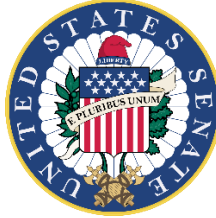


# Congressionally Directed Spending in FY2026 Government Funding Bill

## *Southwest Virginia and Southside*



*U.S. Senators Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine*

The senators successfully secured:

- **\$6,304,000** for the National Park Service (NPS) to improve safety and the visitor experience for over 50,000 annual hikers accessing McAfee Knob in **Roanoke County** and the Appalachian Trail by expanding and paving a parking lot and adding restrooms, a shuttle stop, and NPS signage.
- **\$3,000,000** for the Virginia Department of Transportation to support 3.98 miles of construction of a fourth lane of U.S. 460—the Coalfields Expressway—in **Buchanan County** to promote economic development.
- **\$1,800,000** for Goodwill Industries of the Valleys to develop a new career center at Melrose Plaza in **City of Roanoke**.
- **\$1,742,000** for the **City of Danville** to revitalize a blighted structure to a mixed-use, community-focused facility with residential units and offices.
- **\$1,520,000** for the Economic Development Authority of **Floyd County** to extend utilities to support new affordable housing.
- **\$1,000,000** for the **Roanoke** Biotechnology Ecosystem Equipment Essential (Project RBE), which provides specialized biotechnology equipment to lower the barrier of entry for small businesses in the health and life sciences sector.
- **\$940,000** for Southside Virginia Community College in **Alberta** to expand its law enforcement program and address public safety workforce shortages by equipping patrol simulation facilities, funding specialized Criminal Justice Academy training, establishing leadership development programs, and creating pathways from middle school through professional careers.
- **\$785,000** for Martinsville Henry County Coalition for Health and Wellness to make facility renovations and expand access to mental, dental, and behavioral health services to individuals in **Patrick County** and the surrounding areas.
- **\$751,000** for Southern Virginia Higher Education Center’s Information Technology Academy in **Halifax** to educate and develop a skilled workforce focused on artificial intelligence (AI).

- **\$750,000** for **Washington County** Public Schools to build accessible playgrounds for students at Greendale Elementary School and Abingdon Elementary School.
- **\$737,000** for the Greater **Roanoke** Workforce Development Board to expand youth registered apprenticeship opportunities.
- **\$683,000** for **Norton** Community Hospital & Black Lung Clinic to purchase an ion bronchoscope, technology that will provide earlier detection of potentially life-threatening conditions, including lung cancer.
- **\$274,000** for **Roanoke** College to expand Explore@RC, a dual enrollment lab school that offers high school students access to college classes in high-demand fields such as STEM, health care, education, global studies, communications, and civic engagement.
- **\$250,000** for Piedmont Access To Health Services, Inc. (PATHS) in the **City of Danville** to expand access to its vision services.
- **\$167,000** for Bradley Free Clinic in **City of Roanoke** to expand access to behavioral health services.
- **\$96,000** for the Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens in **Bristol** to purchase medical equipment for its Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly.