



Labor, Health, Human Services Appropriations Requests

The following requests are Idaho-related projects supported and sponsored by Senators Crapo and Risch:

Project Name: American Indian Scholar Program

Amount Requested: \$339,400

Recipient: Lewis-Clark State College

Location: Lewiston

Public Interest: For educational equipment and training.

Description: This project will increase nursing educational opportunities and the number of minority RNs/BSNs in Idaho – particularly Native Americans from and for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, including racial and ethnic minorities underrepresented among registered nurses.

Project Name: Bear Lake Memorial Hospital

Amount Requested: \$750,000

Recipient: Bear Lake Memorial Hospital Addition and Remodel

Location: Montpelier

Public Interest: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Description: This funding request would be used to design and construct a 2000 square-foot addition the emergency department at Bear Lake Memorial Hospital and to remodel approximately 2500 square-feet of the existing hospital facility within the diagnostic imaging department. Bear Lake Memorial's current emergency room does not contain appropriate waiting room space and is separated by a high-traffic hallway, which results in minimal privacy for many patients.

Project Name: Benewah Medical Center Equipment

Amount Requested: \$236,698

Recipient: Coeur d'Alene Tribe

Location: Plummer

Public Interest: For hospital equipment.

Description: This would purchase a much-needed prescription dispensing system that automates several pharmacy functions resulting in improved patient safety by decreasing medication dispensing errors and adverse drug interactions.

Project Name: Best Buddies Idaho

Amount Requested: Best Buddies

Recipient: \$250,000

Location: Miami, FL

Public Interest: For community services.

Description: Best Buddies is a non-profit organization dedicated to fostering the social integration of individuals with intellectual disabilities through volunteer-run chapters at middle school, high school, and college campuses, which pair students with and without intellectual disabilities in a one-to-one mentoring friendship.

Project Name: Biochemistry and Microbiology Laboratory Equipment

Amount Requested: \$431,000

Recipient: Idaho State University

Location: Pocatello

Public Interest: Acquiring the needed laboratory equipment will enable Idaho State University (ISU) Biochemistry and Microbiology undergraduate programs to: provide a superior curriculum, offer outstanding academic laboratories, facilitate cutting-edge interdisciplinary research opportunities, and recruit and retain excellent students and faculty.

Description: For educational equipment.

Project Name: Boone Science Hall Renovation and Addition

Amount Requested: \$750,000

Recipient: College of Idaho

Location: Caldwell

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Description: Funds will go toward remodeling and expanding the College of Idaho's Boone Science Hall.

Project Name: Children's Health Services Expansion

Amount Requested: \$350,000

Recipient: Saint Luke's Health System

Location: Boise

Public Interest: The Children's Health Services Expansion project provides critical growth in capacity for pediatric services including surgery, pediatric and neonatal intensive care, oncology, surgical suites, and support areas. The Expansion project will meet the needs of the growing population in the hospital's service area.

Description: For facilities and equipment.

Project Name: Children's Home Society of Idaho, Boise, Idaho, for construction, renovation and equipment (The Bridge)

Amount Requested: \$210,000

Recipient: Children's Home Society of Idaho

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For community services for children and families.

Description: The Bridge works in partnership with Idaho's Department of Health and Welfare to improve the lives of children entering foster care in Southwest Idaho for some of the Boise community's most valuable children.

Project Name: Clearwater Valley Hospital Clinic Expansion

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Recipient: Clearwater Valley Hospital and Clinics

Location: Orofino

Public Interest: For hospital facilities.

Description: This would provide for clinic expansion, where all hospital rooms are shared, a serious consideration given the upswing in MRSA infections and the hospital lacks space for new doctors, exam rooms, or outpatient service areas.

Project Name: College of Southern Idaho

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Recipient: College of Southern Idaho

Location: Twin Falls

Public Interest: For educational equipment and training.

Description: The Pro-Tech program involves students from grade levels 10-14 and allows the students to move from high school into a two-year program at CSI or into an engineering program at one of Idaho's four-year institutions.

Project Name: Community Wellness Project

Amount Requested: \$2,000,000

Recipient: Gritman Medical Center

Location: Moscow

Description: Gritman Medical Center plans to renovate and expand the old Latah Health Services nursing home into a community wellness center.

Public Interest: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Project Name: Developing a Sustainable Model for Bringing Family Physicians to Rural Idaho

Amount Requested: \$149,000

Recipient: Family Medicine Residency of Idaho

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For the provision of community health care.

Description: FMRI has been operating a rural family residency program in Idaho since 1975 and funding would pay for a physician to work with local communities to expand rural care.

Project Name: Eastern Idaho Regional Electronic Health Records

Amount Requested: \$750,000

Recipient: The Hospital Cooperative

Location: Pocatello

Public Interest: For medical equipment.

