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Office of Senator Warnock - FY26 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Request Form

Please use this form to submit your request for Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) CDS funding by **April 7, 2025, at 5 PM Eastern Time**. Programmatic requests **will NOT** be accepted if submitted via this form. A **programmatic request** is a request to fund a specific federal program in the appropriations bill at a specified level. To view Senator Warnock's programmatic form, please visit https://www.warnock.senate.gov/services/appropriations/ and select "FY26 Programmatic Form."

All requests must comply with Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate (https://www.rules.senate.gov/rules-of-the-senate). Among other provisions, Rule XLIV bars members from carrying any financial or pecuniary interest in any CDS project they support and requires members to disclose their requested CDS projects.

In previous years, CDS funding has been limited to public and nonprofit entities, and a random sample of funded projects were audited by the Government Accountability Office. Generally, CDS funding cannot be used as a continuous funding source. All CDS projects must comply with these rules and requirements. CDS requirements may change based on further guidance from the Senate Appropriations Committee, and CDS funding is contingent on enactment of FY26 appropriations bills.

You may submit multiple appropriations requests. Please fill out a separate application for each request. Some of the questions are required—you will not be able to submit the form unless these

questions are answered. Additionally, some questions will require additional information depending on your answers. **You will not be able to save your progress as you complete the application.** We strongly recommend that you work from an external document and copy information into the form when you are ready to submit.

The office encourages you to submit your request as early as possible. If the office requires additional information about your project after submission, a member of the senator's staff will contact your organization. If you have any questions, please email appropriations@warnock.senate.gov.

Part 1: Requesting Entity Information

The requesting entity is the name of the entity that will be the ultimate recipient of any CDS funding and will be responsible for executing those funds for their proposed purposes. If you are a third party submitting on behalf of the requesting entity, please provide the requesting entity's information below, i.e., not your own or that of another party.

[Q1]   Requesting Entity Name (REQUIRED)
           Please enter this exactly as it appears on IRS documents.

[Q2]   Requesting Entity Employer Identification Number (EIN) (REQUIRED)

[Q3]   Requesting Entity County – (REQUIRED)
           This should be the county in which the requesting entity is located

[Q4]   Requesting Entity Mailing Address (REQUIRED)

[Q5]   Requesting Entity Website

[Q6]   Requesting Entity Point of Contact (POC) Full Name and Title (REQUIRED)
           This person must be employed by the requesting entity.

[Q7]   Requesting Entity POC Email Address (REQUIRED)

[Q8]   Requesting Entity POC Phone Number (REQUIRED)
           A cell or mobile number is preferred. Staff often have urgent questions requiring timely answers. Please enter as XXX-XXX-XXXX.

[Q9]   Is the requesting entity a nonprofit or public entity? (REQUIRED)
           - Nonprofit Organization
           - Government Entity
           - Other

[Q10] Please upload a letter of certification that the requesting entity is a nonprofit or public entity. (REQUIRED)
           This can be a note on the organization's letterhead, an IRS determination letter, a Form 990, or any similar document. If the requesting entity is a nonprofit and has not

previously received federal funding, we encourage attaching your Form 990 for review.

[Q11] Please list the name, title, and contact information for the head of the requesting entity. (REQUIRED)

[Q12] Please enter the name, affiliation, and contact information of any third-party consultant(s).

If a lobbyist or government relations professional assisted your organization in developing this request, or who may otherwise advocate for the request on your organization's behalf, please enter their name, affiliation, and contact information below, including a valid email address and a cell or mobile number.

[Q13] Have you previously applied for OR received federal funding? (REQUIRED)
- Applied for, have NOT received federal funding
- Applied for, have received federal funding
- Have not previously applied for federal funding

[Q14] Please describe the federal funding you previously applied for or received. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q13] INCLUDES "Applied for")
Please describe the federal funding you previously applied for or received, including a description of the projects that sought funding and the name of the federal program(s) under which funding was sought/awarded.

[Q15] Have you previously applied for or received Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS)? (REQUIRED)
- Applied for, have NOT received CDS
- Applied for, have received CDS
- Have not applied for CDS

[Q16] Please describe the federal funding you previously applied for or received. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q15] INCLUDES "Applied for")
Please describe the CDS item(s) you previously applied for or received, including a description of the project(s) that sought funding, the year(s) of any CDS applications/awards, and the office(s) to which the request was submitted.

Part 2: Project Summary

[Q17] Project Title (REQUIRED)
Please provide a short title of no more than 10 words for your project.

[Q18] Project Summary (REQUIRED)
Please provide a concise project summary starting with "for" or "to" of under 20 words (e.g. "for construction of low-income elderly housing").

[Q19] Project Priority Ranking (REQUIRED)
Please rank your project submissions in order from most to least important, with the top

priority ranked as "1". If you are submitting one project, please rank it as "1" below.

[Q20] Have you previously submitted **THIS** CDS request to the Office of Senator Warnock before, in whole or in part? If so, please note the year of submission. (REQUIRED)

Part 3: Subcommittee Specific Information

Please select the appropriations subcommittee that your request falls under.

If you are unsure of which subcommittee your request falls under, please consult the general guidance provided by the Senate Appropriations Committee for the FY25 cycle here: https://www.appropriatdoions.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/fy2025_appropriations_requests_general_guidance1.pdf.

