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Memorandum

To: Board of County Commissioners (BCC)
From: Tonia Holowetzki, Interim Director
Date: February 20, 2024
RE: FY2024-2025 Congressionally Directed Spending Recommended Projects

Action Requested

PGA is requesting approval of the 2024 recommended project list below to submit for FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS), also known as earmarks.

On January 23, the BCC conditionally approved three projects to explore for submission for CDS (earmarks). Since that time, PGA has met with congressional offices to match priorities and has worked internally with project leads to determine readiness. At this point, while all three projects were strong matches with congressional priorities, only two projects have exhibited readiness for submission for CDS.

The Family Justice Center project that was discussed in January is not recommended to move forward this year. The project team has opted for additional time to prepare a more robust request in the future.

Applications to Senate offices are due on February 25, 2025. The House CDS process is not yet defined.

2024 Recommended CDS Project List

Clackamas Center for Treatment and Recovery	
Request Target	\$5,000,000
Department Sponsor(s)	County Administration, H3S
Federal Funding Account	Labor, Health and Human Services (Senate Only)
Matching Funds	\$10,200,000 approved by the BCC from Supportive Housing
	Services (SHS) dollars.

The Clackamas Center for Treatment and Recovery will help ensure individuals struggling with substance use disorder receive timely person-centered support, treatment and resources. County staff are pursuing various funding sources.

While the project is still very much in the planning phase, the work is proceeding on an advanced project timeline to warrant asking for federal CDS funding this year.

We plan to apply for these funds through Senate Labor, Health and Human Services accounts. Only the Senate marks this appropriation account under the current congress.

Net Zero Building Efficiencies: Clackamas Community Libraries	
Request Target	\$500,000
Department Sponsor	DTD – Libraries Division
Federal Funding Account	Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development (THUD)
Matching Funds	The existing project costs will serve as the matching funds for
	this request.
The Oak Lodge and Gladstone Library Projects are underway now, which feature modern amenities that include computers for public access and building efficiency components to sustainably reduce operations costs, such as LED lighting, an efficient variable refrigerant flow heating/cooling system, low flow plumbing fixtures and natural lighting. Through this request, these libraries will be equipped for public electric vehicle (EV) charging station installation and will include rooftop solar arrays that have capacity to achieve net zero energy usage in each building. These efficiencies will add sustainable energy into the local grid, and in just over 15 years, these investments more than pay for themselves.	