



FISCAL YEAR 2027

APPROPRIATIONS HANDBOOK

OFFICE OF SEN. GARY C. PETERS - FY2027 APPROPRIATIONS HANDBOOK

As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Senator Peters helps write the annual legislation that funds federal agencies and programs, reviews the President's budget, conducts oversight of federal spending, and drafts supplemental funding bills. This role allows Senator Peters to advocate for Michigan priorities. Constituents can help shape those priorities by submitting appropriations requests. This handbook explains the two types of requests and how to apply.

All Programmatic and CDS requests are due March 27.
Direct questions to appropriations@peters.senate.gov.

1. **Programmatic Funding Requests**: Most discretionary federal spending is programmatic. These requests ask Congress to fund an authorized federal program at a specific level or include bill/report language directing how an agency implements a program. Funding may take the form of grants, loans, or statutory formulas. Stakeholders may request changes to funding levels or specific legislative/report language. You must identify the relevant Appropriations Subcommittee (see [Subcommittee jurisdiction guide](#)). Submit a separate form for each request.

[SUBMIT HERE: FY2027 SENATOR PETERS PROGRAMMATIC REQUEST FORM](#)

2. **Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Requests**: Senator Peters will accept CDS requests for high-impact public projects in Michigan eligible under an appropriations account and compliant with all laws and rules.

Eligible applicants: municipalities, villages, townships, counties, tribal governments, and publicly funded institutions (including state universities). **Not eligible**: nonprofits, trade associations, or for-profit entities.

Applicants must certify that CDS funds will not go to, or be used to procure from, entities tied to a "covered nation" (10 U.S.C. 4872(d)(2)). Submission does not guarantee funding. Senator Peters must publicly disclose all CDS requests. Past projects: [FY26](#), FY24 ([here](#) and [here](#)), [FY23](#), [FY22](#). You will be asked for: Total project cost, federal ask, and other funding sources; Specific spending plan; Michigan impact and outcome metrics; Stakeholder support (letters encouraged); Organizational capacity; and Project partners. Identify the correct Subcommittee (and sometimes Account) using this handbook. Submit a separate form for each request.

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After submitting, email evidence of support to appropriations@peters.senate.gov with subject: **[Organization] – [Project Name]**

Important CDS Reminders

- Funding is limited and only for one year.
- Projects must fit eligible accounts.
- Requests are public and subject to GAO audit.
- Many accounts require a local funding match.
- The process is slow; funding may take a year or more.
- Enactment of government funding legislation that includes CDS projects is not guaranteed.
- Your listed point of contact must remain responsive.

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SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **six accounts**:

1. ARS – Buildings & Facilities
2. NIFA – Research & Facilities Act Program
3. APHIS – Salaries & Expenses
4. Watershed & Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO)
5. Rural Development – Community Facilities Grants
6. Rural Development – Distance Learning & Telemedicine (DLT)

These accounts generally support:

- Repairs and maintenance of Agricultural Research Service facilities
- Agricultural pest detection and diagnostics
- Watershed projects
- Essential community facilities in rural areas

Account #1 — ARS Buildings & Facilities (B&F)

What this funds

- Repairs and maintenance to existing ARS labs and facilities

What this does NOT fund

- New construction

Typical award

- \$500,000 – \$25,000,000 (avg. \$5.9M)

Past Successful Examples

- Deferred maintenance at Arid Land Ag Research Center (\$1.48M)
- Repairs at National Poultry Research Center (\$1M)

Account #2 – NIFA Research & Facilities Act Program (RFAP)

What this funds

- Constructing, purchasing, updating, renovating, or modifying agricultural research buildings to conduct research in the areas of agriculture and food sciences

Key requirement

- Applicants must be land grant universities, non-land-grant colleges of agriculture, or other eligible entities as defined by [7 U.S.C. 6971\(f\)\(1\)\(C\)](#)
- Recipients must provide a 100% non-federal match for any award
- Not more than 3 percent of CDS funding shall pay for administrative costs

Typical award

- \$500,000 – \$5,535,000 (avg. \$1.9M)

Past successful Examples

- Center for grain and food innovation at land grant university (\$5.5M)

Account #3 — APHIS Salaries & Expenses (S&E)

Best-fit project types

- Agricultural and rangeland pest control
- Pest detection and plant protection methods
- Specialty crop and forest pest protection (ALB, EAB, gypsy moth, SHB)
- Wildlife damage management and wildlife methods research
- Veterinary diagnostics and livestock health

Special requirements

- Must comply with [NEPA](#)/ESA
- Some programs require cost-share:
 - Grasshopper/Mormon Cricket: 100% federal (federal land) / 50% (state land) / 33% (private land)
 - Wildlife Services Methods: generally 50/50

Typical award

- \$40,000 – \$7,000,000 (avg. \$1.1M)

Past Successful Examples

- Wild horse management (\$500k)
- Tick/pathogen monitoring (\$247k)

Account #4 — Watershed & Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO)

What this funds

Authorized watershed projects for:

- Flood prevention
- Water quality
- Ag water management
- Municipal/industrial water supply
- Fish, wildlife, recreation

Critical requirement

- At least 20% of project benefits must be agriculture-related

You must do this first

- Contact a [Michigan NRCS field office](#) to confirm eligibility

Typical award

- \$55,000 – \$9,050,000 (avg. \$1.7M)

Account #5 — Rural Development: Community Facilities (CF) Grants

What this funds

Construction, equipment, or improvement of essential community facilities:

- Clinics, town halls, fire/police, courthouses, childcare
- Public works vehicles, distance learning equipment, community centers

What this does NOT fund

- Recreation facilities
- Business/entrepreneur facilities
- Operating costs
- Reimbursement for completed projects

