

# FY27 Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) allows Members of Congress to request federal funding for specific projects that address critical needs in states and communities. Through this process, Members review project proposals submitted by eligible entities and advocate for selected projects to be included in the annual federal appropriations bills.

CDS funding supports a wide range of community-based projects, including but not limited to infrastructure improvements, public safety initiatives, health and human services, education and workforce development, housing, transportation, and environmental programs. All proposed projects must meet federal eligibility requirements and demonstrate a clear public benefit.

## Application Timeline

Senator Slotkin's office is now accepting applications for Congressionally Directed Spending requests for the upcoming fiscal year.

Application Opens: March 2, 2026, 8:00 AM EST

Application Closes: March 31, 2026, 11:59 PM EST

**Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.**

## Eligibility

Government entities and established nonprofit organizations (three years or more as a 501(c)(3)) are eligible to apply through our office. Applications from private individuals or for-profit companies cannot be accepted. Applicants are responsible for confirming eligibility prior to submitting a request. Entities may submit up to three *separate* applications.

## Guidance and Application Requirements

All applicants should thoroughly review the FY26 Congressionally Directed Spending Guidance before beginning an application. The guidance outlines eligibility requirements, required documentation, and evaluation criteria that will be used during the review process.

Please note that CDS guidance is issued annually and may change for FY27.

## Important Application Notice

The online CDS application does not allow you to save progress and return later. Once you have determined which subcommittee fits your project, we recommend downloading the application for full review before beginning your submission. Applicants must ensure all required information and documentation are prepared before beginning the submission process.

Incomplete applications or applications submitted without required materials may not be considered.

**[CLICK HERE TO APPLY FOR CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING](#)**

## Supporting Materials:

**[CLICK HERE](#) to access FY26 Guidance.**

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#) to access FAQs

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#) to access Lessons Learned from FY2026

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#) to access FY26 Congressionally Directed Spending Requests.

Questions regarding the application process should be sent to Slotkin\_CDS@slotkin.senate.gov.

## **FY27 Programmatic Appropriations Requests**

Senator Slotkin will submit FY27 programmatic requests to the Senate Committee on Appropriations, elevating federal funding priorities that are important to Michiganders. Constituents can help shape these priorities by identifying funding needs, requesting how much in federal dollars should be appropriated to a government program over the next fiscal year. Programmatic requests can also take the form of policy changes for authorized federal programs through bill or report language. Submissions must identify the relevant Appropriations Subcommittee, agency, and program account where the funding needs/ legislative language is being requested.

[\*\*CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT A PROGRAMMATIC APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST\*\*](#)

The link above is for programmatic appropriations requests, not Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests.