

General Obligation
Bonding Subcommittee
Agency Hearing Summary

April 1, 2025
10:00 AM

Agency Hearing Schedule April 1, 2025

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10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
11:00 AM	11:20 AM	Department of Public Health
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Summary Note: Information is provided primarily regarding programs with Governor proposed additional funding or change. Each agency includes a programmatic summary of Governor proposed funding and unallocated balance (funds available under current law that could be approved by bond commission to be spent). Information provided in agency capital requests or other agency documentation is provided when applicable, *noted by use of italics*. Additional detail is provided on select programs.

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Recreation and natural heritage trust program for recreation, open space, resource protection and resource management	6,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Alterations, renovations and new construction at state parks and other recreation facilities including Americans with Disabilities Act improvements	-	40,000,000	30,000,000	40,000,000	30,000,000
For water pollution control projects at state facilities	-	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
For the purpose of funding any energy services project that results in increased efficiency measures in state buildings	42,855,136	25,000,000	25,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Dam repairs, including state-owned dams	12,414,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Various flood control improvements, flood repair, erosion damage repairs and municipal dam repairs	15,629,710	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Clean Water Fund GO - Grants-in-aid to towns	312,400,000	133,000,000	225,000,000	133,000,000	175,000,000
Design costs and purchase of a research vessel	-	500,000	7,000,000	500,000	7,000,000
Grants-in-aid for containment, removal or mitigation of identified hazardous waste disposal sites	23,018,000	7,600,000	22,000,000	7,600,000	17,000,000
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for improvements to incinerators and landfills, including but not limited to bulky waste landfills	5,800,000	6,800,000	2,900,000	6,800,000	2,900,000
Grants-in-aid for identification, investigation, containment, removal or mitigation of contaminated industrial sites in urban areas	5,400,000	25,000,000	22,000,000	12,000,000	12,000,000
PFAS - Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purpose of providing potable water and for assessment and remedial action to address pollution from perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl containing substances	2,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Microgrid and resilience grant and loan program	60,000,000	5,000,000	25,000,000	-	25,000,000
Connecticut bikeway, pedestrian walkway, recreational trail and greenway grant program	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
For the purpose of providing low interest loans for climate resiliency projects	10,000,000	-	-	-	-
For environmental clean-up of the property of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority in Hartford and preparation of such property for development	50,000,000	-	-	-	-
For landfills, including the Hartford landfill	5,000,000	-	-	-	-

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
For the purpose of providing matching funds necessary for municipalities, school districts and school bus operators to submit federal grant applications in order to maximize federal funding for the purchase or lease of zero-emission electric school buses and electric vehicle charging infrastructure	34,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-
Grants in aid for repair and reconstruction of flood damage in Bridgeport	42,000,000	-	-	-	-
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for open space land acquisition and development for conservation or recreational purposes	42,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-
Multi-Family Retrofitting Projects in Environmental Justice Communities	125,000,000	-	-	-	-
Water system improvements in West Hartford	30,000,000	-	-	-	-
For the purpose of a program to provide rebates, at the point of sale, for the purchase of heat pumps intended for heating systems in the state	25,000,000	-	-	(25,000,000)	-

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Program					
Recreation and natural heritage trust program for recreation, open space, resource protection and resource management					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
6,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	3,000,000	3,000,000	7,500,000	6,000,000	-	-

Summary

The Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust program provides state funding towards meeting legislative open space goals for state-owned protected space. This program works alongside the municipal open space grant program, also administered by DEEP.

The Connecticut General Assembly established a goal of having 673,210 acres (21%) of the State's land area preserved as open space. As of December 2019, it is estimated that DEEP held approximately 261,296 acres (81.5%) of the State's area. To meet the goal set forth for State open space acquisitions, an additional 59,280 acres of open space must be acquired by the State by 2023. Achieving this goal would require a significant increase in annual authorizations/allocations.

Since May 2014, DEEP acquired almost 6,300 acres, at a cost to the State of approximately \$1,389/acre. Since May 2014, every \$1 of expended State bond funds leveraged \$4.41 in funds from other parties (Federal grants and private contributions).

Program					
Alterations, renovations and new construction at state parks and other recreation facilities including Americans with Disabilities Act improvements					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
-	40,000,000	30,000,000	40,000,000	30,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	11,761,757	30,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000

Summary

This is DEEP's ongoing state parks and fisheries improvement program, which has historically been used for projects including minor capital improvements (repainting or replacing worn portions of bathroom buildings), removal of diseased trees, and development or replacement of piers or retaining walls. Prioritization is given to addressing public health and safety issues, building code/OSHA violations and replacement of failing infrastructure.

As of early 2024, DEEP identified more than \$176 million of long-term infrastructure improvement needs, some of which have been addressed with recent allocations.

Recent projects include drainage and dredging statewide, development at Seaside State Park, trail design and improvements to the Airline Trail in Hampton, and hatchery storage improvements in Burlington.

Program							
For water pollution control projects at state facilities							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	Reduction	
-	500,000		500,000	500,000	500,000	-	

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	600,000	1,000,000	-	-	-	2,350,000

Summary

This program supports water pollution control projects and improvements across multiple state agencies statewide. Recent projects have been completed with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department of Developmental Services, and the University of Connecticut, as well as projects at DEEP facilities.

Septic systems and wastewater treatment facilities require periodic upgrades for the maintenance of the existing infrastructure, expansions to meet demands from increasing flow rates, or treatment upgrades to comply with environmental requirements. State agencies are held to the same regulatory technical and permit standards as are municipalities. Projects for the next two fiscal years focus on repairs at DEEP facilities, and the out-year projections are to continue septic system upgrades at State parks. CGS Section 22a-439a provides funding only for capital improvements. Operation and maintenance expenses are the responsibility of the agency through its operating budget.

Program
For the purpose of funding any energy services project that results in increased efficiency measures in state buildings

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
42,855,136	25,000,000	25,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
20,000,000	10,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	28,000,000	27,144,864	-	-

Summary

This program supports energy efficiency upgrades across state agencies. Recent allocations have been used to support energy efficiency upgrades across multiple state agencies, with \$11.4 million allocated in April 2023 and \$15.8 million allocated in July 2022 supporting various projects statewide.

