FY2023 Congressionally Designated Spending Dollars in the FY2023 Government Funding Legislation

Central Virginia



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

- **The Senators successfully secured \$11,116,000** for the Army Corps of Engineers to complete additional necessary operations and maintenance along the James River Channel in **Richmond**.
- The Senators successfully secured \$5,000,000 for the Virginia Department of Transportation to extend Lambert Way and Woodman Road in Henrico County, which will serve as an access point to Glover Park. This road will feature a 10-foot-wide bike and pedestrian path, promoting sports tourism for the county and region.
- **The Senators successfully secured \$4,000,000** for the Capital Region Airport Commission to relocate the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Station within the **Richmond** International Airport to better serve future growth of the airfield.
- The Senators successfully secured \$4,000,000 for pedestrian improvements to Courthouse Road in Hopewell. This project, which will be completed by the Virginia Department of Transportation, will consist of building 5-foot wide sidewalks, curb and gutter, underground storm drainage, and new ADA compliant bus shelters to provide pedestrian facilities and improved bus access along Courthouse Road, a highly-trafficked road in a community in which many do not have access to reliable transportation.
- The Senators successfully secured \$3,203,000 for the City of Petersburg to upgrade its existing 20-year-old Mission Critical Communication system that coordinates emergency services for all first responders in the City and surrounding areas.
- The Senators successfully secured \$3,000,000 for the planning, outreach, design, and construction of 1.9 miles of **Richmond**'s North-South line on the bus transit system (BRT). This project will significantly improve public transportation between the Southside of Richmond and the city's downtown, helping to reduce poverty and spur economic development.
- The Senators successfully secured \$2,200,000 for the Virginia State University broadband infrastructure and digital inclusion project for students on campus and the surrounding communities of Petersburg and Ettrick.
- The Senators successfully secured \$1,500,000 to support the Life Sciences Commercialization, Training and Capacity-Building Initiative at the Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership in Richmond, which will directly create and save a combined 69 jobs. This funding will be used to develop a specialized commercialization training program, fund a capacity-building partnership

to expand regional competencies in life sciences business formation, and support the purchase of lab equipment.

- The Senators successfully secured \$1,275,000 for a Greater Richmond Transit Company Bus Shelter Enhancement Project, which builds shelters and installs benches at bus stops and enhances ADA accessibility for riders. This project will help increase the number of bus stops with a shelter from 5% to 15%, and the number of stops with a bench from 20% to 35%.
- The Senators successfully secured \$1,073,550 for the Richmond Talent Pathway project, which will enable Virginia Commonwealth University in partnership with the City of Richmond, Richmond Public Schools, and the Central Virginia business community to launch a new talent pathway to recruit, support, train, and retain diverse student populations in high-need career fields, including science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), health care, education, and public service in Central Virginia by preparing students for college, providing wraparound services, and connecting students with internships.
- The Senators successfully secured \$1,000,000 to support Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority's work to address the health workforce shortage through a community workforce continuum project. The project will help students earn their degree or certificate in a health field by providing them with space, equipment, and clinical supervision needed to complete their studies. The health system will also provide entry level jobs for graduates to enter the health workforce.
- The Senators successfully secured \$1,000,000 for Better Housing Coalition, to be used to support the construction of the Colbrook Family Apartments in Chesterfield County, which will create 157 units of affordable housing.
- The Senators successfully secured \$797,329 for the City of Richmond's HELP1RVA service a newly created, one-stop-shop for social services in Central Virginia. This coordinated navigation service, website, and phone hotline–available in many languages–allows residents and providers in the Richmond area to search for social services and resources across many organizations.
- The Senators successfully secured \$700,000 for the City of Richmond's Main Street Station. This funding will enable facility upgrades that will improve the safety and security of rail passengers and station visitors.
- The Senators successfully secured \$694,000 for students at Richard Bland College from Petersburg, Dinwiddie, Prince George, and Hopewell Counties. The funding will support the College's Guided Pathways for Success program that provides services, education and training and job placement support for students from rural areas, underrepresented STEM groups, and students highly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Senators successfully secured \$500,000 for the City of Richmond to stabilize the Byrd Park Pump House to expand its capacity beyond the current limit of 25 people and to preserve it for future generations. Byrd Park Pump House is a 19th century Gothic Revival building listed on the National Register for Historic Places and a Virginia Landmark that once housed the city's waterworks on its first floor and a dance hall on the second floor.
- The Senators successfully secured \$500,000 for the Southside Community Development & Housing Corporation in Petersburg. The funding will go towards the Petersburg Virginia High Street Apartments to provide permanent supportive housing for individuals experiencing homelessness.

• **The Senators successfully secured \$188,000** for the **City of Hopewell** to replace the functionally obsolete standby generator at City Hall.