



**FISCAL 2011 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS**

The following is a list of projects that Senator Bob Casey has submitted to the Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year 2011 appropriations cycle. Projects are listed in alphabetical order by the name of the potential recipient. The goal of each of these initiatives is to ensure that our military is well served by providing them the necessary resources to fulfill their mission efficiently and effectively.

Name of Potential Recipient: Naval Support Activity Mechanicsburg
Location: Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania
Amount: \$5,710,000
Project Name: North Gate Security Improvements

Purpose: If awarded, this project would upgrade security at the North Gate located at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Mechanicsburg. This construction will provide the proper Antiterrorism Force Protection measures required for current security and terrorist threats. North Gate is continuously open, serving as the main gate for NSA Mechanicsburg. The North Gate is the main access point for truck traffic. North Gate does not have active vehicle barriers or the proper stacking and reaction distances required for security personnel to recognize and react in the event of a security breach.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Army National Guard
Location: Hermitage, Pennsylvania
Amount: \$10,200,000
Project Name: Hermitage Readiness Center

Project Description: If awarded, the Pennsylvania Army National Guard will construct a 37,400 square foot, environmentally and energy efficient facility to support 128 soldiers in Battery A, 1-107th Field Artillery. Soldiers are currently housed in a substandard, undersized building. The project is currently at 99-percent design completion.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Army National Guard
Location: Ft. Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Amount: \$38,395,000
Project Name: Technical Training and Aircraft Maintenance Facility

Project Description: If awarded, this project would construct a permanent structure to execute aviation related training as directed by the National Guard Bureau for enlisted aircraft maintenance qualifications and for maintaining airframes (UH-1, UH-60, CH-47, C-23 and LUH aircraft) in support of Aviator Qualification Training for all 54 States and Territories. With the new facility, the Eastern ARNG Aviation Training Site would be able to meet current and forecasted NGB requirements for aviation training.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Army National Guard
Location: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Amount: \$22,800,000
Project Name: Pittsburgh Combined Support Maintenance Shop Phase I

Project Description: If awarded, this funding would assist the Pennsylvania National Guard in the construction of a 58,865 square feet Phase I Sustainment Maintenance Shop. The facility will support vehicles of the 56th Stryker Brigade Combat Team and the 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team by providing 9 general purpose workbays in support of two levels of maintenance. Four existing facilities are too small and in poor condition. For this reason, the National Guard would close these four facilities and combine them into one, new energy efficient facility. This is one of the Pennsylvania Adjutant General's top priorities.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Army National Guard
Location: Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania
Request: \$1,640,000
Project Name: Tobyhanna Armed Forces Reserve Center

Project Description: If awarded, the requested funds will be used to design a 56,717 square-foot energy efficient facility for 270 United States Army Reserve and Pennsylvania Army National Guard soldiers. The current facility lacks adequate space for training, administration, kitchen and supply areas, does not meet current codes, and frequently floods.

Name of Potential Recipient: Pennsylvania Veterans Affairs
Location: Pittsburgh Regional Office
Amount: \$1,000,000
Project Name: Pittsburgh Case-Managed Development Pilot Project

Project Description: If awarded, the requested funds will support the costs associated with expanding the Case-Managed Development Pilot Project, initiated by VA Secretary Eric Shinseki in January 2010. The purpose of the pilot is to identify opportunities to reduce the time required to request and receive evidence. Efforts such as this, which leverage the expertise of veterans' service organizations, will help to decrease significantly the claims backlog by streamlining each claims submission, and as such improve the care and benefits given to our veterans.