Projects are generally expected to pay for their own cost through energy or water savings over the course of 5 to 15 years.

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), in consultation with the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and the Office of Policy and Management, implements the state's plan for the reduction of energy consumption in state buildings, as required by C.G.S. §16a-37u, §16a-38a, §16a-38i, and §16a-38l. Governor Lamont's Executive Order 1 also creates a requirement for Executive Branch buildings to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, waste disposal and water consumption. In order to meet these objectives, the GreenerGovCT/Lead by Example program will need \$20 million per year for at least the next two years and in future years to address a strategic pipeline of building projects, informed by comprehensive energy audits. The State currently spends approximately at least \$80 million annually on utility costs. At least 72 bond-funded energy efficiency retrofits in State buildings have been approved since bond funding was made available in 2013, for a total commitment of about \$90 million for these projects and an average payback of 8 years. This amounts to many millions of dollars in annual costs saved through these investments.

Program
Dam repairs, including state-owned dams
Various flood control improvements, flood repair, erosion damage repairs and municipal dam repairs

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
12,414,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	-
15,629,710	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	2,500,000	900,000	-	6,365,000	5,000,000
-	-	3,000,000	2,500,000	3,470,000	-	-	-

Summary

These programs provide funding for repairs on state-owned dams, or for locally owned dam repairs under the "various flood control improvements, flood repair, erosion damage repairs and municipal dam repairs" program, also through DEEP.

These funds are utilized to undertake studies, design, and construction of repairs to State and municipally-owned dams. The State owns in excess of 260 dams, which create lakes and ponds that are used for a variety of purposes. The DEEP owns and operates 95% of these dams. As owner of these structures, the State is responsible for their on-going safety. Actions are initiated on these State structures based upon their state of repair, compliance with current safety standards and the hazard they pose to downstream areas in the event of a failure.

This source of funding is essential to the DEEP's on-going efforts to repair and modernize all State-owned dams in compliance with the Army Corps of Engineers and State safety standards. In FY 13, a statutory change was made to require more regular dam owner responsible inspections of all high and significant hazard dams. DEEP is responsible for hiring consultants to undertake required regulatory inspections of approximately 50 State-owned dams per year. This results in a determination of the costs of repairs to those dams inspected and the development of a list prioritizing those repairs of State-owned dams. In addition, dam repairs and reconstruction which have previously been deferred are becoming more pressing. As dam maintenance and minor repairs are deferred, the structures continue to deteriorate and may result in increased long-term costs, as on-going repairs become more comprehensive reconstruction projects. Dam repair projects are initiated based upon risk and protection of public safety.

Municipal flood control funds are used as the State's share for cooperative flooding, erosion and municipal dam repair projects, undertaken with municipalities and the Federal government, as well as to fund repairs to State-owned flood control projects. The funds are essential to continue the Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection's efforts to mitigate flooding hazards and erosion problems that exist in all Connecticut towns and cities. DEEP enters into cost-shared agreements with municipalities to address these problems, and there has been significant local interest shown in this program. Funding from the State FECB program may be used to fund a portion of the costs for the engineering study, design and actual construction of the flood, erosion, non-structural flood mitigation measures or dam safety improvements.

Program
Clean Water Fund GO - Grants-in-aid to towns
Clean Water Fund Revenue - Low-interest loans to towns

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
312,400,000	133,000,000	225,000,000	133,000,000	175,000,000	-
764,000,000	50,000,000	500,000,000	50,000,000	500,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
100,000,000	100,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000	60,000,000	-	75,000,000	-
281,000,000	237,000,000	-	25,000,000	-	-	275,000,000	-

Summary

The Clean Water program pursues two main avenues of water improvement – wastewater (supported by the CWF and administered by DEEP) and drinking water systems (supported by the Drinking Water Fund

through the CWF, administered by the Department of Public Health). The program uses GO grants to serve as federally-required matching funds, which complement revenue bonds used to provide subsidized loans to municipalities and utilities.

The Clean Water fund wastewater program (administered by DEEP) is used to provide financing to municipal wastewater improvement projects, at 100% of project cost, with half of funding typically provided as GO grants and the remainder through CWF revenue bond-backed subsidized loans. Awards under the program are determined through the project priority list, with inclusion criteria that include impacts on local potable water supply, population impacted, and health issue mitigation.

The revenue bonds are non-general obligation bond that are linked to the revenues derived from loan repayment, along with federal funds. These bonds support the CWF low-interest loan program and the Drinking Water Fund, with the drinking water program administered by the Department of Public Health.

Properly functioning wastewater infrastructure for Connecticut municipalities is critical for water quality, public health and economic vitality. Since the design life of wastewater treatment plants is 20 years, there is an ongoing need to update wastewater treatment plants due to capacity needs, permit limits necessary to protect water quality, and the need to maintain energy efficient treatment reliability. A portion of this Capital Budget Request is to fully fund wastewater treatment plant upgrades, which will include plant upgrades to provide phosphorus removal. Performing rehabilitation work on the sanitary sewers and pumping stations, prior to a catastrophic failure, will save municipalities money on expensive emergency repairs, not to mention the elimination of accidental sewage spills to the environment and sewage backups into residences and businesses.

Besides the funds available and shown here, clean water infrastructure is part of the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). PA 22-118 approved \$75 million of new authorization under OPM for state match of additional federal funding, including funds available for clean water and resiliency projects.

Program					
Design costs and purchase of a research vessel					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	500,000	7,000,000	500,000	7,000,000	-

Summary

This new program would fund the design costs and purchase of a research vessel.

Research is often focused on the status and health of the Long Island Sound. Since 1990, research of the sound has been conducted with the research vessel John Dempsey.¹

¹ <https://longislandsoundstudy.net/2023/11/purchasing-a-new-research-vessel-to-improve-and-expand-research-and-monitoring/>

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Program
Grants-in-aid for containment, removal or mitigation of identified hazardous waste disposal sites

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
23,018,000	7,600,000	22,000,000	7,600,000	17,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	5,000,000	19,000,000	17,000,000	6,000,000	-	-	27,000,000

Summary

The state superfund program oversees hazardous waste disposal site mitigation. Eligibility of sites is determined by calculating a state priority score, similar to the federal EPA scores. The federal portion of the funding for eligible projects is 90% to the state's 10% contribution. The currently eligible sites are listed in the table.

The State Superfund Program provides funding to investigate and remediate hazardous waste and hazardous substance disposal sites that pose an unacceptable risk to human health and the environment; and where a responsible party is not available to perform needed and timely response actions. In addition, as part of the remedy, municipalities may receive grants to install water lines to serve areas impacted by contamination from a State Superfund site. These funds are also used to provide the State's share of Remedial Action costs for Federal Superfund sites where EPA is funding and performing the Remedial Action (due to the absence of a viable responsible party). The State's share typically ranges from 10% to 50% of such costs and is a statutory obligation in order to have the Federal government pay for the remainder of the Remedial Action.

Unknown future sites are anticipated, requiring remediation funding to be available to avoid delay and risk to public health and safety. The sites addressed by this program may also be Brownfields sites. Cleanup and reuse of these sites may enhance job creation or retention, return of properties to tax roles, and reduction of threats to human health and the environment.

Site	Municipality
Barkhamsted-New Hartford Landfill	Barkhamsted
Cheshire Ground Water	Cheshire
Durham Meadows	Durham
Gallup's Quarry	Plainfield
Higganum Cove	Haddam
Kellogg-Deering Well Field	Norwalk
Linemaster Switch	Woodstock
Mitral Corporation	Harwinton
Mukluk Preserve	Sprague
Naval Submarine Base	Groton/Ledyard
Nutmeg Valley Road	Wolcott
Old Southington Landfill	Southington
Raymark Industries	Stratford
Revere Textile Prints Corp.	Sterling
Scovill Industrial Landfill	Waterbury
Solvents Recovery Service	Southington
Source: https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment/superfund-sites-reuse-connecticut As of January 28, 2025	

Program
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for improvements to incinerators and landfills, including but not limited to bulky waste landfills

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
5,800,000	6,800,000	2,900,000	6,800,000	2,900,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
2,900,000	2,900,000	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

This program funds the state oversight and management of closed municipal landfills, including those overseen by the former Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (CRRA). Section 236 of PA 13-247, the FY 14 and FY 15 biennial budget General Government Implementer, required DEEP to assume responsibility for post-closure care at these sites. The most recent allocation (\$750,000 in CY 19) was to provide ongoing care and maintenance at the five former CRRA (and then MIRA) landfills: Hartford, Ellington, Waterbury, Wallingford, and Shelton.

Examples of repairs and/or improvements that may be needed include: 1) remediating large scale erosional features that may threaten the integrity of the landfill, 2) replacing major components of the methane recovery systems, required for public safety, 3) installing groundwater and leachate treatment, and 4) other unanticipated large-scale expenses associated with post-closure care of the landfills.

Future closures will be determined through a process of inspection, assessment of pollution potential, and proposed schedules for closure pursuant to approved closure plans and/or stewardship permit requirements for the closure of landfills. Improvements and repairs are needed to ensure that the former CRRA landfills are managed after final closure so that they do not pose a threat to human health and the environment. Such improvements/repairs include landfill gas and leachate control systems, stormwater management systems, final cover repairs, and water treatment systems.

Program
Grants-in-aid for identification, investigation, containment, removal or mitigation of contaminated industrial sites in urban areas

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
5,400,000	25,000,000	22,000,000	12,000,000	12,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,500,000	10,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	-	-	16,600,000	4,000,000

Summary

This is DEEP's investigation and mitigation side of the state's Brownfield program, with the redevelopment part of the program handled by DECD.

An August 2024 allocation of \$4 million was provided for the demolition and remediation of the former Bristol Babcock industrial site in Waterbury, which consists of four interconnected buildings that have been deteriorating since the 1980s. The revitalization and redevelopment of the Bristol Babcock facility is part of a larger revitalization effort with the potential of supporting future employees in the area with nearby residential opportunities.

Other recent awards include remediation of the New Haven Science Park's Tract A parcel in New Haven, the SHW Metal Working Co. in Ansonia, and the Waterbury Button Factory.

The Urban Sites Remedial Action Program provides funding for the investigation and remediation of contaminated sites, known as Brownfields, in Distressed Municipalities and Targeted Investment Communities where the responsible party is unable or unwilling to conduct the work. The goal of remediation is to facilitate redevelopment and economic revitalization in urban areas.

This program is jointly administered by the Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection and the Dept. of Economic and Community Development. Although grant and loan programs exist to assist municipalities and private parties with the investigation and remediation of Brownfields, there remains a need for certain Brownfields to be addressed with more direct State involvement. Bond authorizations for this program will be needed to address investigation and remediation at future sites, thereby reducing potential risks to public health and safety, and preparing the sites for productive re-use. This program is available for Brownfields in Distressed Municipalities and Targeted Investment Communities, which are burdened by a disproportionate number of Brownfields.

Program
PFAS - Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purpose of providing potable water and for assessment and remedial action to address pollution from perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl containing substances

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
2,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
1,150,000	1,150,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	1,150,000	1,150,000	-	3,000,000

Summary

First implemented in PA 20-1, these funds were initially used to provide potable water in contaminated areas, establish PFAS testing, and grants for buy-back programs for municipalities using firefighting foam containing PFAS. Authorizing language has been slightly different in each of the bond acts where funding has been authorized, with the most recent authorization (PA 23-205) allowing for testing, provision of potable water, and buyback.

Recent funding was allocated for testing for appropriate alternatives to aqueous film forming foam products (AFFF), which also allowed for laboratory analysis of drinking water samples to detect the presence of PFAS and to supply bottled water and carbon filtration systems to impacted residents. Additionally, this funding will provide potable water investigations at locations deemed most vulnerable to potential PFAS pollution.

Funding for potable water projects (grants) to municipalities to address well water pollution problems when no responsible party can be found; or the responsible party has insufficient funds to cover the cost of providing an alternative water supply. Grant funds may be used to evaluate water supply alternatives; perform engineering studies of water supply alternatives; and for the capital costs for implementing the preferred alternative. Funding for PFAS is for investigating, containing, removing or addressing PFAS in various media in drinking water, groundwater, surface water, soil, sediment, fish, waste water influent and effluent, sludge, biosolids, air, and consumer products and associated packaging and developing electronic systems to maintain and analyze environmental data.