[Q21] Appropriations Subcommittee (REQUIRED)
- Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
- Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies
- Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies
- Financial Services and General Government
  - If selected, proceed to Financial Services and General Government
- Homeland Security
  - If selected, proceed to Homeland Security
- Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
- Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies
- Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
- Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies
  - If selected, proceed to Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies
- Unknown
  - If selected, proceed to Subcommittee Unknown

[Q22] In addition to the selected Subcommittee, do you believe this project qualifies under another subcommittee? (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q21] IS NOT "Unknown") If so, please indicate below. Please also indicate if you are submitting this project in multiple Subcommittees.

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies

Below is guidance for CDS within the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Rural Development - Community Facilities (CF) Grants
This account will fund **up to** 75 percent of total project costs depending on the community's population and median income. All projects must meet environmental review requirements. The match requirements are outlined in the CF regulation 7 CFR 3570.63(b). Applicants must complete an application if awarded a CDS in the final bill.

Rural Development - Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program (DLT) Grants
All applicants must be able to satisfy the program's flat 15 percent non-federal matching funds requirement prior to a CDS request being approved. Broadband deployment is **not** an eligible use of funds for DLT. A full list of eligible entities, uses, and limitations are listed in 7 CFR Part 1734 Subpart A and B. Applicants must complete an application if awarded a CDS in the final bill.

Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) - Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO)
An applicant must have a local sponsor, certify coordination with their NRCS state office, and ensure the proposal meets all program requirements, including financial requirements. At least 20 percent of the total benefits of the project must be directly related to agriculture.

Agricultural Research Service - Building and Facilities (ARS B&F)
Requests for ARS B&F may only include funding for existing facilities or facilities where funding has been provided in the past.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service - Salaries and Expenses:
Projects must meet environmental review requirements (e.g., the National Environmental Policy Act and the Endangered Species Act). While the entire S&E account is open for CDS requests, below are the line items within the account that are most compatible with CDS:
- Field Crop & Rangeland Ecosystems Pests
- Pest Detection
- Plant Protection Methods Development
- Specialty Crop Pests
- Tree & Wood Pests
- Wildlife Damage Management

- Wildlife Services Methods Development
- Veterinary Diagnostics
- Equine, Cervid and Small Ruminant Health

Additionally, the following APHIS programs have matching requirements:
- Grasshopper/Mormon Cricket (Field Crop & Rangeland Ecosystems Pests) – 100 percent on Federal land (including most tribal trust lands), 50 percent of the cost on state land, and 33 percent of the cost on private land
- Brucellosis (Cattle Health) – 40 percent match
- Wildlife Services – 50 percent match

[Q23] Please select an account within the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)
- Agricultural Research Service - Building and Facilities (ARS B&F)
    o If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service - Salaries and Expenses
    o If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- Natural Resources Conservation Service - Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations
    o If selected, proceed to Agriculture - Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations
- Rural Development - Community Facilities grants
    o If selected, proceed to Agriculture - Rural Development, Community Facilities grants
- Rural Development - Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program grants
    o If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- None of the above
    o If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information

Agriculture - Rural Development, Community Facilities grants
This program has a match requirement on a sliding scale based on the community population size of where the project will be located.
- Minimum **25 percent** local match when the proposed project is located in a rural community having a population of 5,000 or fewer;
- Minimum of **45 percent** local match for projects located in rural communities of 12,000 or fewer;
- Minimum **65 percent** local match for projects located in rural communities of 20,000 or fewer;
- **INELIGIBLE**: Projects located in communities with populations over 20,000.

[Q24] Can your project meet the matching requirement? (REQUIRED)
- Yes
- No
- Other
[Q25] If you answered "Other," please describe further below." (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q24] IS "Other")

[Q26] Please provide the intended use of funds and how the completed construction/acquisition will be used. (REQUIRED)
Please provide as much detail as possible.

[Q27] Please provide the service area and beneficiaries. (REQUIRED)
This includes all towns, cities, counties, etc., that will benefit from the services provided.

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Agriculture - Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations

An applicant must have a local sponsor, certify coordination with their NRCS state office, and ensure the proposal meets all program requirements, including financial requirements. At least 20 percent of the total benefits of the project must be directly related to agriculture.

[Q28] Will 20 percent of this project's benefits relate directly to agriculture? (REQUIRED)

[Q29] Have you certified that a program sponsor has contacted their Natural Resources Conservation Service state office and the proposal meets all program requirements, including financial requirements? (REQUIRED)

[Q30] What phase of the project would be funded by this request? (REQUIRED)

- Preliminary Feasibility Study (PIFR)
- Watershed Plan Development
  - Implementation of Watershed Plan
- Commencement of Construction for Authorized Watershed Conservation
  - Unknown/Other

[Q31] If you answered "Other" for any question above, please elaborate here. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q28] OR [Q29] OR [Q30] IS "Other")

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies

Below is guidance for CDS within the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. Successful projects will match the project to the authorization or mission of an agency or account and have the support of local officials or communities. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Department of Justice - Office of Justice Programs, State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance, Byrne Discretionary

All projects must have a nexus to the criminal justice system. Projects should provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice systems. Awarded grants will be subject to the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide. Allowable costs are those costs consistent with the principles set out in the 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, and those permitted

by the grant program's authorizing legislation. To be allowable under Federal awards, costs must be reasonable, allocable, and necessary to the project, and they must also comply with the funding statute and agency requirements. This funding cannot be used for land acquisition or construction.

Department of Justice - Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), COPS Law Enforcement Technology and Equipment
Projects should provide for the development of technologies and automated systems to assist law enforcement agencies in investigating, responding to, and preventing crime. Allowable activities are limited to the statutorily allowable purpose areas under the COPS Office statute. Awarded grants will be subject to the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide and the applicable Award Owner's Manual.

National Institute of Standards and Technology - Scientific and Technical Research Services (STRS); External Projects
Projects should address standards-related research and technology development. Construction projects will not be accepted.

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) - Construction of Research Facilities; Extramural Construction
The Committee will accept CDS for NIST Construction projects for non-Federal research facilities, including projects at research institutions and colleges and universities.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) - Operations, Research, and Facilities (ORF); Special Projects
Projects should address fisheries, marine mammals, coastal issues, climate, weather, and atmospheric research, data acquisition, and forecasting programs. Construction projects will not be accepted.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) - Safety, Security and Mission Support (SSMS)
Projects should focus on science education, research, and technology development related to NASA's mission. Medical research projects and projects at NASA-owned Visitor Centers or a State's designated Space Grant Consortium will not be funded. This account does not fund construction but could be used for equipment, research funding, or education programs.

[Q32]   Please select the account within Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Accounts that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)
- NIST - Scientific and Technical Research Services, External Projects
  - If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- NIST - Construction of Research Facilities
  - If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- NOAA - Operations, Research, and Facilities; Special Projects
  - If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- DOJ - Byrne Discretionary Grants
  - If selected, proceed to CJS - Byrne and COPS Projects

- DOJ - COPS Law Enforcement Technology
  - If selected, proceed to CJS - Byrne and COPS Projects
- NASA - Safety, Security, and Mission Support
  - If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information
- None of the above
  - If selected, proceed to Part 4: Project Information

CJS - Byrne and COPS Projects

Please acknowledge and affirm the following requirements on behalf of the recipient entity:

- All projects funded under these accounts will be subject to the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide.
- For Byrne Projects, I understand that CDS funding may not be used for land acquisition or construction, nor may CDS funding be used for transportation costs.
- For COPS Projects, I understand that this CDS request does not cover ongoing maintenance costs associated with the project, and I affirm that my organization has the funding available to maintain a technology or equipment purchased through this request.

[Q33] I acknowledge and affirm the above. (REQUIRED)

[Q34] The Senate Appropriations Committee asks all recipients to consider the full range of potential legal, constitutional, and civil liberties and privacy implications associated with generating, acquiring, or using technology or data. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q32] INCLUDES "DOJ – COPS Law Enforcement Technology")
Please describe how your agency will address potential legal, constitutional, and civil liberties and privacy implications of the requested project.

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies

Below is guidance for CDS within the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Department of Energy

While the Subcommittee will consider requests in the Department of Energy, it is expected to provide very few such items. The Committee **will not fund** the following projects:
- Projects that require multiple years of funding – the funding requested should reflect a funding amount that can complete the project;
- Construction of buildings or new facilities (no brick and mortar), even if it will have clean energy associated with it;
- Vehicle charging projects, unless the project is connected to larger clean energy sources (like a battery) or has clean energy applications beyond the charging station;
- Electrical substation replacement or routine grid upgrades that could otherwise be funded under ratepayer contracts or through existing federal incentives;

- Planning studies for a forthcoming project, including planning studies for NetZero goals;
- Clean energy projects that do not show a transformative or emerging technological solution (i.e., solar panels, battery storage, or light bulb upgrades without any transformative technology or integrated energy systems associated with it).

Statutory cost sharing requirements may apply to these projects, as required by section 988 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The amount of required cost sharing will depend on the scope and technological maturity of the project.

- Research or development activities of a basic or fundamental nature: no minimum cost share.
- Outreach and educational projects: no minimum cost share.
- Fundamental science projects: no minimum cost share.
- Research or development activities of an applied nature: minimum 20 percent cost share
- Demonstration or commercial application: minimum 50 percent cost share.
- Some projects may contain elements of more than one of the categories shown above. Therefore, some projects may have a blended cost share.

Further, this year's requests will be submitted into a single Department of Energy earmark account, and requests must fit under at least one of the five topic areas listed in the Department of Energy: "Energy Projects" below:

- Renewable and Clean Energy projects
- Electricity and Energy Resiliency projects
- Cybersecurity and Energy Security projects
- Nuclear Energy Projects
- Fossil Energy or Carbon Management Projects

Corps of Engineers

For the Corps of Engineers, only authorized projects and programs will be considered for funding. With the exception of Operation and Maintenance, an authorized project or program that has not received funding in prior years is considered a new start. Few, if any, new starts will be funded. Similarly, few, if any, Environmental Infrastructure projects will receive funding.

[Q35] Please select the account within the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)

- Corps of Engineers - Construction
- Corps of Engineers - Environmental Infrastructure
- Corps of Engineers - Investigations
- Corps of Engineers - Operation & Maintenance
- Department of Energy - Renewable and Clean Energy
  - Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.
- Department of Energy - Electricity and Energy Resiliency
  - Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.
- Department of Energy - Cybersecurity and Energy Security
  - Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.
- Department of Energy - Nuclear Energy

- o Proceed to [Part 4: Project Information](#).
- Department of Energy - Fossil Energy or Carbon Management
    - o Proceed to [Part 4: Project Information](#).
- None of the above
    - o Proceed to [Part 4: Project Information](#).

[Q36] Please list the authorized project(s) that you would like to receive funding.

Please note the legislation and year in which each project was last authorized (e.g., Savannah Harbor, Georgia - WRDA 2024). (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q35] INCLUDES "Corps of Engineers")

Proceed to [Part 4: Project Information](#).

Financial Services and General Government

Below is guidance for CDS within the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations bill. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Small Business Administration - Administrative Provision (SBA)
Eligible projects include those that support small business entrepreneur training, counseling, and research., Projects should align with the goals of SBA's existing grant programs. Unfortunately, requests for seed capital for small businesses, sub-grants or loans, or the construction or acquisition of facilities are **not eligible** for CDS funding.

National Archives and Records Administration, National Historic Publication and Records Commission (NHPRC)
Eligible projects include those to help ensure online public discovery and use of historical records collections, encourage public engagement with historical records, strengthen the nation's archival network, or publish documentary editions of historical records. This includes initiatives like record digitization, programming, and online availability of records. You may find NHPRC eligibility requirements [here](https://www.archives.gov/nhprc/apply/eligibility.html): https://www.archives.gov/nhprc/apply/eligibility.html.

National Archives and Records Administration, Repairs and Restoration
Eligible projects are those that dedicate funding for one or more of the 15 presidential libraries established under the Presidential Libraries Act.

General Services Administration, Federal Buildings Fund, Construction and Acquisition or Repairs and Alterations Accounts
Eligible projects include all Construction projects and Major Repairs projects not requested in the FY26 GSA budget request, unless projects were partially funded in a prior enacted FSGG Appropriations bill. Construction projects typically include federal courthouses, federal buildings, or land ports-of-entry. Repair projects must be federally-owned properties in need of major repairs or alterations and are typically federal buildings or federal courthouses. State or county facilities, Department of Defense facilities, Veterans Affairs facilities, and transportation infrastructure facilities are **not eligible.**

Office of National Drug Control Policy, Administrative Provision (Prevention Grants)
Eligible projects include evidence-based drug-related projects such as primary prevention of substance use disorder, community-based coalitions that propose evidence-based prevention interventions, and Drug Free Communities-funded coalitions recently trained to implement Adverse Childhood Experiences as part of their substance use prevention efforts. Eligible expenses include staff salaries and benefits for time spent on the project, building rent, and equipment. Substance-specific programs, treatment programs, property purchases, construction, and renovation costs are **not eligible.**

[Q37] Please select the account within the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)
- Small Business Administration - Administrative Provisions
- National Archives and Records Administration - National Historical Publications and Records Commission
- National Archives and Records Administration - Repair and Restoration
- General Services Administration - Federal Buildings Fund, Construction and Acquisition
- General Services Administration, Federal Buildings Fund, Repairs and Alterations
- Office of National Drug Control Policy, Administrative Provision (Prevention Grants)
- None of the above

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Homeland Security

Below is guidance for CDS within the Homeland Security Appropriations bill. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Federal Emergency Management Agency - Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Projects
Requested projects must meet the eligibility requirements of the PDM grant program, including the cost-share requirement, benefit cost ratio, hazard mitigation plan, and environmental and historic preservation requirements. Requirements can be found in the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity here: https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/learn/pre-disaster/fy24-congressionally-directed-spending. For any projects designated for funding in the final Fiscal Year 2026 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the state agency responsible for administering mitigation grants in the requestor's state (GEMA) must submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and that entity will serve as the administrative agent for the grant.

Therefore, all project proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate state agency affirming that it believes the project is eligible. In addition to the PDM grant program requirements listed above, the Subcommittee will principally seek to satisfy member requests for eligible projects that are important to states and local communities but which may not receive adequate attention under the larger Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program. Projects awarded BRIC funding are **not eligible** for PDM CDS funding.

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Federal Emergency Management Agency - Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program
Requested projects must meet the eligibility requirements of the EOC grant program, including the cost-share requirement and environmental and historic preservation requirements. Full requirements can be found in the most recent Notice of Funding Opportunity here: https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/emergency-operations-center/fy-24-nofo.

For any projects designated for funding in the final Fiscal Year 2026 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, the state administrative agency (GEMA) must submit an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and that entity will serve as the administrative agent for the grant.

Therefore, all project proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate state agency affirming that it believes the project is eligible.

[Q38] Please select the account under the Homeland Security Subcommittee that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency - Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects
- Federal Emergency Management Agency - Emergency Operations Center Grant Program
- None of the above

[Q39] All proposals must be accompanied by a letter of support from the appropriate state agency (GEMA) affirming that it believes the project is eligible under either the EOC or PDM account. (REQUIRED)
Please upload this letter of support here in PDF form.

