

FY 24 Congressional Awards

Congressionally Directed Spending (Senate):

Senators Kaine/Warner: J. P. Singh/Amarda Shehu, Small Business Administration, Administration, \$1,000,000 to help small businesses in Virginia capitalize on AI innovation, improve market performance, and remain competitive through AI innovation.

Senators Kaine/Warner: P.J. Maddox/Caroline Sutter, Health Resources and Service Administration, \$921,000 for regional health workforce development throughout Virginia.

Community Projects (House):

Representative Connolly: Cynthia Lum (CHSS), Department of Justice/Office of Justice Programs, \$296,000 for evidence-based prevention measures at Reagan and Dulles airport metro stations to increase safety at both those stations and their connected airports.

Representative Connolly: Lin Wells (CEC), National Institutes of Standards and Technology, \$961,000 proposal to use AI technology to improve emergency response times and build community resilience for public safety.

Representative Wexton: Peter Plavchan (COS), National Aeronautics and Space Administration, \$980,000 to establish an interdisciplinary space center focused on building career readiness in K-12 STEM graduates centered on modern space exploration.

FY 24 Total Senate and House Awards: \$4.198 Million

FY 23 Congressional Awards

Congressionally Directed Spending (Senate):

Senators Kaine/Warner: Anastasia Kitsantas (CEHD), Department of Education-Fund for the Improvement of Education, \$1,950,000 to recruit and train college students to tutor K-12 students in the Northern Virginia region

Community Projects (House):

Representative Connolly: Christianne Esposito-Smythers (CHSS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, \$943,983 to reduce youth suicide by using evidence-based measures and developing a culturally sensitive evidence-based assessment battery.

Representative Connolly: Amarda Shehu (CEC/SOB), National Institutes of Standards and Technology, \$1,000,000 to provide career-long cybersecurity and IT modernization learning opportunities for federal government.

Representative Wexton: Ali Andalibi/Lance Liotta (COS), Health Resources and Services Administration, \$820,000 to address the rapidly increasing incidence of tick-borne illnesses through diagnostic testing leading to improved early intervention that can reduce needless illness.

Representative Wexton: Rebecca Sutter (CHHS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, \$1,037,519 to address substance use disorder through multi-sector partnerships and greater linkages between public health and criminal justice partners to develop effective interventions and improve treatment success.

FY 23 Total Senate and House Awards: \$5.75 Million

FY 22 Congressional Awards

Congressional Directed Spending (Senate):

Senators Kaine/Warner: Cynthia Lum and Sue Ming Yang (CHSS), Department of Justice–Byrne Grants, \$1.483 million for police training on handling mental health related incidents.

Senators Kaine/Warner: Allison Ward Parsons (CEHD), Department of Education-Fund for the Improvement of Education, \$1.83 million for a literacy center.

Community Projects (House):

Representative Connolly: Jim Kinter (COS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, \$1.979 million for a Virginia Climate Center.

Representative Connolly: Becky Sutter (CHHS), Health Resources and Services Administration, \$1.15 million for nursing workforce education and training.

Representative Wexton: Jessica Rosenberg (COS), Department of Education-Fund for the Improvement of Education, \$650,000 for K-12 Quantum Science education.

FY 22 Total Senate and House Awards: \$7.063 Million

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