

To meet needs across Pennsylvania, Senator Casey secured funding for community projects in the FY24 federal spending bill. The funding will go directly to local governments, non-profit and community organizations, and more. Projects are listed below by region.

Southeastern Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley

Project Title: Frankford CDC Development Project Health Clinic

Recipient: Frankford Community Development Corporation

Amount: \$1,000,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will help construct a health center in a larger new development in Philadelphia. This mixed-use development will give local residents access to quality health care services, fresh food, affordable housing, and living wage jobs.

Project Title: Philadelphia Midwife Collective Birth Center Construction

Recipient: Philadelphia Midwife Collective (PMC)

Amount: \$550,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: The Philadelphia Midwife Collective (PMC) is renovating an existing property to serve as a birth center, a safe and affordable alternative to hospital births for low-risk pregnancies. This funding will be used to build out the birth center to improve birth outcomes and maternal and infant health, including for birthing suites, community space, a kitchen, exam rooms, and other critical needs.

Project Title: Museum of the American Revolution Archive Activation Project

Recipient: Museum of the American Revolution

Amount: \$500,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will help create a digitized Patriots of Color Archive at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia, establishing a unique and accessible resource for exploring the extraordinary lives of the more than two hundred men of African and Native American descent who served the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: UAC-More Than Summer Youth Employment

Recipient: Urban Affairs Coalition- Summer Youth Employment Program

Amount: \$500,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will provide the Urban Affairs Coalition's Summer Youth Employment program in Philadelphia with the resources to operate year-round. The funding will allow the program to pay mentors and administrative staff needed for year-round program implementation, with additional funds for workforce development.

Project Title: Esperanza Health Center North Fifth Street Expansion/Renovation

Recipient: Esperanza Health Center

Amount: \$464,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: Esperanza Health Center is expanding and renovating its facility in a low-income neighborhood in Philadelphia so that it can offer treatment services for opioid use disorder and behavioral health programs, and expand the waiting and reception areas to accommodate more patients.

Project Title: Mazzoni Center LGBTQ Health and Wellness Modernization Project

Recipient: Mazzoni Center

Amount: \$400,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This funding will be used to upgrade critical basic medical equipment and technology infrastructure at the Mazzoni Center, which provides comprehensive health care for Philadelphia's LGBTQ community. The upgrades include bolstering security systems, upgrading vitals machines, replacing outdated technology, and purchasing a generator which will ensure critical medications do not spoil during power outages.

Project Title: UCSC Center for Equitable Life Sciences Innovation

Recipient: University City Science Center

Amount: \$400,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will train small Pennsylvania businesses to attract capital and expand access to capital for those businesses by training new potential supporters on how and why to invest in Pennsylvania's growing companies. The program has a particular focus on ensuring businesses in historically marginalized communities are able to secure support to grow and expand.

Project Title: Beyond Literacy's Energy Industry Integrated Education and Training Program

Recipient: Beyond Literacy

Amount: \$395,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: Beyond Literacy will use this funding to plan and establish an integrated education and training program in Philadelphia. The program will focus on adult secondary education, English as a second language instruction, and energy efficiency sector work training.

Project Title: Cradles to Crayons Greater Philadelphia Pilot Diaper Service Expansion Program

Recipient: Cradles to Crayons, Inc.

Amount: \$363,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: Cradles to Crayons will use this funding to expand diaper bank services to an additional 54,000 infants and young children in southeast Pennsylvania. The funding will also help the organization to study the program's impact on children's health, caregiver mental health, and caregiver workforce participation.

Project Title: Educating Young Americans About Contemporary Antisemitism

Recipient: Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History

Amount: \$250,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project, led by the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia, will develop education programming and materials to help students better understand the history and present-day impact of antisemitism. It will also provide them with the tools to address discrimination online and in their communities.

Project Title: Summer Search Philadelphia Mentoring Program Expansion

Recipient: Summer Search Philadelphia

Amount: \$200,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will help expand Summer Search Philadelphia's mentoring program. Expanded programming will provide hundreds of underserved youths with critical mentoring services and social support to help them surmount systemic barriers and prevent gun violence.

Project Title: Mom Your Business Community Hub

Recipient: Mom Your Business

Amount: \$130,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: Mom Your Business in Philadelphia provides female entrepreneurs who are balancing family life and work the space to grow personally and professionally. This project will provide Mom Your Business the resources to establish a physical space to provide programming and support.