Description: The Hospital Cooperative and its member hospitals are developing a plan to implement protected health information a regional electronic health record system. This system will create a central database by pulling information from disparate technologies into a common database to ensure greater quality and interoperability for patient care.

Project Name: Electronic Health Management for University Clinics

Amount Requested: \$550,000

Recipient: Idaho State University

Location: Pocatello

Public Interest: This proposal would support an electronic health records management (EHR) system for the University Clinics of the Kasiska College of Health Professions, consisting of twelve clinics including audiology, speech-language pathology, occupational therapy, dental hygiene, family dentistry and counseling. Currently, the KCHP clinics operate independently and do not utilize inter-disciplinary referrals, shared medical information, or coordinated billing. This proposal would fund an extension of the existing EHR system to include all of the University Clinic sites in both Pocatello and Boise.

Description: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Project Name: Electronic Medical Records

Amount Requested: \$5,000,000

Recipient: North Idaho Rural Health Consortium

Location: Coeur d'Alene

Public Interest: For medical equipment.

Description: The North Idaho Rural Health Consortium provides a cooperative approach to delivering rural health care in the five northern counties of Idaho.

Project Name: Exhibit and Program Expansion

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Recipient: Discovery Center of Idaho

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For educational equipment.

Description: The Discovery Center of Idaho (DCI) provides experiences and educational opportunities that inspire lifelong learning and interest in science, math, and technology, and that supplement and enrich formal science education through interactive exhibits, educational programs, and teacher resources.

Project Name: Full Fire Sprinkler Project

Amount Requested: \$370,000

Recipient: Caribou Memorial Hospital

Location: Soda Springs

Public Interest: Caribou Memorial hospital is a federally-designated Critical Access Hospital and must meet federal safety fire code requirements and this funding would help install sprinkler systems needed for compliance.

Description: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Project Name: Health Informatics

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Recipient: St. Mary's Hospital

Location: Lewiston

Public Interest: For medical equipment.

Description: St. Mary's Hospital will partner with Clearwater Valley Hospital to implement a clinic-based electronic medical record system.

Project Name: Idaho America's Heroes at Work

Amount Requested: \$400,000

Recipient: Business Psychology Associates

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For workforce development for returning service members affected by TBI and/or PTSD.

Description: The project equips employers and the workforce development system with the tools that they need to help returning service members affected by TBI and/or PTSD succeed in the workplace – particularly those returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Project Name: Idaho Caring Foundation for Children Dental Project

Amount Requested: \$300,000

Recipient: Regence Caring Foundation for Children

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For community health services.

Description: The Regence Caring Foundation will provide access to needed dental services for 600 low-income, uninsured Idaho children.

Project Name: Idaho Children's Health Project

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Recipient: Children's Health Fund

Location: Twin Falls

Public Interest: For health equipment and facilities.

Description: For a mobile dental unit for the Idaho Children's Health Project to expand services to Blaine and Lincoln Counties, which are currently without dental or mental health service providers willing to see Medicaid or uninsured.

Project Name: Idaho SySTEMic Solution: Plant Early for STEM Learning

Amount Requested: \$600,000

Recipient: Boise State University

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For educational equipment and training.

Description: Idaho SySTEMic Solution is a hands-on, project-based STEM learning system (science, technology, engineering, & math) designed to spur achievement and confidence among elementary-age learners and their teachers.

Project Name: Library Modernization Project

Amount Requested: \$86,000

Recipient: City of Twin Falls

Location: Twin Falls

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Description: The Twin Falls Public Library seeks to obtain a fully searchable database for its local historical newspapers. This newspaper database would be an historical asset to library patrons and would provide a convenient and unique service to the community.

Project Name: Library Technology Infrastructure Upgrade

Amount Requested: \$300,000

Recipient: College of Idaho

Location: Caldwell

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Description: To upgrade the College of Idaho's library.

Project Name: Life's Kitchen: Training for Throw-Away, Put-Away and Run-Away Youth

Amount Requested: \$150,000

Recipient: Culinary Skills Training Center, Inc.

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For community services for at-risk, low-income children.

Description: Life's Kitchen's primary objective is to stop the cycle of homelessness and prevent dependence on public assistance for at-risk, low-income youth (ages 16-20) through hands-on experience in the culinary arts combined with life-skills instruction.

Project Name: Literacy Matters!

Amount Requested: \$397,800

Recipient: Lee Pesky Learning Center

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Description: To support reading and mathematical literacy training through partnerships with community organizations, child care providers, online workshops, and parent involvement activities.

Project Name: Low-Income Dental Hygiene Assisting Program

Amount Requested: \$250,000

Recipient: North Idaho College

Location: Coeur d'Alene

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Description: The North Idaho College dental program will help address North Idaho's need for additional dental hygienists and assessments to meet growing community need.