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

Below is guidance for CDS within the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) - Water and Wastewater Infrastructure
Eligible projects include those listed on a state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan (IUP), as well as projects that are eligible for funding under State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) guidelines, but are not on the IUP list. There is a minimum 20% cost-share requirement for any project – for example, a $1 million project could receive a maximum $800,000 CDS award, with the remaining $200,000 the responsibility of the CDS recipient. In almost all cases, other federal funding cannot be used to meet the cost-share requirement and only the non-federal portion of assistance provided by an existing SRF loan can be applied to a project's matching requirement. Please note that CDS projects included in a final bill will go through the federal grant award process and be subject to applicable requirements including those related to federal grants, domestic preference, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

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National Park Service - Historic Preservation Fund (HPF)
The subcommittee will accept CDS requests for projects within HPF that meet the eligibility requirements of existing HPF competitive programs, which you may find here: https://www.nps.gov/subjects/historicpreservationfund/project-grants.htm. Each successful CDS recipient must complete and submit an application containing a detailed scope of work and budget proposal to the National Parks Service for review and approval. The maximum project amount is $500,000.

Indian Health Service (IHS) - Sanitation Facilities Construction
For this account, the subcommittee will accept CDS requests for projects included on the Indian Health Services' (IHS) Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) list.

United States Forest Service - State and Private Forestry
Eligible activities within this account include forest health management, fire protection, wood innovation, and urban and community forestry. Project requests should be part of the state's Forest Action Plan or contribute to meeting the goals of the Forest Action Plan. Recipients cannot receive funding for a project that has received funding through other Forest Service grants and agreements.

The Subcommittee may also consider CDS requests within the following accounts, but only on a case-by-case basis:
- Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), and Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON)
- Land Management Agencies - Local Projects and Research
- Bureau of Indian Affairs – Operation of Indian Programs, Special Initiatives
- EPA – Science and Technology, Research: National Priorities

[Q40] Please select the account within the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)
- Environmental Protection Agency - Water and Wastewater Infrastructure
  - If selected, please proceed to Interior - Water and Wastewater
- National Parks Service - Historic Preservation Fund
  - If selected, please proceed to Interior - Historic Preservation Fund
- Indian Health Service (IHS) - Sanitation Facilities Construction
- United States Forest Service - State and Private Forestry, Forest Resource Information and Analysis
- Land and Water Conservation Fund - Great American Outdoors Act, Land and Water Conservation Fund Projects Legacy Restoration Fund - Great American Outdoors Act, Legacy Restoration Fund Projects
- Environmental Protection Agency - Science and Technology, Research: National Priorities
- Land Management Agencies – Construction
- Land Management Agencies - Local Projects and Research
- Bureau of Indian Affairs - Operation of Indian Programs, Special Initiatives
- None of the above

[Q41] Please select the relevant plan/list that your project appears on. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q40] IS NOT "Environmental Protection Agency - Water and Wastewater Infrastructure" or "National Parks Service - Historic Preservation Fund")
- Forest Action Plan
- LWCF - Great American Outdoors Act List
- LRF - Great American Outdoors Act List
- LMCON - FY26 President's Budget Request
- Awaiting FY26 President's Budget Request
- Unknown/Other

[Q42] Please include a link to the plan and the name of the project as it appears on the relevant plan/list selected. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q41] IS NOT "blank")

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Interior - Water and Wastewater

Please note that there is a minimum 20 percent cost share requirement for any state or local water infrastructure grant funded through a CDS request. If you are requesting 80 percent of the total cost, the applicant must have a plan on how to secure the 20 percent local cost share.

For example, a $1 million project could receive a maximum of $800,000 from the federal government, with the remaining $200,000 the responsibility of the CDS recipient.

[Q43] Is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan? (REQUIRED)

You may find the Intended Use Plans here: https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-programs/intended-use-plans.

- Yes
- No
- Other

[Q44] Is the project eligible under either the Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) guidelines? (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q43] IS "NO" OR "OTHER") You may find the Clean Water SRF Guidelines here: https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/about-clean-water-state-revolving-fund-cwsrf#eligibilities.

You may find the Drinking Water guidelines here: https://www.epa.gov/dwsrf/dwsrf-eligibilities.

- Yes
- No
- Other

[Q45] Please include a link to the relevant Intended Use Plan and the name of the project as it

appears on the plan (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q44] IS "YES")

You may find the Intended Use Plans here: https://gefa.georgia.gov/water-programs/intended-use-plans.

[Q46] Please elaborate if you answered "Other" to either question above. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q43] OR [Q44] IS "OTHER")

[Q47] What is the project purpose? (REQUIRED)
E.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection

[Q48] How will the project help the recipient meet applicable water standards? (REQUIRED)
E.g., improve drinking water quality or improve surface/groundwater quality

[Q49] Is this project primarily to support existing water needs or to support future growth (REQUIRED)
Projects primarily to support future growth are typically ineligible for State Revolving Funds.

