FISCAL 2011 COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS

The following is a list of projects that Senator Bob Casey has submitted to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations for the fiscal year 2011 appropriations cycle. Projects are listed alphabetically by the name of the potential recipient. The following projects focus on local law enforcement, domestic violence, and science projects across the state.

Name of Potential Recipient: Alvernia University

Location: Reading, PA **Amount:** \$500,000

Project Name: Alvernia University Criminal Justice

Distance Learning Technology

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for the development of criminal justice distance learning programs. It is critical that criminal justice students and police officers have access to theoretical, practical, and professional knowledge that they need to be successful in the fields of law enforcement, corrections, courts, parole, and the related service careers. This project will enhanced criminal justice educational opportunities for Alvernia's students, those employed in surrounding law enforcement entities, and those enrolled at the Reading Police Academy that is located on the Alvernia campus.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Location:

Armstrong County
Armstrong County, PA

Amount: \$800,000

Project Name: Public Safety Radio Digital Trunked Project

Purpose: By January 2013, FCC regulations require Armstrong County's Public Safety Radio System to be compliant with mandated narrow band requirements. If these regulations are not met, Armstrong County's public safety providers will be without voice communications. To meet FCC requirements and provide for interoperable voice and data communications throughout Armstrong and surrounding counties, this project will deploy a countywide shared 700/800MHz P25 public safety voice and data communications network.

Name of Potential Recipient: Cambria County
Location: Cambria County, PA

Amount: \$150,000

Project Name: Emergency Services Systems Upgrade

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for upgrades to the communications system that serves a six county region. This project will replace outdated equipment and better serve the residents of Cambria County and the surrounding region.

Name of Potential Recipient: Centre County Location: Centre County Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: 911 Emergency System Upgrade

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to secure a P25 Digital Master Site Controller, and Motorola Smart X Interface Devices, all of which are necessary to upgrade the current 911system from analog to digital. The open infrastructure digital communication will permit regional cooperation and communication during emergencies.

Name of Potential Recipient: City of Allentown Allentown, PA
Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Allentown Radio Encryption

Purpose: The City of Allentown is proposing the creation of an interoperable secured radio and data communications network among Public Safety Responders at the local and state level. Currently, the city has no interoperability with the state radio system and limited interoperability with Lehigh County. If awarded, funding will be used for the acquisition of communications gateway equipment.

Name of Potential Recipient: City of Philadelphia Location: Philadelphia, PA

Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: Crime Prevention Cameras

Purpose: If awarded, this funding will be used for the acquisition of twenty-five cameras to defer illegal activities that negatively impact the residents of the City of Philadelphia. The motion sensitive cameras capture high resolution images presenting clear pictures of the offenders and vehicles, which enables appropriate prosecution. Since the cameras are mobile and solar powered, they can be located and re-located throughout the city as warranted by illegal activity.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Location:
Amount:

City of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA
\$2,000,000

Project Name: Youth Violence Reduction Partnership

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to reduce youth (aged 14-24) homicides in Philadelphia by continuation, and possible expansion, of a research-proven program, the Youth

Violence Reduction Partnership (YVRP), in high-crime areas in the city of Philadelphia. In 2009, 40% of murder victims in Philadelphia were between the ages of 7 and 24. This program offers services and support to youth who are most at risk of being involved in violent crime.

Name of Potential Recipient: City of Pittsburgh

Location: Department of Public Safety

Amount: \$2,000,000

Project Name: CrimeWatch Neighborhood Camera

Security Systems

Purpose: City of Pittsburgh Department of Public Safety has identified 34 business district and neighborhood locations which require more that 84 cameras for coverage in The CrimeWatch Neighborhood Camera Security Systems. If awarded, funding will be used for the design, installation, maintenance and management of equipment. This project will help to establish safe business districts and neighborhoods across the city and encourage economic development.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Clinton County
Clinton County, PA

Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: 911 and Emergency Operations Center

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to purchase emergency communications equipment for the Clinton County Department of Emergency Services 9-1-1 Center and Emergency Operations Center. This project is based on a Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan completed in July of 2009 that evaluated the existing facilities and equipment systems to determine the most needed improvement.

Name of Potential Recipient: Community College of Philadelphia

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Amount: \$500.000

Project Name: Center for Science and Engineering

Education

Purpose: The Center for Science and Engineering Education provides a context for greater interaction among the science departments at the college and facilitates a broader understanding of science, emerging technologies and their impact on society. If awarded, funding will be used for program costs aimed at increasing the number of minorities and studying and working in the fields of science, technology, and math.

Name of Potential Recipient:Dauphin CountyLocation:Dauphin County, PA

Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Family Group Conferencing

Purpose: Family Group Conferencing (FGC) works with the court system in determining a juvenile's sentence. Rather than handing down a sentence, FGC brings all interested parties in a juvenile's life to the table with the juvenile in crafting a sentence that works for them and then approved by the courts. If awarded, funding will be used to expand services.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Location:

Delaware County Community College
Delaware and Chester Counties, PA

Amount: \$300,000

Project Name: Institute for Public Safety and Emergency

Preparedness

Purpose: The Institute is the only entity committed to engaging the first responder community in Delaware and Chester Counties to participate jointly in emergency and incident management, firefighter safety, and security management seminars and training exercises. If awarded, funding will be used for the development and delivery of training programs. This will result in a more coordinated effort of the first responder community and increase the safety of constituents in Delaware and Chester counties.

Name of Potential Recipient: Employment Opportunity Training Center

(EOTC)

Location: Scranton, PA **Amount:** \$250,000

Project Name: Women's Transition Program

Purpose: If awarded, funding will go towards the Women's Transition program that will assist 100 court/criminal justice-involved women as they reintegrate into the Lackawanna County area. The project fills gaps in local re-entry services by addressing the specialized needs of marginalized women who face multiple barriers to self-sufficiency. The collaborative program includes: pre-release assessment; mentoring; case management; evidence-based programming during and after incarceration; employment assistance; parenting and other support.

Name of Potential Recipient: Fayette County **Location:** Fayette County, PA

Amount: \$800,000

Project Name: Fayette County Public Safety Equipment

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for the conversion of analog to digital technology through the installation of a digital repeater. The new repeater will allow the County to provide enhanced data to mobile terminals for first responders. This project also includes the installation of a message switch that will allow law enforcement providers in Fayette County to access necessary databases remotely from their vehicles. Fayette County's rural and expansive landscapes, as well as its busy state highways, offer these same challenges for emergency responders and dispatchers. Upgrades in technology will allow the County to provide enhanced data to mobile terminals for first responder.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Lackawanna County

Lackawanna County, PA

Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Public Safety Radio Upgrade

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to upgrade the entire public safety radio system in Lackawanna County. This project will provide mobile communications devices to each public safety unit and ensure total interoperability capacities with adjoining counties.

Name of Potential Recipient:

LaSalle University

Location:

Philadelphia, PA

\$225,000

Amount: \$225,000

Project Name: Enhanced Safety—Olney Corridor

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to enhance campus safety and security along the northwest Philadelphia corridor for students, faculty and citizens. Enhanced security in this high crime area will better protect residents and college students. Specifically, funding will be used for the acquisition of security cameras and equipment.

Name of Potential Recipient: Lehigh County

Location: Lehigh and Berks Counties, PA

Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Lehigh Valley Regional Crime Center

Purpose: If awarded, funding would be used for program costs to support the establishment of a bi-county regional crime center (Lehigh and Berks). The center would be a cross-jurisdictional effort involving 53 local law enforcement agencies in the two counties. The goal of this project is to reduce violent and related crimes in the Lehigh Valley while also preserving the presence of small, community-based law enforcement agencies.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Lycoming County

Lycoming County, PA

Amount: \$750.000

Project Name: Communications Tower

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for the replacement/ substantial upgrade of three emergency communication towers. These tower offers are crucial to provide emergency services in remote areas of the county. This project will contribute to the safety of residents of Lycoming County.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Location:

Oil City Police Department
Venango County, PA

Amount: \$100,000

Project Name: Community Safety Communications

Purpose: The project is designed to allow the Oil City Police Dept to better to serve the community by updating the radio system, which will be rendered inoperable by the end of 2012 due to narrow banding requirements by the FCC. If awarded, this funding will be used for equipment and necessary radio and console upgrades that will allow the police force to respond to the citizens of Oil City in a more efficient manner.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Children's Advocacy Center

(CAC)

Location: Erie, PA (Funding will be used statewide)

Amount: \$200,000

Project Name: CAC and Police Enhance Child Safety

Purpose: If awarded, funding will help secure 35 positions in 20 statewide Child Advocacy Centers and their multidisciplinary teams. This project will deliver quality services in coordinated investigation and intervention for more than 8,000 abused children. In addition to expanded services, funding will go towards Child Abuse First Responder Training of local law enforcement officers in forty-five counties across the Commonwealth.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape

(PCAR)

Location: Cumberland County, PA (Funding will be

used statewide)

Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: HERO Project Media Campaign

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for statewide implementation of the HERO Project which engages adults in reporting and intervening in child sexual abuse in Pennsylvania. The HERO hotline helps individuals obtain additional information about preventing child sexual abuse and how they can report suspected abuse. Without adult protection and intervention, one in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused by their 18th birthday.