Program					
Microgrid and resilience grant and loan program					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
60,000,000	5,000,000	25,000,000	-	25,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	40,000,000	-	-	-	-

Summary

Originally started in 2012, over \$50 million was allocated for grants to municipalities for microgrid development from September 2013 through November 2016. Besides the recent increased authorization, the program was expanded to allow use for resiliency projects, in a program established in PA 20-5 SSS. The Governor's proposed bond revision would authorize an additional \$25 million in FY 27. DEEP has previously reported use of federal funds in awarding planning grants through the related Climate Resilience Fund.

The primary goal of the DEEP Climate Resilience Fund is to give Connecticut communities a jumpstart with developing a resilience project pipeline that can win federal grant support for construction and implementation. The Climate Resilience Fund does not pay for construction or implementation. The Climate Resilience Fund will fund climate resilience planning and the initial steps needed to develop projects and submit competitive grants to federal competitions. By providing the resources to help communities plan and develop competitive project proposals, we aim to increase the amount of competitive federal dollars that come back to Connecticut.

In addition to the funds available and shown here, energy infrastructure resiliency is part of the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). PA 22-118 approved \$75 million of new authorization under OPM for state match of additional federal funding, including funds intended for clean water and resiliency projects. Like the microgrid program, there have been no recent allocations for the program.

Program					
Connecticut bikeway, pedestrian walkway, recreational trail and greenway grant program					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
3,000,000	6,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	3,000,000	9,000,000	10,000,000	-

Summary

Since 2007, \$32 million of bond funds have been allocated to the Greenways program to develop and connect trails and walkways around the state. Following the announcement of 50 successful project applications

(totaling over \$8.5 million of state grants, as detailed below) in spring 2023, an additional \$10 million was allocated for the program in October 2023 to fund a round of applications in spring 2024.

Connecticut Recreational Trails Grants can be used for:

- *Trail Planning & Design,*
- *Trail corridor acquisition,*
- *Construction, construction administration,*
- *Trail Maintenance, equipment,*
- *Trail amenities (signage, kiosks, bathrooms, ect.), and*
- *Publications/outreach related to bikeways, multi-use trails (including motorized) and water trails (blueways).*

Program							
For the purpose of providing low interest loans for climate resiliency projects							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
10,000,000	-	-	-	-	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		-	10,000,000	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 25 under PA 24-151. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program							
For environmental clean-up of the property of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority in Hartford and preparation of such property for development							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
50,000,000	-	-	-	-	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		50,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 24 under PA 23-205. To date, no funds have been allocated.

The former waste to energy facility operated by MIRA in Hartford closed in 2022. Since July 1, 2023, the MIRA Dissolution Authority has been charged with identifying the needs for redevelopment of the related

properties. Under current law, the MIRA Dissolution Authority terminates on July 1, 2025, with its powers and responsibilities largely transferring to DAS at that time.

Program							
For landfills, including the Hartford landfill							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27				
5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 23 under PA 22-118. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program							
For the purpose of providing matching funds necessary for municipalities, school districts and school bus operators to submit federal grant applications in order to maximize federal funding for the purchase or lease of zero-emission electric school buses and electric vehicle charging infrastructure							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27				
34,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-	-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
20,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-	-	6,000,000	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was adopted in PA 22-118, with the program itself established in the Connecticut Clean Air Act (PA 22-25). The CT Clean Air Act requires that all school buses be zero-emission vehicles by 2030 for environmental justice communities and 2040 for all other communities. Bond funds are expected to be used to provide matching grants to local municipalities as they seek federal grants for the purchase or lease of zero-emission buses.

An initial allocation of \$6 million was provided in December 2023. The round one grant awardees that were eligible for the matching program were:

- Statewide: Connecticut Technical Education and Career System - EPA award for 25 electric vehicle (EV) school buses and EV charging infrastructure;
- Regional School District No. 1: Serving Canaan, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury, and Sharon - EPA award for one EV school bus and EV charging infrastructure;

- Cornwall School District - EPA award for one EV school bus and EV charging infrastructure; and
- Sharon School District - EPA award for one EV school bus and EV charging infrastructure.

Program							
Grants in aid for repair and reconstruction of flood damage in Bridgeport							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27		
42,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		17,000,000	25,000,000	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 24 under PA 23-205. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program							
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for open space land acquisition and development for conservation or recreational purposes							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27		
42,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-	-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,000,000	15,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	10,000,000	-	-

Summary

The municipal open space grant program provides state funding towards meeting legislative open space goals. The bond funding for this program is leveraged alongside funding within the Community Investment Act.

The Connecticut General Assembly established a goal of having 673,210 acres (21%) of the State's land area preserved as open space. The goal calls for 352,634 acres (11%) of the State's land area to be acquired by DEEP's Partners (municipalities, nonprofit land conservation organizations and water companies). As of December 2019, it is estimated that our Partners held approximately 248,953 acres or 70.6% of the State's goal. To meet the goal set forth for Partner open space acquisitions, an additional 103,681 acres of open space must be acquired by our Partners by 2023.

DEEP offers an annual grant round each September. The Bond funding from this Open Space Program augments funding from the Community Investment Act program, and is critical to satisfy the need of this very popular land acquisition program. The Bond funding requested will provide matching grants to DEEP's Partners for eligible acquisitions.

The acquisitions associated with the State-owned portion of the open space goals are funded within DEEP's bond-funded Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program.

Program							
Multi-Family Retrofitting Projects in Environmental Justice Communities							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
125,000,000	-	-	-	-	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		50,000,000	75,000,000	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 24 under PA 23-205. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Under the program, grants for retrofitting multifamily residences in environmental justice communities or alliance districts would be made available for energy efficiency improvements, remediating health and safety issues that would inhibit such retrofit, or to provide assistance in seeking out available state or federal programs that would enable such improvements.

Various changes to the program were made in last year's bond bill (PA 24-151) and PA 24-143 which would allow the program to fund up to \$20 million of grants, in addition to the ability to offer loans for the program. The changes also allow DEEP to enter into contracts with quasi-publics and non-profits to administer the program.

