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The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
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The Honorable Richard Shelby
Vice Chairman
Appropriations Committee
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The Honorable Patty Murray
Chair
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Education, and Related Agencies
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Roy Blunt
Ranking Member
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee
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Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, Chair Murray, and Ranking Member Blunt,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Amy Klobuchar
United States Senator

**Klobuchar, Amy(D-MN) Labor and Health and Human Services
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Alexandria Technical & Community College	Alexandria Technical & Community College requests funds to support the pilot program for a Global Military Learning Network. Specifically, fund would be used for mostly for personnel staffing is needed to develop an intuitive, user-friendly web site and align/map curriculum between the military and the Distance Minnesota higher education consortium. This project would reduce the time and cost for military service members to earn a degree by awarding credit for military learning and occupational experiences, streamlining military admissions processes, develop a secure military-friendly enrollment portal, eliminate the cost of remedial coursework, and increase the number of military graduates available to meet workforce needs. The project would improve the ability for service members to complete a degree while enlisted and the ability for veterans to quickly complete an area of study and enter the workforce.	Alexandria MN	\$1,090
The Hormel Institute	The Hormel Institute requests funds as part of the Minnesota BioImaging Center project, which will build upon The Hormel Institute's current bioimaging capabilities and expertise. Specifically, the funds would be used to purchase equipment for high resolution single particle cryo-electron microscopy and cryo-electron tomography, which that can provide near atom level visualization of biological structures. This project will help establish an international hub for health and biomedical research and create transformative cancer and biomedical research capabilities and services unavailable anywhere in the Midwest and much of the US.	Austin MN	\$8,120
Northwest Technical College	Northwest Technical College requests funds to expand an existing high school career academy model to train a new cohort of nursing assistants and introduce individuals to other career opportunities in the medical field, using the expertise of three higher education institutions in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. This project would create a stronger pathway for employment and help fill a significant void in Minnesota's healthcare workforce. In addition, this project would create educational access for those interested in obtaining the nursing assistant credential but have been limited by financial and accessibility barriers.	Bemidji MN	\$1,025
Hennepin Technical College Foundation	Hennepin Technical College Foundation requests funds for technical education in Automation Robotics. Funds would be used to purchase training equipment needed for the 2-year program in Automation Robotics one year positions for a counselor and four advisors to assist students with completion of their degree.	Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie MN	\$1,900
A Place to Belong	A Place to Belong requests funds to increase access to technology services to support online courses, classes, meetings, and socialization for our members. This project would also allow members in recovery to continue applying for volunteer and employment opportunities including email, online applications, and interviewing virtually if needed. Funds would also allow the organization to create extra accountability and security measures for its members.	Detroit Lakes and Fergus Falls MN	\$10
Duluth Community School Collaborative	Duluth Community School Collaborative requests funds for a multilayered, results-oriented strategic planning process to strengthen its role as an intermediary between ISD 709 Community Schools and community organizations. This project would help the Collaborative offer expanded and enriched learning time and opportunities through after school and summer programs, provide integrated student supports, working holistically with children to support academics through ensuring that health needs and basic needs are met, offer community and family engagement opportunities to build trust between the school and parents and community members, and to encourage parents to engage with the child's education.	Duluth MN	\$50

Accessible Space Inc.	Accessible Space Inc. requests funds to construct a 55-unit, affordable, accessible senior housing development project at Morgan Park Senior Apartments in Duluth, Minnesota. The building will be a wood frame, three-story, new construction apartment building with an elevator and surface parking. The proposed building would have approximately 45 one-bedroom units and 10 two-bedroom units. The one-bedrooms will be approximately 660 square feet and the two-bedroom units will be approximately 880 square feet. At least 20% of the units will be Type A, fully accessible units for households with physical or cognitive disabilities along with a similar percentage of accessible parking stalls.	Duluth MN	\$7,100
Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota	Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota requests funds to rebuild the Bethany Crisis Shelter - Duluth facility, including anew space to better support and provide resources for families that will prevent crisis, Bethany Crisis Shelter - Duluth has functions as an orphanage, a crisis shelter, and a place of safety and care. The rebuilt facility would be the only of its kind in St. Louis County, encompassing emergency shelter and prevention services, support and family resources in one facility. Children and families in St. Louis County, and neighboring counties including Carlton, Cook, Lake Koochiching, Aitkin, and Itasca would have access to a continuum of services to remove barriers and address family needs from emergency shelter to resources that stabilize families and prevent further crisis.	Duluth MN	\$750
Nexus Family Healing	Nexus Family Healing requests funds to take ownership of an existing state of the art mental health facility, which is currently in the midst of closure by its parent organization, and develop it into a multipurpose Mental Health Center to meet the most pressing mental health needs in the region. Specifically, capital funding would be used to fulfill an existing outstanding bond debt on the building and support start-up expenses related to the development of the Mental Health Hub, including hiring, program development, communications, and administration.	East Bethel MN	\$29,000
Northland Community & Technical College	Northland Community & Technical College requests funds to implement an evidence-based mental health training program (Mental Health First Aid) for the general public that would be available through several Minnesota State institutions, K-12 schools, government agencies, medical facilities and non-profits. These trainings would specifically target rural areas in Western Minnesota where access to mental health resources and training are more limited.	East Grand Forks MN	\$183
Star Legacy Foundation	Star Legacy Foundation requests funds to improve the Minnesota Center for Stillbirth and Infant Death's ability to serve bereaved families in low-income and marginalized communities through diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, education for health professionals, outreach to community organizations, technology, and additional support groups. Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives will include training for Star Legacy Foundation staff and volunteers and expansion of current efforts to better reflect DEI principles to address the disparities in fetal and infant death. Education for health professionals will include continuing education offerings for physicians, nurses, midwives, social workers, mental health therapists, child life specialists, spiritual care, and doulas.	Eden Prairie MN	\$200
Apple Tree Dental	Apple Tree Dental requests funds to extend the reach of its regional center for geriatric and special care dentistry. Funds would be used for the acquisition of equipment to be used to reduce travel and improve the timeliness and quality of care for patients who have difficulty finding dentists that accept Medical Assistance. Funds would also facilitate the expansion of geriatric and special care dentistry services, inter-professional collaboration, and improve health outcomes for rural populations of children, families, elderly, and people with special needs.	Fergus Falls MN	\$184
Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa	Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa requests funds to renovate an existing residential home into a youth homeless shelter, making it the Fond du Lac Human Services Children's Crisis Shelter. The group home would have capacity for 10 children. The facility requires renovations to bring it up to code and be made fully accessible, as well as to generally better fit the needs of the shelter. The facility would provide culturally-based services and short-term emergency housing in a safe, residential setting.	Fond du Lac Reservation MN	\$800

Red Wing Ignite	Red Wing Ignite requests funds for two additional camp week sessions geared at girls ages 9-12 and to add 2 advanced level Woodworking Camps for summer 2022. These camps would be targeted toward girls ages 13-17 and, compared to their previous camps, include more complex projects and use of more advanced tools.	Goodhue County MN	\$18
Northland Learning Center	Northland Learning Center requests funds for a remodel, renovation and new construction of a special education co-operative building. The current 1925 portion of the building has significant maintenance needs that exceed the value of the building. The 1953 and 1955 portions of the building are in need of significant repairs and do not fit the educational adequacy needs for special education but can be remodeled for efficient use. The Northland Learning Center is a model of local collaboration and cooperation among smaller, rural school districts. The cooperative model saves money by not reducing duplicate services for districts in close proximity to each other. Additionally, the cooperative model is a more efficient use of resources and staff members that are in limited supply and difficult to secure, especially in rural areas.	Grand Rapids MN	\$5,000
Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center	Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center requests funds to purchase safe and effective all-terrain transportation for participants who have limited mobility, adaptive equipment for people with physical and mental disabilities so they can equally participate in adventure classes, and install and adapt features on the outdoor group challenge course so that people with limited mobility can equally participate. Funds would provide accessibility focused training for education staff on how to facilitate safe and effective adventure classes for people with mental and physical disabilities. Finally, funds would also be used toward the purchase and installation of five yurts to provide additional housing and meet the needs of a diverse group of users. Yurts will also allow the facility to host more groups onsite at the same time.	Lanesboro MN	\$498
Finishing Trades Institute of the Upper Midwest	Finishing Trades Institute of the Upper Midwest (FTIUM) requests funds to expand a diversity-driven workforce development project using a new higher education model connecting community partnerships, middle schools, high school dual enrollment, apprenticeship, and certificate and degree programs targeting underserved populations in Minnesota. Funds would be used to expand this model through continued curricula development and capacity building involves a partnership with community organizations, public and charter schools, employers, associations, unions, and advocacy groups. The project would create a pipeline of middle school and high school students, graduates, and other young adult candidates for construction, manufacturing, and industrial Registered Apprenticeship programs. Targeted groups include communities of color, housing and food insecure populations, women in non-traditional occupations, and Opportunity Zone populations who seek to acquire livable wage career occupations.	Little Canada MN	\$3,288
Apple Tree Dental	Apple Tree Dental requests fund for their Little Falls Center in Central Minnesota and their center in Fairmont and Madelia. These Centers serve Medicaid and low-income groups, including geriatric and special needs patients, and hosts educational rotations for health professional students. To solve HRSA-designated dental health professional shortages, Apple Tree's goal is to attract and retain dentists, hygienists, and dental assistants. This project will produce new career opportunities for teams trained to serve growing geriatric and special needs populations.	Little Falls, Fairmont, and Madelia MN	\$541
Vinland National Center	Vinland National Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center requests funds for several major structural repairs to the center, an inpatient treatment facility for chemical dependency and cognitive disabilities. These repairs would include new roof shingles over client rooms, replacing siding and windows, implementing drainage in the driveway and prevent erosion of the facility's walking trails. Vinland is the only provider in Minnesota that specializes in treating individuals with substance use disorder and brain injuries, serious and persistent mental illness, learning disabilities and other cognitive deficits.	Loretto MN	\$500
Lutsen Town Board	Lutsen Town Board requests funds for the refurbishment of town properties and address Fire and EMS radio replacement. Funds would be used to replace a storage building, resurface the town and fire hall parking lot, and replace ARMER radios in the Fire/EMS departments.	Lutsen MN	\$50

Minnesota Center for Rural Policy & Development	Minnesota Center for Rural Policy & Development requests funds expand the Minnesota Center for Rural Policy and Development's capacity to conduct research into the shifting social, economic, and demographic forces affecting rural Minnesota, and to share that research with policymakers and the greater community.	Mankato MN	\$1,000
Minnesota State HealthForce Center of Excellence	Minnesota State HealthForce Center of Excellence requests funds for the The Center for Nursing Education Excellence (CNEE) will serve southern Minnesota colleges and universities, high schools, and healthcare employers. CNEE would strengthen the pathways to a nursing career from high school to the practice. Covering 3 Minnesota State universities and 5 Minnesota State colleges, the center will increase the number of nursing professionals serving southern Minnesota.	Mankato MN	\$3,250
MCRI	MCRI requests funds for the development and implementation of various employment programming directly aimed at targeting individuals with disabilities. This funding would also be used to purchase tools or equipment to be used on the job. The programming would provide people with disabilities a safe place to grow and learn with ongoing relationships with adult professionals. This funding would also be used for the development of national curriculum, training, and education programs to provide greater access to the workforce development model of MRCI, as well as the development and implementation of various employment programming directly aimed at targeting individuals with disabilities.	Mankato MN	\$550
