

COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING RESOURCE GUIDE

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Hello,

The following resource guide explains Community Project Funding (CPF), one avenue of federal funding for state and local needs that comes directly from Congress through the House Appropriations Committee.

This guide provides an overview of CPFs, the types of projects eligible for CPF funding, frequently asked questions, my staff's contact information and a brief overview of alternative federal funding sources. It is based on the current information about how CPFs will work for the federal government's Fiscal Year 2027 (October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027).

My office and I welcome your recommendations on CPF requests that will benefit the communities I serve in Congress. Under our current rules, any such project should: 1) be located in and serve my congressional district (New Hampshire's Second Congressional District); 2) fill a clear and present need in the community; 3) be administered by an eligible nonprofit organization, state government, county government or publicly owned entity; and 4) enjoy significant support from the community.

As you prepare your requests, please keep in mind that my office will receive far more CPF requests than can be fulfilled. As a result, many deserving, appropriate and eligible projects will not be provided federal assistance through the CPF process. That is why it is extremely important that every project and requestor pursue federal grant and governmental funding opportunities where available.

Thank you for your interest in the CPF process. I look forward to working with you wherever possible to secure federal funding to help meet our Granite State needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maggie Goodlander". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Congresswoman Maggie Goodlander
New Hampshire Second District

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Overview of Community Project Funding

Community Project Funding (CPF) allows Members of Congress to request direct federal funding for specific projects benefiting the communities they represent. The funds are provided through the annual appropriations bills drafted by the House Committee on Appropriations. These funds can finance a wide variety of public projects and activities, including the construction and renovation of facilities, the expansion of existing programs and funds needed to support the planning and design of future initiatives.

Congress did not allow funding like this from 2011 through 2020. However, in 2021 Members on both sides of the aisle agreed to lift the moratorium and restore the ability of Members to directly fund local needs. The Committee's updated guidelines included increased transparency and accountability rules to prevent abuse.

There is no guarantee that CPFs will continue in the future, but this guide is prepared using the best information available at this time based on the expectation that they will continue.

Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria

Ban on For-Profit Recipients.

For-profit entities cannot receive CPF. All requests must be directed to a unit of government or non-profit entity.

State, Local or Tribal governmental Entities as Grantees

Members are encouraged to support public entities as primary grantees.

Non-Profits as Grantees

For CPF requests directed to non-profit organizations, Members must provide evidence that the recipient is a nonprofit organization by either supplying the Employer Identification Number or an Internal Revenue Service determination letter. Since FY 2025, the number of accounts that non-profits are eligible to apply for has decreased.

One-Year Funding

Requests cannot include multiyear funding. However, the performance period will depend on the appropriations account from which the project is funded and may be longer than one year.

Matching Requirements

Several federal CPF projects will require a cost match. The Appropriations Committee **will not** waive these matching requirements. This does not mean that matching funds must be in-hand prior to requesting a project but CPF recipients must have a plan to meet such requirements for such a project to be viable.

Community Support

Members are required to provide evidence of community engagement and support. Community support is crucial to determining which projects should receive federal funding. Examples of community support include, but are not limited to:

1. Letters of support from elected community leaders (e.g. state legislator, mayor, councilmembers or other officials);
2. Press articles highlighting the need for the requested CPF;
3. Support from newspaper editorial boards;
4. Projects listed on official state plans, community development plans or other publicly available planning documents; or
5. Resolutions passed by the county council or a government board.

These are intended to be examples of the type of information that may be presented to the Appropriations Committee. It is not an exhaustive list.

Public Transparency and Accountability

Mandatory Audit

All CPFs are subject to an audit by the independent Government Accountability Office.

Financial Disclosure

All Members requesting projects must sign and provide to the Appropriations Committee for each proposal a financial disclosure certification stating that they do not have any financial interest in the projects they request, nor do any of their immediate family members.

Request in Writing

Any Member requesting a CPF must do so in writing. This request will include the Member's name, the name and location of the intended recipient and the purpose of the project.