Program							
Water system improvements in West Hartford							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
30,000,000	-	-	-	-	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		30,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 24 under PA 23-205. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program
For the purpose of a program to provide rebates, at the point of sale, for the purchase of heat pumps intended for heating systems in the state

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
25,000,000	-	-	-	-	(25,000,000)

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		-	25,000,000	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 25 under PA 24-151. To date, no funds have been allocated.

The authorization was linked to 2024's sHB 5004, which did not pass. A language change would be necessary to make the funds available for allocation by the State Bond Commission.

The Governor's proposal would repeal this program and its associated bond authorization.

Department of Public Health

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	New	152,603	140,000	500,000	-
Commission on Gun Violence Prevention and Intervention	12,000,000	-	-	-	-
For grants-in-aid for the remediation of lead in school drinking water systems	5,000,000	-	-	-	-
For grants-in-aid to public water systems for drinking water projects	50,000,000	-	-	-	-
Grant-in-aid for water bottle filling stations in schools	3,500,000	-	-	-	-

Department of Public Health

Program					
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	152,603	140,000	500,000	-	-

Summary

This program would fund alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds for existing state-owned buildings.

Program					
Commission on Gun Violence Prevention and Intervention					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
12,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	7,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

This program provides grants-in-aid for capital purposes to community gun violence and prevention programs and supports strategies addressing community gun violence. The initial authorization was for FY 22 under OPM (PA 21-111), but then moved to DPH in FY 24. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program					
For grants-in-aid for the remediation of lead in school drinking water systems					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized under PA 20-1. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program
For grants-in-aid to public water systems for drinking water projects

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
50,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	25,000,000	25,000,000	-	24,000,000	-	-

Summary

Drinking water projects are one portion of the state's Clean Water Fund (CWF) program. This program uses grants (funded by GO bonds) to complement low-interest loans (funded by CWF revenue bonds). It specifically provides grants for municipal drinking water projects that comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Eligible public water systems that serve 10,000 or fewer persons may receive up to 50% grant-in-aid for project costs that qualify for funding through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)². Eligible public water systems that serve more than 10,000 persons may receive up to 30% grant-in aid for project costs that qualify for funding through the DWSRF.

\$24 million was allocated at the December 2022 meeting of the State Bond Commission for drinking water lead service line replacement projects across various municipalities. Potential recipients of the lead service line replacement projects included the below public water systems:

Public Water System	Town	Amount Requested (construction cost only)	GO Bond Amount	Timeframe (construction start)
New London Water Department	New London	\$22,900,000	\$6,870,000	April 2023
Norwich Public Utilities	Norwich	\$2,000,000	\$600,000	June 2023
Regional Water Authority	New Haven Area	\$2,000,000	\$600,000	July 2023
Aquarion Water Company of CT	Bridgeport Area	\$1,565,500	\$469,650	April 2023
Manchester Water Department	Manchester	\$2,500,000	\$750,000	April 2023
City of Middletown	Middletown	\$3,600,000	\$1,080,000	April 2023
Southington Water Department	Southington	\$3,561,600	\$1,068,480	May 2023
Waterbury Water Department	Waterbury	\$10,000,000	\$3,000,000	May 2023
Windham Water Works	Windham	\$4,000,000	\$1,200,000	May 2023

² The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund ([DWSRF](#)) program provides long-term below market rate loans to finance infrastructure improvement projects.

Public Water System	Town	Amount Requested (construction cost only)	GO Bond Amount	Timeframe (construction start)
South Norwalk Electric & Water	Norwalk	\$2,250,000	\$675,000	June 2023
Putnam WPCA	Putnam	\$720,000	\$360,000	July 2023
Metropolitan District Commission	Hartford Area	\$10,000,000	\$3,000,000	January 2024
Groton Utilities	Groton	\$1,400,000	\$420,000	May 2024
Bristol Water Department	Bristol	\$11,700,000	\$3,510,000	July 2024
TOTAL		\$78,197,100	\$23,603,130	

Program
Grant-in-aid for water bottle filling stations in schools

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
3,500,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		3,500,000	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized under PA 23-205. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Agricultural Experiment Station

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	New	1,200,000	-	1,200,000	-
Valley Laboratory in Windsor	32,596,505	-	-	-	-

Agricultural Experiment Station

Program					
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	1,200,000	-	1,200,000	-	-

Summary

This program would fund alterations, renovations and improvements to existing state-owned buildings and grounds, including predesign costs

Program					
Valley Laboratory in Windsor					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
32,596,505	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
6,300,000	8,000,000	10,000,000	-	-	-	3,203,495	-

Summary

\$3.2 million was allocated at the October 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission. At the time of the allocation, the project was in the design phase, with bidding documents anticipated by spring 2024. The total project cost was estimated at approximately \$36.9 million.

The Valley Laboratory in Windsor has a three-story, 8,000 square foot building that was constructed in 1940 on 50 acres of farm and forest land. The laboratory has not had any major renovations since construction. Scientists working there conduct research on insect management, plant diseases, invasive weeds, biological control, indoor molds, and soils. They also provide direct support for a number of agricultural industries in the state including nurseries, greenhouses, golf, fruit and vegetable growers, Christmas tree, tobacco growers and forestry. The building does not have an elevator, is not ADA-compliant, has original electrical and plumbing systems that are failing, and has a septic tank that needs replacement. The slate roof is failing and needs replacement.

The Valley Laboratory location allows access to research and service for farmers and citizens in the northern part of the state. Over 6,000 inquiries and over 5,000 soil tests are conducted annually. Due to the current state of the laboratory, certain public health programs, such as molecular research on indoor air quality, mosquito and tick viruses/pathogens, biological control, and herbicide resistance, cannot be initiated.