Hennepin Healthcare	Hennepin Healthcare requests funds to rebuild the Hennepin Healthcare East Lake Clinic, which was destroyed during the civil unrest after George Floyd's death. The rebuilt clinic will be co-located within the new Hennepin County Human Services Center and serve a Federally Designated Medically Underserved Area (MUA). The rebuilt clinic will be co-located within the new Hennepin County Human Services Center and serve a Federally Designated Medically Underserved Area (MUA). The rebuilt clinic will be co-located within the new Hennepin County Human Services Center to align with their services, easy patient access cross-referrals, and group space. Hennepin County has invited this co-location partnership to pilot a promising new expansion of traditional primary care with one-stop access to improve access to Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) services, behavioral health care, and insurance and other benefit application assistance.	Minneapolis MN	\$4,600
Summit Academy OIC	Summit Academy OIC requests funds to scale up Minnesota at Work, a worker readiness program designed to build foundational work skills on short-term assignments preparing participants for skilled training and/or full-time employment. A portion of this readiness training and work experience will target young people, ages 18-25, caught in the cycles of gun violence in communities of color. The program consists of four key elements: STEM education and IT training; credentialed and customized training for emerging business sectors; work readiness and WPA-style jobs; and direct placement with employers.	Minneapolis MN	\$2,000
City of Minneapolis	The City of Minneapolis requests funds to create the Minneapolis Tech Pathway, an alternate pathway to high demand, entry-level tech careers, specifically focusing on low-income communities and communities of color between the ages of 16-24 years old. This project would increase the number and the diversity of skilled tech workers for employers and business in the area.	Minneapolis MN	\$2,000
Indian Health Board of Minneapolis, Inc.	Indian Health Board of Minneapolis, Inc. requests funds for the rehabilitation and new construction of the Indian Health Board Wellness Campus. These funds would be used for medical, dental, and specialty services buildings. The goal of this project is to create better health outcomes and improve the quality of life for the Wellness Campus's patients.	Minneapolis MN	\$10,000
City of Minneapolis	The City of Minneapolis requests funds for increased mental health therapy services at 4 high school locations for youth between the ages of 14-19 with a priority on supporting youth of color. The pandemic has led to adolescent isolation and many Minneapolis teens and their families are experiencing significant trauma due to the murder of George Floyd and resulting civil unrest.	Minneapolis MN	\$900

CreateMPLS	CreateMPLS requests funds to expand programs that bridge the achievement gap and increase access and inclusion in STEM education for underserved youth. Funds would be used to purchase equipment and educational kits for STEM education, including 3D printers, drone building kits, and education class packs.	Minneapolis MN	\$10
YMCA of the North	YMCA of the North requests funds to support the BOLD and GOLD program, an outdoor youth leadership development program. The funds would be used for scholarships and equipment for the BOLD and GOLD program, hiring an internship program coordinator, and intern stipends. Coordinator for the Internship program, and support intern stipends. the expenses of the internship program coordinator, BOLD and GOLD intern program, and scholarships.	Minneapolis MN	\$300
Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches	Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches (GMCC) requests funds for Genius Labs @ GMCC. Genius Labs @ GMCC is a youth development program that serves BIPOC and immigrant communities. Genius Labs @ GMCC would provide digital learning and homework support, access to healthy adult mentors and educational guides, opportunities for social emotional growth and learning, and extra curricular experiences. Genius Labs @ GMCC would provide youth with teachers, coaches, mentors, and trusted adults of color that can inspire and engage them, expanding what their future could look like.	Minneapolis and St. Paul MN	\$1,000
Appetite For Change, Inc	Appetite For Change, Inc requests funds for the Metro Food Justice Network and its meal box program. The project aims to close the food security gap. Specifically, the meal box program is a collaborative effort with partners across multiple sectors that provides a model to support economic stability for small and mid-sized BIPOC farmers, while getting local food to families who have traditionally been priced out of similar healthy foods.	Minneapolis and St. Paul MN	\$1,000
Fraser	Fraser requests funds to increase early intervention, expand access to treatment, and give children, adults, and families in Minnesota a path forward. Fraser will utilize funding to cover costs for clinical training program that will help with the loss of productivity for staff who provide training and for staff who participate in training. The Fraser clinical training program includes: diversity, inclusion, and belonging training; evidence based practices training; and telehealth training.	Minneapolis and St. Paul MN	\$50
Minnesota Recovery Connection	Minnesota Recovery Connection (MRC) requests funds to increase capacity to provide wraparound substance use disorder (SUD) programming and services in the 7-county Twin Cities metro area. Funding will enhance and expand 3 promising new MRC program initiatives: amplifying racial, ethnic and cultural equity, transforming the criminal justice system; and strengthening the housing system. These programs function across public and private sectors to alleviate SUD at the intersection of poverty and structural racial disparities. These services fill gaps in the continuum of SUD recovery and human services, as well as criminal justice and housing, while improving the health and wellness of individuals living with SUD and positioning them for economic opportunity.	Minneapolis and St. Paul MN	\$200
