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Defense Community Infrastructure Program Given Major Boost to \$90 million in Budget

The sweeping \$1.5 trillion omnibus spending package signed by President Biden today gave a major boost to ADC's signature program – the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP). The appropriations bill added \$50 million to DCIP, bringing the total available funding to \$90 million for the current fiscal year.

"We thank Congress and the President for their leadership to make sure our nation's community-based defense infrastructure receives the important investment it needs. America's defense communities recognize that we are "one community" and that means critical infrastructure investments cannot stop at the gate," said ADC President Bob Ross.

In just three years, the popular program has nearly doubled in size and with DoD investing \$110 million in 19 projects. That investment leveraged \$114 million in local/state funds. Despite this success, only about 10% of the nearly 200 projects submitted have received funding.

"DCIP is funding projects that directly support the mission of the base, our service members and their families. The support in this year's budget is moving us in the right direction, but the list of unfunded priorities remains long," continued Ross.

Authorized under Public Law 115-232 Section 2861, the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) allows DoD to work with state and local governments by providing a matching grant to address the critical off-base infrastructure needs that have a direct impact on the military value and resilience of our installations.

A total of 19 grants were awarded to communities from across the country for a broad range of infrastructure projects, ranging from airport runway improvements, shoreline erosion protection, groundwater and wastewater system upgrades to youth STEM education centers, fitness and recreation complexes, emergency response stations and early childcare development centers.

Download our DCIP Fact Sheet, here.

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