Office of Legislative Management

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Alterations, renovations and restoration to the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building, including interior and exterior restoration and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act	32,000,000	-	-	-	-
Alterations, renovations and restoration to the State Capitol, including interior and exterior restoration and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act	38,900,000	-	-	-	-
Replacement, repair and repaving of the roads and sidewalks at the State Capitol Complex	1,350,000	-	-	-	-
Exterior masonry repairs and window replacement at the Old State House in Hartford,	850,000	-	-	-	-
Replacement of the Legislative drafting and information system	2,000,000	-	-	-	-

Office of Legislative Management

Program							
Alterations, renovations and restoration to the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building, including interior and exterior restoration and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
32,000,000	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		FY 27
	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		-	45,000,000	-	-	-	13,000,000

Summary

Funding for this program was authorized under PA 24-151 for the modernization of elevators, escalators and travelators at the State Capitol, the Legislative Office Building, and the LOB parking garage.

\$13 million was allocated at the August 2024 meeting of the State Bond Commission towards the repair of elevators, escalators, and travelators, which have been in use since the building opened in 1988.

Program							
Alterations, renovations and restoration to the State Capitol, including interior and exterior restoration and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
38,900,000	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		FY 27
	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	35,000,000	-	-	2,100,000	4,000,000	-

Summary

This program provides funding for various projects in and around the State Capitol. \$4 million was allocated at the October 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission for the State Capitol exterior restoration project.

PA 23-205 included a \$35 million bond authorization for the exterior restoration of the State Capitol. OLM contracted with an architectural and engineering firm to provide a detailed exterior restoration scope of work and construction cost estimate. The preliminary estimates for exterior restoration of the Capitol ranged from \$47 million to \$58 million and would take three-plus years to complete.

The scope of the exterior restoration included: 1) masonry restoration of the building's exterior stone (granite & marble), 2) restoration of 522 windows, 3) lantern and drum repairs, 4) regilding the dome, 5) replacing the flag poles, and 6) thermal and moisture protection for the membrane roofing system.

Program							
Replacement, repair and repaving of the roads and sidewalks at the State Capitol Complex							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26	FY 27	Reduction
1,350,000	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Authorization for this program was approved in PA 20-1. The last allocation in the amount of \$450,000 was approved at the September 2020 meeting of the State Bond Commission.

The project focuses on resurfacing roadways and parking areas, as well as replacing deteriorating sidewalks along with related lighting and security upgrades. As part of the project, OLM will study exterior access to the building, including developing alternate traffic patterns to improve building security.

Program							
Exterior masonry repairs and window replacement at the Old State House in Hartford,							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26	FY 27	Reduction
850,000	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Authorization for this program was approved in PA 20-1. No new allocations have been made since the \$850,000 allocation at the September 2020 meeting of the State Bond Commission.

The project involves the renovation of the Old State House to address exterior masonry repairs and modification or replacement of windows to reduce heating and cooling costs. The initial allocation addressed items such as replacement of the entry stairs, energy efficiency upgrades, upgrades to gallery spaces and replacement of non-functional gallery technology.

Program					
Replacement of the Legislative drafting and information system					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
2,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
2,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Funding for replacement of the Legislative drafting and information system was authorized in FY 22 under PA 21-111. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Secretary of the State

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
For the purpose of purchasing and deploying tabulators and related equipment, purchasing equipment and services to implement and integrate the centralized voter registration system and purchasing equipment and software to improve the operation of the business recording system and other functions of the business services division	8,000,000	-	-	-	-
Upgrades to Agency eRegs System	New	4,000,000	-	-	-
Website Update	New	-	1,000,000	-	-

Secretary of the State

Program

For the purpose of purchasing and deploying tabulators and related equipment, purchasing equipment and services to implement and integrate the centralized voter registration system and purchasing equipment and software to improve the operation of the business recording system and other functions of the business services division

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
8,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		30,000,000	3,000,000	-	-	25,000,000	-

Summary

\$25 million was allocated at the October 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission to purchase and deploy new tabulators to municipalities, and to support information technology updates for voter registration. It was anticipated that this would include the purchase of 3,000 tabulators, 30 medium speed tabulators, and 10 high speed tabulators. These funds are also available to be used to implement Automatic Voter Registration (AVR) in agencies identified as Voter Registration Agencies (required by PA 21-2), and upgrades required to the Centralized Voter Registration System to facilitate AVR.

Program

Upgrades to Agency eRegs System

Website Update

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	4,000,000	-	-	-	-
New	-	1,000,000	-	-	-

Summary

The Office of the Secretary of the State included bond authorization requests for updates to the electronic regulation system (\$4 million) and an update of the agency website (\$1 million). Projects like these are routinely funded under OPM's statewide Information Technology Capital Investment Program.

- eRegs System – for a replacement of the current eRegulation system. The current system is approximately 12 years old, and several software components used in the system are being sunset by the vendor, necessitating a replacement project. There are three major components of the current eRegs System: (1) IBM CaseManager/FileNet; (2) XML Authoring Software; and (3) the website. IBM CaseManager went end of life in 2023 and is no longer supported by IBM. The XML authoring software will go end of life in August 2026. The website remains functional, but it is not built using responsive web design, so it is difficult to use on phones and tablets. Additionally, the agency sign-in function relies on antiquated technology called eDirectory, which needs to be replaced with the newer state standard. Finally, the system is not easily accessible to agency users working remotely and requires special configuration of VPNs.*

- *Website Update – to update the agency’s website (portal.ct.gov/sots). The current website needs substantial updating in order to provide important information to CT voters and businesses. Including the voluminous number of forms and other pdf-based documents contained on the website. Federal law also requires our website to be ADA-compliant by 2026.*

Office of Policy and Management

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Local Capital Improvement Fund (LOCIP)	30,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000
Grants-in-aid for municipal purposes	-	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000
DOT - Town Aid Road (TAR) - GO Bonds	-	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000
DOT - Town Aid Road (TAR) - STO Bonds	-	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000
Information Technology Capital Investment Program	63,638,613	65,000,000	65,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000
Distressed Municipalities	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000
Capital Equipment Purchase Fund (CEPF)	6,131,625	28,500,000	30,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000
Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP)	53,000,000	-	35,000,000	-	35,000,000
Urban Act - Grants-in-aid for urban development projects	166,918,364	75,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000
Grants-in-aid to support municipalities, homeowners, and small businesses who have been impacted by a catastrophic event	New	-	-	15,000,000	-
Design and implementation of consolidation of higher education systems with the state's CORE system	3,000,000	-	-	-	-
Development and implementation of databases in the CORE financial system associated with results-based accountability	1,200,000	-	-	-	-
For the provision of community engagement training to law enforcement units in (A) towns with a population of over one hundred thousand, and (B) towns adjacent to towns with a population of over one hundred thousand	500,000	-	-	-	-
Grants-in-aid for regional and local improvements and development	55,299,264	-	-	-	-
Grants-in-aid to an acute care hospital licensed under chapter 368v of the general statutes for construction of facilities for adult, inpatient psychiatric beds	5,000,000	-	-	-	-
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purchase of on-body cameras for law enforcement officers	4,205,542	-	-	-	-
Nonprofit health and human service organization grants-in-aid	70,000,000	-	-	-	-
State matching funds for projects and programs allowed under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act	75,000,000	-	-	-	-