Minnesota State Community and Technical College	Minnesota State Community and Technical College requests funds to create a Healthcare Learning Lab, which would be nearly 5,000 square feet of experiential, multidisciplinary learning space. The facility and its technology would be made available to students of the School of Health Sciences, Human Services and Nursing, and Workforce Development Solutions to support current and prospective students in health programs. Funds would used to remodel the college's property to provide training rooms, as well as a hospital replica suite, long-term care suite, patient encounter suite, debriefing and collaboration room, emergency care unit, and virtual reality and telehealth suite for simulation learning. In addition, funds would be used for the acquisition of healthcare equipment and curriculum development. Training experiences would include high-fidelity, manikin-based simulations, controlled patient encounters in clinical scenarios, task training rooms, and virtual reality experiential learning.	Moorhead MN	\$1,250
Minnesota State Community and Technical College	Minnesota State Community and Technical College requests funds to create the M State Business Center. Funds would be used to create a space on the Moorhead campus for students pursuing business, agriculture, accounting, management, marketing and sales. The center would include modern teaching facilities, a space for new entrepreneurs, and spaces to foster collaboration between students and industry partners. The project consists of renovating current facilities to showcase business and agriculture careers and transform classrooms	Moorhead MN	\$1,000

	into more flexible learning arrangements with enhanced technology, expanding access to rural and place-bound students. Funds would be used to develop certificates, certifications and degrees in agriculture sales and agriculture business. These activities within the Business Center will foster relationships between students, faculty, industry leaders and organizations in the Fargo-Moorhead region and surrounding communities and increase knowledge of best practices in the business and marketing industries.		
Apple Tree Dental	Apple Tree Dental requests funds to expand dental access across rural Minnesota and in low-income areas. Funds would be used to increase dental access in Central Minnesota by supporting the remodeling and expansion of the Little Falls Center Outreach Dental Clinic. In addition, this project would expand on-site dental services in Southern Minnesota nursing homes and group homes, including telehealth services, 2 mobile dental offices, 12 digital x-ray sensors, and 6 high resolution intra-oral cameras. This project also expands dental services in Southeastern Minnesota through the remodeling and equipment purchases for the Apple Tree Southern Minnesota Care Coordination Center. Finally, funds would be used to purchase the necessary equipment to launch essential mobile dental services in West Central Minnesota, using Apple Tree's Fergus Falls Center as a hub and care coordination center. The project will also support the first rural dental residency program in Minnesota.	Morrison County MN	\$2,600
South Central College and Minnesota State College	South Central College and Minnesota State College Southeast request funds for the Advance Greater Minnesota project, which would expand access to high-quality training for rural manufacturers by providing technology-enabled, customized training for entry-level employees. Training would be delivered in micro-learning environments at the workplace and via remote learning, minimizing travel times and allowing participation that aligns with shifts and break times. Lab equipment will be adapted for portability to support hands-on curriculum and exercises without workflow disruptions that would be caused by a large percentage of the workforce being off-site for extended training. Labs at Southern Minnesota's two-year colleges would be upgraded to offer more Advanced Manufacturing training through accelerated and condensed modules that ensure early attainment of credentials to support manufacturing's transition to increased automation.	North Moorhead and Red Wing MN	\$3,000
Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe	Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe requests funds for the construction of a new culturally based treatment facility and the development of a system of care model to improve the chemical dependency and mental health services provided to Mille Lacs Band members, as well as Native Americans and rural community members in general. In developing rural treatment services, the project will place an emphasis on the development of a chemical dependency treatment center that will focus on the co-occurring issues of substance abuse and mental health issues and incorporate cultural practices towards self-healing.	Onamia MN	\$5,200
United Way of Steele County	United Way of Steele County requests funds to purchase a facility to provided extended child care for second and third shift employees. This project would provide safe, affordable child care for up to 100 children per shift, creating support that will help fill an 150-200 open manufacturing positions in the area.	Owatonna MN	\$250
