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The Honorable Martin Heinrich
Chair
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural
Development, Food and Drug
Administration, and Related Agencies
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable John Hoeven
Ranking Member
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Dear Chair Heinrich 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 2025 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill 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.

Thank you for your consideration of these important requests.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator

**Schumer, Charles(D-NY) Agriculture
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Village of Altamont	This project will upgrade the Village of Altamont's wastewater treatment plant to use UV light to disinfect effluent instead of chemicals which must then be removed from the effluent.	Albany NY	\$750
Village of Altamont	This project is for the construction of a combined fire and EMS station to replace the 50+ year-old converted car dealership currently used by the Altamont Fire Department and Guilderland EMS.	Albany NY	\$5,000
New York State Rural Housing Coalition of New York	The Rural Housing Coalition is seeking funding to support training of the paid and volunteer leadership of non-profit housing and community development organizations serving rural communities throughout the state.	Albany NY	\$38
Belfast Public Library	Funding would be used to renovate and enlarge the historical Belfast Public Library to include space for a community center, children's library, telehealth room, tutoring and continuing education classes, and add much needed accessibility so that mobility impaired patrons can access the library.	Allegany NY	\$1,014
Cooperative Extension Association in the State of New York - Allegany County	This renovation project will result in a state-of-the-art teaching facility providing informal educational opportunities to all ages; career opportunities for agricultural producers (through 4-H and adult education); life skills for under served populations; and nutrition education and food safety.	Allegany NY	\$255
Uptown & Boogie Healthy Project	The project funds will be allocated to source fresh produce from rural New York farmers, enabling low-income families in New York City to access nutritious options at local farmers' markets and mobile markets.	Bronx NY	\$250
Schools That Can	Funds will be used to support the development of a distance learning platform based on the Education-to-Employment Career Readiness Curriculum Schools That Can provide to bring educational equity to rural communities by providing workforce development opportunities to students participating.	Cayuga NY	\$500
Village of Brocton	Demolition of old fire hall and construction of a new fire hall in Brocton, NY.	Chautauqua NY	\$400
Guilford Fire District	The requested funds will be used to build a New Fire Station that will house the fire department and will also be used as a community space, open to the public.	Chenango NY	\$2,300
NYSARC Inc., Broome, Chenango, Tioga Chapter dba ACHIEVE	ACHIEVE would use the funds to create a beautiful outdoor area at the newly constructed Envisions building in downtown Norwich.	Chenango NY	\$155
Art Omi Pavilions @ Chatham	Art Omi is requesting support for the construction of the Pavilions Visitor Center which, once complete, will provide a gallery, welcome space, cafe, dedicated education center and, administrative offices.	Columbia NY	\$2,373

Center for the Arts of Homer, Inc.	This project will refurbish the 1832 former Calvary Episcopal Church of Homer and reuse it as the Homer Cultural Center, operating as a culture/civics/community center and arts venue with the Village of Homer, Homer Central School District, the Landmark Society of Homer, Center for the Arts Homer.	Cortland NY	\$1,459
City of Cortland	Funding request is for modifications/upgrades to the City of Cortland's Historic Headquarters Fire Station to meet current needs and standards.	Cortland NY	\$15,000
Village of Homer	The Homer Festival Hall is a transformative project that aims to stimulate economic growth, cultural preservation, and community engagement through a state-of-the-art venue that combines historical homage with modern amenities and technology, fostering a vibrant future for the community.	Cortland NY	\$1,000
Stamford Library	This request would fund 25% of a new 6,000 square foot energy efficient, ADA compliant library in the economically "Severely Distressed" community of the Village of Stamford.	Delaware NY	\$1,000
Pine Plains memorial Hall Inc.	Renovation and Construction work to make the Stissing Center for Arts and Culture fully accessible, create community ownership, enlarge placemaking, promote belonging and return meaningful investment to the community.	Dutchess NY	\$2,359
Town of Clinton Historical Society	Phase 3 of the Restoration of the Creek Meeting House, an historic building on the National Register of Historic Places located in Clinton Corners, New York, will adapt it for use as a multi-purpose community center and historic site.	Dutchess NY	\$969
Graycliff Conservancy, Inc.	Graycliff's Visitor Center project expands on and improves the existing building allowing for vast improvements to visitor experience and amenities, increased revenue capacity, accessibility, use of technology, energy efficiencies, and programming year-round.	Erie NY	\$1,000
Lake Placid Center for the Arts	Lake Placid Center for the Arts (LPCA) will modernize and expand its 50-year-old annex facility to create a new arts, and early childhood education complex, including early childhood education classrooms, arts education studios/Classrooms, and office work space for up to six additional nonprofits.	Essex NY	\$3,000
Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks	To construct a year-round programmatic space to serve as a national destination for convenings, events, educational programming, and listening sessions.	Franklin NY	\$5,000
Pendragon, Inc	To Renovate a 10,000 sf building for theater, rehearsal space, education and community engagement.	Franklin NY	\$2,800
Historic Saranac Lake	Historic Saranac Lake seeks support for a capital project to make the Saranac Laboratory Museum fully handicap accessible.	Franklin NY	\$1,000
Stratford Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	The requested funds will be used for station renovations at the Stratford Volunteer Fire Department in Fulton County, New York, to improve heating and energy efficiency.	Fulton NY	\$205