Critical requirements

- Match required (sliding scale)
- Town must be under 20,000 population
- Must contact [Michigan Rural Development](#) before applying
- [NEPA](#) required

Match Rules

Population	Income Level (vs. state nonmetro median household income)	CDS Can Cover
≤ 5,000	≤ 60%	75%
≤ 12,000	≤ 70%	55%
≤ 20,000	≤ 80%	35%
≤ 20,000	≤ 90%	15%

Typical award

- \$17,000 – \$5,000,000 (avg. \$1.1M)

Examples

- Sand/salt shed (\$121k)
- Fire tanker replacement (\$278k)
- Community center/town office (\$2.3M)

Account #6 — Rural Development: Distance Learning & Telemedicine (DLT)**What this funds**

Technology connecting rural providers to students/patients:

- Video/audio equipment
- Network hardware/software
- Telemedicine/distance learning equipment

What this does NOT fund

- Broadband deployment

Requirements

- 15% non-federal match
- Must contact [Michigan Rural Development State Office](#) first
- See [7 CFR 1734](#)

Typical award

- \$113,000 – \$1,000,000 (avg. \$544k)

Examples

- Rural telemedicine expansion (\$163k)
- Telehealth services expansion (\$400k)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **six accounts**:

1. NIST — Scientific & Technical Research Services (STRS), External Projects
2. NIST — Construction of Research Facilities (Extramural Construction)
3. NOAA — Operations, Research & Facilities (ORF), Special Projects
4. DOJ — Byrne Discretionary (State & Local Law Enforcement Assistance)
5. DOJ COPS — Law Enforcement Technology & Equipment
6. NASA — Safety, Security & Mission Support

These accounts generally support:

- Scientific research and technology development
- Environmental, ocean, and climate research
- Law enforcement technology and public safety
- Criminal justice initiatives
- Space-related research and STEM education

Account #1 — NIST: Scientific & Technical Research Services (STRS) – External Projects

What this funds

- Standards-related research
- Technology development
- STEM education
- Research supporting American manufacturing and industry

Does NOT fund

- Vehicles
- Construction or renovation

Key requirement

- Must align with NIST's mission (justify if not clearly aligned)

Typical award

- \$233,000 – \$10,000,000 (avg. \$2.58M)

Examples

- Wireless mobility test system (\$3M)
- Quantum research equipment upgrades (\$2.5M)
- Biopharma manufacturing equipment (\$4M)

Account #2 — NIST: Construction of Research Facilities (Extramural Construction)

What this funds

- Construction or renovation of research facilities at universities and research institutions

Important

- Highly competitive; few projects funded

Key requirement

- Must align with NIST's mission

Typical award

- \$3.1M – \$28M (avg. \$11.46M)

Examples

- Cancer research facility (\$28M)
- Concrete mitigation research expansion (\$4M)
- Library renovation (\$2.6M)

Account #3 — NOAA: Operations, Research & Facilities (ORF) – Special Projects

What this funds

- Fisheries, marine, climate, weather, and atmospheric research
- Demonstration and education projects
- Geographically specific NOAA initiatives

Does NOT fund

- Construction
- Vehicles
- Building renovation

Key requirement

- Must align with NOAA's mission and existing authorities

Typical award

- \$106,000 – \$6,000,000 (avg. \$1.49M)

Examples

- Water monitoring upgrades (\$1.5M)
- Coastal instrumentation improvements (\$4M)
- Harbor sediment study (\$400k)

Account #4 — DOJ: Byrne Discretionary (State & Local Law Enforcement Assistance)

What this funds

- Crime prevention initiatives
- Criminal justice improvements
- Victim services
- Public safety programming

Does NOT fund

- Land acquisition
- Construction

Key requirements

- Costs must be reasonable, allocable, and necessary
- Must align with DOJ mission

Typical award

- \$10,000 – \$4.2M (avg. \$716k)

Examples

- Body-worn cameras (\$1M)
- Gun violence reduction program (\$500k)
- Police social worker program (\$675k)

Account #5 — DOJ COPS: Law Enforcement Technology & Equipment**Who may apply**

- State, local, tribal, and territorial governments
- Police and sheriff's departments

What this funds

- Crime prevention technology
- Interoperable communications systems
- Equipment and support systems

Historically does NOT fund

- Vehicles
- Construction or renovation

Caution

- Avoid requests involving high long-term maintenance costs

Typical award

- \$8,000 – \$4.88M (avg. \$715k)

Examples

- Public safety communications equipment (\$500k)
- New communications system (\$2.1M)
- 911 radio upgrade (\$2.18M)

Account #6 — NASA: Safety, Security & Mission Support**What this funds**

- Science education
- Research and technology development aligned with NASA's mission
- Equipment and education programs

Does NOT fund

- Construction
- Medical research
- Projects at NASA Visitor Centers
- State Space Grant Consortia projects

Typical award

- \$90,000 – \$10,000,000 (avg. \$1.75M)

Examples

- Cleanroom classroom equipment (\$195k)
- Advanced Air Mobility education program (\$2.9M)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **seven accounts**:

1. Corps of Engineers — Investigations
2. Corps of Engineers — Construction
3. Corps of Engineers — Operation & Maintenance (O&M)
4. Corps of Engineers — Mississippi River & Tributaries (MR&T): Investigations
5. Corps of Engineers — MR&T: Construction
6. Corps of Engineers — MR&T: Operation & Maintenance
7. Department of Energy — Energy Projects

These accounts generally support:

- Authorized Army Corps water resource projects
- Flood control and navigation
- Dam safety and ecosystem restoration
- Renewable, clean energy, and energy resiliency initiatives