Requests Posted Online

All CPF requests will be posted online by Members. You may find Congresswoman Goodlander's disclosures here: <https://goodlander.house.gov/services/request-federal-funding/>

- The information that Members must post online includes:
 - Proposed recipient (legal name along with tax status);
 - Address of the recipient;
 - Project title and description;
 - Amount of the request;
 - Explanation of request, including purpose and justification for why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds; and
 - Member's signed financial disclosure stating there is no conflict of interest.

Limit on Number of Requests

Members are able to submit up to 20 projects for Fiscal Year 2027. This number could change in the future. Additionally, there is no assurance that any or all CPF requests submitted by Members will be approved by the Appropriations Committee in the amounts requested or at all.

Eligible Accounts and Guidelines

Members will be able to submit requests in the following “accounts” (programs) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2027. Below is a list of the announced accounts, followed by a more detailed description of each account, details on any non-federal cost share requirements and any restrictions on eligible projects.

Summary List of CPF Accounts

- Department of Agriculture–Farm Production and Conservation Programs
 - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)–Conservation Operations
- Department of Agriculture – Research, Education, and Economics
 - Agricultural Research Service (ARS)–Buildings and Facilities
- Department of Agriculture–Rural Development
 - Rural Housing Service (Community Facilities)
 - Rural Utilities Service (Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants)
 - Rural Utilities Service (Rural Water and Waste Disposal Grants)
 - ~~Rural Utilities Service (ReConnect Program)~~ (CUT)
- Department of Commerce
 - National Institute for Science and Technology (NIST)—Scientific and Technical Research
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)—Coastal Zone Management
- Department of Justice
 - Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment
 - Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration
 - Safety, Security and Mission Services
- Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works)
 - Investigations
 - Construction
 - Mississippi River and Tributaries
 - Operation and Maintenance
- Department of the Interior/Bureau of Reclamation
 - Water and Related Resources
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
 - Federal Assistance—Emergency Operation Center Grants
 - Federal Assistance—Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants
- Environmental Protection Agency

- o State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG)—Clean Water State Revolving Fund
 - o STAG—Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
- Department of Health and Human Services (**NEW**)
 - o Health Resources and Services Administration
- Military Construction
 - o Army
 - o Army National Guard Army Reserve
 - o Navy & Marine Corps Navy Reserve
 - o Air Force and Space Force Air National Guard
 - o Air Force Reserve
 - o DoD, Defense-Wide
- Department of Housing and Urban Development
 - o Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)—Economic Development Initiatives
- Department of Transportation
 - o Airport Improvement Program
 - o Highway Infrastructure Projects
 - o Transit Infrastructure Projects
 - o Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements
 - o Port Infrastructure Development Program

Detailed Account Descriptions

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies

- **Department of Agriculture—Farm Production and Conservation Programs**
 - o **NRCS—Conservation Operations.** The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) supports private landowners, conservation districts, and other organizations to conserve, maintain, and improve the Nation’s natural resources. Examples of specific objectives include reducing soil erosion, improving soil health, enhancing water supplies, improving water quality, increasing wildlife habitat, and reducing damage caused by floods and other natural disasters.
 - Please provide details on the work to be done, including if the project will conduct surveys, investigations, or research, and if there is a plan to publish the results of any such work. Members should also describe any preventive measures to be taken, such as engineering operations, methods of cultivation, or changes in use of land.
 - Purchase of land and/or fixed equipment are not eligible activities.
 - Projects must have a direct tie to agriculture and/or farmland.
 - The State Conservationist is a valuable resource to answer program questions, including eligibility.
 - House CPFs in the account averaged about \$1.3 million in FY26.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, local and Tribal organizations or conservation districts. Non-profit organizations are not eligible.
- **Department of Agriculture – Research, Education, and Economics**
 - o **ARS—Buildings and Facilities.** The ARS owns and operates laboratories and facilities across the United States. Many of these laboratories/facilities are decades old, have outlived their functional lifespan, and 6 are badly in need of major repairs, renovation, or replacement. Requests can assist in the acquisition of land, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as

necessary to carry out the agricultural research programs of the Department of Agriculture. Please provide details on the research to be conducted, why the research is a high priority, as well as details on the modernization and why it is critical in carrying out the research.

- **Eligible Entities:** Facility requests must be for ARS-owned facilities or for facilities that are already partnering with ARS. Universities seeking new agricultural and/or veterinary facilities or labs are not eligible. Requested funding for new facilities that do not have an existing ARS tie will not be considered.

- **Department of Agriculture–Rural Development**

- **Rural Housing Service (Community Facilities).** Grants to purchase, construct, or improve essential community facilities, to purchase equipment, and pay other related project expenses. Examples of eligible projects include but are not limited to: town halls, police or fire departments, and public works vehicles. Project requests for non-essential facilities such as community gardens or museums will not be considered. Priority will be given to essential projects, such as those focused on public health and safety.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Non-profit recipients in rural areas including cities, villages, townships and Federally Recognized Tribal lands with no more than 20,000 residents.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** Specified in [7 CFR 3570.63\(b\)](#).
 - **Restrictions:** Cannot be used to pay initial operating expenses or annual recurring expenses, refinance existing debt, pay interest, build or repair facilities in non-rural areas or pay for construction costs of facilities that will be used for commercial rental space.
- **Rural Utilities Service (Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants).** The Distance Learning and Telemedicine program (DLT) helps rural residents better utilize the enormous potential of modern telecommunications and the internet for education and healthcare, two critical components of economic and community development. The DLT program helps rural communities acquire the technology and training necessary to connect educational and medical professionals with students, teachers, and patients in rural areas. Grants may be used for audio and video equipment, broadband facilities that support distance learning or telemedicine (not actual broadband), computer hardware or network components/software, and acquisition of instructional programming. Subject to regulations in [7 CFR Part 1734](#).
 - **Eligible Entities:** The program is intended to serve rural areas with populations of 20,000 or less. Nonprofit recipients will not be considered.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 15% of overall project cost.
- **Rural Utilities Service (Rural Water and Waste Disposal Grants).** The Water and Waste Disposal Grant Program may be used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and disposal; sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and storm water collection, transmission, and closure. Please provide details on the number of households and businesses served and details of the exact work to be completed.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Eligible entities include rural areas and towns with a population of 10,000 or less and Tribal lands in rural areas. Potential recipients will be required to provide a 25% non-federal cost share. Nonprofit recipients will not be considered.

- **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 25% of overall project cost.
- ~~**Rural Utilities Service (ReConnect Program).** ReConnect broadband pilot grants facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. Grant funds can be used for the costs of construction, improvement or acquisition of facilities and equipment needed to provide broadband service to rural areas without sufficient broadband access, defined as 25 Mbps downstream and 3 Mbps upstream.~~
 - ~~Eligible Entities:~~ Public entities or non-profit organizations in rural areas that lack sufficient access to broadband service.
 - ~~Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:~~ 25% of overall project cost.
 - ~~Restrictions:~~ Stand-alone middle-mile projects are generally ineligible unless they are needed to bring sufficient broadband service to all premises in the area.

Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies

• Department of Commerce

- **NIST—Scientific and Technical Research.** Funding must be for activities consistent with, and supportive of, NIST’s mission and aligned with one or more of the functions and activities described in [15 USC 272](#), such as STEM education activities, scientific research or other activities that support American manufacturing and industry.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Public entities or non-profit colleges and universities.
 - **Restrictions:** Funding for building construction or renovation projects is not an eligible use.
- **NOAA—Coastal Zone Management.** Funding must be for activities consistent with, and supportive of, NOAA’s mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 ([16 USC 1451](#) et seq.).
 - **Eligible Entities:** Public entities or non-profit colleges and universities.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** Subject to any applicable requirements by law under the Coastal Zone Management Program.

• Department of Justice

- **COPS Technology and Equipment.** Funding must be aligned with the purposes of section 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)). As such, the Chairman will consider projects to develop and/or acquire technologies and equipment, including interoperable communications technologies, modernized criminal record technology, and forensic technology, to assist state, Tribal, and local law enforcement agencies, including by reorienting the emphasis of their activities from reacting to crime to preventing crime and training law enforcement officers to use such technologies.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, Tribal and local law enforcement agencies.
 - **Restrictions:** Funding may not be used for building construction or renovation projects.
- **Byrne Justice Assistance Grants.** Funding must be for activities consistent with, and supportive of, the Office of Justice Programs’ mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 ([34 U.S.C. 10152](#)).
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, Tribal and local law enforcement agencies. Law enforcement focused non-profit recipients may be eligible. Applicants should

demonstrate that the purpose of the project is to further law enforcement objectives and that the recipient will partner with law enforcement in executing the project. Such projects will be closely examined.

- **Restrictions:** Funding may not be used for security enhancements or equipment to any non-governmental entity, or for luxury items, real estate, construction projects (other than penal or correctional institutions), vehicles, vessels or aircraft (excluding police cruisers, police boats and police helicopters). Additionally, the Appropriations Committee will not support any initiatives that involve the distribution of drug paraphernalia, initiatives that could undermine the 2nd Amendment or infringe upon rights guaranteed by the Constitution without due process of law, initiatives that appear to be anti-law enforcement or unrelated to criminal justice and larger projects for the construction or renovation of penal or correctional institutions that will exceed the capability of single-year funding.
- **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)**
 - **Safety, Security and Mission Services.** Funding must be for activities advancing the purposes described in [51 USC 20102](#). Projects should focus on science, education, research, and technology development related to NASA’s mission.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Public entities or non-profit colleges or universities.
 - **Restrictions:** Building construction, renovation projects and medical research projects are not eligible.

Energy and Water Development

- **Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works)***
 - **Investigations**
 - **Construction**
 - **Mississippi River and Tributaries**
 - **Operation and Maintenance**
- **Department of the Interior/Bureau of Reclamation**
 - **Water and Related Resources.** Funds construction and maintenance of most of the large dams and water diversion structures in the 17 conterminous U.S. states west of the Mississippi River.

**Army Corps of Engineers Projects must be already specifically authorized by law.*

Homeland Security

- **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**
 - **Federal Assistance—Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs).** FEMA’s EOC grants improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, strategically located, and fully interoperable EOCs with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs. According to the National Fire Protection Association, an EOC is defined as a “facility or capability from which direction and control is exercised in an emergency. This type of center or capability is designated to ensure that the capacity exists for leadership to direct and control operations from a centralized

facility or capability in the event of an emergency.”

- **Eligible Entities:** State or local governments. Each project request must be accompanied by a letter from the respective State or Territorial Administrative Agency, or Tribal government, to be considered for funding.
- **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 25% of overall project cost.
- **Restrictions:** Must meet FEMA’s requirements as detailed in the most recent [NOFO](#) for the competitive EOC Grant Program (see section on Funding Restrictions and Allowable Costs).
- **Federal Assistance—Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM).** FEMA’s PDM grants assist state, local, Tribal, and territorial governments with planning and implementing sustainable, cost-effective measures to provide long-term, permanent risk reduction to individuals and property from future natural hazards, such as floods and wildfires, while reducing reliance on federal funding for future disasters.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State or local governments.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 10% of overall project cost for small impoverished communities; otherwise, 25% of overall project cost. Each project request must be accompanied by a letter from the respective State or Territorial Administrative Agency, or Tribal government, to be considered for funding.
 - **Restrictions:** Must meet FEMA’s requirements in the most recent [NOFO](#) for the PDM program. Project must also be consistent with the current FEMA-approved multi-hazard mitigation plan and requesting entity must be able to provide a [Benefit-Cost Analysis](#).