Foundation of Fulton-Montgomery Community College	The Foundation of Fulton-Montgomery Community College requests funds to establish a much-needed community field that will support youth and high school programming and strengthen collegiate athletics in ways that will improve student enrollment/retention and enhance sports tourism in a rural area.	Fulton NY	\$2,500
Caroga Arts Collective Inc.	This "shovel ready" project is to construct a Performance Hall Amphitheater at historic Sherman's Park in Caroga Lake, N.Y.	Fulton NY	\$2,500
Oak Orchard Community Health Center Inc.	This project will include purchasing the building, renovating and expanding our Pembroke Center. We will be able to upgrade and grow Behavioral Health and Primary Care services while adding the first Dental Clinic in Genesee County that will accept Medicaid.	Genesee NY	\$2,957
Town of Bethany	Rehabilitation of the Town of Bethany Highway building in order to insure integrity of the building into the future.	Genesee NY	\$300
Greenville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	Greenville Volunteer FD #1 is in dire need of a new firehouse, which should be condemned due to mold, leaks, animal-infestation, and deteriorating streambank within feet of its foundation.	Greene NY	\$10,000
Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts	This project is to support the purchase of the property Potters Resort in Blue Mountain Lake, NY to be used as the Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts property and building.	Hamilton NY	\$700
Little Falls Hospital	Little Falls Hospital needs to acquire up-to-date emergency room equipment to enhance its ability to take care of patients that present in our Emergency Department with more acute conditions.	Herkimer NY	\$1,000
City of Little Falls	The requested funds will be utilized for the replacement of the deteriorated roof and façade rehabilitation of Little Falls City Hall, ensuring the preservation of this historic landmark while maintaining critical public services including emergency response and judicial functions.	Herkimer NY	\$1,800
City of Little Falls	This projects seeks \$750,000 in funding for critical heating system upgrades at City Hall, and the water and wastewater treatment plants in the City of Little Falls, to ensure the continuous, efficient operation of these vital public services.	Herkimer NY	\$750
Frankfort Center Fire Department	The requested funds will be used to relocate the Frankfort Center Fire Department's station to a higher elevation to mitigate the risk of future flooding following two catastrophic flood events.	Herkimer NY	\$2,500
Village of Dolgeville	The Village of Dolgeville seeks funding for the North Main Street Waterfront Park to mitigate flood risks and improve environmental sustainability by leveraging previous grants and creating a flood-resilient community space.	Herkimer NY	\$3,688
Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency	Funding will allow the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency to build a certified kitchen in rural Herkimer County. This investment will boost the County's economy by creating a central market which will benefit independent agricultural producers and small businesses.	Herkimer NY	\$6,654

