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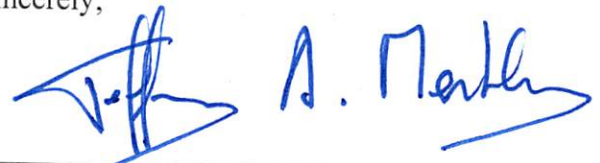
The Honorable Chris Van Hollen
Chair
Subcommittee on Financial Services and
General Government
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Bill Hagerty
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Financial Services and
General Government
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Van Hollen and Ranking Member Hagerty,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Services and General Government bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey A. Merkley
United States Senator

**Merkley, Jeff(D-OR) Financial Services and General Government
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
North Coast Food Web	Funds will be used to refurbish and purchase equipment for a new construction of a regional food hub facility, providing small and starting food business incubation, and year-round market opportunities for locally-sourced farm, fishery and value-added products.	Clatsop County OR	\$610
Ione Community Agribusiness Organization (ICABO)	Funds will be used to build an incubator building for small businesses with a focus on enhancing opportunities for rural residents, minority business enterprises (MBE), and low-income populations.	Morrow County OR	\$1,875
Built Oregon	Funds will be used to create a coordinated, supported, and connected farmer's market program that creates opportunities for makers to test products, drive revenue, and build capacity to expand market growth.	Multnomah County OR	\$200
REAP, Inc.	Funds will be used to provide mentorship and internship opportunities that empower and equip students with essential entrepreneurial skills.	Multnomah County OR	\$750
City of Portland	Funds will be used to standardize public agency buying and contracting data into a single, unified data source and publicly accessible dashboard.	Multnomah County OR	\$1,000
City of Pendleton	Funds will be used to renovate and equip a facility for operation of the Oregon UAS Accelerator, which will help small startups commercialize autonomous systems and robotics.	Umatilla County OR	\$2,000