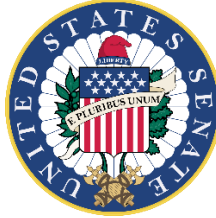


Congressionally Directed Spending in FY2026 Government Funding Bill

Southwest Virginia and Southside



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

The senators successfully secured:

- **\$6,304,000** for the National Park Service (NPS) to improve safety and the visitor experience for over 50,000 annual hikers accessing McAfee Knob in **Roanoke County** and the Appalachian Trail by expanding and paving a parking lot and adding restrooms, a shuttle stop, and NPS signage.
- **\$3,000,000** for the **Town of Altavista** to refurbish its wastewater treatment facility.
- **\$3,000,000** for the Virginia Department of Transportation to support 3.98 miles of construction of a fourth lane of U.S. 460—the Coalfields Expressway—in **Buchanan County** to promote economic development.
- **\$2,500,000** for Wise County Public Service Authority to upgrade drinking water infrastructure in the **Town of Pound**.
- **\$2,100,000** for the New River Valley Emergency Communications Regional Authority (NRVECRA) to replace legacy radio systems for **Montgomery County, Town of Blacksburg, Town of Christiansburg, and Virginia Tech** to safeguard public safety and ensure reliable, interoperable communications for emergency responders.
- **\$1,800,000** for Goodwill Industries of the Valleys to develop a new career center at Melrose Plaza in **City of Roanoke**.
- **\$1,742,000** for the **City of Danville** to revitalize a blighted structure to a mixed-use, community-focused facility with residential units and offices.
- **\$1,520,000** for the Economic Development Authority of **Floyd County** to extend utilities to support new affordable housing.
- **\$1,058,000** for the **Town of Stuart** to make improvements to its wastewater infrastructure.
- **\$1,000,000** for **Bedford County** to preserve and renovate a historical school into a community center that will be used for child care, elder care, and medical care, as well as other community-oriented services.
- **\$1,000,000** for Virginia Tech in the **Town of Blacksburg** to enhance the safety and testing of nuclear reactors by incorporating novel detection systems, advanced physics modeling, and immersive virtual reality visualization.

- **\$1,000,000** for **Carroll County** to expand the Carroll County Wellness Center and purchase new equipment to accommodate a growing population and increase patient capacity. Staff at the center provide restorative care, chronic disease management, and fitness services.
- **\$1,000,000** for the **Town of Fries** to upgrade its drinking water and wastewater infrastructure.
- **\$1,000,000** for the **City of Galax** to replace a water storage tank.
- **\$1,000,000** for the **Roanoke** Biotechnology Ecosystem Equipment Essential (Project RBE), which provides specialized biotechnology equipment to lower the barrier of entry for small businesses in the health and life sciences sector.
- **\$942,000** for the **Town of Wytheville** to replace outdated equipment at its wastewater plant.
- **\$940,000** for Southside Virginia Community College in **Town of Alberta** to expand its law enforcement program and address public safety workforce shortages by equipping patrol simulation facilities, funding specialized Criminal Justice Academy training, establishing leadership development programs, and creating pathways from middle school through professional careers.
- **\$859,095** for **Dickenson County** to join Virginia’s Statewide Agencies Radio System Program (STARS), improving emergency response and public safety through interoperable communications.
- **\$785,000** for Martinsville Henry County Coalition for Health and Wellness to make facility renovations and expand access to mental, dental, and behavioral health services to individuals in **Patrick County** and the surrounding areas.
- **\$751,000** for Southern Virginia Higher Education Center’s Information Technology Academy in **Halifax** to educate and develop a skilled workforce focused on artificial intelligence (AI).
- **\$750,000** for **Washington County** Public Schools to build accessible playgrounds for students at Greendale Elementary School and Abingdon Elementary School.
- **\$737,000** for the Greater **Roanoke** Workforce Development Board to expand youth registered apprenticeship opportunities.
- **\$683,000** for **Norton** Community Hospital & Black Lung Clinic to purchase an ion bronchoscope, technology that will provide earlier detection of potentially life-threatening conditions, including lung cancer.
- **\$398,000** for the **Town of Grundy** to purchase a new fire truck to support emergency response.
- **\$376,000** for the **Town of Crewe** to renovate and repair the Crewe Community Center.
- **\$303,000** for Appalachian Highlands Community Dental Center to purchase four dental milling machines for the Safety Net Dental Lab in **Town of Abingdon**.
- **\$294,800** for the **City of Bristol** to purchase eight new police vehicles for its expanding police department. This will enable the rotation of an aging, high-mileage fleet and reduce maintenance costs.
- **\$285,000** for the **City of Bristol** to purchase new municipal support vehicles for its fire department to improve safety and efficiency.

- **\$274,000** for **Roanoke** College to expand Explore@RC, a dual enrollment lab school that offers high school students access to college classes in high-demand fields such as STEM, health care, education, global studies, communications, and civic engagement.
- **\$250,000** for Piedmont Access To Health Services, Inc. (PATHS) in the **City of Danville** to expand access to its vision services.
- **\$249,000** for the **Town of Richland**'s Police Department to acquire public safety and rescue equipment in response to increasingly frequent and devastating flood disasters, such as those that occurred in February 2025 and because of Hurricane Helene.
- **\$188,000** for the **Town of Lebanon** to purchase a replacement brush truck.
- **\$167,000** for Bradley Free Clinic in **City of Roanoke** to expand access to behavioral health services.
- **\$96,000** for the Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens in the **City of Bristol** to purchase medical equipment for its Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly.