

# SUBMITTING CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTED SPENDING REQUESTS IN FY25

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# What is Congressionally Directed Spending?



- Criteria
  - Place-based
  - Short-term
  - Applicable to a certain number of eligible accounts
  - Subject to audit and transparency measures
  
- Using earmarks, Congress can make targeted investments in specific regions and direct funding for a multitude of uses:
  - Education improvement
  - Distance learning
  - Rural broadband
  - Agricultural research
  - STEM research and education
  - Conservation
  - Health improvements
  - Water infrastructure and watershed preservation
  - Forest management
  - Law enforcement technology
  - Crime prevention
  - Criminal justice improvements

# Different Chambers, Different Rules

|   | House | Senate                  |
|---|-------|-------------------------|
| Total number of Eligible Accounts                   | 41    | 60                      |
| Requires evidence of community support              | Y     | N                       |
| Requires Members to prioritize requests             | Y     | Depends on subcommittee |
| Limit on number of requests Members can submit      | Y     | N                       |
| Requires hard copy of Member's certification letter | N     | Y                       |

*\*\*The table above shows a comparison of the House and Senate directed spending process (ref: Popvox Foundation). Please note that while the Senate Appropriations Committees does not require evidence of community support, this is a requirement for applicants submitting their proposals to the Office of Senator Shaheen.*

- While some elements of the reformed process are similar, the House and Senate differ on the number of eligible accounts for CDS requests.
- House members may only submit 15 community development project requests. Senate members do not have this limitation.

# Results through FY2023

Over \$180 million awarded across 183 projects!

## *Tour of Investments in New Hampshire*



*Senator Shaheen visiting Reality Check in Jaffrey.*



*Shaheen at the Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) facility in Dover.*



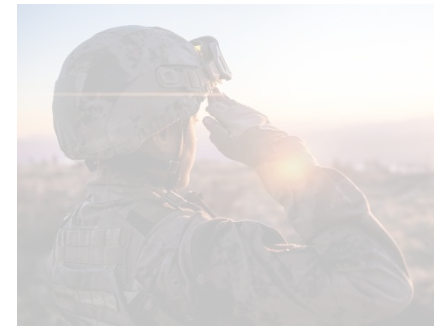
*Shaheen visiting Plymouth State University to discuss their Nursing Workforce Expansion project.*



Agriculture



Commerce, Justice  
and Science



Defense



Energy and Water  
Development



Financial Services and  
General Government



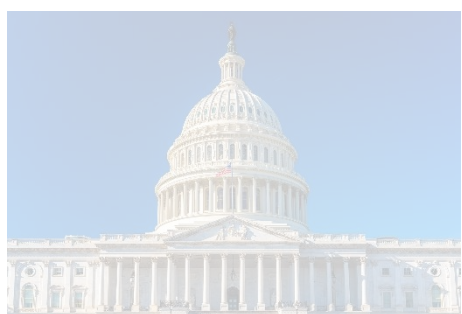
Homeland Security



Interior and  
Environment



Labor, HHS and  
Education



Legislative Branch



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State and Foreign OPs



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# Commerce, Justice and Science



- Funds the Department of Commerce (DOC), the Department of Justice (DOJ) and several independent science agencies.
  
- The CJS Appropriations Subcommittee will accept CDS requests only for the following accounts:
  - National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST); Scientific and Technical Research Services (STRS); External Projects;
  - NIST, Construction of Research Facilities; Extramural Construction
  - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); Operations, Research, and Facilities (ORF); Special Projects
  - Office on Justice Programs (OJP); State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance; Byrne Discretionary;
  - Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS); COPS Law Enforcement Technology ;
  - NASA; Safety, Security and Mission Support

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- Examples:
  - **Newington Emergency Communications Infrastructure:** Senator Shaheen secured \$170,000 to fund the Town of Newington's efforts to upgrade their emergency communications equipment.
  - **Seacoast Science Center Renovation and Program Expansion:** Senator Shaheen secured \$5,000,000 for the Seacoast Science Center to expand existing museum spaces and construct a new facility for their marine mammal rescue operations.

# Interior and Environment (I&E)



- Funds the Department of the Interior, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and other agencies.
  
- The I&E subcommittee will accept congressionally directed spending requests for the following accounts:
  - Water and Wastewater Infrastructure: EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, Water and Wastewater Infrastructure
  - Sanitation Facilities Construction: IHS, Sanitation Facilities Construction,
  - Historic Preservation Fund: NPS, Historic Preservation Fund
  - State and Private Forestry: USFS, State and Private Forestry, Forest Resource Information and Analysis



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- Items to Note:
  - There is a minimum 20% cost share requirement for any state or local water infrastructure CDS grants.
  
  - For State and Local Grants for Drinking or Clean Water Projects, Member offices must confirm:
    - ✓ Is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?
    - ✓ If not, is the project eligible under State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) guidelines?

# Transportation-Housing and Urban Development



- Funds the Department of Transportation (DOT), the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and related agencies.
  
- The THUD Appropriations Subcommittee will accept CDS requests only for the following accounts:
  - Transportation Planning, Research, and Development (TPR&D)
  - Grants-in-Aid for Airports (Airport Improvement Program or AIP)
  - Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)
  - Transit Infrastructure Grants (TIG)
  - Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) Grants;
  - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI) for eligible economic development projects.

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- Examples:
  - **Housing for Youth and Young Adults:** Senator Shaheen secured \$771,000 for this project that will fund Waypoint's work in Manchester to open the first ever emergency shelter and dedicated permanent housing units for youth and young adults in NH.
  - **West Cargo Apron Development:** Senator Shaheen secured \$9,350,000 to support the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport's efforts to develop a 100,000 sq. ft. air cargo facility.

# Helpful Materials

## FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending Request Subcommittee Guidance

Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen

The information below reflects the updated guidance received from the Senate Appropriations Committee for fiscal year (FY) 2024 with respect to congressionally directed spending (CDS) requests. Should you have any questions, please contact Senator Shaheen's office at [appropriations\\_shaheen@shaheen.senate.gov](mailto:appropriations_shaheen@shaheen.senate.gov) or call 202-224-2841.

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### Commerce, Justice and Science Requests: Total \$13,137,000

| Project Location    | Recipient Name                  | Project Name  | Project Purpose   | Amount Received (in thousands) |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------|
| Cheshire County, NH | City of Keene Police Department | Keene Police Department Body-Worn and In-Car Camera Systems | This project would provide funding for 50 Body Worn Camera (BWC) units and equip 16 cruisers with integrated In-Car Video Systems, as well as associated Wireless Access Points and necessary training and start-up equipment. It would also provide the Keene Police Department (PD) with unlimited cloud storage and the software necessary to run the program and conduct redaction as necessary for Right to Know requests based on NH Statute. Keene PD is requesting this funding to meet the NH Law Enforcement Accountability, Community, and Transparency Commission's recommendation to implement BWC programs in all New Hampshire law | \$415                          |

# Shaheen CDS Web Portal



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Senator Jeanne Shaheen - FY2025 Congressionally Directed ...

Due on 03/22/2024

11:59 PM Eastern

## Sign-In

Email

Password [Reset my password](#)

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Need an account? [Create one.](#)

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### SENATOR JEANNE SHAHEEN - FY2025 CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING REQUESTS

One of the most fundamental constitutional duties of Congress is the appropriations process—the annual allocation of funds for federal discretionary programs that support national defense, small businesses, transportation, food assistance for low-income seniors, research and development, and much more. As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Senator Shaheen looks to ensure that the federal government invests in policies and programs that provide assistance to Granite State communities and help our nation move forward.

Only public and non-profit entities may request congressional directed spending items.

Requests may be made for the following bills:

[Website: www.shaheen.senate.gov/2025CDS](http://www.shaheen.senate.gov/2025CDS)

# Frequently Asked Questions

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- **When is your office's deadline?**
  - The Shaheen office's appropriations deadline is **Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Please be sure to submit **all** of your information by this date.
- **I submitted a CDS request to Representatives Kuster and Pappas. Can I submit one to Senator Shaheen as well?**
  - Yes. We welcome all applications that meet the criteria requirements.
- **How do I know whether my project meets the eligibility requirements?**
  - Information on CDS-eligible accounts can be found in the Shaheen CDS web portal.

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- **I submitted my CDS request. What happens now?**
  - The Shaheen staff will review the information you provided to determine whether your request(s) meets our internal and committee criteria for submission as a formal CDS request from Senator Shaheen.
  - We will notify you of our determination and keep you informed as the appropriations process moves forward

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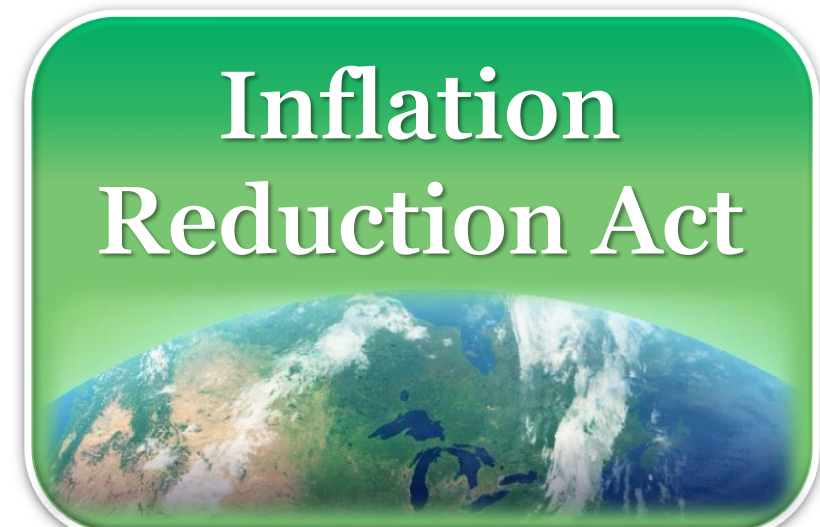
- **My project was not selected. What do I do?**
  - While your project may not be eligible for CDS funding, there are a number of federal resources available to fund economic development and community development projects.



- \$1.9 trillion COVID-19 Relief Package
- Signed into law in March 2021



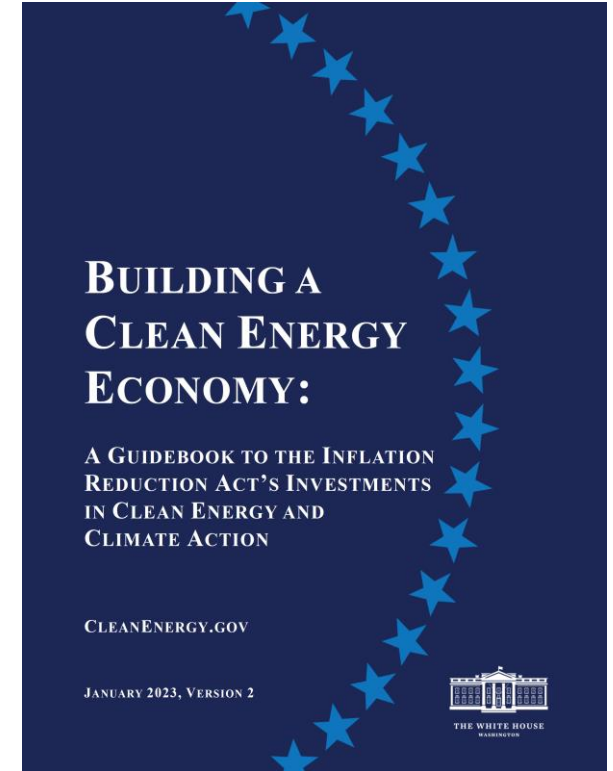
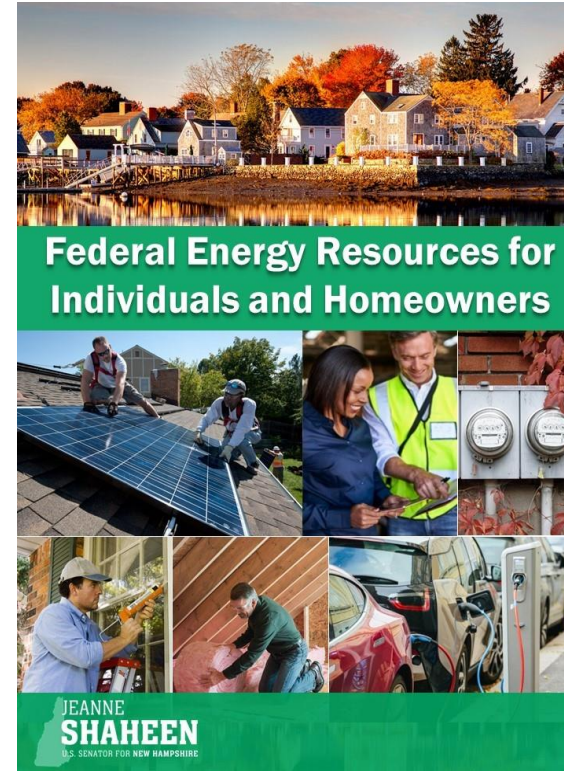
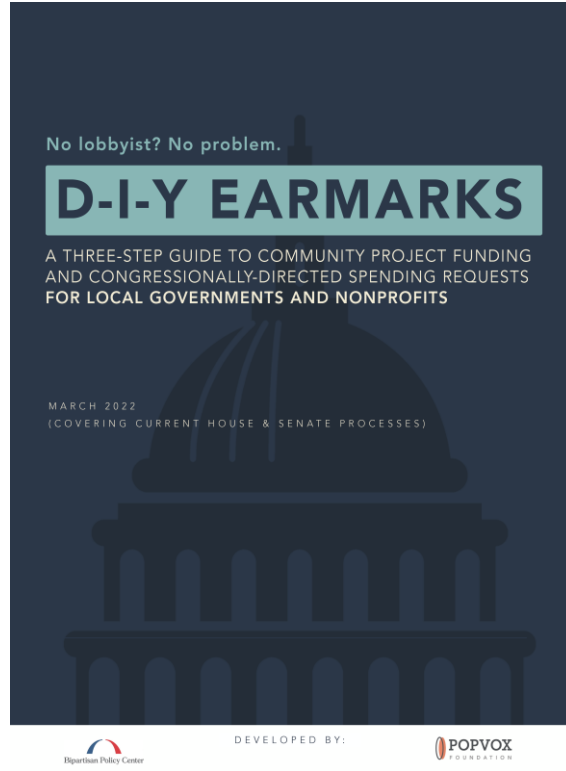
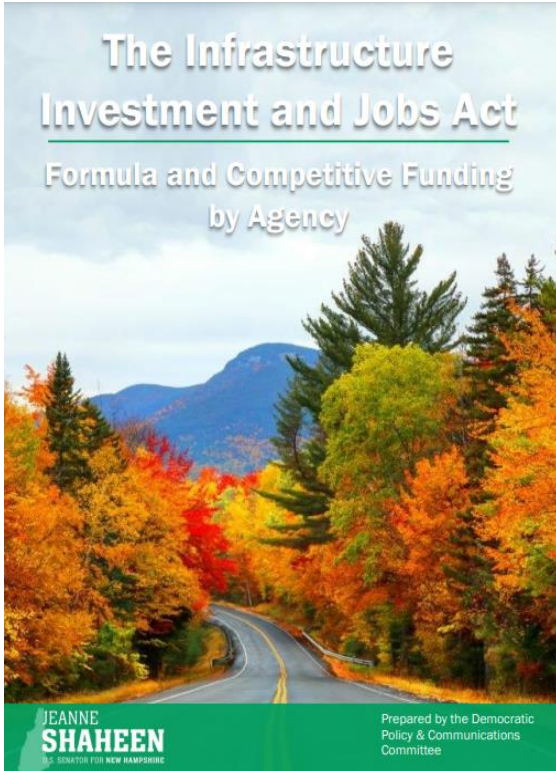
- \$550 billion in new infrastructure investments
- Signed into law in November 2021



- \$370 billion in clean energy investments
- Signed into law in August 2022



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# Thank you

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