[Q50] What is the project's status?
e.g., preliminary engineering, initial planning and design, final design completed, environmental reviews completed, construction initiated (REQUIRED)

[Q51] Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both? (REQUIRED)

[Q52] Describe the project recipient—are they a municipality? Public water system? Other public entity? (REQUIRED)

[Q53] Please list any funding received from federal appropriations for THIS project, including the Fiscal Year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others). (REQUIRED)

[Q54] Has the community ever received state or federal funding for water infrastructure projects? If so, please briefly describe the project(s). (REQUIRED)

[Q55] Does the community have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20% or more? Please briefly describe the plan and non-federal sources of funding. (REQUIRED)

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Interior - Historic Preservation Fund
All HPF CDS recipients must meet standards set by the Secretary of the Interior, comply with the audit requirements, and submit an application to the National Parks Service for review and approval. The maximum project amount is $500,000.

[Q56] Is this a Save America's Trees (SAT) program project? You may find eligibility information for SAT here: https://www.nps.gov/subjects/historicpreservationfund/sat-grant-info.htm. Please also note that construction and acquisition of property is not eligible. The subcommittee will also require that the property be listed as an historic place on the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark.
- Yes, this is an SAT project and I have confirmed all eligibility requirements
- No, this is not an SAT project

[Q57] If the request is for a specific property, is the property listed on the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark individually or as contributing to an historic district? If so, please provide the listing number. (REQUIRED)

[Q58] Does the recipient have in place, or plan to provide, the one-to-one match with non-federal cash and/or in-kind contribution (REQUIRED)
- Yes
- No

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Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

Funds made available under the LHHS Subcommittee cannot be used to acquire land or property. The Health Resources and Services Administration – Health Facilities Construction and Equipment sub-account is the **ONLY** sub-account under LHHS that may be used for the construction or renovation of facilities. The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Training and Employment Services

CDS projects funded by ETA must be focused on meeting the employment and training needs of workers. These projects should include direct services which could include career services, training services, supportive services, and other permissible services, as they are defined in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Projects will be required to report on performance outcomes for participants and should include a meaningful connection to the local workforce development system. Some CDS funding may be used for the purchase of equipment or curriculum development. If a significant amount of CDS funding is to be used for equipment or curriculum development, provide a detailed justification for how such costs relate to the employment and training needs of individuals. This category will not fund wrap around services such as food or clothing there must be a clear connection to how the request ties back to the workforce.

Department of Health and Human Services - Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Projects must fall under one of the following categories: Health Facilities Construction and Equipment or Rural Health. Funding is generally used for construction/renovation and the

purchase of equipment associated with healthcare facilities. Funding provided under the Rural Health account must be used for services in areas that meet HRSA's definition of rural. You may find HRSA's definition of rural here: https://www.hrsa.gov/rural-health/about-us/what-is-rural. Funds cannot be used to pay salaries, purchase existing buildings/acquire land, or reimburse work previously completed. CDS recipients may not sub-grant to other organizations or agencies.

Department of Health and Human Services – SAMHSA, Health Surveillance and Program Support
Projects must fall under one of the following categories: Mental Health, Substance Abuse Treatment, or Substance Abuse Prevention. The subcommittee is prohibited from funding projects that distribute sterile needles or syringes for IV drug injection or promote the legalization of illegal drugs or substances.

Department of Health and Human Services – Administration for Children and Families
Projects must fall under one of the following categories: Child Abuse Prevention or Social Services Research and Demonstration.

Department of Health and Human Services – Administration for Community Living
Projects must improve the ability of older adults and individuals of all ages with disabilities to live independently and participate fully in their communities.

Department of Education – Innovation and Improvement, Fund for the Improvement of Education
CDS funding under this account can support a wide variety of projects that help provide early childhood or K-12 educational services, including curricula development, early childhood education, afterschool centers, and teacher training. Eligible grantees include state education agencies, school districts, colleges and universities, and other public and private nonprofit entities.

Department of Education – Higher Education, Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)
CDS funding under this account can support a wide variety of projects that improve access to, and quality of, postsecondary education, including hiring, training, curricula development, and student support. Eligible grantees include colleges and universities and other public and nonprofit organizations. CDS funding under FIPSE cannot be used for endowments.

[Q59]   Please list the account within the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies subcommittee that your project falls under. (REQUIRED)
- Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration, Training and Employment Services
- HHS - Health Resources and Services Administration, Program Management
- HHS - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Health Surveillance and Program Support
- HHS - Administration for Children and Families, Children and Families Services Programs

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- HHS - Administration for Community Living, Aging and Disability Services Program
- Department of Education - Innovation and Improvement, Fund for the Improvement of Education
- Department of Education - Higher Education, Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education
- None of the above

[Q60] Will this project be used for construction (or the acquisition of property) or renovation of buildings? With the exception of funds made available under HRSA, funds cannot be used for construction (or the acquisition of property) or renovation of facilities. (REQUIRED)
- Yes
- No
- Other

[Q61] Will this project be sub-granted to other organizations or agencies? (REQUIRED)
- Yes
- No
- Other

[Q62] If you answered "Other," please specify. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q60] OR [Q61] IS "OTHER")

Proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

The subcommittee will not fund CDS requests for operational expenses or administrative salaries and benefits. All CDS funding will be provided on a reimbursement basis and recipients will be required to request drawdowns from their CDS awards as eligible expenses are incurred. Expenses incurred prior to the enactment of a final FY 2026 appropriations bill are not eligible for reimbursement. All CDS funding must have a reasonable expectation of being obligated by the end of FY 2028.

