

# **Community Project Funding Overview**

**General Guidance on Community Funding Projects can be found [here](#).**

## **Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies:**

The Subcommittee on Agriculture will accept Community Project Funding requests in three accounts:

- Agricultural Research Service, Buildings and Facilities
- Rural Development, Rural Community Facility Grants
- Rural Utilities Service, ReConnect Grants

The subcommittee will not accept Community Project Funding requests in any other account.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

## **Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies:**

The Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies will accept community project funding requests in the following accounts:

- Byrne Justice Assistance Grants
- COPS Technology and Equipment
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
  - Operations, Research, and Facilities
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration
  - Safety, Security and Mission Services

The subcommittee will not accept community project funding requests in any other account. For these requests, community engagement and support are crucial in determining which projects are worthy of Federal funding.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

## **Defense:**

The Subcommittee on Defense will accept Community Project Funding requests for only the following:

- Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Army
- Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Navy
- Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Air Force
- Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Space Force
- Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Defense-Wide

Members will be asked to:

1. Provide the name of the specific recipient for the project request and the amount requested for fiscal year 2022.
2. Attach the financial disclosure letter required by House rules (described below).
3. Provide a description of the desired outcome of the project and how it would benefit the Department of Defense.
4. List the line number and Program Element number proposed to fund the project.
5. Disclose whether the project is being requested in another bill.
6. State whether the request is a new or existing project; if existing, whether it previously received federal funds; and if so, identify the account, amount of funding, and fiscal year.
7. Provide the total cost of the project.
8. List the required funding in future years and the source of that funding/.
9. Determine whether the program could start in a limited capacity if the Appropriations Committee cannot fully fund the request.

The subcommittee will not accept project requests in any other account.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

## **Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies:**

The Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development will only consider Community Project Funding requests in the following accounts:

- Corps of Engineers:
  - Investigations
  - Construction
  - Mississippi River and Tributaries
  - Operation and Maintenance
- Bureau of Reclamation:
  - Water and Related Resources

Please click [here](#) for specific instructions for submissions of Community Project Funding requests to the Subcommittee.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

- Please click [here](#) for a list of authorized projects.

### **Financial Services and General Government:**

The Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government will accept Community Project Funding requests for only the following:

- Small Business Administration, Small Business Initiatives.

Under this option, Members may submit funding requests for Community Projects in support of small businesses, such as entrepreneur training, workforce development, counseling, research, and construction or acquisition of facilities. Project recipients must be other units of government or nonprofit organizations to be considered eligible.

For each Community Project request, Members will be asked to respond to a series of questions intended to provide transparency and ensure the Community Project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds. The type of information that will be requested includes:

- Name of the project recipient, including any sub-recipients/grantees,
- Location of the Community Project,
- Cost of the project, including the amount requested for the Community Project from this or any other Appropriations Subcommittee, and other funding sources,
- Explanation of the request, including purpose and benefits provided by the Community Project, and
- Oversight and management structure for the Community Project, including accountability measures and performance standards to evaluate success.

A list of additional Financial Services Subcommittee's Community Projects questions can be found [here](#).

In addition to transparency information, community engagement and support is crucial in determining which projects are worthy of Federal funding. Only projects with demonstrated community support will be considered. This recommendation builds on past Committee reforms, and Members will be required to present to the Committee evidence of community support that was persuasive in their decision to submit the request. Examples of these include, but are not limited to:

- Letters of support from elected community leaders (e.g. mayors or other officials),
- Press articles highlighting the need for the requested Community Project Funding,
- Support from newspaper editorial boards,

- Projects listed on State intended use plans, community development plans, or other publicly available planning documents, or
- Resolutions passed by city councils or boards.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

### **Homeland Security:**

The Subcommittee on Homeland Security will accept Community Project Funding requests for only the following:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Assistance accounts:
  - Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants
  - Nonprofit Security Grants
  - Emergency Operations Center Grants

The Subcommittee will not accept project requests for any other account.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

### **Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies:**

The Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, Etc. will only consider Community Project Funding requests in the following accounts:

- Federal land acquisitions through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (Note: The Subcommittee will accept requests for these community projects after the release of the full President's budget.).
- Environmental Protection Agency State and Tribal Assistance Grants for certain water infrastructure projects.
- Certain State and Private Forestry projects within the U.S. Forest Service.

The subcommittee will not accept project requests in any other account.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

### **Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies:**

The Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies will accept project requests in the following accounts:

- Department of Labor—Employment and Training Administration—Training and Employment Services
- Department of Health and Human Services
  - Health Resources and Services Administration—Program Management
  - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration—Health Surveillance and Program Support
- Department of Education
  - Innovation and Improvement
  - Higher Education

The subcommittee will not accept project requests in any other account.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

### **Legislative Branch:**

Has not issued additional guidance

### **Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies:**

The Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies will only accept community project funding requests in the following accounts:

- Military Construction accounts under the Department of Defense
  - Army
  - Navy and Marine Corps
  - Air Force
  - Defense-Wide
  - Army National Guard
  - Air National Guard
  - Army Reserve
  - Navy Reserve
  - Air Force Reserve

The subcommittee will not accept project requests in any other account.

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available [here](#).

### **State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies:**

Has not issued additional guidance.

## Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies:

For fiscal year 2022, the electronic online database will include an option for Members to submit community project requests for two accounts within the Department of Transportation and one account within the Department of Housing and Urban Development. These are:

- Department of Transportation - Local Transportation Priorities
- Department of Transportation - Airport Improvement Program (AIP)
- Department of Housing and Urban Development - Economic Development Initiative (EDI)

Guidance from the Subcommittee is available for each account:

- [Department of Transportation - Local Transportation Priorities](#)
- [Department of Transportation - Airport Improvement Program \(AIP\)](#)
- [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Economic Development Initiative \(EDI\)](#)