Defense Community Infrastructure Program

REQUEST

Our military relies on a complex network of roads, buildings, facilities, utilities, and land to provide critical training and power-projection platforms required to protect the United States. Our nation’s defense infrastructure and its maintenance are critical to sustaining military readiness and resilience. The Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) allows DOD to work with state and local governments by providing matching grants to address critical off-base infrastructure needs that have a direct impact on military value and resilience for installations. This year we are asking Congress to fund the program in FY21 at the originally authorized amount of $100M.

HOW IT WORKS:

The new authority would be used to fund a grant program open to states, counties, municipalities, and regional entities. The agency would evaluate candidate projects on multiple criteria with a primary focus on military value and installation resilience. This program could be used for a wide variety of infrastructure projects, including:

- Transportation — bridges, rail, airport, seaports, roads, and public transportation
- Utilities – water, wastewater, telecommunications, electricity, gas, other utilities
- Public Safety – hospitals, police stations, fire services, emergency/disaster response
- Joint Military-Community Services – schools, training ranges, shared work space, other community support facilities

LEVERAGING STATE & LOCAL FUNDING

A local cost share would be required. This necessity could be met through a combination of public and private funding, including assistance from other federal agencies. Funds would be eligible to be used for planning, design, and construction.

*RED HORSE Flight Line Project*
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