Account #1 — Corps of Engineers: Investigations

What this funds

- Studies for authorized projects
- Preconstruction engineering and design

Key requirement

- Project must already be authorized by Congress

Typical award

- \$200,000 – \$1.2M (avg. \$556k)

Examples

- River deepening study (\$600k)
- Harbor improvements (\$1.5M)
- Ecosystem restoration/storm risk study (\$600k)

Account #2 — Corps of Engineers: Construction

What this funds

- New and ongoing construction
- Environmental infrastructure assistance
- Major rehabilitation
- Dam safety assurance
- Dredge material disposal facilities
- Deficiency corrections

Key requirement

- Project must already be authorized by Congress

Typical award

- \$50,000 – \$120M (avg. \$7.46M)

Examples

- Floodplain management services (\$300k)
- Riverfront restoration (\$100k)
- Flood protection system (\$2M)

Account #3 — Corps of Engineers: Operation & Maintenance (O&M)

What this funds

- Operation and maintenance of existing Corps water resource projects (e.g., dams, navigation channels, harbors)

Key requirement

- Project must already be authorized by Congress

Typical award

- \$8,000 – \$36.5M (avg. \$4.52M)

Examples

- Great Lakes harbor work (\$922k)
- Hydroelectric dam work (\$250k)

Accounts #4–6 — Corps: Mississippi River & Tributaries (MR&T)

These accounts mirror the Corps Investigations, Construction, and O&M accounts above, but apply specifically to projects on the **Mississippi River main stem and its tributaries**.

What this funds

- Investigations (studies, design)
- Construction
- Operation & maintenance

Key requirement

- Project must already be authorized by Congress

Typical award

- \$300,000 – \$28M (avg. \$13.9M)

Examples

- Basin water resource improvements (\$1.4M)
- Mississippi River basin project (\$15.7M)

Account #7 — Department of Energy: Energy Projects

What this funds

- Renewable and clean energy projects
- Energy resiliency and grid security
- Cybersecurity and energy security
- Nuclear energy projects

- Fossil energy and carbon management
- Transformative or emerging energy technologies

Does NOT fund

- Building construction (“brick and mortar”)
- Multi-year projects (must be fully fundable in one request)
- Standard solar panels, battery storage, or lighting upgrades without transformative technology
- EV charging stations unless paired with renewable generation or storage

Cost Sharing Requirements (Section 988, Energy Policy Act of 2005)

Project Type	Minimum Cost Share
Basic/fundamental research	None
Applied research	20%
Demonstration/commercial application	50%

Typical award

- \$80,000 – \$5M (avg. \$1.72M)

Examples

- Biogas turbine system (\$1M)
- Community resiliency hub (\$411k)
- Food/farm waste-to-fuel research (\$1.85M)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **five accounts**:

1. Small Business Administration (SBA) — Administrative Provision
2. National Archives (NARA) — National Historical Publications & Records Commission (NHPRC)
3. National Archives (NARA) — Repair & Restoration
4. General Services Administration (GSA) — Federal Buildings Fund (Construction & Acquisition)
5. Office of National Drug Control Policy — Administrative Provision (Prevention Grants)

These accounts generally support:

- Small business and entrepreneurship initiatives
- Historical records preservation and public access
- Repair and modernization of National Archives facilities
- Construction and remediation of federal buildings

Account #1 — SBA: Administrative Provision

What this funds

- Entrepreneur training and counseling
- Workforce development
- Small business research
- Construction or acquisition of facilities supporting small businesses

Key requirement

- Must clearly demonstrate direct benefit to small businesses and/or entrepreneurs (local, regional, or national impact)

Typical award

- \$50,000 – \$5,000,000 (avg. \$811k)

Examples

- Statewide entrepreneur outreach program (\$115k)
- Rural veterinary clinic incubator center (\$1.2M)
- Textile technology entrepreneurship network (\$950k)

Account #2 — NARA: National Historical Publications & Records Commission (NHPRC)

What this funds

- Online public access to historical records
- Public engagement with archival collections
- Strengthening archival networks
- Documentary editions of historical records

Key requirement

- Must meet [eligibility criteria consistent with existing NHPRC grant programs](#)

Typical award

- \$30,000 – \$17.5M (avg. \$1.43M)

Examples

- Civil rights history access initiative (\$1.43M)
- Digital preservation of state cultural artifacts (\$340k)

Account #3 — NARA: Repair & Restoration

What this funds

- Repair, alteration, and improvement of NARA facilities
- Storage upgrades for archival holdings

Key requirement

- Funds may only be used for repair/restoration of a NARA-owned facility

Typical award

- \$6M – \$7.25M (avg. \$6.63M)

Example

- Modernization of an existing presidential library (\$7.25M)

Account #4 — GSA: Federal Buildings Fund (Construction & Acquisition)

What this funds

- Construction or purchase of federal facilities
- Additions to existing buildings
- Remediation projects

Key requirement

- Must be limited to line items requested by the Administration within the GSA Federal Buildings Fund

Typical award

- Avg. award (FY2025 Senate bill): \$4.5M

Example

- Federal courthouse repairs (\$4M)

Account #5 — ONDCP: Prevention Grants

What this funds:

- Evidence-based drug-related projects such as prevention of substance use disorder
- Building rent and equipment

What this does NOT fund:

- Real property purchases, construction, or renovation

Preferred projects:

- Community-based coalitions that propose data-driven, evidence-based prevention interventions, have measurable objectives

Typical award:

- \$140,00 – \$2.8M (avg. \$786k)

Example

- Youth mental health and substance abuse prevention program at public university

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **five accounts**:

1. EPA — STAG: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (Clean Water CDS)
2. EPA — STAG: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (Drinking Water CDS)
3. Indian Health Service (IHS) — Sanitation Facilities Construction
4. National Park Service (NPS) — Historic Preservation Fund Projects
5. U.S. Forest Service (USFS) — State & Private Forestry

These accounts generally support:

- Clean water and drinking water infrastructure
- Tribal sanitation and wastewater projects
- Historic preservation
- Forest health, wildfire mitigation, and community forestry

Account #1 — EPA STAG: Clean Water SRF (Clean Water CDS)

What this funds

- Wastewater treatment plants
- Sewer infrastructure (collector, interceptor, outfall)
- Stormwater management
- Combined sewer overflow control
- Sanitary sewer overflow control
- Septic systems
- Land acquisition necessary for eligible municipal or tribal projects

Key requirements

- Minimum 20% non-federal cost share
- Must indicate whether project is included in the state's Clean Water SRF Intended Use Plan (or explain eligibility)

Typical award

- \$80,000 – \$23.6M (avg. \$1.98M)

Examples

- Sewer force main project (\$1.5M)
- Storm sewer infrastructure improvements (\$119k)
- Trash capture system (\$1.6M)

Account #2 — EPA STAG: Drinking Water SRF (Drinking Water CDS)

What this funds

- Drinking water regulation compliance (including PFAS)
- Replacement of contaminated water sources
- Treatment facility upgrades
- Storage facility upgrades
- Transmission and distribution pipes
- Water system consolidation
- Planning and design

Key requirements

- Minimum 20% non-federal cost share
- Must indicate whether project appears on the state's Drinking Water SRF Intended Use Plan (or explain eligibility)

Typical award

- \$72,000 – \$12M (avg. \$1.78M)

Examples

- Water system improvements (\$800k)
- Water main replacement (\$2.5M)
- PFAS treatment facility (\$2M)

Account #3 — IHS: Sanitation Facilities Construction**What this funds**

- Water and wastewater infrastructure projects serving Tribal communities
- Projects listed in the Indian Health Service Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS)

Key requirement

- Project should be on the SDS list (exceptions possible if eligible under [program criteria](#))

Typical award

- \$175,000 – \$6.4M (avg. \$2.13M)

Examples

- Wastewater treatment upgrades (\$633k)
- Water distribution upgrades (\$5.35M)

Account #4 — NPS: Historic Preservation Fund Projects**What this funds**

- Preservation of historic and archaeological sites

Key requirements

- Dollar-for-dollar non-federal match (Save America's Treasures grants)
- Property must be listed on the National Register of Historic Places
- Cannot be NPS-owned property
- Competitive contractor selection required
- No new construction or demolition
- Sponsor must agree to a preservation easement/covenant

Typical award

- \$11,000 – \$600,000 (avg. \$388k)

Examples

- Historic aerial lift bridge preservation (\$500k)
- Urban forestry-related historic preservation project (\$750k)

Account #5 — USFS: State & Private Forestry

What this funds

- Forest health management
- Cooperative fire protection
- Wood innovation
- Urban and community forestry
- Forest disease and pest treatment
- Wildfire mitigation initiatives

Key requirements

- 1:1 non-federal match required
- Must align with the state's Forest Action Plan
- Applicants should consult State Forester to confirm eligibility

Typical award

- \$48,000 – \$11.8M (avg. \$1.67M)

Examples

- Urban Forest Partnership program (\$500k)
- Restoration project (\$500k)
- Pre-fire mitigation project (\$1.05M)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **two accounts**:

1. FEMA — Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects (BRIC)
2. FEMA — Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program

These accounts generally support:

- Hazard mitigation and disaster resilience
- Emergency management infrastructure and operations

Account #1 — FEMA: Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects (BRIC)

What this funds

- State, local, and tribal mitigation projects that reduce or eliminate disaster risk from natural hazards
- Infrastructure upgrades that improve resilience before disasters occur

Key requirements

Projects must meet FEMA BRIC [program](#) standards, including:

- Required cost share
- Benefit–cost ratio requirements
- Jurisdiction must have a valid hazard mitigation plan
- Environmental and historic preservation compliance

Additional requirement

- Letter of support from the appropriate state agency confirming project eligibility

Typical award

- \$33,000 – \$5.1M (avg. \$1.48M)

Examples

- Pump station rehabilitation and upgrades (\$741k)
- Flood mitigation and drainage improvements (\$556k)

Account #2 — FEMA: Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program

What this funds

- Construction of new emergency operations centers (EOCs)
- Renovation or expansion of existing EOCs

Program definition

- EOC = centralized facility or capability used to direct and control emergency response operations

Key requirements

Projects must meet [FEMA EOC grant standards](#), including:

- Required cost share
- Environmental and historic preservation compliance
- Facility must be designated as the primary EOC by the State Administrative Agency (SAA)

Additional requirement

- Letter of support from the appropriate State Administrative Agency affirming eligibility

Typical award

- \$58,000 – \$7M (avg. \$1.10M)

Examples

- EOC upgrades (\$181k)
- EOC renovation and expansion (\$1M)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **seven accounts**:

1. Department of Labor — Employment & Training Administration (Training and Employment Services)
2. HHS HRSA — Program Management
3. HHS SAMHSA — Health Surveillance & Program Support
4. HHS Administration for Children & Families (ACF) — Children and Families Services Programs
5. HHS Administration for Community Living (ACL) — Aging and Disability Services Programs
6. Department of Education — Fund for the Improvement of Education (K-12)
7. Department of Education — Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)

These accounts generally support:

- Workforce development and job training
- Health facilities and rural health care
- Mental health and substance use programs
- Child and family services
- Aging and disability support
- K-12 and postsecondary education initiatives

Account #1 — DOL: Training & Employment Services

What this funds

- Career and training services
- Work-based learning
- Supportive services for workers
- Workforce development aligned with WIOA

Key requirements

- Equipment and curriculum development must be incidental to direct services
- No construction or renovation
- Must connect meaningfully to local workforce systems
- Performance outcomes reporting required

Typical award

- \$10,000 – \$6M (avg. \$837k)

Examples

- Childcare workforce development (\$2M)
- Job training and placement expansion (\$1M)
- Truck driving simulator for workforce training (\$109k)

Account #2 — HHS HRSA: Program Management

Project Categories

1) Health Facilities Construction & Equipment

- Construction or renovation of health, mental health, or substance use facilities

- Medical or telehealth equipment purchases

2) Rural Health

- Rural medical, dental, or mental health services
- Chronic disease management
- EMS improvements
- Telehealth services

Key requirements

- No land acquisition or building purchases
- No salaries or operating costs
- No work already completed
- No feasibility-only or design-only projects
- Rural projects must meet [HRSA's rural definition](#)

Typical award

- \$11,000 – \$15M (avg. \$2.18M)

Examples

- County health facilities and equipment (\$2M)
- Rural clinic services (\$600k)
- Nursing education improvements (\$424k)

Account #3 — HHS SAMHSA: Health Surveillance & Program Support

What this funds

- Mental health prevention and treatment programs
- Outreach and rehabilitation services
- Substance use prevention and treatment access

Does NOT fund

- Major construction (limited renovation only)
- Inpatient treatment or detox
- Direct payments to individuals
- Meals/food
- Research projects
- Needle distribution or legalization-related activities

Typical award

- \$35,000 – \$4.5M (avg. \$771k)

Examples

- Behavioral health initiative (\$1.82M)
- Mobile crisis response expansion (\$135k)
- Overdose response teams (\$1.6M)

Account #4 — HHS ACF: Children and Families Services Programs

Project Categories

Child Abuse Prevention

- Prevention, assessment, and treatment initiatives
- Model service development and technical assistance

Social Services Research & Demonstration

- Family economic stability
- Poverty reduction initiatives
- Child and family well-being programs

Key requirements

- Must serve eligible target populations
- No construction or renovation

Typical award

- \$10,000 – \$2M (avg. \$556k)

Examples

- Family educational materials initiative (\$2.06M)
- Newborn supply kits (\$500k)

Account #5 — HHS ACL: Aging & Disability Services**What this funds**

- Independent living services
- Education and training supports
- Services for older adults and individuals with disabilities

Key requirement

- No construction or renovation

Typical award

- \$10,000 – \$6M (avg. \$681k)

Examples

- Social services expansion for seniors (\$85k)
- Disability training initiatives (\$20k)
- Support services for older adults (\$106k)

Account #6 — Department of Education: Fund for the Improvement of Education (K-12)**What this funds**

- Early childhood and K-12 educational services
- Curriculum development
- Teacher training
- Technology and instructional materials
- After-school and community school programs
- Arts, SEL, and special education services

Key requirements

- No major construction or renovation
- Minor remodeling allowed only for technology upgrades
- Childcare-only projects (without educational services) are not eligible

Typical award

- \$20,000 – \$3.3M (avg. \$560k)

Examples

- STEM education equipment (\$955k)
- Curriculum and educational programming (\$215k)
- Mobile library services (\$2.57M)

Account #7 — Department of Education: Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)**What this funds**

- Postsecondary access and quality improvements
- Faculty development and training
- Degree program development
- Curriculum modernization
- Technology and equipment upgrades
- Partnerships with school districts

Key requirements

- Must align with [Higher Education Act Section 741\(a\)](#)
- No major construction or renovation
- Equipment-heavy requests require strong justification

Typical award

- \$50,000 – \$7.8M (avg. \$1.17M)

Examples

- EV and battery maintenance program (\$2.52M)
- Automotive electrification training (\$214k)
- STEM lab modernization (\$500k)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES:

This Subcommittee accepts CDS requests in **six accounts**:

1. Transportation Planning, Research & Development (TPR&D)
2. Airport Improvement Program (AIP) — Grants-in-Aid for Airports
3. Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)
4. Transit Infrastructure Grants (TIG)
5. Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety Improvement (CRISI) Grants
6. Community Development Fund — Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

These accounts generally support:

- Transportation research and innovation
- Airport, highway, transit, and rail infrastructure
- Affordable housing and community development
- Economic revitalization and public facilities

Account #1 — Transportation Planning, Research & Development (TPR&D)

What this funds

- National or regional transportation research and development projects
- Projects eligible under [Titles 23](#) or [49 U.S.C.](#)

Important

- NOT for planning local construction projects (those belong in HIP, TIG, or CRISI)

Key requirements

- Provide STIP/TIP project number and link (if applicable)
- Include project website or supporting documentation
- Staff may verify MDOT ability to steward funds

Typical award

- \$400k – \$1M (avg. \$689k)

Examples

- Airfield autonomy research initiative (\$2.25M)
- Safe corridors research project (\$250k)

Account #2 — Airport Improvement Program (AIP)

What this funds

- Airport safety, capacity, security, and environmental mitigation projects

Cost share

- Large/medium hubs: up to 75% federal
- Small primary/reliever/general aviation: typically 90–95% federal

Key requirements

- Project must appear in Airport Master Plan (or equivalent planning document)

- Provide planning/environmental readiness status
- Confirm eligibility with MDOT Aero if unsure

Typical award

- \$290k – \$23M (avg. \$4.27M)
- Recommended cap: ~\$7M

Examples

- Aircraft rescue and firefighting facility (\$4M)
- Runway extension (\$13M)
- Hangar and apron improvements (\$1.64M)

Account #3 — Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)

What this funds

- Highway and bridge construction
- Planning, design, environmental review
- Right-of-way acquisition
- Eligible transit capital projects

Important

- Funds flow through MDOT or a federally recognized Tribe

Cost share

- Typically 80% federal / 20% local (non-federal match required)

Key requirements

- Provide STIP/TIP link and project ID
- Planning and environmental readiness required
- Cannot cover operating expenses or completed work

Typical award

- \$54k – \$67M (avg. \$3.86M)
- Recommended cap: ~\$5M

Examples

- Highway reconstruction (\$2.38M)
- Industrial corridor project (\$1M)
- Bicycle/pedestrian bridge (\$2M)

Account #4 — Transit Infrastructure Grants (TIG)

What this funds

- Public transit projects eligible under [Chapter 53, Title 49 U.S.C.](#)

Transit definition

- Shared-ride public transportation (excludes intercity rail/bus, school buses, private shuttles, etc.)

Key requirements

- STIP/TIP listing OR letter from state transit agency confirming eligibility and implementation
- Provide planning/environmental readiness
- Identify recipient/subrecipient transit agency

Typical award

- \$92k – \$9.52M (avg. \$2.84M)

Examples

- Paratransit maintenance facility (\$2.25M)
- Electric paratransit program (\$1M)
- Rural transit access improvements (\$139k)

Account #5 — CRISI Rail Grants**What this funds**

- Rail capital projects eligible under [Section 22907, Title 49 U.S.C.](#)

Cost share

- 80% federal / 20% state or local (non-federal)

Key requirements

- Project must appear in State Rail Plan OR include MDOT letter confirming eligibility and future inclusion
- Planning/environmental readiness required

Typical award

- \$1M – \$11.5M (avg. \$5.2M)

Examples

- Rail speed improvement project (\$12M)
- Passenger service extension (\$2M)
- Terminal redevelopment (\$4M)

Account #6 — Community Development Fund (EDI)**What this funds**

- Affordable housing construction
- Community facilities and services
- Economic development and revitalization
- Blight remediation
- Property acquisition and rehabilitation

Examples of eligible facilities

- Neighborhood centers
- Parks
- Shelters (e.g., domestic violence or homeless services)
- Public facilities (excluding general government buildings)

Key requirements

- Provide project or Consolidated Plan link
- Include planning/environmental readiness status
- Show alignment with at least one CDBG National Objective:
 - Benefit low/moderate-income communities
 - Eliminate slums/blight
 - Address urgent community development needs

Typical award

- \$30k – \$30M (avg. \$1.66M)

Examples

- Carbon neutrality initiative (\$2.5M)
- Arts center (\$750k)
- Blight remediation (\$193k)

Appendix A: FY2027 CDS Request Form

Sen. Peters will accept CDS requests for high-impact public projects in Michigan that qualify for federal funding.

Who may apply: Eligible applicants include: Municipalities, villages, townships, and counties; Tribal governments; and Public institutions funded with public dollars (including state universities). Not eligible: nonprofits, trade organizations, or for-profit entities.

Projects must: Be eligible under the appropriate federal appropriations account; and Comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

Completing the Application Form: If working over multiple sessions, draft responses in an external document and copy/paste into the form. A full list of application questions is available in the Appendix of the FY2027 Appropriations Handbook (peters.senate.gov → Services).

Choosing a Subcommittee: Applicants must identify the correct Subcommittee (and sometimes specific Account). Use the FY2027 Appropriations Handbook to determine where your project fits.

Letters of Support: After submitting your form, email supporting documentation such as: Letters of support; Municipal resolutions; and/or News articles or related materials. Send to: appropriations@peters.senate.gov.

Subject line format:

[Requesting Organization] – [Project Name]

Example: *Entity ABC – Electrification of Burlington Bus Route 40*

Local Match & Supporting Materials: Many accounts require a local funding match (CDS cannot cover 100% of costs). Some accounts require additional documents (e.g., state agency support letters). Submit these materials by email using the same subject line format above.

Questions? Email: appropriations@peters.senate.gov

DEADLINE: March 27

PAGE 1: Requesting Organization and Point of Contact Information

Name of Requesting Organization

Enter the legal name of the organization that will receive the funding, exactly as it appears on IRS or official government records.

Mailing Address of Requesting Organization

Enter the organization's mailing address (street, city, state, ZIP code).

Is the Requesting Organization a government entity or public institution funded through public funding sources?

Only the following are eligible to apply:

- *State or local governments (cities, villages, townships, counties, tribes, etc.)*
- *Public institutions funded with public dollars (including state universities)*

Not eligible: nonprofits, trade groups, or for-profit entities.

Yes

No

Requesting Organization's Federal Tax Employer Identification Number (EIN)

Enter the organization's Federal EIN. This is required for all applicants, including government entities. Missing EINs may delay funding.

Primary Point of Contact: Name, Phone, Email

Provide the contact information for a staff member at the requesting organization who can answer questions about the project.

- *This person will be used for project administration if funding is awarded.*
 - *Contact information will not be made public.*
 - *The point of contact must be internal to the organization (not a lobbyist or outside consultant).*
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PAGE 2: Basic Project Information

Project Name

Enter a short, unique name that clearly identifies the project.

Example: Electrification of Burlington Bus Route 40 or ABC Affordable Housing Development.

Note: This project name will be made public.

Location of the Project

Enter the city or county where the project will take place. Include an approximate street address if available.

Note: This location will be made public.

Location of Project – County

Enter the county where the project is located.