Project Title: Free OSHA Training for Philadelphia Area Workforce

Recipient: Philadelphia Area Project on Occupational Safety & Health

Amount: \$100,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will provide free OSHA 10-Hour safety training to hard-to-reach workers and job seekers in the Philadelphia area. Trainees learn life-saving safety information and receive an OSHA 10-Hour card—an industry credential that is required to work on many job sites in the Philadelphia.

Project Title: North Light Community Center Teen Services Program

Recipient: North Light Community Center

Amount: \$90,000

County: Philadelphia

Project Description: This project will support the expansion of the Teen Services Program at North Light Community Center in Philadelphia. Expanded programming will ensure that underserved teenagers can access paid internships and financial literacy courses, allowing them to make informed choices about entering the workforce or pursuing higher education.

Project Title: Reducing Stress for Families in Crisis

Recipient: Mitzvah Circle Foundation

Amount: \$500,000

County: Montgomery

Project Description: This funding will be used to support and evaluate ongoing efforts to provide low-income families in Southeast Pennsylvania with basic essential items such as clothing, diapers, period supplies, toiletries, school supplies, and household items.

Project Title: Arcadia University Anatomy Lab for STEM and Community Enhancement in Glenside

Recipient: Arcadia University

Amount: \$342,000

County: Montgomery

Project Description: This funding will allow Arcadia University in Montgomery County to purchase new equipment for their Anatomy Resource Center. The new equipment will provide hundreds of graduate, undergraduate, and high school students with access to cutting-edge anatomy education in a safe and conducive hands-on environment.

Project Title: African American Museum of Bucks County

Recipient: African American Educational Center (within the African American Museum of Bucks County)

Amount: \$260,000

County: Bucks

Project Description: This project will help the Educational Center at the African American Museum of Bucks County build a new, permanent teaching space. For ten years, the center has been providing mobile lessons for K-12 students, and this project will provide those lessons with a permanent home.

Project Title: Best Buddies in Pennsylvania Inclusion Project for Students with Intellectual Disabilities

Recipient: Best Buddies International, Inc.

Amount: \$125,000

County: Bucks

Project Description: This funding will expand the Pennsylvania Best Buddies Inclusion project to at least 1,000 students with and without intellectual disabilities at ten K-12 schools. The project facilitates a culture of inclusion at supported schools and develops students' social skills.

Project Title: Phoenixville Area School District Greenhouse Project

Recipient: Phoenixville Area School District

Amount: \$75,000

County: Chester

Project Description: This project will give the Phoenixville Area School District resources and supplies to provide educational programming at the District's greenhouse. The program will offer students with holistic experiential learning opportunities and help combat community food insecurity.

Project Title: Expanding Parental Engagement Pathways: Centro Hispano Opening Doors Parental Engagement Initiative

Recipient: Centro Hispano Daniel Torres Inc.

Amount: \$235,000

County: Berks

Project Description: This funding will allow Centro Hispano to improve and expand a program in Reading which supports families and helps parents learn new skills. The parental engagement program helps train parents as leaders of their families and their child's first and most influential teacher.

Project Title: Berks Community Health Center Clinical Equipment and Construction

Recipient: Berks Community Health Center

Amount: \$1,001,000

County: Berks

Project Description: Berks Community Health Center is dedicated to increasing the availability of high-quality health care for residents of Berks County. This funding will be used to construct and purchase equipment for a space to provide health care services that will address the negative health outcomes associated with elevated levels of poverty, as well as language or cultural barriers. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: Place-based infrastructure for older adults in the Greater Lehigh Valley

Recipient: United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley

Amount: \$423,000

County: Lehigh

Project Description: This project will connect older adults in Lehigh and Northampton counties facing food insecurity or social isolation to food and social programming in their neighborhoods.

Project Title: Expansion of Treats2Love Program

Recipient: Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living (LVCIL)

Amount: \$150,000

County: Lehigh

Project Description: This project will expand the Treats2Love project in the Lehigh Valley—an employment training program that provides young adults with disabilities who are seeking careers with the skills necessary to succeed in competitive, integrated working environments.

Project Title: Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley's Cultural and Linguistic Workforce Development Center

Recipient: Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley

Amount: \$350,000

County: Northampton

Project Description: This project will support the Workforce Development Center's work assisting people at various stages of their career path in the Lehigh Valley. That work includes

helping people apply to, train for, and secure jobs that pay a living wage in their local communities.

