

Congressionally Directed Spending Requests – Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

Recipient Name: American Red Cross, Northern New England Region

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: The American Red Cross would like to fund critical repairs and upgrades to its biomedical facility in Portland to Securing Maine’s Blood Supply. This facility serves as a vital hub in the statewide collection and distribution of more than 60,000 units of blood and blood products annually and is home to the Portland fixed blood donation center. The ongoing coronavirus pandemic has driven changes in the Red Cross business model, escalating both the urgency and importance of investments in its blood collections program. Specifically, the funds will support a new statewide, community-based mobile blood drive staging area, parking lot repairs, and a generator at the Red Cross, Portland, ME biomedical facility.

Amount Requested: \$871,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Aroostook County Action Program Inc.

Project Location: Aroostook County

Project Purpose: To fund the acquisition and deployment of a Community Action Services Mobile Unit to bring critical services the people of the most rural and underserved communities of northern Maine.

Amount Requested: \$643,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Best Buddies International, Inc.

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: Best Buddies International, Inc. requests funding to deliver inclusion services to a minimum of 400 students with intellectual and developmental disabilities at 20 middle and high schools in Maine.

Amount Requested: \$331,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Central Maine Healthcare Corporation

Project Location: Androscoggin County

Project Purpose: Central Maine Healthcare requests CDS funding for its Paralysis and Brain Injury Rehabilitation Expansion Project to provide enhanced post-acute care rehabilitative therapy services for survivors of spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury, stroke, cerebral palsy, and other neurological conditions. Building renovations include community reintegration simulation space, improvement to allow for overhead lifts used in therapy, restroom accessibility improvements for patients.

Amount Requested: \$947,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: City of Augusta

Project Location: Kennebec County

Project Purpose: The City of Augusta plans to establish Project Recovery as a pilot program, which will connect people suffering from substance use with immediate treatment resources and support their reintegration into the community after treatment.

Amount Requested: \$263,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: City of Portland

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: City of Portland requests CDS funds to be used for the physical renovation and build-out of public health clinic space in order to centralize and co-locate healthcare, public health and social services into one accessible location in Portland. The Portland Community Free Clinic, the STD Clinic, and the Substance Use Prevention and Harm Reduction Services which includes the Portland Needle Exchange, along with social services programs such as General Assistance, a new homelessness prevention program), mental health services, and several other programs will all be housed at 39 Forest Avenue. The strategic decision to centralize services into one building is based in research, born out of demand, and has been recognized by City Council and the community as a solution that simply makes sense for our clients and staff now and into the future.

Amount Requested: \$796,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Coastal Counties Workforce, Inc.

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: Coastal Counties seeks funding to support the Teens Work program, which would provide a 10-week summer jobs program for 150 low-income students aged 14-19 in the Coastal Counties region, including York, Cumberland, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Waldo, and Knox counties.

Amount Requested: \$565,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: East Millinocket Fire Department

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: East Millinocket Fire Department ambulance looks to purchase two four-wheel drive ambulances to improve travel times during adverse weather.

Amount Requested: \$300,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Eastern Maine Development Corporation

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: EMDC requests funding to provide individualized services and training to people and employers, through the U.S. Department of Labor Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Over a 24-month project period, EMDC will provide services to 150 workforce development front-line staff among the four Core Partners agencies in the WIOA system using a new technology platform developed in Ireland to reach a broader range of employers, job seekers and the partner programs.

Amount Requested: \$590,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Eastern Maine Development Corporation

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: EMDC requests funding to increase and improve the availability of agricultural workers, which may include both immigrant workers, as well as distressed on-farm family workers. Project seeks to address chronic underemployment in the agricultural workforce, particularly for farms producing perishable products.

Amount Requested: \$600,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Eastern Maine Development Corporation

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: EMDC requests funding to address the chronic problem of high incarceration rates and overcrowding in Maine jails. The new Jail Diversion through Work and Wellness program will target the jail population and focus resources on workforce development and mental health needs.

Amount Requested: \$750,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Healthy Acadia

Project Location: Hancock County

Project Purpose: Funding would support the continuation of Healthy Acadia's Maine Recovery Corps Program (MRC) for one year.

Amount Requested: \$400,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Katahdin Valley Health Center

Project Location: Piscataquis County

Project Purpose: KVHC will utilize the proposed funds to perform construction/expansion at the rural Brownville Health Center to add square footage to the existing facility as well as a small renovation to the existing space.

Amount Requested: \$1,500,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: KidsPeace National Centers of New England, Inc.

Project Location: Hancock County

Project Purpose: KidsPeace plans to develop a multi-track certification program for youth care workers to develop their skills sets and competency areas and provide them with career path training. With 139 years of experience, KidsPeace will draw on nearly a century and a half of knowledge gained working with this vulnerable population. The Youth Care Resiliency Certification will allow organizations within the mental health and child welfare industries to engage and develop entry-level associates in the major core competency areas of working in the mental and behavioral health direct care fields.

Amount Requested: \$430,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: KidsPeace National Centers of New England, Inc.

Project Location: Hancock County

Project Purpose: KidsPeace Graham Lake Campus is a residential and educational mental health program for youth which provides a spectrum of programming, including residential care, special education, day treatment for youth on the autism spectrum, clinical services, occupational, physical and speech therapy, nursing, psychiatric treatment, physiological care, behavioral health and case management. KidsPeace requests funding to expand residential and educational capacity, and water and wastewater systems that serve the KidsPeace Graham Lake Campus. Included in their request is demolition of outbuildings and portables; site work; and infrastructure improvements, including a new septic system, utility connections and emergency power.

Amount Requested: \$1,085,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: LearningWorks

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: LearningWorks seeks funding to develop a comprehensive teacher training and curriculum development project designed to improve academic outcomes for low-income, minority, and English Language Learning (ELL) students.

Amount Requested: \$150,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Maine Aquaculture Innovation Center, Inc.

Project Location: Washington County

Project Purpose: To develop world class, industry-relevant, community college training programs that utilize cutting-edge technology to prepare the next generation of Maine's seafood workforce.

Amount Requested: \$977,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Maine College of Art

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: MECA requests support for expansion of online Learning Management System to broaden the College's reach throughout Maine to provide undergraduate, graduate, pre-college course, continuing studies, and connections to local schools, teachers, and nonprofits.

Amount Requested: \$357,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Maine Community Action Partnership

Project Location: Aroostook County

Project Purpose: Maine Community Action Partnership (MeCAP) seeks funding to integrate a "Whole Families" approach into their comprehensive programs and supports for Maine families.

Amount Requested: \$2,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Maine Discovery Museum

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: CDS funds would go towards partnering with teachers, administrators, the University of Maine's College of Education, the University of Maine at Farmington's Elementary Education Program, museums, and other informal science organizations to address the lack of science that is taught in elementary schools in Maine and the lack of training in science that teachers receive as part of their preparation.

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Milestone Recovery

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: Milestone Recovery seeks funding support to establish an Intensive Outpatient Program for low-income Mainers struggling with Substance Use Disorders, hire staff, and to expand the capacity of its existing detoxification program from 16 to 24.

Amount Requested: \$690,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Millinocket Regional Hospital

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: Millinocket Regional Hospital (MRH), a Critical Access Hospital, is currently experiencing a surge in emergency room visits related to Mental Health crises and/or Substance Use Disorders. They propose to construct a designated “Safe Zone” using a current patient room and transforming it into one that can be safely and quickly converted into a mental health safe room by staff.

Amount Requested: \$405,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Northern Light C.A. Dean Hospital

Project Location: Piscataquis County

Project Purpose: Northern Light requests funding for upgrades to the hospital to replace a century-old facility to preserve and improve access to healthcare in Maine’s Moosehead Lake Region.

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Northern Light Mercy Hospital

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: Northern Light Mercy Hospital requests funding to renovate the Carriage House and further renovate the residence on the 44 Ohio Street campus to open a hub or Penquis Early Head Start and Head Start services, childcare services, and a family learning lab for women who are engaged in higher education and remote learning activities for their children while they are in SUD treatment.

Amount Requested: \$510,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Northern Maine Community College

Project Location: Aroostook County

Project Purpose: NMCC requests funding to expand the electrical construction and maintenance program at the college to address the urgent need for licensed electricians in the state of Maine.

Amount Requested: \$567,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Northern Maine Community College

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: NMCC requests funding to expand the college’s Mechanized Logging Operations program to address the immediate need for skilled entry-level operators trained on increasingly sophisticated harvesting equipment.

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Partnership for Children's Oral Health (PCOH)

Project Location: Kennebec County

Project Purpose: Partnership for Children’s Oral Health (PCOH) requests funding to create the Virtual Dental Home, a community-based oral health care delivery system.

Amount Requested: \$648,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Saint Joseph's College

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: Saint Joseph's College requests CDS funding to complete the funding for the construction of Phase I of its Center for Nursing Innovation (CNI); the Hospital and Home Health Simulation Floor.

Amount Requested: \$810,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Sanford Housing Authority

Project Location: York County

Project Purpose: To provide a campus wide WiFi infrastructure at Sanford Housing properties, home to seniors and people with disabilities.

Amount Requested: \$122,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Southern Maine Community College

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: To purchase a mobile welding training lab to be shared across the State of Maine via the Maine Community College System which will increase the efficacy and accelerate acquisition of welding skills for manufacturers in Maine.

Amount Requested: \$995,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Southern Maine Health Care

Project Location: York County

Project Purpose: Southern Maine Health Care requests funding to promote access to culturally appropriate primary and on demand care for New Mainers in the Sanford Hospital Service Area through in person and telemedicine visits.

Amount Requested: \$222,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Spurwink

Project Location: Androscoggin County

Project Purpose: Spurwink seeks funding to renovate its Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) for Individuals with Intellectual Disability in Lewiston, one of only fifteen facilities in the State of Maine that provide a crucial service as a health care facility for people with disabilities. It not only delivers medical care and active treatment, but also provides a vital community resource as a teaching facility for social workers and CNAs. In addition, while clients originate from all regions of Maine, they often live at the Lewiston facility for many years and are active members of the local community. In addition, the site employs over 60 professionals who live in the area and contribute to the local economy. The renovation would create a space that is functional and allows individuals to do leisure activities as well as regulation-required active treatment, while also meeting the needs of individuals requiring level of care and accommodating a large amount of adaptive equipment.

Amount Requested: \$366,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: St. Joseph's Hospital

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: To fund the renovation of the Surgical/Orthopedic floor of St. Joseph Hospital as part of its long-term project to develop a state of the art "Age-Friendly Health System" aimed to better support the needs of older adults and their caregivers.

Amount Requested: \$1,500,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: The Center for Grieving Children

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: To support the Center for Grieving Children's program team as they provide a safe space, peer support, outreach, and education to grieving children, teens, families and the community.

Amount Requested: \$264,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: United Way of Greater Portland

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: United Way would like to create an environment better equipped with the awareness, knowledge, and skills to support children and families experiencing adverse childhood experiences. United Way of Greater Portland, through community engagement, is leading the creation of a Trauma-Informed Community that will create measurable and lasting change for children and adults who have experienced Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). Working across sectors and levels, United Way will work to change the attitudes and behaviors at the individual, organizational, and systems level to impact the entire environment in which a child experiences their daily interactions. This environment will broadly contribute to the nurturing care that will support the 46,500 children ages 3 and up in Cumberland County. More specifically, their better-equipped environment will support the 2,500 high school students who have already experienced four or more ACEs and are at greatest risk for damaging outcomes, as well as those not yet included in the data because of their age and those they will reach before they accumulate more ACEs.

Amount Requested: \$280,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: University of Maine System

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: University of Maine System (UMS) schools of nursing, request funding for a mobile simulation lab to provide supplemental and enriched learning for all four nursing programs within the UMS.

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: University of Maine System

Project Location: Franklin County

Project Purpose: University of Maine System requests funding to establish the Sweatt-Winter Child Care Center, a multi-use all-inclusive child care and academic facility intended to become the heart of early childhood education for UMF, neighboring communities and the state.

Amount Requested: \$1,085,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: University of Maine System

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: The Maine Teacher Residency Program seeks funding to bring to scale a successful pilot program developed during the pandemic. The funding is for program design, coordination, recruitment, and training to create 100 district based teacher residencies across the state.

Amount Requested: \$989,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: University of Maine System

Project Location: Kennebec County

Project Purpose: The University of Maine System (UMS) will pilot a statewide entry-year experience for adult learners through its universities that leverages available resources to maximize second year retention.

Amount Requested: \$945,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: University of Maine System

Project Location: Kennebec County

Project Purpose: To establish an Interdisciplinary Cybersecurity Consortium within the University of Maine System.

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Wabanaki Public Health and Wellness

Project Location: Penobscot County

Project Purpose: Wabanaki Public Health requests support for renovations to the Center for Wabanaki Healing and Recovery, the first indigenous treatment and recovery center in Northern New England located in Millinocket, Maine.

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: York Hospital

Project Location: York County

Project Purpose: The York Hospital Recovery Center is requesting Community Project Funding to implement evidence-based programs aligned with Maine's Opioid Response: 2021 Strategic Action Plan to confront the epidemic of substance use disorder (SUD), emphasizing opioid use disorder (OUD), and create a healthier, recovery-ready community.

Amount Requested: \$227,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

Recipient Name: Youth and Family Outreach

Project Location: Cumberland County

Project Purpose: The Youth Family Outreach Expansion Project looks for funding to create a new renovated education and community space (9 classrooms) to reduce the current 100+ family waitlist and increase access to high-quality early care and education.

Amount Requested: \$650,000

Requesting Member: Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

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