

Fiscal Year 2022 Congressionally Directed Spending appropriation requests

Senator Coons has submitted funding requests for a diverse array of community projects in Delaware that are eligible for congressionally directed spending to the Senate Appropriations Committee. The requests detailed below have been transmitted to the Senate Appropriations Committee for consideration; however, they are not guaranteed to be funded or to be funded at the requested level. New additions to this list of Fiscal Year 2022 requests will be added between July 1 and July 23, 2021.

Electrical Substation for Garrison Oak Business and Technology Park

\$5,000,000

City of Dover – Dover, Del.

The purpose of this project is to construct an electric substation that will increase the City of Dover's overall power supply to support economic development and specifically provide electricity to the 126-acre Garrison Oak Business and Technology Park.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Fenwick Island Coastal Storm Damage Reduction Project

\$5,000,000

Army Corps of Engineers – Fenwick Island, Del.

The purpose of this project is to provide funding to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete periodic beach renourishment to protect Fenwick Island from coastal storm damage and beach erosion.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Improving the Durability of Fuel Cells and Electrolyzers

\$1,300,000

The University of Delaware – Newark, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support research at the University of Delaware to improve the durability of hydrogen fuel cells and make the

technology commercially viable. The project will ultimately encourage new startup companies and help generate high-paying electro-chemical jobs in Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Indian River Inlet Sand Bypass Project

\$750,000

Army Corps of Engineers – Sussex County, Del.

The purpose of this project is to rehabilitate the Indian River Inlet Sand Bypass crane, and replace its diesel pump motors with high-capacity electric pump motors in order to mitigate erosion and damage to State Route 1.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Reducing Inequity in Access to Solar Power

\$2,000,000

Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
– statewide

The purpose of this project is to provide financial incentives and improve access to affordable solar power systems for low- and moderate-income households throughout Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Rehoboth and Dewey Beach Coastal Storm Damage Reduction Project

\$7,650,000

Army Corps of Engineers – Rehoboth Beach and Dewey Beach, Del.

The purpose of this project is to provide funding to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete periodic beach renourishment of Rehoboth and Dewey Beaches to protect from coastal storm damage and beach erosion.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Agricultural Innovation Greenhouse

\$250,000

Delaware State University – Dover, Del.

The purpose of this project is to establish a research containment greenhouse at Delaware State University to support academic research in

biotechnology and community demonstration and programming in agricultural best practices to help local farmers.
Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Capital Improvements to Historic Milton Theatre

\$100,000

Calliope Project Inc. – Milton, Del.

The purpose of this project is to renovate the historic Milton Theatre in downtown Milton, Delaware. In addition to providing year-round arts and entertainment programming for Milton and surrounding rural communities in Sussex County, the theatre also collaborates with the local elementary school and public library to offer after-school and summer camp programs for students.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Restoration of Historic World War II Tower

\$100,000

Delaware Seashore Preservation Foundation – Sussex County, Del.

The purpose of this project is to provide funding for capital improvements to complete the final restoration phase of Fire Control Tower No. 3 at Delaware Seashore State Park and open it to the public as a historic landmark that pays tribute to those who served in World War II.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Behavioral Health Crisis Intervention Unit Expansion

\$749,000

New Castle County Police Department – New Castle, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the New Castle County Police Department's expansion of its Hero Help outreach efforts and the addition of a new team to its Mental Health Unit. This expansion of Hero Help and the Mental Health Unit will improve the Department's ability to respond to incidents involving individuals struggling with mental health or substance abuse by connecting them with the appropriate services and treatment.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Blue Economy Tech Center Partnership

\$1,290,000

University of Delaware, Delaware State University – Lewes and Dover, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the creation of a partnership between the University of Delaware and Delaware State University to develop and test marine and offshore wind applications for various autonomous systems and to support workforce development and career training in the fields of environmental science and robotics.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Delaware Space Observation Center

\$900,000

University of Delaware, Delaware State University – Newark and Dover, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the establishment of the Delaware Space Observation Center as a joint effort by the University of Delaware and Delaware State University to strengthen space science research, education, and employment opportunities throughout Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Delaware Violence Reduction Program

\$1,900,000

Delaware Criminal Justice Council – statewide

The purpose of this project is to expand Delaware's Group Violence Intervention (GVI) program with the addition of hospital-based and community-based violence intervention programs.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Statewide Body Worn Camera Program

\$1,600,000

Delaware Department of Justice – statewide

The purpose of this project is to provide funding to support Delaware's Statewide Body Worn Camera Program for law enforcement officers across the state.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Delaware Air National Guard Fuel Cell and Corrosion Control Hangar Replacement

\$17,500,000

Delaware Air National Guard at New Castle County Airport – New Castle, Del.

The purpose of this project is to replace the Delaware Air National Guard Fuel Cell and Corrosion Control hangar at the New Castle County Airport, one of two hangars required for the maintenance of the Delaware Air National Guard's eight C-130 aircraft.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Building Better Business Districts

\$1,050,000

West End Neighborhood House – New Castle and Sussex Counties, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the expansion of West End Neighborhood House's small business support program on commercial corridors in Dover, Wilmington, and Georgetown, Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Center for Fintech Leadership

\$1,000,000

University of Delaware – Newark, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the establishment of a Center for Fintech Leadership to improve access to banking and credit, and provide more inclusive and affordable financial choices for households and companies in Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Financial Health Research Institute

\$1,000,000

Delaware Technology Park – Newark, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the launch of a financial health research initiative to study and address the financial and banking needs for low-income and underserved individuals and communities, including

communities of color, women-owned small businesses, individuals with disabilities, and unbanked households.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Manufacturing and Training Facility for Furniture Making

\$500,000

The Challenge Program – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to help finance the construction of a shovel-ready facility that will enable The Challenge Program to expand its furniture-making workforce development initiative for at-risk young adults.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Affordable Housing for Senior Citizens at The Flats

\$2,000,000

Todmorden Foundation – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the construction of new affordable housing units for senior citizens in Wilmington, Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Community Building at Dover Park

\$475,000

City of Dover – Dover, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the construction of a community building in East Dover.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Gateway East Senior Residential Village

\$100,000

CHEER Inc. – Georgetown, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the first phase of construction for moderate-income senior living apartments in Georgetown, Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Kingswood Community Center

\$10,000,000

REACH Riverside – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the construction of a new community center as part of the redevelopment of the Riverside neighborhood in Wilmington.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Munchy Branch Road Multi-Use Trail

\$1,200,000

Delaware Department of Transportation – Rehoboth Beach, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the construction of a pedestrian and bicycle trail that runs alongside Munchy Branch Road from Seaside Boulevard to Field Lane/Shady Ridge Drive in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Nanticoke Association Cultural Community Center and Food Bank Capital Improvements

\$750,000

Nanticoke Indian Association – Millsboro, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the upgrade and expansion of the Nanticoke Indian Association's community center in Millsboro, Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

New Castle County Affordable Homeownership Program

\$1,500,000

Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the construction of affordable homes in the City of Wilmington by the Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Restoration Now Security Project to Combat Human Trafficking

\$485,000

The Salvation Army – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to improve the safety of clients living in the Salvation Army's anti-human trafficking shelter "Restoration Now."

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Sussex County Affordable Housing Construction

\$500,000

Habitat for Humanity of Sussex County – Sussex County, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the construction of affordable homes in Sussex County by the Habitat for Humanity of Sussex County.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Transforming the Former Hockessin School #107 into a Center for Diversity, Inclusion, and Social Equity

\$750,000

Friends of Hockessin Colored School #107 – Hockessin, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support renovations that will transform the Hockessin Colored School (HCS), which played a pivotal role in our nation's history as one of the five foundational cases in the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, into a Center for Diversity, Inclusion, and Social Equity.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Advancing Minority Homeownership

\$500,000

Delaware Community Reinvestment Action Council – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to fund a one-year pilot program that will help minority renters become homeowners in the City of Wilmington.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Wilmington Comprehensive City Parks Improvements

\$1,200,000

City of Wilmington – Wilmington, Del.

The funds will be used to address significant maintenance and renovation backlogs at five community parks in Wilmington, Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Clayton Fire Company Refurbishment of Fire Truck Rescue 45

\$131,643

Clayton Fire Company No. 1, Inc. – Clayton, Del.

The funds will be used to refurbish a fire truck at the Clayton Fire Company, which covers a population of 25,000 and provides assistance coverage to nearby departments.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company Station Consolidation

\$3,000,000

Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company – Newark, Del.

The funds would be used to consolidate two stations and renovate an existing third station, reducing operating expenses and bringing the facilities up to current energy and safety standards.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

City of Seaford Sewer Line Relocation

\$1,211,000

City of Seaford – Seaford, Del.

The purpose of this project is to relocate and upgrade a 60-year-old main line sewer in Seaford, Delaware, which is a critical regionalized line that carries wastewater from the neighboring communities of Bridgeville and Greenwood, as well as a local hospital, three assisted living facilities, four schools, and several medical offices.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Historic Goggin Manor House

\$800,000

Kent County Levy Court – Camden, Del.

The purpose of this project is to support the renovation of the historic Goggin Manor House in Camden, Delaware, and highlight the property's connection to the Underground Railroad.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

PFAS in Wastewater Infrastructure in Delaware

\$80,000

Center for PFAS Solution at the Science, Technology, and Research Institute of Delaware (STRIDE) – statewide

The purpose of this project is to support the investigation and mitigation of potential per- and polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) contamination in surface and groundwater throughout Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

AVID Program

\$250,000

Christina School District – New Castle County, Del.