Project Title: ArtsQuest's Art-based Youth Enrichment and Afterschool program

Recipient: ArtsQuest

Amount: \$1,000,000

County: Northampton

Project Description: This project will help expand youth enrichment and afterschool programs in the Lehigh Valley. ArtsQuest's expanded programming will provide underserved youth with a range of arts-based enrichment and learning opportunities.

Northeastern Pennsylvania

Project Title: Schuylkill County Emergency Services Training Facility and Emergency Operations Center

Recipient: Schuylkill County

Amount: \$2,000,000

County: Schuylkill

Project Description: This project will help Schuylkill County construct and operate a new facility which will provide expanded training for volunteer fire companies, emergency management services, and law enforcement officials.

Project Title: Community Schools

Recipient: Pocono Mountains United Way

Amount: \$397,000

County: Monroe

Project Description: This project supports the establishment of multiple community schools in Monroe County. The schools will ensure that children and families are having their basic needs met and have access to mental and behavioral health services.

Project Title: Scranton Primary Health Care Center Expansion & Renovation

Recipient: Scranton Primary Health Care Center, Inc.

Amount: \$441,000

County: Lackawanna

Project Description: This project will help Scranton Primary Health Care Center construct additional space for their Dental Clinic and Women's Health Clinic. The new construction will allow the health center to expand capacity and see more patients.

Project Title: Outreach Services LEAD to Career Success and Advance Social Justice

Recipient: Outreach - Center for Community Resources

Amount: \$250,000

County: Lackawanna

Project Description: This project will provide adult education and workforce development programming to formerly incarcerated individuals and other people who have been affected by the criminal justice system in Lackawanna County. The programming will help these individuals achieve GED credentials, seek employment, and improve their livelihoods.

Project Title: Hazleton Integration Project Fresh Food Pantry in Hazleton

Recipient: Hazleton Integration Project (HIP)

Amount: \$419,000

County: Luzerne

Project Description: This funding will be used to help the Hazleton Integration Project launch a fresh food pantry. The pantry will provide food to people in Luzerne County with medical conditions who may benefit from healthy food choice options.

Project Title: Increase Access to Care Initiative

Recipient: Volunteers in Medicine

Amount: \$875,000

County: Luzerne

Project Description: This funding will help renovate the second floor of Volunteers in Medicine's facility. The project will increase access to free health care services for low-income and uninsured residents of Luzerne County. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: King's College Occupational Therapy Program

Recipient: King's College

Amount: \$450,000

County: Luzerne

Project Description: This project will develop and implement King's College's new doctoral program for Occupational Therapy to help alleviate the shortage of health care professionals in Pennsylvania and throughout the Nation.

Project Title: Wayne Memorial Hospital Surgical Robot

Recipient: Wayne Memorial Hospital

Amount: \$1,000,000

County: Wayne

Project Description: Wayne Memorial Hospital in Wayne County will use this funding to purchase a robotic surgery system. The new system will improve the quality of patient care, particularly for elderly residents, by reducing their need to travel for care, offering less invasive procedures, and helping the hospital recruit well-trained physicians.

Project Title: Small Farm Innovation Project

Recipient: Wayne County Commissioners

Amount: \$750,000

County: Wayne

Project Description: The project will provide funding to support the establishment of the Agricultural Innovation Center in Wayne County, Pennsylvania. The Center will offer opportunities and business support for entrepreneurs to develop and market new agri-businesses.

Project Title: Barnes-Kasson County Hospital MRI Replacement

Recipient: Barnes-Kasson County Hospital

Amount: \$600,000

County: Susquehanna

Project Description: This funding will be used to support purchase of new MRI equipment at Barnes-Kasson County Hospital, a rural, critical access hospital in Susquehanna County. The new equipment will improve the quality of patient care at the hospital.

Central Pennsylvania

Project Title: Paxton Creek Dechannelization

Recipient: Redevelopment Authority of the City of Harrisburg

Amount: \$750,000

County: Dauphin

Project Description: This project will help Harrisburg's Redevelopment Authority to complete the preliminary engineering and design for its Paxton Creek Dechannelization Project, which will reduce the repetitive and damaging flooding of Paxton Creek.

Project Title: Pennsylvania College of Art & Design Live Experience Design Degree Program

Recipient: Pennsylvania College of Art & Design

Amount: \$725,000

County: Lancaster

Project Description: This project will establish a new live-experience design and production degree program at Pennsylvania College of Art & Design in Lancaster. The new program will create a strong workforce pipeline for the area's live-experience production industry.

Project Title: Pennsylvania Court Appointed Special Advocates Family Connections Pilot Program

Recipient: Pennsylvania CASA Association

Amount: \$456,000

County: Cumberland

Project Description: This project will help develop a training course on the importance of family networks for volunteers who wish to serve as Court Appointed Special Advocates, who represent the interests of children who come from environments of neglect or abuse. The funding will make the training course available to volunteers across Pennsylvania.

Project Title: Borough of Waynesboro Emergency Services Complex

Recipient: Borough of Waynesboro

Amount: \$1,114,000

County: Franklin

Project Description: This funding will help the Borough of Waynesboro construct health care facilities within a new emergency services complex. The complex will house police, fire, and EMS services adjacent to the new health facility.

Project Title: Leg Up Farm Pediatric Therapy Center Construction

Recipient: Leg Up Farm, Inc.

Amount: \$500,000

County: Franklin

Project Description: This project will provide physical, occupational, and speech therapy as well as counseling services to children with special needs in a new county. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Juniata College

Recipient: Juniata College

Amount: \$500,000

County: Huntingdon

Project Description: This project will help create a new Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program at Juniata College in Huntingdon County. This program will increase support for nursing students and help develop a diverse nursing workforce to serve rural areas in Pennsylvania dealing with a shortage of nurses.

Project Title: Bedford County Small Business Development Project

Recipient: Bedford County Development Association

Amount: \$350,000

County: Bedford

Project Description: This project will help the Bedford County Development Association serve rural small businesses through an entrepreneurial training and technical assistance program to promote business growth and longevity in a rural region.

Project Title: DRIVE Business Hub Incubator

Recipient: DRIVE

Amount: \$499,000

County: Montour

Project Description: The project will make needed improvements at the DRIVE Business Hub in Montour County, a business incubator that helps local companies grow beyond the startup stage. The project includes critical upgrades, including replacing a large section of roofing that is nearing end of life, as well as upgrading older HVAC systems.

Project Title: StartUp Milton Business Incubator

Recipient: The Improved Milton Experience

Amount: \$210,000

County: Northumberland

Project Description: This project will provide support to entrepreneurs in central Pennsylvania's rural communities that often lack access to key resources to help them develop new ideas and business models. In partnership with the Bucknell Small Business Development Center, The Improved Milton Experience will develop and launch a new rural incubator in Northumberland County to provide educational programming, services, and a working space for entrepreneurs.

Western Pennsylvania

Project Title: Trade Institute of Pittsburgh Social Enterprise

Recipient: Trade Institute of Pittsburgh

Amount: \$450,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: This project will help the Trade Institute of Pittsburgh fund the Social Enterprise, a program which provides paid work experience and vocational training to participants. The program helps graduates enter the local workforce and connects them with employers before permanent employment. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Representative Lee.

Project Title: Tree of Life Antisemitism and Identity-based Hate Awareness Curriculum Project

Recipient: Tree of Life, Inc.

Amount: \$1,000,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: As Tree of Life expands its mission to fight antisemitism across Pennsylvania and the Nation, this funding will provide the organization with resources to develop and implement K-12 curriculum to help educators and students to identify and challenge antisemitism and identity-based hate. With in-person and virtual instruction of the curriculum, thousands of students will be provided the tools to disrupt hate.

Project Title: Allegheny Health Network Chill Project

Recipient: Allegheny-Singer Research Institute D/B/A AHN Research Institute

Amount: \$900,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: The Chill Project is a critical mental health support program that helps Allegheny County students learn and practice coping skills and mindfulness. This funding will support the creation of a digital app to extend the reach of the Project outside of the school day.

Project Title: Community College of Allegheny County Nursing Simulators

Recipient: Community College of Allegheny County

Amount: \$500,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: The Community College of Allegheny County will use this funding to purchase simulation equipment for their nursing and allied health students to offer experiences that prepare them for the workforce. The improvement in training will help build a robust health care workforce in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Project Title: Steamfitters Workforce Training Program

Recipient: Steamfitters Local Union No 449 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee

Amount: \$322,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: This project will help the Steamfitters Local Union No 449 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee provide direct training services to improve the local workforce and meet the current and future demand of businesses and contractors in Western Pennsylvania. In particular, the training will help address the current shortage of HVAC-R service technicians and well-trained workers in the building trades.