All DOT CDS projects will have a non-Federal cost-share requirement, consistent with the authorized program. The cost share may vary by State and by type of project, and it is recommended that you consult with DOT for the cost-share requirements of any specific project. Most DOT CDS projects will also require an eligible non-federal sponsor to administer the funds.

The office anticipates the following accounts to be eligible sources of CDS funding:

Department of Transportation - Transportation Planning, Research, and Development (TPR&D)
The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Title 23 or Title 49 of United States

Code (USC). Please provide a link to the project's website. Planning for specific local highway, transit, or rail projects that are eligible under HIP, TIG, or CRISI (see below) should NOT be included in this account.

Department of Transportation - Grants-in-Aid for Airports (AIP)
The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Chapter 471 of Title 49, USC (https://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/overview). Please be prepared to provide the name of the relevant airport and a link to the airport master plan website that includes the requested project.

Department of Transportation - Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)
The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Title 23, USC, including, but not limited to, highway and bridge construction projects, planning, environmental review, design, and right-of-way acquisition. Operational expenses are not eligible. Please be prepared to provide the total cost of the project, and a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project. The total cost of the project should be consistent with the total cost listed in the STIP or TIP. All highway CDS will be provided directly to Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for administration.

Department of Transportation - Transit Infrastructure Grant (TIG)
The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Chapter 53 of Title 49, USC. Please be prepared to provide the total cost of the project, and a link to the STIP or TIP that includes the requested project. The total cost of the project should be consistent with the total cost listed in the STIP or TIP.

Department of Transportation - Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) Grants
The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Section 22907(c) of Title 49, U.S. Code. Please be prepared to provide the total cost of the project, and a link to the State Rail Plan that includes the requested project. The total cost of the project should be consistent with the total cost listed in the State Rail Plan.

Department of Housing and Urban Development - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)
The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Section 5305 of Chapter 69 of Title 42, USC, as well as for affordable housing construction. If applicable, please provide a link to the project website or to the HUD five year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan if the project is included or complements planned or current projects within these required plans. Please describe how the project will either 1) benefit low- and moderate-income communities; 2) prevent or eliminate blight, and/or 3) address urgent community development needs. Please note that projects eligible under another subcommittee, namely transportation or water projects eligible elsewhere under THUD or the Interior subcommittee, are often ineligible for EDI funding.

[Q63] Please select the account within Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee that your project falls under.
- Department of Transportation - Transportation Planning, Research, and Development

- o   If selected, please proceed to Part 4: Project Information.
- Department of Transportation - Grants-in-Aid for Airports
  - o   If selected, please proceed to Transportation - Grants-in-Aid for Airports (AIP)
- Department of Transportation - Highway Infrastructure Program
  - o   If selected, please proceed to Transportation - Highway (HIP), Transit (TIP), or Rail (CRISI)
- Department of Transportation - Transit Infrastructure Grant
  - o   If selected, please proceed to Transportation - Highway (HIP), Transit (TIP), or Rail (CRISI)
- Department of Transportation - Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement Grants
  - o   If selected, please proceed to Transportation - Highway (HIP), Transit (TIP), or Rail (CRISI)
- Department of Housing and Urban Development - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)
  - o   If selected, please proceed to Department of Housing and Urban Development - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)
- None of the above
  - o   If selected, please proceed to Part 4: Project Information.

[Q64]   All Department of Transportation CDS projects will have a non-Federal cost-share requirement. Please describe how the CDS recipient intends to cover the applicable cost-share requirement, including the anticipated non-federal sources of funding. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q63] INCLUDES "Department of Transportation")

Transportation - Grants-in-Aid for Airports (AIP)

For projects under AIP the subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Chapter 471 of Title 49, U.S. Code (https://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/overview). Please provide the name of the relevant airport and a link to the airport master plan website that includes the requested project. As AIP CDS follows the existing AIP statute, the Federal cost-share requirements still apply to CDS. For large and medium primary hub airports, CDS can cover 75 percent of eligible costs (or 80 percent for noise program implementation). For small primary, reliever, and general aviation airports, CDS can cover a range of 90-95 percent of eligible costs, based on statutory requirements.

[Q65]   Please provide a link to the relevant Airport Master Plan, as well as the name and ID number of the project as it appears on the Airport Master Plan. (REQUIRED)

[Q66]   What is the project's status (e.g., preliminary engineering, initial planning and design, final design completed, environmental reviews completed, construction initiated)? (REQUIRED)

[Q67]   Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, environmental review, construction, or all of the above? (REQUIRED)

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Transportation - Highway (HIP), Transit (TIP), or Rail (CRISI)

[Q68] Is this project included on the relevant Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP), Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), or State Rail Plan? (REQUIRED)

You may find the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan here: https://www.dot.ga.gov/GDOT/Pages/STIP.aspx.

You may find the State Rail Plan here: https://www.dot.ga.gov/GDOT/pages/StateRailPlan.aspx.

Transportation Improvement Plans are created by Metro Planning Organizations (MPOs). You may find information about your MPO here: https://gampo.org/members.

