

2022 Federal Lobbying Report & Update for the City of Alexandria, VA

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CLARENCE WILLIAMS

- Nearly 20 years of Federal and state legislative experience
- Former Chief of Staff for Congressman Kendrick B. Meek (D-FL)
- Specializes in issues involving opportunity zones, public infrastructure, environmental restoration, health care, armed services, taxation, alternative energy, local government issues, education, and domestic and international trade.
- Named “2022 Top Lobbyist” by the National Institute for Lobbying & Ethics”



ANTHONY BEDELL

- Former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at the U.S. Department of Transportation
- Also served in key roles at the U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Small Business Administration
- Over 24 years of federal, state, and local government experience
- Called “Influential lobbying firepower” – *Politico*



2022 IN REVIEW

- The City secured **\$31,316,236.10** in total federal grant funding**
- Secured **\$3.25 million in earmarks**** in the now-passed FY 2023 omnibus appropriations bill, including a \$1.5 million earmark sought by ALIVE!, Inc.
- Inclusion of language in the FY23 omnibus giving state and local officials **more flexibility in COVID-19 relief spending.**

****Earmark and grant applications made prior to Becker's representation of the City**

2023 PRIORITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

- **FY 2024 Appropriations Process** – A diversified portfolio of top tier targets
 - **THUD, LLHS, Education, and CJS** subcommittees for **programmatic** opportunities in transportation, affordable housing, mental health, higher education, and public safety
 - **Earmarks** from VA congressional delegation members
 - ***Sens. Kaine and Warner** are accepting **programmatic and earmark** requests **through March 10th**, while **Rep. Beyer** will accept **programmatic** requests **up to 2 weeks before the subcommittee deadline (TBD, along with earmark deadline)***
- **Key Annual Congressional Authorizations** –
 - Surface Transportation Reauthorization
 - Water Infrastructure Funding
 - Water Resources Development Act Reauthorization
- **Federal grants** – A wide range of funding opportunities:
 - Flooding and storm resiliency, including BRIC funding
 - Police & fire department projects (ex., COPS, AFG)
 - Housing supply
 - Education
 - Infrastructure Bill opportunities, including transit

Sens. Kaine and Warner & Rep. Beyer are currently processing letters of support for the City's BRIC & AFG applications