The purpose of this project is to expand an existing AVID program, which seeks to improve the college readiness of at-risk students, to Boncroft, Bayard, Kirk, Sarah Pyle, Gauger, and Shue Middle Schools and to Newark, Christiana and Glasgow High Schools.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Delaware Best Buddies Inclusion Project for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

\$215,000

Best Buddies International, Inc. – Kent and Sussex Counties, Del.

The purpose of this project is to allow Best Buddies to expand to an additional 14 schools in Delaware and reach an additional 1,050 students with inclusive programming that supports students with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Financial Literacy Institute

\$300,000

Delaware State University – Dover, Del.

The purpose of this project is to develop and implement a curriculum to improve financial literacy of current and prospective Delaware State University students in areas that include personal finance, debt management, responsible access to credit, and wealth building.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Gaudenzia Fresh Start

\$337,000

Gaudenzia Foundation, Inc. – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to enhance capacity and upgrade security to improve the safety of clients at Gaudenzia Fresh Start, which provides a continuum of care and programming for individuals being treated for substance use disorder.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Increasing Access to Teacher Education for Students of Color

\$163,000

University of Delaware – statewide

The purpose of this project is to support the Teacher Pipeline Project in order to build a diverse teaching workforce by increasing opportunities for Delaware high school students of color to matriculate into early childhood or elementary education programs at the University of Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Mental Health Therapist Fellowship Initiative

\$3,500,000

Jewish Family Services of Delaware – statewide

The purpose of this project is to establish a workforce development program to address Delaware's growing mental health crisis, rising demand for counseling, and lack of licensed mental health practitioners by creating paid fellowship positions for Master's degree prepared and license-eligible counselors.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Mobile Health Clinic for Addiction Medicine

\$680,000

Beebe Medical Foundation – region around Lewes, Del.

The purpose of this project is to purchase a mobile health clinic focused on serving hard-to-reach patient populations that are struggling with addiction.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Mobile Health Van

\$341,000

TidalHealth Nanticoke – Sussex County, Del.

The purpose of this project is to outfit a mobile health clinic to address disparities and poor health outcomes in disadvantaged communities within Western Sussex County, Delaware. The mobile clinic will also serve three school-based wellness centers in collaboration with the school systems and utilize data analytics to direct services to communities with the greatest need.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Offshore Wind Training Center

\$1,060,000

University of Delaware – Lewes, Del.

The purpose of this project is for University of Delaware to develop an offshore wind technician training center in Lewes, Delaware. The Offshore Wind Training Center would train workers, including technicians who install and later maintain turbines in the ocean, as well as suppliers, port workers, and sea survival and rescue personnel.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Statewide Vo-Tech Districts Partnership in Transportation and Logistics Training

\$800,000

Polytech Adult Education, New Castle County Vocational Technical School District, Sussex Technical School District – statewide

The purpose of this project is to allow the Adult Education Divisions at the three county-wide vocational-technical districts to launch a statewide partnership for training in transportation and logistics in order to help fill as many as 1,400 job openings for commercial driver's license (CDL) drivers in Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Youth After-School Enrichment Programming

\$250,000

Boys & Girls Club of Delaware – statewide

The purpose of this project is to expand a variety of Boys & Girls Club programs focused on financial literacy, computer education, drug and alcohol prevention, and the arts to over 2,000 elementary students.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing Innovation Facility

\$5,000,000

University of Delaware, NIIMBL – Newark, Del.

The funds will support the design-build and engineering work necessary for the construction of a current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) facility to support biopharmaceutical innovation for clinical research and help the nation be better prepared for responding to public health emergencies.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing Innovation Equipment

\$3,000,000

University of Delaware, NIIMBL – Newark, Del.

The funds will support capital expenses of equipment for a Process Development Testbed focused on technologies important for continuous manufacturing of therapeutic proteins and vaccines.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Enhanced Living and Learning Through Assistive Technology

\$1,016,000

University of Delaware – statewide

This project will enhance the education of young children and PreK-12 students through the availability of assistive technology (AT) tools that support access, instruction, assessment, health and wellness, and self-expression.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Westside Wilmington Health Center Facility Renovations

\$2,000,000

Westside Family Healthcare, Inc. – Wilmington, Del.

The purpose of this project is to complete phase 3 of a multi-year capital improvement campaign, which will include renovations and a re-design of the center to expand resident capacity and facilitate patient-centered care. Certification letter can be found [here](#).

Teach for America STEM Educators

\$1,000,000

Teach for America – statewide

The purpose of this project is to support the recruitment, training, development, and retention of high-quality underrepresented teachers in STEM subjects to serve in disadvantaged classrooms in Delaware.

Certification letter can be found [here](#).