

This month we have two successful federal grants that we would like to highlight:

Recipient: Borough of Pottstown Project: Pollock Park Cleanup Agency and Grant Type: EPA -Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grant program Amount: \$491,880

Recipient: Redevelopment Authority of the County of Berks Project: Upgrade and Refurbish At-Grade Crossings and Bridges Agency and Grant Type: Federal Railroad Authority - Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program Amount: \$16,063,596

Save the Dates:

Our Office will be hosting monthly webinars with federal Agencies to go over funding opportunities and best practices.

- June 22nd Environmental Protection Agency
- July 20th FEMA (Firehouse Funding) and DOJ (Police Funding)
- August 17 FEMA (Emergency Preparedness)
- September 21 Humanities and the Arts Grants

Please stay tuned for additional info to sign up for these webinars.

Grant Opportunities

Newly Noticed Grants are Asterisked (***)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Montgomery County Continuum of Care Grant Competition***

Description: The Montgomery County CoC seeks organizations interested in applying for new projects for possible inclusion in the HUD FY23 Continuum of Care Grant Competition. Last year, the CoC was eligible for up to \$608,146 in new bonus projects from HUD. The CoC is anticipating HUD to announce the funding amount it is eligible to apply for in the FY23 competition by the end of June 2023. To learn more about the CoC and the FY23 local grant competition: <u>https://yourwayhome.org/continuum-of-care</u>

Closing Date: Organizations must submit a project intent form by June 9, 2023

More info: https://yourwayhome.org/coc-fy-2023-grant-application-materials

Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program - Update and Reissue

Agency: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Description: The purpose of the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction (LHR) grant program is to maximize the number of children under the age of six protected from lead poisoning by assisting states, cities, counties/parishes, Native American Tribes or other units of local government in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately-owned rental or owner-occupied housing populations. In addition, there is Healthy Homes Supplemental funding available that is intended to enhance the lead-based paint hazard control activities by comprehensively identifying and addressing other housing hazards that affect occupant health.

Only cities, counties/parishes, and other units of local government, and certain States and Native American Tribes (those that have an U.S. Environmental Protection Agency- (EPA) authorized lead abatement certification program on the submission deadline) are eligible applicants. Multiple entities may apply as a consortium, including nonprofit co-applicants, provided an eligible entity is the principal (lead) applicant responsible for ensuring compliance with NOFO requirements, and each entity must meet the Resolution of Civil Rights Matters threshold requirement.

Closing Date: June 14, 2023

More Info: FY 2022 Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program FR-6600-N-13

Department of Homeland Security:

Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)***

Agency: FEMA

Description: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) funds can be used for "capability- and capacity-building" activities (i.e., building codes activities, partnerships, project scoping, and planning and planning-related activities), hazard mitigation projects, and project management costs.

Who is eligible? When can we apply?

Local governments, including cities, townships, counties, special district governments, state agencies and federally recognized tribal governments (who choose to apply as subapplicants) are considered subapplicants. They must submit subapplications to their state, territory or tribal applicant agency. (PEMA)

Closing Date: A Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOF) for FY2023 will likely be announced in August. Start now to get ready to apply!

More information - <u>https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-</u> <u>communities#start</u>

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) Grant Program

Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Description: incentivize and accelerate the replacement of existing school buses with clean and Zero Emissions (ZE) school buses. Eligible activities include the replacement of existing internal-combustion engine (ICE) school buses with electric, propane, or compressed natural gas (CNG) school buses, as well as the purchase of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) infrastructure and EVSE installations. Applications will be accepted from state and local governmental entities that provide bus service, including public school districts; eligible contractors[1]; nonprofit school transportation associations; Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, or Tribally-controlled schools responsible for the purchase, lease, license, or contract for service of school buses or for providing school bus service for a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) funded school.

Closing Date: August 22, 2023

U.S. Department of Commerce

<u>CHIPS Incentives Program – Commercial Fabrication Facilities</u> Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

Description: The CHIPS Incentives Program aims to catalyze long-term economically sustainable growth in the domestic semiconductor industry in support of U.S. economic and national security. This is the first Notice of Funding Opportunity under this program. It seeks applications for projects for the construction, expansion, or modernization of commercial facilities for the front- and back-end fabrication of leading-edge, current-generation, and mature-node semiconductors.

Closing Date: Pre-applications (which are recommended) will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning on Monday, May 1, 2023 and full applications will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning on Monday, June 26, 2023

More Info: <u>https://www.nist.gov/chips/guides-and-templates-chips-incentives-program-commercial-fabrication-facilities</u>

Regional Technology and Innovation Hubs (Tech Hubs)***

Agency: Economic Development Agency

Description: The Tech Hubs Program is an economic development initiative designed to drive regional technology- and innovation-centric growth by strengthening a region's capacity to manufacture, commercialize, and deploy critical technologies. This program will invest directly in regions with the assets, resources, capacity, and potential to transform into globally competitive innovation centers in approximately 10 years while catalyzing the creation of good jobs for American workers at all skill levels, both equitably and inclusively

Closing Date: The deadline for Phase 1 applications is August 15, 2023

More Info: https://www.eda.gov/sites/default/files/2023-05/Tech_Hubs_NOFO.pdf

United States Department of Agriculture

SNAP Process and Technology Improvement Grants 2023

Agency: USDA Food and Nutrition Service

Description: The entities eligible to receive grants under this competition are the 53 State agencies that administer SNAP; State or local governments; Agencies providing health or welfare services; Public health or educational entities; and private non-profit entities such as community-based or faith-based organizations, food banks, or other emergency feeding organizations. Unless the applicant is a State agency submitting an application on its own, a letter of commitment or letter of endorsement from the relevant State SNAP agency must be included in the application package to be considered for funding. State agencies should have the necessary approvals of State officials (such as councils or legislatures) of funding prior to submitting the application. Modernize SNAP customer service and client communication to improve accessibility, transparency, and responsiveness in processing applications and determining eligibility. Proposals will use technology-based tools to help improve the customer experience and access to SNAP.

Closing Date: June 15, 2023

More Info: <u>About the Process and Technology Improvement Grants Program USDA-FNS-</u> <u>SNAP-PTI-2023</u>

U.S. Department of Education

Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE): Higher Education Programs (HEP): Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions (DHSI) Program

Agency: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE)

Description: The DHSI Program provides grants to assist Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) with expanding educational opportunities for, and improving the academic attainment of, Hispanic students. DHSI Program grants enable HSIs to expand and enhance the academic offerings, program quality, faculty quality, and institutional stability of colleges and universities that are educating the largest enrollment of Hispanic college students and help large numbers of Hispanic students and other low-income individuals complete postsecondary degrees.

Closing Date: Jun 13, 2023 Notice of Intent to Apply: The Department (DoE) will be able to review grant applications more efficiently if DoE knows the approximate number of applicants that intend to apply. Therefore, DoE strongly encourages each potential applicant to notify of their intent to submit an application. To do so, please email the program contact person with the subject line "Intent to Apply," and include the applicant's name and a contact person's name and email address. Applicants that do not submit a notice of intent to apply may still apply for funding; applicants that do submit a notice of intent to apply are not bound to apply or bound by the information provided. Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: August 14, 2023. PROGRAM CONTACT: Njeri Clark, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, room 2B186, Washington, DC 20202-4260. Telephone: (202) 453-6224. Email: Njeri.Clark@ed.gov.

More Info: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE): Higher Education Programs (HEP): Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions (DHSI) Program, Assistance Listing Number 84.031S; Notice Inviting applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Children and Youth Resilience Challenge***

Description: In May, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced the launch of a \$1 million Children and Youth Resilience Challenge. The HHS Children and Youth Resilience Challenge will fund innovative community-led solutions to promote resilience in children and adolescents affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and other disasters.

The Resilience Challenge will fund community-led solutions that:

- Promote resilience and advance mental health and well-being
- Reduce the risk for negative mental health outcomes among children and youth
- Promote positive strategies and solutions that help children and youth thrive
- Identify and elevate promising practices that promote culturally and linguistically responsive protective factors

This is a "Prize Challenge" which works a differently than a grant and

does not have the reporting requirements and constraints of a grant.

Closing Date: July 7, 2023

More Info: https://www.challenge.gov/?challenge=resilience

Limited Competition: Superfund Hazardous Substance Research and Training Program (P42 Clinical Trial Optional)

Agency: National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Description: The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) is announcing the continuation of the Superfund Hazardous Substance Research and Training Program, referred to as Superfund Research Program (SRP) Centers. SRP Center grants will support problembased, solution-oriented research Centers that consist of multiple, integrated projects representing both the biomedical and environmental science and engineering disciplines; as well as cores tasked with administrative (which includes research translation), data management and analysis, community engagement, research experience and training coordination, and research support functions. The scope of the SRP Centers is taken directly from the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, and includes: (1) advanced techniques for the detection, assessment, and evaluation of the effect on human health of hazardous substances; (2) methods to assess the risks to human health presented by hazardous substances; (3) methods and technologies to detect hazardous substances in the environment; and (4) basic biological, chemical, and physical methods to reduce the amount and toxicity of hazardous substances.

Closing Date: Oct 02, 2023

More Info: Funding Opportunity Number RFA-ES-23-001

U.S. Department of the Interior

FY2023 Historic Preservation Fund- History of Equal Rights- Preservation Grants Agency: National Park Service (NPS)

Description: The National Park Service's (NPS) History of Equal Rights Grant Program (HER) will preserve sites related to the struggle of all Americans to achieve equal rights. HER grants are funded by the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF), administered by the NPS, and will fund a broad range of preservation projects for historic sites including: architectural services, historic structure reports, preservation plans, and physical preservation to structures. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and do not require non-Federal match.

Closing Date: July 11, 2023

More Info: Historic Preservation Fund- History of Equal Rights Competitive Grants

U.S. Department of Justice

Community Policing Development Accreditation*** Agency: COPS

Description: The Fiscal Year 2023 Community Policing Development (CPD) Accreditation program funds are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing guidance on promising practices through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities.

Close Date: June 7, 2023

More Info: https://cops.usdoj.gov/how-to-apply

Blue Alert Program***

Agency: COPS

Description: The FY23 COPS Blue Alert Program seeks applications from organizations to support the COPS Office with coordinating the Blue Alert system. The primary objectives of the cooperative agreement to be funded under this solicitation are to raise awareness of the Blue Alert system through the production of an educational video and to research, gather, and compile accurate and timely information from credible sources about all reported incidents where on duty law enforcement throughout the United States, territories, and tribal lands are shot in the line of duty. Up to \$130,000 is available for this cooperative agreement.

Close Date: June 21, 2023

More Info: https://cops.usdoj.gov/how-to-apply

U.S. Department of Transportation

<u>FY 2023 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Airport Improvement Program Discretionary</u> <u>Grants</u>

Agency: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Description: The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces the opportunity to apply for an estimated \$1.5 billion in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 discretionary grants under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), per 49 U.S.C. § 47115. The FAA awards these annually appropriated discretionary funds through the FAA's long-standing iterative, competitive grant process. Prior to the publication of this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), the FAA identified eligible applicants in its National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) and compiled potentially eligible projects through the 3-year Airports Capital Improvement Plan (ACIP). Both of these processes are described in FAA Order 5090.5, "Formulation of NPIAS and ACIP," adhering to 49 U.S.C. § 47115, which authorizes

discretionary funds. The AIP funds airport capital improvements and rehabilitation projects. All discretionary grant funding is subject to appropriations, statutory requirements, and related program funding availability.

Closing Date: Jul 14, 2023 FAA will consider applications on a rolling basis, with the final deadline to submit discretionary grant applications Friday, July 14, 2023 11:59 pm Easten Daylight Time to FAA Regional or Airport District Offices per instructions in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFO). Dates are subject to possible adjustment based on future legislation. Under 49 U.S.C. 47115, the Secretary of Transportation, through the FAA, will consider projects that are the most appropriate to carry out the statute at any time prior to September 30, 2023.

More Info: FAA-ARP-AIP-G-23-002

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program***

Agency: DOT

Description: The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over 5 years. The SS4A program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries.

Close Date: July 10, 2023

More Info: Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program

Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant***

Description: The Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Opportunity (MPDG) combines solicitation of three discretionary grant opportunities; the National Infrastructure Project Assistance grants program (Mega), the Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight and Highways Projects grants program (INFRA), and the Rural Surface Transportation Grant program (Rural). Applicants may apply for one, two, or all three of these funding opportunities by submitting only one application.

Close Date: this application is expected to open in the coming weeks. Check back here to track.

Thriving Communities Program***

Agency: Department of Transportation

Description: for the Thriving Communities Program, the USDOT selects and funds Capacity Builder teams to provide deep-dive technical assistance, planning, and capacity building support to under-resourced and disadvantaged communities across the U.S. to help ensure these communities have the technical tools and organizational capacity to comprehensively plan for and deliver quality infrastructure projects and community development projects that enable their communities and neighborhoods to thrive. USDOT selects Capacity Builders and communities through separate but coordinated application and review processes.

Close Date: this application is expected to open in the coming weeks. subscribe to be notified <u>here.</u>

National Endowment for the Humanities

Public Impact Projects at Smaller Organizations

Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities

Description: The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Public Programs is accepting applications for the Public Impact Projects at Smaller Organizations program. This program supports small and mid-sized museums and cultural organizations in the creation of public humanities programming and strengthens their capacity to develop such programming.

NEH's Public Impact Projects encourage you to think critically about the humanities programming your organization currently offers and to assess your organization's relationship to your community and surrounding neighborhoods. You will develop or implement strategies to strengthen the interpretive goals of your organization and ensure your public programing meets audience needs. Funded projects may focus on evaluating current interpretive programing, collections, and other available resources to identify new story opportunities or interpretive methods. Additionally, you may choose to propose the implementation of new programs you have already developed. Another option is to request support for professional development opportunities that will assist your staff and volunteers in expanding their skills as interpreters of humanities grounded material. You may also combine one or more of these approaches to create a strategy that meets the needs of your organization and audience.

NEH encourages proposals from first-time applicants and those who have not received NEH funding.

Closing Date: June 28, 2023

More Info: Funding Opportunity Number 20230628-TA

Small Business Administration

<u>Program for Investors in Microentrepeneurs (PRIME) Technical Assistance (PR) 2023-01</u> Agency: United States Small Business Administration- Office of Capital Access

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity is to invite proposals for funding from private, non- profit microenterprise development organizations; microenterprise development programs run by State/Local/Tribal Governments; or Indian tribes interested in providing assistance and guidance to disadvantaged microentrepreneurs and/or microenterprise

development organizations for the purposes stated in this Announcement.

Closing Date: June 17, 2023

More Info: Funding Opportunity Number PRIME 2023-01

Please read through all eligibility requirements for a grant before completing an application. This is not a comprehensive list of all available funding opportunities, but a selection of recently announced funding opportunities Please visit the grants.gov <u>website</u> to search all available grants.

To learn more about the grant request process and how to best research, prepare and apply, please visit our grants page on our website <u>here</u>.