Project Title: Quaker Valley School District Life Skills Café

Recipient: Quaker Valley School District

Amount: \$100,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: This project will provide additional resources to the Quaker Valley School District's café, which is run by students with disabilities. The café empowers students to learn new life skills and supplies a variety of dietary options to encourage healthy eating. The new funding will enhance the café's life skills curriculum and equipment.

Project Title: Bridgeville Flood Control Project

Recipient: Borough of Bridgeville

Amount: \$750,000

County: Allegheny

Project Description: This project will reduce the risk of flooding in Bridgeville by removing and replacing the Commercial Street culvert, which will improve storm drainage in the Borough. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: Business of Childcare Training Program

Recipient: Center for Women's Entrepreneurship—Chatham University

Amount: \$157,000

County: Allegheny, Butler, Beaver, Westmoreland

Project Description: This project will help expand Chatham University's Business of Childcare Training program beyond the City of Pittsburgh to nearby counties and will help launch a program to help small child care businesses navigate post-COVID regulations.

Project Title: Donora Family Medicine Renovation in Fredericktown

Recipient: Centerville Clinic

Amount: \$500,000

County: Washington

Project Description: This project will support renovations to create a new medical clinic for Donora Family Medicine, a part of Centerville Clinics, Inc. The Clinic's current facility is beyond repair and inadequate for the needs of medical professionals and patients.

Project Title: UMWA Career Centers, Inc. Transitioning Workers in PA from Coal to Manufacturing

Recipient: United Mine Workers of America Career Centers, Inc. (UMWA Career Centers, Inc. UMWACC)

Amount: \$1,500,000

County: Greene

Project Description: The project would help the United Mineworkers of America (UMWA) Career Centers, Inc. provide recruitment, retraining, and placement for workers from rural coal mining communities in Pennsylvania, helping them transition from traditional coal jobs to manufacturing jobs. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: STAT Ligonier Therapeutic Center Expansion in Westmoreland County
Recipient: STAT (Southern Tier Alternative Therapies, Inc.) Ligonier Therapeutic Center
Amount: \$250,000

County: Westmoreland

Project Description: This funding will help Southern Tier Alternative Therapies (STAT) expand a clinic that provides mental health and physical/occupational therapy to clients including veterans, children, and survivors of violence. STAT facilitates therapy and other healing experiences assisted by horses to promote physical and mental health in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Project Title: Cambria County Drug Coalition Opioid and Fentanyl Initiative in Johnstown

Recipient: Cambria County Drug Coalition

Amount: \$115,000

County: Cambria

Project Description: This funding will support a mobile crisis unit with addiction recovery specialists to administer medication and harm reduction supplies, as well as connect people suffering from substance abuse disorder to health services. This unit would help a lower income community address the overdose crisis and supporting community revitalization. Senator Casey secured this project in partnership with Senator Fetterman.

Project Title: Westminster College exercise science program for senior and community well-being

Recipient: Westminster College

Amount: \$376,000

County: Lawrence

Project Description: This project will establish a new exercise science program at Westminster College in Lawrence County. The new program will create a regional pipeline of exercise science professionals to improve the availability of care for a concentrated population of older adults in a medically underserved area.

Project Title: Autism Society Northwestern Pennsylvania Family Center Improvements

Recipient: Autism Society Northwestern Pennsylvania

Amount: \$350,000

County: Erie

Project Description: This project will help the Autism Society Northwestern Pennsylvania Family Center welcome people on the autism spectrum into the Center's workforce readiness program, which helps participants develop critical life and job skills.

Project Title: Community Schools Funding

Recipient: United Way of Erie County

Amount: \$350,000

County: Erie

Project Description: This project will help fund four community schools in Erie. Continued investment in these community schools will ensure that the more than 2,000 students served receive robust academic, medical, and emotional supports critical to overcoming systemic barriers to success.

Project Title: Mercyhurst University Autism Initiative Program Expansion

Recipient: Mercyhurst University

Amount: \$250,000

County: Erie

Project Description: This project will expand Mercyhurst University's program for students on the autism spectrum, making resources accessible to low- and middle-income students and promoting the development of inclusive and accessible community businesses and organizations. The program will facilitate the hiring and retention of a neurodiverse workforce.