Name of Potential Recipient: Philadelphia University
Location: Philadelphia, PA

Amount: \$1,000,000

Project Name: Biomedical Textile Structures Laboratory

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to combine nanofiber technology with advanced textile manufacturing technologies. This research holds promise in creating new regenerated organ structures for cardiac repair and will provide technologies that can ultimately enhance the competiveness of the U.S. advanced textile materials industry.

Name of Potential Recipient: Philadelphia District Attorney

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Witness Relocation Program

Purpose: The purpose of this request is to supplement the insufficient state funding for the witness relocation program, which provides relocation for victims and witnesses of serious, violent crime who have been threatened, intimidated or harassed to prevent their testimony in court against a criminal offender.

Name of Potential Recipient: Potter County
Location: Potter County, PA

Amount: \$100,000

Project Name: Potter County Community Re-entry Project

Purpose: If awarded, funding would implement a collaborative community re-entry program that will serve Potter County Jail inmates and their family members. This multi-system program offers coordinated case management, counseling job training, life skills, and drug and alcohol treatment to male inmates and their families for six to twelve months during incarceration. In addition, community-based services and follow-up for approximately six months after prison release will also be provided.

Name of Potential Recipient: Ready, Willing, and Able

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Amount: \$350,000

Project Name: Ready Willing and Able Services

Purpose: If awarded, this funding will be used to support Ready, Willing & Able's paid transitional employment; intensive case management; vocational training; drug testing and counseling; comprehensive educational and social services fir formerly incarcerated individuals in effort to prevent recidivism. Currently, almost two-thirds of individuals coming out of prison return within three years.

Name of Potential Recipient:

Location:

Susquehanna County
Susquehanna County, PA

Amount: \$750,000

Project Name: Susquehanna County 911 Public Safety

Radio System

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for upgrades to the County Communications system to improve the emergency radio infrastructure for radio interoperability between the police, fire and EMS services in and around Susquehanna County. The current system does not provide adequate countywide coverage and is interoperable between agencies.

Name of Potential Recipient: Thiel College
Location: Mercer County, PA

Amount: \$500,000

Project Name: Thiel College Cyber Crime Center and

Program

Purpose: This project will assist local and regional law enforcement agencies in support of the identification and response to criminal activities related to cyber-crimes against businesses and individuals in Pennsylvania. If awarded, funding will be used for facilities and equipment.

Name of Potential Recipient: Widener University
Location: Dauphin County, PA

Amount: \$250,000

Project Name: Veterans and Military Families Law

Initiative

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to ensure that veterans and military families in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of all generations receive proper legal counsel and assistance in accessing benefits. This project provides legal aid to veterans and military families that are living at 150% of poverty level or below and that have a meritorious claim under veterans' benefits law.

Name of Potential Recipient: Women's Center and Shelter of Greater

Pittsburgh

Location: Pittsburgh, PA **Amount:** \$250,000

Project Name: Children's Advocacy and Counseling

Program

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used for the Child Advocacy and Counseling Program and will allow the Women's Center and Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh to cultivate child counseling programs and continue daycare services for victims of domestic violence and fill necessary equipment needs. The Women's Center and Shelter has seen an increase in clients over the past year, with 68% reporting that the financial strain is to blame for the domestic upheaval.

Name of Potential Recipient: YWCA of Greater Harrisburg

Location: Dauphin County

Amount: \$150,000

Project Name: Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Legal

Center

Purpose: The YWCA Legal Center is the sole provider of free, confidential and comprehensive sexual assault and domestic violence services in Dauphin County. Additionally,

the YWCA Legal Center serves victims of rape and sexual assault in Perry County. If awarded, funding will be used by the YWCA Legal Center to respond to the needs of victims by providing direct legal services in civil matters.

Name of Potential Recipient: YWCA York
Location: YWCA York
York County, PA

Amount: \$400,000

Project Name: Victim Services

Purpose: If awarded, funding will be used to provide emergency shelter and support services to victims of sexual and domestic violence. YWCA York reaches over 20,000 adults and youth annually in York County. This project includes emergency and transitional housing, counseling, legal advocacy and sexual violence and abuse prevention education.