Ramsey County	Ramsey County requests funds for the proposed Caring Collective through the Ramsey County Housing Stability Department (HSD). Caring Collective is a demonstration project that centers around whole-family stabilization and wrap-around support models, preventing long-term multi-generational homelessness trends. Federal funding would support two county-supported Housing Specialists to provide daily assistance to HSD and families involved in the program.	Ramsey County MN	\$500
Minnesota State College Southeast	Minnesota State College Southeast requests funds to facilitate a build-out of existing space at its Red Wing campus to create a nursing simulation lab/center. This center would mimic a hospital wing and include private patient rooms, a medication room, a nursing station, a control room, and debriefing rooms. The project would enhance the campus's current learning environments in providing a state of the art, modern learning space for nursing students. Enhancing the nursing skills lab and simulation capabilities will provide for clinical based experiences that will prepare future nurses, as well as provide a potential shared space with community partners for training, which in turn will continue to support local partners and local workforce needs.	Red Wing MN	\$817

Red Wing Ignite	Red Wing Ignite requests funds to pilot the Youth Coding Leagues program in the seven school districts of Goodhue County, introducing 5th through 8th grade students to STEM learning activities, so they develop digital skills and can be part of competitive digital workforce in the future. Youth Coding Leagues are offered as a fully packaged afterschool program that introduces students to computer science through STEM curriculum and team experiences. Students are introduced to STEM in real terms with math, computer science, many forms of calculation, as well as developing life skills like creative problem solving, persistence, and collaboration.	Red Wing MN	\$84
C.A.R.E. Clinic	The C.A.R.E. Clinic requests funds to expand clinic operations, aid in the programmatic expansion of the dental clinic to bring care into schools, and expand the Clinic's Hispanic Family Therapy program, which provides free mental health and psychotherapy program for patients who primarily speak Spanish. In addition, these funds would support the education and certification of Clinic employees, which will allow them to increase their scope of practice. C.A.R.E. Clinic provides free medical, mental health, health insurance navigation, resource coordination, and affordable dental care in a culturally and linguistically competent manner to a rural, under and uninsured, and low-income population.	Red Wing MN	\$50
North Memorial Health Hospital	North Memorial Health Hospital - Robbinsdale requests funds to improve its emergency department so that it may better contain and isolate infectious diseases, like COVID-19, through state-of-the-art air quality standards. Specifically, funds would be used to provide seven negative air pressure rooms, modernize five existing negative air rooms, and create a negative air environment in the staff corridor.	Robbinsdale MN	\$1,000
City of Rochester, MN	The City of Rochester requests funds to address barriers to entry and advancement for women of color within construction and related fields. The City of Rochester is engaged in a \$6 billion Destination Medical Center (DMC) economic development initiative that is expected to generate up to 2,700 new construction jobs annually over the next two decades. Through this project, the City of Rochester will design short-term strategies for increasing workforce participation in DMC projects and long-term pathways for industry participation.	Rochester MN	\$750
ExercisAbilities Inc	ExercisAbilities Inc. requests funds to expand a physical rehabilitation program for survivors of spinal cord injury, stroke, developmental disabilities, and other chronic conditions. Funds would be used for the acquisition of new capital equipment and necessary facility roof renovations required for some equipment. This project would serve children, adults and seniors in a non-profit community clinic located in Rochester, Minnesota.	Rochester MN	\$605
Greater Rochester Advocates for Colleges & Univers	Greater Rochester Advocates for Universities and Colleges requests funds to create a health care simulation center to meet the needs of education providers, employers, students, and workers in the area. Funds would be put toward the pre-design programming phase, IT, AV, simulation equipment, training software, facilities and remodeling, and full service architectural, interior design, mechanical engineering, plumbing, electrical engineering, structural engineering, space programming, and project management fees.	Rochester, Dodge, Winona, and Olmsted County MN	\$9,000
International Institute of Minnesota	International Institute of Minnesota requests funds to increase the capacity of its core programming lines, which include Immigration Services, Refugee Services, and Workforce Development. These will help meet the rising demand for its programs that help new Americans become self-sufficient and increase their household wealth through improved employment outcomes. With these funds, the Institute would hire staff for development and facility management, as well as staff to help navigate clients through processes for naturalization, coordinate employer outreach and engagement, and increase care facility and hospital placements. Funds would also go toward new program equipment, instructional technology, and laptops for Career Pathway students.	Saint Paul MN	\$719