Project Name: Madison County Memorial Hospital, Rexburg, ID for facilities and equipment

Amount Requested: \$363,633

Recipient: Madison County Memorial Hospital

Location: Rexburg

Public Interest: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Description: Madison Memorial Hospital will implement the Electronic Medical Record (EMR) System into Physician Clinics that feed into Madison Memorial Hospital. Patient safety will increase by developing a paperless electronic medical record system in which clinical information can be readily shared via electronic transactions with all entities within the Madison Memorial Hospital network.

Project Name: Medical Equipment and Modernization

Amount Requested: \$350,000

Recipient: Cassia Regional Medical Center

Location: Burley

Public Interest: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Description: Cassia Regional Medical Center (CRMC) is seeking to purchase equipment to increase service capacity and improve the level of care available to its rural service area.

Project Name: Minidoka Memorial Hospital Emergency Room

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Recipient: Minidoka Memorial Hospital

Location: Rupert

Public Interest: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Description: Minidoka Memorial Hospital is planning a remodeling/ expansion of its Emergency Room (ER), a 50 year-old facility that needs a series of updates and renovations to accommodate the needs of its service area. The new ER will provide more needed space, EMR and Virtual Medicine Technology, and updated equipment to provide better, quality care to patients and families.

Project Name: National Oregon/California Trail Center Operating Expenses and Big Hill Feasibility Study

Amount Requested: \$600,000

Recipient: Oregon Trail Center

Location: Montpelier

Public Interest: For a feasibility study of the operations of the Oregon Trail Center.

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Project Name: Nursing Education Equipment Upgrades

Amount Requested: \$400,000

Recipient: Northwest Nazarene University

Location: Nampa

Description: The new science facility will increase teaching capacity and improve nursing students' patient-care skills and clinical judgment.

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Project Name: Program Expansion for 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine

Amount Requested: \$360,000

Recipient: United Way of Treasure Valley

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For community service equipment and facilities.

Description: The United Way of Treasure Valley has partnered with the 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine to provide Idahoans with a toll-free, statewide service to link individuals and families with health and/or human service providers and programs. The funding would be used to develop new programs and facilities to increase call center capacity, including disaster preparedness and continuity of operations requirements.

Project Name: Radiology Equipment Purchase

Amount Requested: \$400,000

Recipient: Franklin County Medical Center

Location: Preston

Public Interest: For hospital equipment.

Description: Franklin County Medical Center, a Critical Access Hospital, seeks funding to purchase a portable x-ray machine and an ultrasound machine to allow for expedited and more effective treatment of patients.

Project Name: Recruiting for the Information Technology Age (RITA)

Amount Requested: \$150,000

Recipient: Idaho Women Work!

Location: Coeur d'Alene

Public Interest: For educational training and support.

Description: Idaho Women Work! provides low-income women with soft skills support services, education, training, and job placement support. The program partners with local employers to consult on industry gaps in job skills, future employment, and sector trends.

Project Name: Renewable Energy Technician Training Program

Amount Requested: \$400,000

Recipient: College of Southern Idaho

Location: Twin Falls

Public Interest: For educational equipment and facilities.

Description: The College of Southern Idaho's Renewable Energy Technician Training Program will create apprenticeship and job training programs to meet the growing demand for green construction professionals skilled in energy efficiency and renewable energy technology.

Project Name: STEM Equipment Upgrades

Amount Requested: \$445,000

Recipient: Northwest Nazarene University

Location: Nampa

Public Interest: For educational equipment and training.

Description: This project will update science, technology, and math teaching equipment in the university's health and science facility, allowing students to develop skills more readily transferable to practical and professional applications.

Project Name: Trauma and Regional Emergency Preparedness Initiative

Amount Requested: \$375,000

Recipient: Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center

Location: Boise

Public Interest: For hospital equipment.

Description: Saint Alphonsus intends to continue to bridge the rural education and training gap with a mobile high-fidelity patient simulation program, which is characterized by dynamic and interactive mannequins with sophisticated computerized modeling that ensures a high degree of clinical realism.

Project Name: Women and Child Services Expansion

Amount Requested: \$1,800,000

Recipient: Bingham Memorial Hospital

Location: Blackfoot

Description: the expansion of the hospital's birthing center will accommodate additional labor, delivery and recovery rooms, cesarean section rooms, and high-risk ante-partum and post-operative care. The expansion will also include a postpartum unit, gynecology services, handicapped rooms, waiting rooms, and a state-of-the-art nursery, including a space for a neonatal intensive care unit designed to offer greater space, privacy, and comfort to newborn infants with special needs and their families

Public Interest: For hospital equipment and facilities.

Project Name: Youth Internet Safety Education Project

Amount Requested: \$94,300

Recipient: Boys and Girls Club of Nampa

Location: Nampa

Public Interest: For community safety initiative.

Description: The Boys & Girls Clubs of Nampa is partnering with Web Wise Kids (WWK) to implement Internet safety programs in schools serving students in grades 6 through 9.