Jefferson County SPCA	The Jefferson County SPCA is seeking funding for the addition of more kennels and a common area to increase both capacity and services offered to ensure the proper containment, health, and adequate care of its sheltered animals.	Jefferson NY	\$1,200
Village of Brownville	Funds will support the restoration of the 1811 Brown Mansion House in the Village of Brownville, addressing essential ADA compliance requirements, and enhancing both the exterior building envelope and interior facilities. The mansion houses the Village office, library, and community center.	Jefferson NY	\$1,215
Village of West Carthage	The requested funds will be utilized to construct a new, shared Department of Public Works facility for West Carthage and the Jefferson County Highway Department, enhancing operational efficiency, safety, and service delivery to the community.	Jefferson NY	\$5,625
Double Play Community Center Inc.	Funds would be utilized for new construction of a recently purchased property that, as Lewis County's only designated community center, will provide a multi-generational facility offering critical services geared toward wellness, family enrichment, and more for residents in rural counties.	Lewis NY	\$4,000
Village of Lowville	The Village of Lowville will use the requested funding to enhance Veteran's Memorial Park.	Lewis NY	\$1,000
Livonia Fire Department	The Livonia Fire Department is seeking funding to assist with renovations/ repairs to the existing fire hall to include HVAC and hot water system repairs, a window replacement project and the purchase of a generator.	Livingston NY	\$115
Livingston County, New York	Light Up Livingston is a Livingston County initiative that responds to the need for high-speed, affordable broadband service in the County with the goal of providing the opportunity for access to high-speed, fiber-optic internet to every address.	Livingston NY	\$2,000
Genesee-Livingston-Orleans-Wyoming Counties Chapter NYSARC, Inc.	Arc GLOW will install 12 new HVAC units at our KidStart location in Mt. Morris. These HVAC systems will replace those which are at the end of their lives and be able to take COVID compliant filters.	Livingston NY	\$198
Livingston County, New York	The Livingston County Wayfinding Initiative is an innovative strategy that will bolster tourism and economic development, improve navigation and connect downtowns and destinations through appealing, uniform and consistent signage.	Livingston NY	\$500
Livwell Community, Wellness, & Fitness Center Inc.	Funding will be utilized to remove barriers to health care access and support health & wellness initiatives in Livingston County, NY.	Livingston NY	\$208
Young Men's Association of Hornell New York, Inc.	Funds will be used toward construction of a new YMCA facility, including fitness facilities, a pool, a gymnasium, locker rooms, and spaces for Y programs including Childwatch babysitting, arts, community programs, and partnerships with Livingston County and UR/Noyes.	Livingston NY	\$5,000
Cooperative Extension Association in the State of New York - Madison County	Cornell Cooperative Extension Madison County (CCE Madison) seeks funding to renovate & improve the existing Agriculture Center and Extension Office building to expand service delivery to farms, rural businesses, youth, and seniors across Madison County.	Madison NY	\$1,310

City of Utica	The project will restore Sauquoit Creek to its NYS DOT design bank and flood full width by removing accumulated sediment, debris, trees, and brush.	Oneida NY	\$3,330
The Root Farm, Inc.	Funds will be used to remodel our greenhouse by replacing the plastic and redoing the garden beds to ensure the site is safe, up to date and continues to be an accessible place for not just planting, but also educational workshops and programs with school field trips and summer camps.	Oneida NY	\$177
Village of Whitesboro	The Village of Whitesboro will use \$1 million in Community Project Funding to purchase a new aerial quint fire truck for the Whitesboro Fire Department.	Oneida NY	\$1,000
Skaneateles Library Association	The Skaneateles Library is building a new 16,000 square foot library with an accessible and flexible design to support the learning, working and social needs of our suburban and rural community.	Onondaga NY	\$3,000
Cornell University	This project will enable construction of plant growth facilities (adjacent greenhouses, plant growth chambers) in the new ARS National Grape Improvement Center, which is currently under construction.	Ontario NY	\$5,000
Finger Lakes Community College	Funding will be used to supplement the project approved in FY24 for the erection of a state-of-the-art greenhouse (with the demolition of the current dilapidated structure and addition of several industry-standard systems - climate control, drip irrigation, cold climate labs, classrooms, etc.).	Ontario NY	\$1,500
Town of Canandaigua	The Town of Canandaigua will build a new standalone facility for the local Town Court system, allowing the Town to ensure the efficient and safe operation of the Court and personnel.	Ontario NY	\$4,000
Town of Phelps	The Town of Phelps will create a community gathering area centered around the bell taken removed from the town clock tower.	Ontario NY	\$75
Village of Medina Fire	The Village of Medina Fire Department is requesting financial assistance with a capital project to expand the existing Fire Station.	Orleans NY	\$1,000
County of Orleans	The Orleans County will renovate its Public Safety Building, which houses the County Sheriff, Emergency Dispatch, District Attorney, and other services. Due to recurrent flooding and a deteriorating roof, the building is no longer a feasible location to house vital operations.	Orleans NY	\$2,000
Orleans County Local Development Corporation (OCLDC)	The Orleans Rural Equity Project is a community-focused outreach initiative, e-learning, and free digital literacy services, OREP will provide rural residents and businesses with tools to thrive in today's economy	Orleans NY	\$782
City of Oswego	The City of Oswego is pursuing critical funding needed to construct a state-of-the-art police station as it looks to sustain and enhance the public safety services offered to the community.	Oswego NY	\$1,000
Aurelia Osborn Fox Memorial Hospital	This project will renovate clinical space at AO Fox Care Center to upgrade dental equipment and create onsite dental sterilization processing capabilities.	Otsego NY	\$500

Aurelia Osborn Fox Memorial Hospital	Bassett Medical Center's strategic renovation and optimization of our rural Emergency Department's limited space will increase access to in-demand behavioral and acute medical care.	Otsego NY	\$1,000
Cornell Cooperative Extension Schoharie and Otsego	Cornell Cooperative Extension Schoharie & Otsego (CCESO) is seeking support for the exterior and interior rehabilitation, improvements to accessibility and egress, and strategic energy efficiency and sustainability improvements at its Otsego County Education Center.	Otsego NY	\$225
Fly Creek Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	The Fly Creek Volunteer Fire Company will use \$750,000 in Community Project Funding to replace their current aging frontline apparatus.	Otsego NY	\$750
Morris Fire Department	The requested funds will be utilized to construct a new fire station for the Morris Fire Department and create an additional apparatus bay to house an ambulance and EMS services, replacing the original station that sustained damage from flooding in 2021.	Otsego NY	\$2,100
Pathfinder Village	Pathfinder Village will repurpose a historic barn into the Farmstead Employment Training & Retail Center. This project will support community revitalization by growing a fresh produce market in a USDA food desert and providing additional job training programs for adults with IDD.	Otsego NY	\$1,000
Schoharie County Council of Senior Citizens	The requested funds will be used to acquire the building currently housing socialization services for over 1200 seniors which services address social isolation in this very vulnerable, rural population.	Otsego NY	\$298
Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, Inc.	Construction of a unique open-air theater and freely accessible green space to promote economic development, arts access and education, and to provide a new public gathering and community engagement space for the Hudson Valley and New York City region.	Putnam NY	\$3,000
Copland House, Inc.	Phase Two of the Renovation and Transformation of a long-dormant school campus in the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, for Copland House's award-winning, vastly expanded creative center for American music and the arts.	Putnam NY	\$500
Greenbush Youth Soccer Club, Inc.	The Greenbush Youth Soccer Club will construct, maintain, and operate a multi-use complex and facility to serve as a community resource for youth athletics, community health, and disaster/emergency training and services.	Rensselaer NY	\$4,000
Town of Brunswick	The existing Town Highway Garage will be replaced with a more-useful, modernized facility, to be constructed on land adjacent to the Town buildings complex, just east of the existing garage, allowing the existing garage to be repurposed for additional, expanded Highway Department operations.	Rensselaer NY	\$1,400
Association for Learning and Mentoring Services, Inc. (ALMS)	The Association for Learning and Mentoring Services, Inc., would like to acquire a facility to operate an Adult Day Care, food pantry, and other programs to address community needs in the Suffern, New York, area of Rockland County.	Rockland NY	\$394
Village of Odessa	The funds will be used to build a new fire department building to replace our current building that is collapsing.	Schuyler NY	\$3,000

Town of Dix	The Town of Dix will extend public water and sewer service in the area of Watkins Glen International to support new single family housing, expansion of a KOA and offer new service to existing residences.	Schuyler NY	\$1,000
Research Foundation for SUNY Canton	SUNY Canton proposes to build a childcare center on its campus to serve its students and employees as well as the larger community with educational and early intervention services for infants through preschoolers, using an integrated enrollment model.	St. Lawrence NY	\$6,600
Massena Electric Department (MED)	The removal and replacement of Emerald Ash Borer infested Ash Trees impacting public safety and electric utility reliability in the Town of Massena, the Village of Massena and Village of Louisville.	St. Lawrence NY	\$494
NYSARC, Inc. dba The Arc Jefferson – St. Lawrence	Funds would be used to address preservation needs, make necessary modifications for increased accessibility, and purchase critical life safety equipment that will enable people with disabilities the opportunity to age-in-place rather than require institutional or skilled nursing care.	St. Lawrence NY	\$1,016
Town of Massena	The funding requested through this program will enable the Town of Massena to begin working on the construction of a new highway garage for the town highway department.	St. Lawrence NY	\$3,721
Campbell Fire District Number 1	The funding would be used to construct a truck bay and support portion of the centralized fire station in a new location out of the floodplain.	Steuben NY	\$2,300
Shinnecock Indian Nation	The Shinnecock Powwow Renovation Project will improve the safety, security and infrastructure of the Nation's existing facilities and grounds for the benefit of the broader community.	Suffolk NY	\$3,000
Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County	Restoration of a 1871 historic Almshouse Haybarn on the National Historic Register and the purchase of a pavilion for use as an outdoor classroom.	Suffolk NY	\$468
East End Commercial Fishing Association	Funds will be used to construct a new processing facility that will preserve fishermen's access ice, a crucially important resource, on the existing site of Long Island's last remaining processing facility and ice house.	Suffolk NY	\$1,000
Hagerman Fire District	Renovations on the existing Fire Department building that is over 20 years old and the old building that will be used for storage.	Suffolk NY	\$500
Inc. Village of Shoreham	This project is to enhance control of storm water flowing from the valley which constitutes Shoreham Village into the Long Island Sound.	Suffolk NY	\$2,345
Town of Islip	The Bay Shore Marina, a multi-use recreational facility used by more than one million visitors and residents annually, has been severely damaged by storms and hurricanes and is in need of extensive repairs and renovations to mitigate continuous flooding.	Suffolk NY	\$4,400
Refuah Health Center, Inc.	The project involves the construction of a permanent, state-of-the-art outpatient health care facility in South Fallsburg to help address the dire health disparities and health equity challenges faced by Sullivan County families.	Sullivan NY	\$2,000

Rural & Migrant Ministry, Inc.	The requested funds will be used to renovate 1 building and construct an additional building at our SPARK Rural Education Center in South Fallsburg, Sullivan County, NY.	Sullivan NY	\$800
Owego Apalachin Central School District	Funding to renovate an existing building to serve as a BOCES satellite campus as well as an adult education facility.	Tioga NY	\$1,500
Village of Owego	Funding would be used to repair the historic Owego Central Fire Station that is one of the most valuable, iconic, and important buildings in the Village Historic District.	Tioga NY	\$1,000
Women's Studio Workshop	Women's Studio Workshop is building a large-scale, state-of-the art facility for community based artists' studios in the rural town of Rosendale, NY.	Ulster NY	\$400
Morton Memorial Library	Funds will be used for Phase 2 planning process leading to the restoration and expansion of the Morton Memorial Library at Pine Hill's 1903 landmark building.	Ulster NY	\$109
Town of Shawangunk	The Town of Shawangunk is seeking funding to demolish and reconstruct their aging Highway Department Garage which has demonstrated numerous health and safety risks, exposes municipal vehicles to damage, and is currently under evaluation to be considered a condemned building.	Ulster NY	\$1,500
Wayne County	Funding will support the build of three Medical Services bases improving the emergency readiness, safety and health of 90,000 residents across our 600+ square mile county and enhancing our Emergency Operations Center capacity.	Wayne NY	\$4,500
Town of Macedon	Relocation of Ambulance services to a currently vacant building in the Historic Downtown to reduce response times and increase public safety.	Wayne NY	\$730
Wyoming County Community Action, Inc.	Funding would be used to create a safer driveway for main WCCA office building, which houses vital services, such as a food and clothes pantry, provided to Wyoming County residents.	Wyoming NY	\$125
Wyoming County Community Action, Inc.	Funding would be used to complete roof replacement project at main WCCA office building, which houses vital services, such as a food and clothes pantry, provided to Wyoming County residents.	Wyoming NY	\$40
Wyoming County Soil and Water Conservation District	The Wyoming County Soil and Water District is looking to secure funding to complete a streambank stabilization and wetland creation project in the Town of Attica, NY. Severe erosion has taken place over the past 15 years in this reach, with erosion threatening several homes and a local business.	Wyoming NY	\$515
Finger Lakes Cultural & Natural History Museum	Funding will be used to build interior exhibit space in the Museum dedicated to inspiring pride, deepening appreciation, and encouraging active stewardship of and for the cultures, lands, and abundant freshwater resources that make our Finger Lakes region a true treasure.	Yates NY	\$2,000