M Health Fairview	M Health Fairview requests funds for the Mobile Substance Use Disorder (MSUD) Improvement Program, an innovative mobile team designed to support individuals in addressing their substance use. This project would provide access to care for individuals struggling with substance use disorder (SUD) by bringing peer-support specialists and other clinical staff to patients. The project has proven to be an effective way to engage people struggling with substance use disorders, but the program's current funding is expected to expire this summer.	Saint Paul MN	\$1,000

River Valley Health Services	River Valley Health Services requests funding to support human services in Scott and Carver Counties. Funds would be used to treat patients through the operation of two clinics and telehealth services.	Scott and Carver MN	\$50
St. Francis Regional Medical Center	St. Francis Regional Medical Center requests funds to complete Phase 1A of the St. Francis Emergency Department Renovation and Expansion Project. This project would expand, upgrade, and modernize the center's facilities, including addressing the need to increase mental health care capacity by adding mental health rooms to the Emergency Department. This would be the first remodel of St. Francis Regional Medical Center in 20 years.	Shakopee MN	\$1,000
Stearns County	Stearns County requests funds for basic civil legal assistance, including Orders for Protection for all felony-level domestic violence victims in Stearns County, for the Stearns County Domestic Violence Partnership.	St. Cloud MN	\$750
The Sanneh Foundation	The Sanneh Foundation requests funds to expand their Dreamline program, an academic support and culturally responsive mentorship program serving low-income, under-performing students in public elementary, middle, and high schools. Dreamline's goal is to help students increase their academic performance, improve their connectedness to school and community, and develop leadership and relationship skills in order to become positive contributors to their school and community. Sanneh would create a social and emotional learning (SEL) focused program in school-based learning environments. Dreamline Coaches would increase student SEL competencies for the workforce, and students will be positively exposed to careers as teachers, and become community engaged leaders improving the social and community context for students and schools.	St. Paul MN	\$500
St. Catherine University	St. Catherine University requests funds to support equipment and technological upgrades to Mendel Hall as part of its Advancing Scientific Excellence initiative. These proposed equipment upgrades will offer women the tools and resources needed to graduate with skills in cutting-edge research and technologies and prepare for scientific careers, which would help meet the growing demand for female professionals in STEM fields locally and nationally. Specifically, funds would be used technology, instrumentation, and equipment that will expand current teaching and research capabilities and support student learning and application of technical skills, experimental design, data collection, and data analysis.	St. Paul MN	\$800
M Health Fairview	M Health Fairview, a non-profit health care provider, requests funds to expand the capacity of M Health Fairview's Transition Clinic. Specifically, funds will be used to purchase technology for virtual mental health services that would be installed in hubs consisting of primary care access points as well as salaries for staff, including psychiatrists, advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs), and peer-support professionals.	St. Paul MN	\$1,000
Saint Paul College	Saint Paul College requests funds for the Four Directions Pathway initiative to increase postsecondary access and success of American Indian students. Funds would support the development of resources necessary to serve approximately 200 students per year as they progress from high school through college.	St. Paul MN	\$500
Minnesota Department of Health	Minnesota Department of Health requests funds to implement a mobile version of the Rural Obstetric Simulation Training. Funds would be used to purchase obstetric suite equipment, a van, and mobile technology required for this equipment to be taken on the road and used within a mobile environment. This project would make obstetric training available to a wider range of rural providers than would be able to access it if the training was only offered on-site at Community Memorial Hospital in Cloquet, Minnesota.	St. Paul MN	\$693
NAMI Minnesota	NAMI Minnesota requests funds to provide education and support across Minnesota for people with children or adult relatives struggling with mental health, as well as promote prevention by focusing on healthy coping skills. Education would be provided through online and in-person classes for children and families, providing information on mental illnesses, treatments, crisis management, and local resources, as well as mental health after the coronavirus.	St. Paul MN	\$60

