.

Northern Light C.A. Dean Hospital Rural Mobile Mammography Project
Recipient: Charles A Dean Memorial Hospital
Project Location: Greenville, ME
Amount: $1,027,000
Purpose: To create a rural mobile mammography service that can serve rural regions of Maine that lack mammography programs.
Spurwink Renovation of Old Lisbon Road Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disability
Recipient: Spurwink
Project Location: Lewiston, ME
Amount: $366,000
Purpose: To renovate the intermediate care facility to better serve individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Androscoggin Home Healthcare Palliative Care and Hospice Fellowship
Recipient: Androscoggin Home Health Services, Inc. (Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice)
Project Location: Lewiston, ME
Amount: $150,000
Purpose: To provide interprofessional education and training of nurse practitioners and physician fellows in hospice and palliative care.

Central Maine Medical Center Paralysis Rehabilitation Expansion Project
Recipient: Central Maine Healthcare Corporation
Project Location: Lewiston, ME
Amount: $948,000
Purpose: To purchase capital equipment and support renovations for post-acute care rehabilitative therapy services.

Tri-County Mental Health Services Veterans Community Outreach
Recipient: Tri-County Mental Health Services, Inc.
Project Location: Lewiston, ME
Amount: $25,000
Purpose: To support the continuation of veterans’ outreach activities related to accessing mental health and substance use disorder care, rehabilitation, and other health services.

Fish River Rural Health-Madawaska Community Health Center
Recipient: Fish River Rural Health
Project Location: Madawaska, ME
Amount: $200,000
Purpose: To purchase equipment to support continuity of health care operations during power outages.

University of Maine Pediatric and Obstetric Mobile and Stationary Simulators for Nursing Education and Training
Recipient: University of Maine System
Project Location: Aroostook County; Recipient Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $1,000,000
Purpose: To purchase a pediatric and obstetric mobile simulator and simulator equipment to support health care workforce training. This equipment will help increase clinical training capacity in these specialties, and train critically-needed nurses in rural communities.
University of New England Institute for Interprofessional Education and Practice
Recipient: University of New England
Project Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $5,000,000
Purpose: To support health care workforce training by expanding the University of New England’s Institute for Interprofessional Education and Practice. Maine is experiencing a shortage of healthcare professionals. The project aims to help the University develop new models for interprofessional education, clinical practice, and research needed for healthcare education and practice.

Maine Medical Center Modernization of Hybrid Operating Rooms
Recipient: Maine Medical Center
Project Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $3,000,000
Purpose: To support the construction, modernization, and expansion of operating rooms at Maine Medical Center.

Milestone Recovery’s Detoxification Program
Recipient: Milestone Recovery
Project Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $690,000
Purpose: To support Milestone’s substance use services, including the establishment of an Intensive Outpatient Program.

Peer Support Services for Grieving Children, Teens, and Families of Maine
Recipient: The Center for Grieving Children
Project Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $264,000
Purpose: To support peer support groups for grieving children, who are at higher risk of a range of problems, including traumatic prolonged grief and depression, lower educational attainment, and accidental death or suicide.

Red Cross of Northern New England Blood Supply Improvements
Recipient: American Red Cross, Northern New England Region
Project Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $871,000
Purpose: To make repairs and improvements to the blood collection and distribution facilities.

Professional Development and Curriculum Creation for Low Income, Minority, and English Language Learner Students
Recipient: LearningWorks
Project Location: Portland, ME
Amount: $150,000
Purpose: To fund a comprehensive teacher training and curriculum development program to improve academic outcomes for low-income, minority, and English Language Learning students.
**Youth and Family Outreach Early Childhood Educational Development**  
Recipient: Youth and Family Outreach  
Project Location: Portland, ME  
Amount: $515,000  
Purpose: To acquire educational equipment, curriculum, and materials for early childhood classrooms and outdoor developmental play spaces, and to expand early childhood education services.