Interior, Environment and Related Agencies

- **Environmental Protection Agency**
 - **STAG—Clean Water State Revolving Fund.** Projects must meet the eligibility criteria of the relevant Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund program, including for purposes authorized by federal law and all underlying federal requirements pursuant to Title VI of the Clean Water Act.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Public entities; non-profits will be considered on a limited case-by-case basis.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 20% of overall project cost.
 - **Restrictions:** Project must not benefit resorts, golf courses, athletic fields, park amenities, gardens or similar projects. See full eligibility guidelines [here](#).
 - **STAG—Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.** Projects must meet the eligibility criteria of the relevant Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program, including for purposes authorized by federal law and all underlying federal requirements pursuant to Section 1452 of the Safe Water Drinking Act.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Public entities; non-profits will be considered on a limited case-by-case basis.

- **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 20% of overall project cost.
- **Restrictions:** Project must not benefit resorts, golf courses, athletic fields, park amenities, gardens or similar projects. See full eligibility guidelines [here](#).

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies (NEW this year)

- **Department of Health and Human Services**
 - **Health Resources and Services Administration.** Requests within the HRSA-Wide Activities and Program Support account must fall under the following category:
 - **Health Facilities Construction and Equipment—**Requests for the cost of limited-scope construction, renovation, or capital equipment purchase for facilities for health, mental health, or substance use disorder services, training of health professionals, or medical research. In addition to construction and renovation, CPF funding can be used to acquire capital equipment, such as lab equipment, x-ray machines, or telehealth and information technology. Equipment-only CPF requests not involving construction are permissible. Generally, any equipment having a useful life of more than one year and a unit cost of at least \$5,000 will be eligible as capital equipment. In addition, equipment with lower costs may also be eligible, if it is treated as an item of capital expense under the recipient institution’s pre-existing, written accounting policies. Equipment expenses for health information systems and electronic medical records systems are permitted expenditures, software licenses or operating fees are not eligible. The costs of expendable supplies such as pharmaceuticals, lab chemicals, or office paper are not eligible. For more information on construction and equipment requests, see: <https://www.hrsa.gov/grants/manage-your-grant/training/community-project-funding-congressionally-directed>.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, local, and Tribal governments; nonprofits that are certified rural health clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, designed Critical Access Hospitals; or hospitals located in areas that meet [HRSA’s definition of rural](#).
 - **Restrictions:** HRSA Health Facilities funding cannot be used to acquire land or purchase existing buildings, or to pay salaries or other operating costs. Funding cannot be used to pay for work previously completed. Requests can be used for architectural and engineering costs associated with an eligible construction project but cannot be used for general feasibility studies. Finally, a General Provision prohibits the award of funding for projects to expend funds for any abortion.
 - **Requirements:** Requests must include a basic budget that clearly describes how the funds will be used for specific purposes to achieve the project’s goals. HRSA CPF recipients may not sub-grant to other organizations or agencies.

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies

- **Military Construction.** All requests, including for design and minor construction, must be included on an unfunded requirements/unfunded priorities list (UFR/UPL) submitted to Congress by a military service, combatant command, or the Office of the Under Secretary for Research and Engineering, or have an existing active authorization from a prior National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). Projects suggested by an installation or unit commander not included on the documents above will not be accepted. In addition, requested projects must meet the following criteria:
 - Be included on an unfunded requirements/unfunded priorities list from a military service or combatant command or the FY 2026 – FY 2029 Future Years Defense Program.
 - Have at least 35 percent of its design completed.

- Able to be obligated in FY 2027.
- Submitted to the House Armed Services Committee for inclusion in the FY 2027 National Defense Authorization Act or previously authorized.
- Have a DD Form 1391, which is DoD’s justification for military construction projects.

