

**Congressionally Directed Spending Requests – Financial Services and General Government**

**Recipient Name:** Coastal Enterprises, Inc.

**Project Location:** Cumberland County, ME

**Project Purpose:** CEI will use funds for the CEI Catalyst Fund to make early-stage investments in food system businesses with the potential for high growth, job creation, and positive environmental and social impacts in Maine and the Northeast.

**Amount Requested:** \$1,000,000

**Requesting Member:** Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

**Recipient Name:** Foundation for a Strong Maine Economy

**Project Location:** Kennebec County, ME

**Project Purpose:** The proposal requests funding for FocusMaine's strategy to grow jobs in Maine's food sector including: scale-up programs, (supporting growth-oriented food companies looking to sell more good and services outside of the state); An AgTech accelerator program to support job creation in new careers; food economy efforts to build on state's 10-year economic strategy and climate change recommendations.

**Amount Requested:** \$919,000

**Requesting Member:** Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

**Recipient Name:** Gulf of Maine Research Institute

**Project Location:** Cumberland County, ME

**Project Purpose:** To help fund Gulf of Maine Research Institute's "Blue Economy Initiative" to support Blue Economy entrepreneurs commercializing innovative products and services that are marketable and sustainable.

**Amount Requested:** \$632,000

**Requesting Member:** Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

**Recipient Name:** Maine Development Foundation

**Project Location:** Kennebec County, ME

**Project Purpose:** Maine Development Foundation proposes to support existing entrepreneurs, and conduct focused recruitment and support of new entrepreneurs, the development of programming and spaces for co-working. MDF will connect with other local ecosystems and the regional and state systems thereby creating Maine as a state that is truly entrepreneur friendly.

**Amount Requested:** \$747,000

**Requesting Member:** Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

**Recipient Name:** University of Maine System

**Project Location:** Penobscot, ME

**Project Purpose:** University of Maine's BARD (Business, Agriculture and Rural Development) program will provide support to Maine's agricultural producers, particularly those agricultural producers operating at a smaller scale or focused on producing more niche products. The program leverages the Cooperative Extensive and the Maine Business School, to train students to provide high quality, in-demand business advising services directly to Maine's small-scale agriculture producers.

**Amount Requested:** \$291,000

**Requesting Member:** Sen. Angus S. King, Jr. (ME)

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