



# COMMISSION REPORTS WEST VIRGINIA PROJECT INVESTMENTS

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The Appalachian Regional Commission reports supporting 55 projects in West Virginia with nearly \$19 million in the 2017 fiscal year.

The commission says the efforts trained or educated more than 1,300 students and workers and helped to create or retain 1,090 jobs.

It spent \$7.3 million for business strategies, \$5.3 million on education, \$5.1 million on infrastructure like expanded broadband and water systems and \$1.3 million on leadership and community initiatives.

According to the commission, those investments, along with nearly \$17.1 million in matching funding, will attract another \$12.2 million in leveraged private investments.