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies

- **Department of Housing and Urban Development**
 - **CDBG–Economic Development Initiatives.** Project requests for the FY 2027 Economic Development Initiative program must be consistent with the goals of one or more of the following eligible uses of the Community Development Fund (CDF): 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4), and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5). These statutory eligibilities focus on land or site acquisition, demolition, or rehabilitation; blight removal; and construction and capital improvements of public facilities, except for “buildings used for the general conduct of government.”
 - **Eligible Entities:** State and local government entities, and public colleges and universities.
 - **Restrictions:** Healthcare facilities; museums, commemoratives and memorials; swimming pools, water parks, ski slopes and golf courses; venues strictly for entertainment purposes, such as theaters, amphitheaters, fairgrounds and performing arts centers; strictly research, operational or planning activities; and buildings for the general conduct of government (courthouses, post offices, city halls) are not eligible for funding.
- **Department of Transportation**
 - **Airport Improvement Program (AIP).** AIP CPF requests are intended to enhance airport safety, capacity and security and environmental concerns. All projects must be AIP eligible in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq. and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) policy and guidance; included in the FAA’s National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems; supported broadly by local stakeholders, including residents, businesses and elected officials; and administered by an airport and/or airport sponsor.
 - **Eligible Entities:** Airports or airport sponsors.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** For large and medium primary hub airports, 25% (or 20% for noise program implementation). For small primary, reliever and general aviation airports, a range of 5-10% of eligible costs, based on statutory requirements.
 - **Highway Infrastructure Projects.** Capital projects eligible under Title 23 of the United States Code. Eligible projects are described under 23 U.S.C 133, as amended by title III of division A of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Tribal and territorial capital projects authorized under Chapters 1 and 2 of Title 23, United States Code, are also eligible.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, local or Tribal entities.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** Calculated on a sliding scale. The requirements are defined in statute and vary based on activity, location and

- other factors.
 - **Restrictions:** Projects administrative in nature are not eligible even if they are eligible under the statutory citation. These include general operating expenses and planning activities required under 23 U.S.C. 134-135.
- **Transit Infrastructure Projects.** Public transportation capital projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code. Eligible capital projects are described under 49 U.S.C. 5302(4). All projects must be transit capital projects or project-specific planning/design for a transit capital project and supported by the state, local governmental authority, or Tribal government that would administer the project. Inclusion on a Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan or Transportation Improvement Plan would satisfy this requirement.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, local or Tribal entities.
 - **Restrictions:** Projects administrative in nature are not eligible even if they are eligible under the statutory citation. These include but are not limited to general operating expenses, joint development projects, and planning activities authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5303, 5304, and 5305. Eligible projects do not include intercity passenger rail transportation, intercity bus service, charter bus service, school bus service, sightseeing service, courtesy shuttle service for patrons of one or more specific establishments or intra-terminal or intra-facility shuttle services.
- **Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI).** Rail infrastructure projects are capital projects eligible under the CRISI program authorized in 49 U.S.C. 22907. CRISI provides grants to assist in financing the cost of improving passenger and freight rail transportation systems. All projects must be rail capital projects or systems planning for a rail capital project.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, local or Tribal entities eligible under the CRISI Program.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** 20% of overall project cost.
 - **Restrictions:** The subcommittee will not fund activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. These include but are not limited to general operating expenses, rail-related research and workforce activities. Please note that while planning projects are eligible, projects that are solely planning in nature will be highly scrutinized.
- **Port Infrastructure Development Program.** Projects eligible under 46 U.S.C. 54301, as amended by title XXXV of division C of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025.
 - **Eligible Entities:** State, local or Tribal entities eligible under the program.
 - **Non-Federal Cost Share Requirements:** Detailed in 46 U.S.C. 54301(a)(8) and 54301(b). There are potential exceptions for small and rural area ports.
 - **Restrictions:** Prohibited uses are outlined here.

Frequently Asked Questions

How does Congresswoman Goodlander decide which requests to support?

Given the Appropriations Committee's limits on the number of CPF requests that each Member may sponsor, Congresswoman Goodlander utilizes a three-pronged approach when determining whether to support a proposed project, which includes 1) consulting with New Hampshire state and county governments and neighborhood boards, non-profit organizations and other community groups and individual constituents, 2) applying her own knowledge and understanding of the District's needs and 3) considering whether the project could obtain federal funding through other means, or whether CPF offers the only practical avenue for federal funding of worthy projects. She also focuses on one-time needs as opposed to normal annual funding assistance.

Do I need to provide a detailed budget for the proposed project?