- Yes
- No
- Other

[Q69] If this project is NOT on the relevant STIP/TIP/State Rail Plan, you must submit a letter from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), state agency, or transit agency. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q68] IS "NO" or "OTHER") This letter must confirm that: (1) the project is eligible for funding under the appropriate federal statute; (2) the state agency is willing to carry out the project if funding is enacted; and (3) the state agency will include the project on the STIP/TIP/State Rail Plan once funding for the project is enacted.

Please upload the letter here, or a signed document certifying you have submitted a request for a letter to GDOT, the relevant state agency, or the relevant transit agency. Upload must be in PDF format.

[Q70] Please provide a link to the relevant STIP, TIP, or State Rail Plan, as well as the name and ID number of the project as it appears on the plan. (REQUIRED IF ANSWER TO [Q68] IS "YES" OR "OTHER")

[Q71] What is the project's status (e.g., preliminary engineering, initial planning and design, final design completed, environmental reviews completed, construction initiated)? (REQUIRED)

[Q72] Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, environmental review, construction, or all of the above? (REQUIRED)

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Department of Housing and Urban Development - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

The subcommittee will only consider projects eligible under Section 5305 of chapter 69 of Title

42, USC, as well as for affordable housing construction. If applicable, please provide a link to the project website or to the HUD five year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan if the project is included or complements planned or current projects within these required plans. Please describe how the project will either 1) benefit low- and moderate-income communities; 2) prevent or eliminate blight, and/or 3) address urgent community development needs. Please note that projects eligible under another subcommittee, namely transportation or water projects eligible elsewhere under THUD or the Interior subcommittee, are often ineligible for EDI funding.

[Q73] (If applicable) Please provide a link to the HUD five-year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan if the project is included or complements planned or current projects within these required plans.

[Q74] Please describe how the request aligns with one or more of the three National Objectives of the broader Community Development Block Grant program. (REQUIRED)
The three objectives are 1) to benefit low- and moderate-income communities; 2) to prevent or eliminate blight; and/or 3) to address urgent community needs.

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Subcommittee Unknown
[Q75] Please list the agency or program that your project seeks funding from. (REQUIRED)
If you are unsure of which subcommittee your request falls under, please consult the general guidance provided by the Senate Appropriations Committee for the FY25 cycle here:https://www.appropriations.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/fy2025_appropriations_requests_general_guidance1.pdf.

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Part 4: Project Information
[Q76] Amount of Funding Sought Through CDS (REQUIRED)
Please include ONLY the amount you are requesting through THIS CDS request.

[Q77] Total Funding Required for Project (REQUIRED)
Please include the TOTAL cost of the project.

[Q78] Is the amount requested through this CDS request scalable to a lower amount? (REQUIRED)
If so, what is the minimum amount, and what will these funds be used for?

[Q79] Project Summary - Expanded (REQUIRED)
Please fully describe the project in 350 words or less. Project summary **MUST INCLUDE:** (1) A summary of the work to be completed by the project, (2) an explanation of the problem or issue the project aims to address, (3) how the project will be evaluated, (4) why the project should be included as part of Senator Warnock's FY2026 Appropriations Request.

[Q80] How many Georgians would this project serve per year, and if applicable, how many jobs for Georgians would this project create? (REQUIRED)
Please provide a rough estimate.

[Q81] Location of Project (County) (REQUIRED)
Please list all counties that this project will serve

[Q82] Project Budget (REQUIRED)
Provide a brief breakdown of how your organization would use the requested funds, e.g.,
- $50,000: Purchase furniture (e.g., desks, chairs, tables)
- $125,000: Purchase technology (20 laptops and 10 desktops) and software licenses (CRM, database)
- $75,000: Planning and design costs

You may submit a more detailed budget as an attachment later.

[Q83] Additional Sources of Funding
Please detail any additional sources of funding for the project, their source (state, federal, or private), and how much has already been secured.

[Q84] Please provide any additional documents about this project in PDF form.
This may include letters of support, press coverage, or a more detailed budget. Please combine letters of support into a single PDF. These are not required.

[Q85] Please list any members of Senator Warnock's staff that you interacted with in the course of preparing and/or submitting this request.
Discussing this project with a member of the staff is NOT required.

[Q86] Please indicate whether you are requesting funding for this project from any other Member of the Georgia delegation. (REQUIRED)
Submitting your request to another Member is NOT required.

Part 5: Affirmations and Acknowledgements

[Q87] Please affirm and acknowledge the following statements. (REQUIRED)

1. Submission of a request that meets the requirements of this form as well as any subsequent requirements that may be promulgated by the Office of Senator Raphael Warnock the Senate Committee on Appropriations does not guarantee the award of federal funding and/or the support of Senator Raphael Warnock.
2. This request and any information submitted in support of it may be made public in part or in their entirety.
3. The requesting entity will comply with any request presented to them by the Government Accountability Office, the Office of Inspector General of a federal agency, Congress, or any other federal entity performing an audit, investigation, or oversight function.
4. Any funding award associated with this request does not guarantee support or funding in future Fiscal Years.

[Q88] Email me a copy of my responses.
Please note that any attachments uploaded will NOT be emailed.

[Q89] Please enter the email to which your confirmation should be sent. (REQUIRED IF
ANSWER TO [Q88] IS "YES")

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clarifications necessary. If you have any questions, please email
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