

Public & Government Affairs

Public Services Building 2051 Kaen Road | Oregon City, OR 97045

Memorandum

To: Board of County Commissioners (BCC) From: Tonia Holowetzki, Interim Director

Date: January 23, 2024

RE: FY2024-2025 Congressionally Directed Spending Exploration List

Action Requested:

PGA is requesting conditional approval of the two proposed projects as the projects to explore for Clackamas County's 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending requests.

Congressional offices are starting to release application deadlines. The current Senate deadline is February 25.

The 2023 projects have not yet been approved by Congress in a final approbation bill, congressional offices are asking – for now – to not resubmit. However, if Congress does not fund the 2023 requests our delegation has offered to follow up with project submitters and discuss next steps. Included below are Clackamas' 2023 projects that were included in the draft appropriations bill.

With the BCC's approval, PGA and the relevant department staff will continue refining projects and begin socializing them to the federal delegation for feedback. PGA will return in February to seek BCC approval on a final submission list, which will likely be limited to 2-3 projects.

Recommended 2024 Project Exploration List:

PGA is seeking direction to explore the following projects for Congressionally Directed Spending in 2024. The following projects were identified in a department survey and in consultation with County Administration.

A Safe Place Family Justice Center (ASP-FJC)	
Request Target	\$1,000,000
Department Sponsor(s)	County Sheriff, District Attorney

A Safe Place Family Justice Center (ASP-FJC) seeks to locate a larger space to relocate its services and continue its mission of improving the lives of adults and children impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, and elder abuse through empowerment, coordinated service, and collaboration. Federal funds would support in the overall repurposing and renovating of a new space, once identified.

ASP-FJC has been operating out of the same space since 2013, where over ten public and non-profit agencies work together under one roof to reduce the times, locations, and steps victims must go through to seek help.

ASP-FJC is in the process of mapping out a campaign and project plan that will outline milestones in fundraising, identifying a new location, renovation, and transition.

No county general funds are being requested.

Oak Grove and Gladstone Libraries		
Request Target	\$500,000 (Working draft – Due Diligence in Process)	
Department Sponsor	DTD – Libraries Division	

The Oak Lodge and Gladstone Library Projects are underway now, and include opportunities to create efficient, net-zero public spaces by including solar panels, as well as electric vehicle charging stations in the parking area. Capturing federal funds will relieve current project costs to perform similarly planned efficiencies, allowing the project to redirect existing funds elsewhere in the event of a federal award.

A financial match to this federal request would be reflected by the existing cost of the current project. No county general funds are being requested.

2023 projects that reached the draft Appropriations Bill:

The following three projects were highly competitive requests in 2023 and are included in the 2023 (FY2023/24) Appropriations Package.

911 Safety, Wellness, and Services Enhancements		
Request Target	\$1,000,000	
Drafted Amount	\$750,000	
Sponsoring Department	ССОМ	

Funding for facility safety improvements, evacuation readiness, a mobile trailer, employee respite space, and facility sound improvements

Matching funds for this project are identified in by CCOM through ratepayer funds. No county general funds are being requested.

Mt Hood Transit Enhancements	
Request Target	\$2,800,000
Drafted Amount	\$850,000
Sponsoring Department	H3S – Transit Division (Mt Hood Express)

Development of a park and ride along Highway 26 in the Welches area, and public restrooms and bus stop enhancements in Government Camp.

Matching funds for this request are available through State Transportation Improvement Funds planning dollars, upon successful award. No county general funds are being requested.

School-Based Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse Juvenile Justice		
Prevention Program		
Request Target	\$1,000,000	
Drafted Amount	\$500,000	
Sponsoring Department	County Juvenile Justice	

Expand a pilot program to middle school and older elementary students to improve their well-being, prevent substance abuse, and keep the community safe. The current program is being piloted with high schools students.

As a programmatic request, the existing pilot has acted a match. No county general funds are being requested.