Yes. The Appropriations Committee requires that Members include a detailed budget breakout in their formal submission to the Committee specifically describing how the requested funding would be used. For example, amounts for salaries for providers or instructors, educational materials, exhibits, supplies, evaluation activities, equipment, construction materials, travel costs, etc.

Do our Senators also support CPFs?

The Senate has a similar funding process that is called "Congressionally Directed Spending." While the House and Senate generally synchronize the list of eligible accounts, there will be some difference between the two chambers. The House and Senate Appropriations Committees will each make their lists of eligible accounts available on their respective websites before any submission deadlines.

Which CPF account is my project eligible for?

All available House CPF accounts, including eligibility requirements and restrictions can be found in the guide above.

Can I submit a request to more than one Congressional Office?

Yes, please just note that in your submission.

Can a town/city submit more than one request for different projects?

Yes. However, please only submit one request per project. In short, don't apply for a CPF in two different accounts for the same project. Please pick the one that best fits your project description.

Where can I learn more?

- *House Appropriations Committee guidelines*
<https://appropriations.house.gov/fy27-member-requests/fy27-guidance-overview>
- *Congresswoman Goodlander's Appropriations webpage*
<https://goodlander.house.gov/services/request-federal-funding/>
- *Examples of projects supported by Congresswoman Goodlander in the past*
<https://goodlander.house.gov/services/request-federal-funding/community-project-funding/>
- *Overview of the Appropriations process from the Congressional Research Service*
<https://www.congress.gov/crs-product/R47106>

Contacting My Staff

The deadline to submit requests for FY 2027 will be March 6, 2026 at 11:59PM. Please submit all FY 2027 appropriations requests online at <https://goodlander.house.gov/services/request-federal-funding/>

For specific questions, please reach out to Congresswoman Goodlander's Office:

223 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
202-225-5206

Alternative Federal Funding Options

The CPF process is highly competitive, and while there are many worthy projects that deserve support, funding limitations prevent many from receiving funding through the Congressional appropriations process. However, it is important to note that CPF represents only a small fraction of the discretionary funding available through competitive grants, loans and other opportunities.

Below are a number of useful resources to explore other federal funding opportunities. Each Congressional office has staff dedicated to assisting organizations with seeking and applying for grants; you are strongly encouraged to contact your Congressional representatives to discuss how you can access any assistance from your federal elected officials.

Key Resources

[Grants.gov](#)

Looking for other federal funding opportunities? On the Grants.gov website, organizations can search and apply for competitive grants from 26 different federal agencies. Grants can be searched by agency, type of applicants, intended purposes and more.

[Sam.gov](#)

The official U.S. government website for people who make, receive and manage federal awards.

[GovLoans.gov](#)

Interested in finding out which loans or benefits you may be eligible for? Here you can learn more about federal loans, determine which loans may be right for you and more.

[Benefits.gov](#)

This tool will help you figure out what government benefits you may be eligible for. It also provides information on how to apply for these programs.

[USA.gov](#)

The official guide to federal government information and services.

Private & Corporate Funding Sources

Candid (formerly the Foundation Center) Grants Space

Gateway to information about private funding sources, the grant seeking process, guidelines on writing a grant proposal, addresses of state libraries with grants reference collections, and links to other useful Internet websites. The Center maintains a comprehensive database on foundations; produces print and electronic directories and guides; conducts research and publishes studies in the field; and offers a variety of training and educational seminars.

- **How do I find grants for my nonprofit?**
- **Proposal Writing Short Course** (also in Spanish, French and other languages)
- **Foundation Information Network** Check for locations at Grants Space, Find Us. Free funding

information available in libraries, community foundations, and other nonprofit centers nationwide, including access to the Foundation Directory Online database.

Grant Resources by State (Grantsmanship Center)

Click on the state map to find links to information about a state's foundations, community foundations, corporate giving programs and the state's home page.

Community Foundations

There are more than 750 community foundations in the U.S., which are grantmaking public charities dedicated to improving the lives of people in a defined local geographic area. The Council on Foundations has a listing of community foundations by state.