**Maine College of Art Community E-Learning Initiative**  
Recipient: Maine College of Art  
Project Location: Portland, ME  
Amount: $357,000  
Purpose: To expand online courses at the Maine College of Art with offerings of both credit-bearing and non-credit-bearing courses to students of all ages, including Maine residents who otherwise would not have access to these learning opportunities.

**Aroostook Mental Health Services Expansion of Residential Treatment Facility**  
Recipient: Aroostook Mental Health Services, Inc.  
Project Location: Presque Isle, ME  
Amount: $1,000,000  
Purpose: To support the construction of a facility to expand capacity for residential substance use disorder treatment.

**Northern Maine Community College Mechanized Logging Operations Training Program**  
Recipient: Northern Maine Community College  
Project Location: Presque Isle, ME  
Amount: $1,000,000  
Purpose: To purchase equipment and develop curriculum for Northern Maine Community College’s Mechanized Logging Operations program. This successful program has placed graduates into well-paying logging careers by providing training with the latest technology to meet the industry’s needs. Students learn hands-on while operating highly technical, industry-standard equipment with field instructors.

**Northern Maine Community College Expansion of Safety Training for Wind Turbine Technicians**  
Recipient: Northern Maine Community College  
Project Location: Presque Isle, ME  
Amount: $988,000  
Purpose: To expand technical and safety workforce training for wind turbine technicians by hiring additional faculty and acquiring and installing instructional technology and safety equipment. Through a collaborative effort with Maine Maritime Academy, Northern Maine Community College proposes to become an international training provider in the wind power industry, supporting this growing workforce in the Northeast.
Aroostook County Action Program Mobile Unit  
Recipient: Aroostook County Action Program Inc. (ACAP)  
Project Location: Aroostook County; Recipient Location: Presque Isle, ME  
Amount: $643,000  
Purpose: To purchase a mobile unit to extend access to critical health care, oral health, nutrition, and behavioral health services currently offered by ACAP and community partners.

Maine Community College System Accelerated and Expanded Manufacturing Training  
Recipient: Southern Maine Community College  
Project Location: South Portland, ME  
Amount: $996,000  
Purpose: To acquire a mobile welding training lab for use by the Maine Community College System through all seven colleges. This lab would provide welding skill instruction and in-demand job training for workers and trainees at locations convenient to them throughout the state.

Center for Nursing Innovation at Saint Joseph’s College  
Recipient: Trustees of Saint Joseph’s College  
Project Location: Standish, ME  
Amount: $810,000  
Purpose: To expand nursing workforce training by supporting the construction of a Simulated Hospital and Home Health Floor at St. Joseph’s Center for Nursing Innovation.

Building the Next Generation of Maine’s Seafood Workforce  
Recipient: Maine Aquaculture Innovation Center  
Project Location: Walpole, ME  
Amount: $977,000  
Purpose: To establish a comprehensive community college training program at Washington County Community College and Southern Maine Community College for Maine’s seafood workforce. The curriculum will include seafood processing, logistics, transportation, marketing, and sales.

Maine Virtual Dental Home Pilot Project  
Recipient: Harry E. Davis Partnership for Children’s Oral Health  
Project Location: Kennebec, Somerset, Aroostook, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Oxford, Franklin, and Waldo Counties; Recipient Location: Yarmouth, ME  
Amount: $648,000  
Purpose: To support the launch of a network of virtual dental homes serving eight rural counties in Maine. This pilot project will engage community partners, including non-profit dental centers, federally qualified health centers, and Head Start programs, to expand the delivery of dental care to children in Maine.

York Hospital Recovery Center: Opioid Treatment, Prevention & Recovery Supports  
Recipient: York Hospital  
Project Location: York, ME  
Amount: $155,000
Purpose: To expand substance use disorder prevention efforts, improve access to treatment, and strengthen recovery resources and supports in southern Maine.

**Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Research Equipment**

Recipient: Children’s National Medical Center with the Foundation to Eradicate Duchenne

Project Location: Washington, D.C.

Amount: $2,000,000

Purpose: To purchase equipment to support research for pediatric rare diseases, including Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.
July 8, 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 Patty Murray  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Roy Blunt  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, Chairman 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 2022 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, 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