Office of Policy and Management

Program
Local Capital Improvement Fund (LOCIP)
Grants-in-aid for municipal purposes
DOT - Town Aid Road (TAR) Program - GO Bonds
DOT - Town Aid Road (TAR) Program - STO Bonds

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
30,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000	-
-	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	-
-	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000	-
-	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
30,000,000	30,000,000	45,000,000	45,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	75,000,000	45,000,000
91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000	91,000,000
30,000,000	30,000,000	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000	-	-
30,000,000	30,000,000	-	-	30,000,000	30,000,000	-	-

Summary

These are the major bonded municipal grants, which are often included when comparing municipal funding alongside appropriated grants.

LoCIP

A new administration system was adopted in PA 23-124 for authorizations and town allotments beginning in FY 24. Under the new system, OPM will determine and publish municipal allocations by March 1 and distribute a recipient's full share by June 30 of each fiscal year. Recipients are able to hold unused funds in their own accounts from year to year and are required to report eligible uses and purposes of such funds by September 1 annually.

Proposed administrative change

The Governor's bond bill would modify the recently updated LoCIP administration by adding a provision wherein the grants would be sent proactively so long as "the secretary determines, in the secretary's sole discretion, that the municipality has fully utilized or has plans to fully utilize any other funds previously credited or granted to the municipality pursuant to this section." The bill does not provide detail regarding the criteria of such discretion, nor what would happen to funds not found to be used or planned for.

Legacy funding

For amounts made available prior to FY 24, municipalities seek reimbursement for individual projects. These older authorizations can also be rolled over from year to year and are distributed as municipalities submit eligible reimbursement requests. The allocations for these pre-FY 24 projects are made based on actual cash flow within the project – the unallocated balance of the fund is based on these pre-FY 24 authorizations, which municipalities have yet to seek reimbursement for. The former administration system will be phased out as

remaining pre-FY 24 funds are fully spent. The FY 24 allocation amounts represent both the \$45 million of prospective grants and \$30 million towards reimbursement of pre-FY 24 entitlements.

Overall LoCIP authorization has typically been provided at \$30 million per year from the late 1980s through FY 23. It was increased to \$45 million for each of FY 24 and FY 25.

TAR and Grants for Municipal Purpose

The Town Aid Road (TAR) and Grants for Municipal Purpose programs are made available by fiscal year, per authorizing law. The programs have differing level of acceptable uses, approval requirements, and/or waivers through the administering agency (DOT and OPM, respectively).

The FY 24 and FY 25 biennial budget appropriated \$60 million of TAR funding per year from the Special Transportation Fund (STF) in lieu of using bonded dollars. The Governor's bond proposal for FY 26 and FY 27 returns TAR funding to bonding, with half of the \$60 million from GO bonds (\$30 million) and the other half from Special Tax Obligation bonds (\$30 million).

Program							
Information Technology Capital Investment Program							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
63,638,613	65,000,000	65,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
65,000,000	40,000,000	65,000,000	65,000,000	77,406,042	81,025,655	89,302,241	11,000,000

Summary

This program funds IT improvement efforts across executive branch state agencies. Funds are used to continue expansion and use of the IT Capital Investment program to foster creating systems that are interoperable and that involve shared services, applications, and data. The IT Capital Investment program provides funding to sustain large, multi-year, multi-agency IT projects.

Recent projects include the first phases of DRS's tax management system modernization, various DAS programs, the DSS Medicaid Technology System, and DMHAS's electronic health record system, as well as major efforts regarding DCF's Kid's Information Network Database (CT-KIND), DOL's Unemployment Insurance modernization, DRS's tax collection system, and the Secretary of the State's Business Registration System, and to the CORE-CT system.

Program
Distressed Municipalities

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	3,500,000	7,000,000	7,000,000

Summary

This program provides reimbursements for capital projects in amounts based on property tax exemptions. It complements an appropriated grant based on the same criteria, though the appropriated grant can be used to reimburse operational expenses.

FY 24 Distressed Municipalities	
Ansonia	New London
Bridgeport	Norwich
Chaplin	Plainfield
Derby	Plymouth
East Hartford	Putnam
Griswold	Sprague
Hartford	Sterling
Lisbon	Torrington
Mansfield	Waterbury
Meriden	West Haven
Montville	Winchester
Naugatuck	Windham
New Britain	

There is a 5-year grace period for municipalities that no longer meet the requirements to be considered a distressed municipality, wherein towns remain eligible for reimbursements. Besides the currently eligible municipalities on the FY 24 list (shown in the table to the left), nine towns are in the grace period (shown in the table to the right, with applicable grace period end date). Beginning October 1, 2024, distressed municipalities with population more than 100,000 have a ten-year grace period.

Municipality	Eligibility End Date
Killingly	9/16/2025
Preston	9/10/2026
Stratford	10/3/2027
Bristol	10/4/2028
Groton	10/4/2028
North Stonington	10/4/2028
East Haven	10/21/2029
Voluntown	10/21/2029
New Haven	9/10/2031

Provides a 5-year state reimbursement of a portion of the property tax loss towns sustain as a result of property tax exemptions granted to qualified manufacturing

facilities located in designated municipalities.

The Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) designates these municipalities. Connecticut reimburses eligible towns for up to 50% of the revenue loss due to these exemptions. Reimbursements are prorated, if necessary, to the amount of the funding. Payments are made once a year on December 31st.

