

## Congressionally Directed Spending in FY2026 Government Funding Bill

### *Statewide*



*U.S. Senators Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine*

The senators successfully secured:

- **\$1,200,000** for **National Children's Museum** to support Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) exhibits and educational programs for students in Virginia and across the country from pre-kindergarten through grade 5.
- **\$1,017,000** for **Southside Virginia Community College's (SVCC) Rural Campus Safety Initiative**, which will enhance public safety of students at seven SVCC locations (in **Alberta, Keysville, Blackstone, Chase City, Emporia, South Boston, and South Hill**) through access control and other security systems, surveillance technology upgrades, law enforcement vehicles, communications equipment, and essential personnel and training.
- **\$900,000** for **Virginia Commemorations, Inc.** to educate students on America's founding ahead of the country's 250th anniversary.
- **\$802,000** for the **Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission** to purchase and deploy water-level monitoring stations to establish a robust network of scientific gauges in the Middle Peninsula region of Chesapeake Bay.
- **\$790,000** for **An Achievable Dream**'s work to disrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline, including through enhanced mental health services, extended day programming, enrichment activities to broaden students' horizons, and classes to teach social and emotional skills preparing students for success.
- **\$430,000** for **Virginia Commonwealth University** to partner with the Northern Virginia Technology Council (NVTC) to establish a pilot program to support NVTC small businesses to design summer internships that prepare low-income college students for careers.
- **\$372,000** for the **Virginia Telemental Health Initiative** to provide telemental health counseling at no cost to patients.
- **\$354,000** for the **Bay Consortium Workforce Development Board** to improve digital learning and literacy.
- **\$342,000** for the **Virginia Community Healthcare Association** to improve health outcomes for Virginians by providing nutrition education and provider training.