Project Purpose

In one sentence, describe what the project will do and why.

Example:

- *Electrification of Burlington Bus Route 40 to improve transit service and reduce emissions.*
- *Construction of senior affordable housing in ABC City.*

Limit: One sentence only.

Note: This sentence will be made public.

Project Detail

Provide a longer explanation of the project, including:

- *Why the project is needed*
- *Expected outcomes and community benefits*
- *Current planning or environmental review status (if applicable)*
- *Any other information that helps evaluate eligibility*

Character limit: 4,000 characters (responses longer than this will not be accepted).

Please list relevant local organizations and state and local elected officials who support this project.

List local organizations and state/local elected officials who support the project.

After submitting this form, email supporting materials (letters of support, resolutions, news articles, etc.) to:

appropriations@peters.senate.gov

Subject line format:

[Requesting Organization] – [Project Name]

Example: Entity ABC – Electrification of Burlington Bus Route 40

To which Appropriations Subcommittee is this CDS request being submitted?

Select the subcommittee that best fits your project.

Use the FY2027 Appropriations Handbook to help choose.

If you are unsure, select “Not sure” and staff will assist.

- Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
- Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies
- Energy and Water Development
- Financial Services and General Government
- Homeland Security
- Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
- Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies
- Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies
- Not sure (staff will assist)

PAGE 2A: Subcommittee-Specific Question(s): Agriculture-FDA

What is your community's population according to the most recent U.S. Census?

PAGE 2B: Subcommittee-Specific Question(s): Interior-Environment

Is this CDS request being submitted within one of the EPA Accounts (Clean Water SRF or Drinking Water SRF)?

To identify the correct Account, please utilize Senator Peters' FY2027 Appropriations Handbook. Please send questions regarding which Subcommittee your project fits within to appropriations@peters.senate.gov.

Yes, this CDS request is being submitted within one of the EPA accounts.

No, this CDS request is being submitted within IHS, NPS, or USFS.

What is this project's primary focus area, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?

Is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?

Yes

No

Is the project eligible under SRF guidelines?

Yes

No

How will the project help the applying entity meet applicable water standards—e.g. improve drinking water quality or improve surface/groundwater quality?

Will this project primarily support existing water needs or support future growth?

Existing water needs

Support future growth

Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?

Describe the entity applying for the CDS funding - are you a municipality, public water system, or other public entity?

What is the total estimated cost of this project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?

Please ensure that this amount reflects the federal share and the local share combined.

What is the amount requested for this project?

Please ensure that the amount of funding you are requesting reflects ONLY your requested CDS amount for this project (i.e., the federal share, not the local share).

Is the amount requested scalable to a lower amount and if so, what is the minimum amount?

For this specific project, please list any project funding received to date from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding.

For example, Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others.

Does the entity applying for CDS funding have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20 percent or more?

Yes

No

What are the anticipated non-federal sources of funding for this project?

What is the project's status?

For example, preliminary engineering, initial planning and design, final design completed, construction initiated.

Has the entity applying for CDS funding ever received state or federal funding for water infrastructure projects previously (not limited to this specific project)?

PAGE 2C: Subcommittee-Specific Question(s): Transportation-Housing and Urban Development

Is this CDS request being submitted within one of the Department of Transportation Accounts (TPR&D, AIP, HIP, TIG, or CRISI)?

To identify the correct Account, please utilize Senator Peters' FY2027 Appropriations Handbook. Please send questions regarding which Subcommittee your project fits within to appropriations@peters.senate.gov.

YES, this request is being submitted within one of the Department of Transportation Accounts.

NO, this request is being submitted within the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Fund for Economic Development Initiatives (EDI).

What is the status of environmental review and pre-construction planning for this project?

(1) What is the expected local cost share for your project? (2) Please confirm that you will be able to meet the local cost share requirement.

Transportation CDS projects will generally be subject to a cost-share requirement. Most cost-shares in Michigan are 80-20 federal-local, but those may change based on location and account. For example, for Airport Improvement Projects, CDS can cover 75 percent of eligible costs for large and medium primary hub airports, but for small primary, reliever, and general aviation airports, CDS can

cover a range of 90-95 percent of eligible costs, based on statutory requirements. (If you do not know what your cost share requirement would be, please check with MDOT or your MPO.)

NOTE: Please ensure that the "Amount of funding you are requesting" field later in this form reflects ONLY your requested CDS amount for this project (i.e., the federal share, not the local cost share).

Is this project included on the State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP), State Rail Plan, or local Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)? If so, please provide a link to the STIP or TIP that includes the requested project, as well as the Project ID number for the project.

Given the unpredictability of the appropriations process, even successful CDS project applications may not receive funding for a year or more from the time of submission of this application. Is that timing acceptable for this project?

Please note that funds may not reimburse already completed activity.

Yes

No

Within which Department of Transportation CDS Account is this request being submitted?

To identify the correct Account, please utilize Senator Peters' FY2027 Appropriations Handbook.

Please send questions regarding which Subcommittee your project fits within to

appropriations@peters.senate.gov.

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

[ONLY IF SELECT AIP] Please provide a link to the Airport Master Plan that includes this project. If no Airport Master Plan exists or if the project is not included on it, please provide the link to the Airport Layout Plan or other planning document with the project.

[ONLY IF SELECT AIP] Is this project eligible under chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code

(<https://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/overview>)?

Yes

No

[ONLY IF SELECT HIP] Have you discussed or received feedback on this project from the Michigan Department of Transportation?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide the point of contact and any relevant feedback you received below.

[ONLY IF SELECT TIG] If this project is not currently listed on the State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or local Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), the applying transit agency must provide a letter confirming that: (1) the project is eligible for transit funding

under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code; (2) the transit agency is willing to carry out the project if funding is enacted; and (3) the transit agency will include the project on the STIP or TIP once funding for the project is enacted. Do you acknowledge that you will need to procure such a letter and send it to appropriations@peters.senate.gov?

Yes

No

This project is already listed on the STIP or TIP

[ONLY IF SELECT CRISI] If this project is not currently listed on the State Rail Plan, the applicant must provide a letter from MDOT confirming that: (1) the project is eligible for rail funding under section 22907 of title 49, United States Code; (2) the State rail agency, State DOT, or other relevant State agency is willing to carry out the project if funding is enacted; and (3) the State rail agency or State DOT will include the project on the State Rail Plan once funding for the project is enacted. Do you acknowledge that you will need to procure such a letter and send it to appropriations@peters.senate.gov?

Yes

No

This project is already listed on the State Rail Plan

PAGE 3: Project Funding Information (All Requesters Except EPA Accounts)

Amount of funding you are requesting:

Enter the amount of federal CDS funding you are requesting.

- *Do not include any required local or non-federal match in this number.*

Note: This requested amount will be made public.

Because funding of the full requested amount may not be possible, please describe the scalability of this project, including the minimum amount you would need to proceed with this project.

Character limit: 4,000 characters.

Total cost of project and sources of remaining funding:

Below, please list the total cost of the entirety of the project and sources of remaining funding. This total cost should include any local cost share that may be required.

Example: While we are requesting \$1.5 million CDS funding, the total cost of this project is \$2 million. The remaining \$500,000 local cost share will come from private fundraising.

Character limit: 4,000 characters.

Breakdown of Total Project Costs

Provide an explanation of how your organization would use the funds requested. The total project cost listed here should match the total project cost listed in the previous question.

EXAMPLE:

\$500K: Extending water and wastewater utilities to service project location

\$1 million: Contribution to housing construction costs
\$500K: Planning and design costs
TOTAL COST: \$2 million

Character limit: 4,000 characters.

Will your project require funding after FY2027?

Yes
No

If yes, please describe anticipated sources of funding for the next several years.

Character limit: 4,000 characters.

PAGE 4: Miscellaneous Information

Do you intend to make this same request to other Members of Congress (including House members)?

Yes
No

If yes, please list the Member(s) of Congress (including both House and Senate Members).

Has your organization previously received Congressionally Directed Spending?

Yes
No

Has your organization previously successfully executed similar projects?

Yes
No

If yes, please describe similar projects your organization has previously executed.

Character limit: 4,000 characters.

Is the requesting organization making more than one CDS request?

Yes
No

If yes, what priority is this request?

e.g. "1 of 2," with 1 being the highest.

PAGE 5: Certification

The head of the requesting organization stipulates that the information provided herein is accurate and any request for federal project-specific funding is made in accordance with (1)

the applicable rules, fiduciary requirements, and bylaws of the organization; and (2) local, state, and federal law.

Yes

No

Do you certify that, if awarded funding, you will not distribute any CDS funding to – or use any CDS funding to procure a product or service from – an entity domiciled in a covered nation or subject to the influence or control of a covered nation?

NOTE: Covered nation is defined in 10 U.S.C. 4872(d)(2) to include (A) the Democratic People's Republic of North Korea; (B) the People's Republic of China; (C) the Russian Federation; and (D) the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Yes

No

Please provide the name of the head of your organization who approved this request.

Appendix B: Accounts That Allow Construction of New Buildings

Only a small number of CDS accounts allow funding for new, general-purpose¹ building or facility construction. Those accounts are listed below.

Agriculture Subcommittee: Rural Development — Community Facilities Grants (Account #4)

Can fund

- Construction of essential community facilities such as:
 - Healthcare facilities
 - Public safety facilities
 - Educational facilities
 - Other community support services

Key limits

- Community population must be 20,000 or less
- Significant local cost share required

Cannot fund

- Facilities primarily used for recreation
- Facilities primarily used for business/entrepreneur purposes

Financial Services & General Government Subcommittee: SBA — Administrative Provision (Account #1)

Can fund

- Construction that directly supports small businesses, including:
 - Entrepreneur training
 - Workforce development
 - Counseling
 - Research activities

Homeland Security Subcommittee: FEMA — Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program (Account #2)

Can fund

- Construction of a primary state, local, or tribal Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

Key limits

- Significant local cost share required
- Facility must serve as the central command location during emergencies

¹ **Note:** “General-purpose” construction does NOT include:

- Construction at research institutions or universities
- Construction of federal buildings
- Indian Health Service (IHS) construction projects
- Water infrastructure projects
- Army Corps of Engineers or Bureau of Reclamation construction
- Transportation projects (including roads, airports, transit, or rail)

If your project falls into one of these categories, it may still be eligible for CDS funding — but through a different, specialized account described elsewhere in this Handbook.

Labor-HHS-Education Subcommittee: HHS HRSA — Program Management (Account #2)

Can fund

- Construction of facilities for:
 - Health services
 - Mental health services
 - Substance abuse services
 - Health professional training
 - Medical research

Transportation-HUD Subcommittee: Community Development Fund — Economic Development Initiatives (EDI) (Account #7)

Can fund

- Broad range of community and economic development construction projects

Key limits

- Project must primarily benefit (>51%) low- and moderate-income persons (HUD definition)

Cannot fund

- Buildings used for the general conduct of government (e.g., city halls or municipal administration buildings)

Note

- Staff can help determine whether a project meets the low-/moderate-income requirement.

Quick Rule of Thumb

If your project involves **new building construction**, it likely fits only one of these five accounts. Most other CDS accounts **do not permit new construction**.