Program					
Capital Equipment Purchase Fund (CEPF)					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
6,131,625	28,500,000	30,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	45,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000

Summary

This program provides funds for agencies statewide for the purpose of acquiring capital equipment with an anticipated remaining useful life of at least five years from the date of purchase. Funds are often allocated to the program generally, rather than for specific projects, based on expected use and spending trends.

Program					
Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP)					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
53,000,000	-	35,000,000	-	35,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	15,000,000	35,000,000	35,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	-	17,000,000

Summary

STEAP is a competitive municipal grant program for small towns. Statute includes a \$1 million per town annual limit (CGS 4-66g). Eligible projects include economic development projects, recreation and solid waste disposal, day care and senior centers, housing projects, preservation and redevelopment programs, and land acquisition related to other eligible uses.

There is a pending round of applications for 2025, applications were due February 20, 2025, and awards are expected to be announced in early April. Previously, \$24.5 million was awarded in September 2023, including projects in 60 towns, with individual municipal awards ranging from \$52,000 to the \$500,000 maximum (median award of \$494,500).

Guidelines for the 2022, 2023, and pending 2025 round of awards indicate that a 20% municipal match was preferred, but not required. Awards are valid for 4 years after successful notice, with a possible one-year extension.

Program					
Urban Act - Grants-in-aid for urban development projects					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
166,918,364	75,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
200,000,000	160,000,000	100,000,000	200,000,000	315,456,984	141,481,825	159,401,075	36,516,000

Summary

The program provides grants redirecting, improving and expanding state activities, which promote community conservation and development and improve the quality of life for urban residents of the state.

The funding is used for requested grants-in-aid for urban development projects, including economic and community development, transportation, environmental protection, public safety, children and families and social services. Projects are administered on behalf of OPM by other agencies.

Program					
Grants-in-aid to support municipalities, homeowners, and small businesses who have been impacted by a catastrophic event					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	-	15,000,000	-	-

Summary

This new program would make \$15 million available to support municipalities, homeowners, and small business in the wake of catastrophic events.

Program					
Design and implementation of consolidation of higher education systems with the state's CORE system					
Development and implementation of databases in the CORE financial system associated with results-based accountability					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
3,000,000	-	-	-	-	-
1,200,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

These programs both supported continued expansion and improvements to the state's CORE financial system. In the 2017 session, the \$3 million unallocated balance for the higher education CORE program was described to be for ongoing efforts to increase transparency by consolidation of, and increased reporting by, higher education units into Core-CT. Likewise, the \$1.2 million unallocated balance was expected to be used for consulting services regarding implementation of new CORE modules, including a shift away from legacy reporting systems.

More recent CORE improvements have been funded through the IT Capital Investment program.

Program					
For the provision of community engagement training to law enforcement units in (A) towns with a population of over one hundred thousand, and (B) towns adjacent to towns with a population of over one hundred thousand					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
500,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

The first allocation for this program was in July 2020, and was used to support community engagement training in municipalities with populations greater than 100,000 and adjacent towns. The additional funding authorized in FY 22 has not yet been allocated by the State Bond Commission.

Program					
Grants-in-aid for regional and local improvements and development					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
55,299,264	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
35,000,000	-	20,000,000	20,000,000	19,700,736	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in PA 21-111. Additional funding was authorized in PA 23-205 for FY 24 (\$20 million) and FY 25 (\$20 million).

Program					
Grants-in-aid to an acute care hospital licensed under chapter 368v of the general statutes for construction of facilities for adult, inpatient psychiatric beds					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in PA 22-118. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program					
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purchase of on-body cameras for law enforcement officers					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
4,205,542	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
2,500,000	2,000,000	-	-	1,297,236	2,455,890	541,332	-

Summary

This program provides funding for grants to municipalities for the purchase or certain repurchases of body-worn cameras, dashboard cameras, and some related technology. To date, over \$9 million has been provided to municipalities for reimbursements under this program.

Initial funding for the program began with a bond authorization in PA 15-1. Prior to 2018, most grants under the program were for 100% of costs, though adoption and use of body cameras was voluntary for departments at that time. After several programmatic changes and rounds of funding, including reductions in the state share of future purposes, \$4 million was authorized in PA 20-1 July Special Session (the Police Accountability Act). The same act required use of such cameras by police officers statewide when interacting with the public by July 1, 2022, and stipulated that grants would be up to 50% of costs for distressed municipalities and 30% of costs for all other municipalities.

Program					
Nonprofit health and human service organization grants-in-aid					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
70,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,000,000	-	25,000,000	25,000,000	-	25,000,000	-	-

Summary

Often called the Governor's Nonprofit Program, it provides capital funding to various non-profit private providers in the state. When the program was established in 2013, it was used to consolidate many similar grant programs across several health and human service agencies.

\$10 million was allocated in November 2016, followed by \$25 million in February 2018, and \$50 million in July 2018. The most recent allocation of \$25 million was at the April 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission.

Program							
State matching funds for projects and programs allowed under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26		FY 27	Reduction
75,000,000	-		-	-		-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
75,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

These funds were authorized in PA 22-118 to provide potential state matching funds for federal grants under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA – also referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)), with \$50 million expected to be used for DEEP programs and \$10 million expected for DPH programs, with the remainder available for other projects and programs that may become available once final rules are established federally. To date, no funds have been allocated, though there have been allocations from related programs, such as clean water and drinking water bonds. The program was expanded to allow use as matching funds for federal programs under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 in PA 23-205.

Office of Workforce Strategy

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Workforce Innovation and Sustainability Program	New	-	-	30,000,000	-

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	-	30,000,000	-	-

Summary

The Governor's proposed budget includes \$30 million in FY 26 to fund a workforce innovation and sustainability program.

The Office of Workforce Strategy (OWS) is an independent, executive branch state agency, led by the Chief Workforce Officer (the Agency's Department Head / Commissioner), who serves as the primary advisor to the Governor on workforce development policy.

OWS serves as the staff to the Governor's Workforce Council (GWC) and is responsible for the development and execution of the state workforce strategic plan through the coordination of workforce development programs and partners across Connecticut. Our mission is to "make workforce work for everyone". We are committed to ensuring that all individuals, regardless of background, have a seamless, supported pathway from education and training to a good job, and that every business has the skilled talent they need to innovate and thrive.