

STATE / LOCAL / GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS

Our Washington D.C. **Federal Relations Group** has an extraordinary track record for its municipal clients, securing federal appropriations, loan guarantees, grants, and authorizations for projects of all sizes – in one case up to \$600 million. We have worked closely with various local governments to secure significant federal support for projects related to transportation (airport improvements, transit systems, roadway and streetscape improvements, non-motorized transportation systems), infrastructure (wastewater systems, flood control), first responder funding (Homeland Security funding, interoperable communications, technology and criminal justice data systems, anti-drug funding, body armor), and more.

The present Washington environment is a friendly playing field for municipal and public-service projects. Congress has recently adopted new rules to make the appropriations “earmarking” process more transparent. Critical infrastructure and municipal projects will benefit from the newly leveled playing field. Members of Congress are already telling us this year that they are proud to put their names next to many of our clients’ projects.

This is an opportune time to commence a strategy to pursue federal dollars, and those who have an existing relationship with their Congressional delegation will be best positioned to enter into this dialogue. Beginning now will give your community the time to prepare all of the necessary materials and strategies to hit the ground running at the federal level.



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“I just learned that the city is currently represented by Dennis McGrann. You really have a terrific person in Dennis and many... here are good friends with him and praise his work to the skies.”

- Lynn G. Cutler
former Deputy Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

State and Local Client Successes

The **LOCKRIDGE GRINDAL NAUEN P.L.L.P. Federal Relations Group** creates value by applying proven strategies to advance client objectives. Notable successes include:

➤ **STATE GOVERNMENT**

The firm was retained by a state department of agriculture to assist with dairy policy and dairy price supports during the reauthorization of the federal department of agriculture bill. Through our work with the state, we ultimately met their goals and were successful in protecting the interests of specific agricultural institutions in the state.

➤ **SUSTAINABILITY AND WORKFORCE PROJECT:**

Successfully obtained over \$4 million for the Community Works project focusing on integrating transit and transportation alternatives into the community to make an urban county more livable. The program resulted in the creation of new jobs and better access to employment opportunities and built long-term value by investing in infrastructure, public works, parks and the natural environment.

➤ **INTERSTATE HIGHWAY BRIDGE PROJECT:**

The LGN Federal Relations Group was retained by a coalition of local government and community based organizations to assist the coalition in securing federal bridge funding and to help move the project up the priority listings for the states Department of Transportation. LGN was successful in securing targeted appropriations funding and federal designation in the TEA-21 transportation authorization bill. These efforts helped improve the projects position on the state's priority list and resulted in moving the bridge ahead 10 years on the DOT's build list.

➤ **ENERGY LOAN GUARANTEE:**

LGN assisted a client in securing an \$800 million loan guarantee in federal legislative authorization for a highly innovative energy development project.

➤ **BIKE/PEDESTRIAN CORRIDORS:**

LGN worked to secure a highly innovative \$25 million "non-motorized transportation pilot project" for client city.

➤ **CITY STREET PROJECT:**

A small town client was faced with the need to expand and improve a main thoroughfare running through the heart of their downtown. LGN has been able to secure \$9.4 million in funding from FY2004-FY2009. The funds were used and continue to be used for construction and design of a Midwestern Trunk Highway to aid in significant congestion relief and subsequent economic development.

➤ **NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH:**

LGN obtained a \$20 million investment for joint FAA/NASA research to spur development of a next generation of quieter aircraft technology.