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities	Minnesota State Colleges and University request funds for the Opening Opportunities for Teacher Education program increase the rate of black, indigenous and persons of color (BIPOC) teacher candidates attaining course grades of C or better through culturally responsive curriculum and texts, as well as reducing the financial burden of teacher candidates through the use of zero-cost open educational resources. Specifically, funds would be used to develop an open textbook and materials for six foundational teacher education courses, as well as faculty guides for adapting materials to local contexts and student diversity. In addition, funds would support the redesign of a student support program to help students navigate higher education and teacher licensure. Finally, the program would support faculty cohorts to develop and implement alternative teaching certification pathways.	St. Paul MN	\$1,242
City of Saint Paul	The City of Saint Paul requests funds for baseline technology services in all the library's public meetings rooms. This includes outlets, projectors, video capability and more to facilitate work, school work and collaboration. Additionally, upgrades such as expanded electrical outlets and charging stations will enable libraries to function as community co-working spaces.	St. Paul MN	\$1,500
City of Saint Paul	The City of Saint Paul requests funds to develop a training and jobs program to support the planting and maintenance needs of the overall Emerald Ash Bore (EAB) management program. The project's goal is to create pathways to green industry careers for young people in Saint Paul. This jobs program would provide the experience and personal support to help put them on the path to good paying labor jobs and green industry careers, while helping the City of Saint Paul address the EAB environmental crisis.	St. Paul MN	\$3,500
AgCentric - Northern Center of Excellence	The Minnesota State Northern Agricultural Center of Excellence (AgCentric) requests funds to build out existing facilities and purchase processing equipment, as well as develop and open a new mobile processing trailer to train students in meat cutting and butchery career pathways. This project would build a more diverse network of meat cutters and local outlets for processing. The pandemic has exacerbated the region's meat processing bottleneck and demonstrated both the negative economic impact and risk that the issue poses to the industry and the region.	Staples MN	\$3,000
Change the Outcome	Change the Outcome (CTO) requests funds to implement a two-pronged initiative to reduce substance and opioid abuse and misuse among teens and young adults throughout Minnesota. Program components are (1) a school-based, community-adaptive education model centering youth voices via a documentary screening followed by a panel discussion with young people in recovery, and (2) the development and implementation of a multi-modal public messaging and social media strategy that will target young adults of all backgrounds. This project seeks to raise awareness and understanding of substance use disorder and the opioid epidemic by using peer-to-peer strategies to counteract the stigma surrounding addiction. CTO's goal is to reach 25,000 students, educators and community members by the end of the funding period in 2023, through school- and community-based programming, and thousands more through their public awareness campaign.	Statewide MN	\$365
Valley Friendship Club	The Valley Friendship Club requests funds to create adapted job applications, hold modified interviews, develop visual guides and instructions, modify standard training practices, and provide on-going weekly training and support. These accommodations will help those with disabilities become successful employees of the Zephyr coffee cart and the chance to participate fully in their community.	Stillwater MN	\$3
West Concord Historical Society	West Concord Historical Society requests funds to repair the West Concord Museum and Community Center. These funds would be used to patch leaks that are damaging the building, replace and install skylights, and other roof repairs and updates.	West Concord MN	\$150
Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES)	Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) requests funds to support and expand comprehensive and culturally anchored workforce development programs targeted to low-income Latino and immigrant adults and youth ages 16 to 24. The program incorporates employment readiness and financial literacy classes, industry-specific training and certifications, career navigation and employment placement services, and wrap-around supports. Latino and immigrant workers are among the most impacted by racial and economic barriers that continue to grow the inequity gaps in the State of Minnesota. The workforce	Willmar, Austin, Minneapolis, and St. Paul MN	\$3,000

programs offer Latinos and new Americans the opportunity to acquire the skills and social capital to prepare for and enter high-growth occupations, fully participate in the economy, and increase their financial assets.

Minnesota State College Southeast	Minnesota State College Southeast requests funds to facilitate a build-out of existing space at its Winona campus to create a nursing simulation lab/center. This center would mimic a hospital wing and include private patient rooms, a medication room, a nursing station, a control room, and debriefing rooms. The project would enhance the campus's current learning environments in providing a state of the art, modern learning space for nursing students. Enhancing the nursing skills lab and simulation capabilities will provide for clinical based experiences that will prepare future nurses, as well as provide a potential shared space with community partners for training, which in turn will continue to support local partners and local workforce needs.	Winona MN	\$817
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