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## Grant Newsletter - August 2023

### Successful Grant Highlight

**Recipient:** Conshohocken Fire Company No. 2

**Project:** Operations and Safety

**Agency and Grant Type:** FEMA - Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program

**Amount:** \$259,135.23

**Recipient:** Lower Providence Fire Co

**Project:** Operations and Safety

**Agency and Grant Type:** FEMA - Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program

**Amount:** \$244,090.90

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### Save the Dates:

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

- August 24 (**new date**), at 10AM – FEMA - Emergency Preparedness
  - Register [here](#)
- September 21 – Humanities and the Arts Grants
  - Register [here](#)
- October 19th, at 9AM Department of Justice and COPS Grant
  - Register [here](#)

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

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## Grant Details

(By Agency)



## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### U.S. Department of Agriculture

#### Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP)

**Agency:** USDA

**Description:** USDA has made funding available to advance partner-driven solutions to conservation on agricultural land. Eligible organizations interested in partnering with NRCS on conservation projects can develop applications for the RCPP competition. The lead partner for an RCPP project is the entity that submits an application, and if selected for an award is ultimately responsible for collaborating with NRCS to successfully complete an RCPP project.

**Closing Date:** August 18, 2023

**More information:** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=348189>

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## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

#### Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP)

**Agency:** HUD

**Description:** HUD will provide grants and loans to HUD-assisted properties to improve energy or water efficiency or make the properties more resilient to climate impacts. GRRP provides owners of HUD-assisted multifamily housing with capital resources to reduce carbon emissions, make utility efficiency improvements, incorporate renewable energy sources, and make properties more resilient against the effects of climate hazards. HUD has three paths (cohorts) of funding available to meet the needs of properties at all stages of redevelopment.

**Deadline:** Rolling application submission process through May 2024

**Additional**

**Information:** [https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/Housing/documents/GRRP\\_Elements\\_NOFO\\_FR-6700-N-91B.pdf](https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/Housing/documents/GRRP_Elements_NOFO_FR-6700-N-91B.pdf)



## **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.

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



## **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**

### CHIPS Incentives Program – Commercial Fabrication Facilities

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

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## **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](https://www.eda.gov/sites/default/files/2023-05/Tech_Hubs_NOFO.pdf)

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## **[EDA-DISASTER-2023 FY 2023 Disaster Supplemental Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration](#)**

**Agency:** [Economic Development Administration](#)

**Description:** Subject to the availability of funds, awards made under this NOFO will help communities and regions devise and implement long-term economic recovery strategies through a variety of non-construction and construction projects, as appropriate, to address economic challenges in areas where a Presidential declaration of a major disaster was issued under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.) (Stafford Act) “as a result of Hurricanes Ian and Fiona, and of wildfires, flooding, and other natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2021 and 2022....”

**Deadline:** There are no submission deadlines. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until the publication of a new Disaster Supplemental NOFO, cancellation of this Disaster Supplemental NOFO or all available funds have been expended.

**More Info:** [FY23 Disaster Supplemental](#)

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## **CHIPS for America Teaming Partner List**

Last week, CHIPS for America invited entities to join a teaming partner list on CHIPS.gov. By the middle of this week, the list received more than 80 entries. This public list will enable entities to share information, foster collaboration, and advance shared goals around the CHIPS Act.

Many entities are interested in participating in the CHIPS Act opportunities but may not be eligible to apply on their own. Therefore, the Department of Commerce is making it easier to facilitate potential partnerships and collaborations.

Click here to join the partners listing - <https://www.nist.gov/chips/chips-america-teaming-partner-list>



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## National Endowment for the Humanities

### Climate Smart Humanities Organizations

**Agency:** National Endowment for the Humanities

**Description:** Climate Smart Humanities Organizations supports organizations by offering federal matching funds for comprehensive organizational assessments that lead to strategic climate action and adaptation plans.

Through the Climate Smart program, your humanities organization can undertake activities such as energy audits, risk assessments, and meetings with consultants. The resulting climate smart plan helps you establish goals and prioritize actions that reduce your organization's impacts on the environment through mitigation and vulnerability from extreme events through adaptation. Together, mitigation and adaptation can inform a robust road map that addresses climate challenges, protects assets, and facilitates collaboration between internal and external stakeholders. Strategic planning for climate change is an essential part of sustaining humanities organizations' operations and activities—becoming climate smart.

**Closing Date:** September 14, 2023

**More information:** <https://www.neh.gov/program/climate-smart-humanities-organizations-0>

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### [Awards for Faculty 20230412-HB](#)

**Agency:** [National Endowment for the Humanities](#)

**Description:** The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Research Programs is accepting applications for the Awards for Faculty program. This program strengthens the humanities at Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Tribal Colleges and Universities by encouraging and expanding humanities research opportunities for individual faculty and staff members. Awards support individuals

pursuing scholarly research that is of value to humanities scholars, students, and/or general audiences.

**Closing Date:** April 10, 2024

**More Info:** [NEH — Division of Research Programs](#)



## 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](mailto: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

### **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 problem-based, 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 Transportation

[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:** August 21, 2023

**More Info:** [Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant](#)

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### **Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program**

**Agency:** DOT

**Description:** The primary goals of the WCPP are to save lives, prevent serious injuries, and protect motorists and wildlife by reducing WVCs, and improve habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species. Reduction of wildlife-vehicle collisions and improvement of terrestrial and aquatic habitat connectivity are the primary merit criteria that will be used in reviewing applications, and each of the primary merit criteria are of equal importance.

**Closing Date:** September 28, 2023

**More Info:** <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/rcnprogram/reconnecting-communities-how-apply>

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### **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 [here.](#)

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**Fiscal Years 2022-2023 Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program (WCPP)\*\*\***

**Agency:** [DOT Federal Highway Administration](#)

**Description:** The primary goals of the WCPP are to save lives, prevent serious injuries, and protect motorists and wildlife by reducing WVCs, and improve habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species. Reduction of wildlife-vehicle collisions and improvement of terrestrial and aquatic habitat connectivity are the primary merit criteria that will be used in reviewing applications, and each of the primary merit criteria are of equal importance.

**Closing Date:** August 1, 2023

**More Info:** [Wildlife Crossings Program](#)

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### **Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program\*\*\***

**Agency:** [DOT Federal Highway Administration](#)

**Description:** Section 11405 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58, Nov. 15, 2021), established the PROTECT Formula and Discretionary Grant programs. The purpose of the PROTECT Formula and Discretionary Grant programs is to plan for and strengthen surface transportation to be more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea level rise, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters through formula and competitive discretionary grants. FHWA issued guidance for the formula portion of PROTECT in July 2022. This NOFO is for the discretionary portion of PROTECT. It will result in the distribution of up to \$848 million for the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program through a competitive discretionary grant process. FHWA intends to hold future solicitations for funding available in FY 2024-2026.

The vision of the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program is to fund projects that address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail.

**Closing Date:** August 18, 2023

**More Info:** [PROTECT Program Website](#)



## Department of Labor

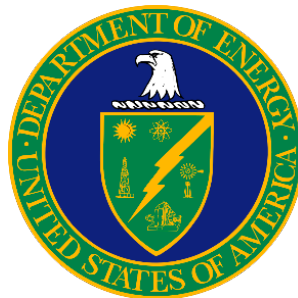
### Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants

**Agency:** Department of Energy

**Description:** Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants (SCC4) will increase community colleges' capacity and responsiveness to meet employers' skill development needs and equitably support students in obtaining good jobs in in-demand industries. Applicants will use strategies rooted in evidence designed to build further evidence on the effectiveness of sector-based career pathways programs in promoting positive employment outcomes.

**Closing Date:** Esitimated to be open in August and closed November 8, 2023

**More Info:** <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/skills-training-grants/scc>



## Department of Energy

### Building Training and Assessment Centers

**Agency:** Department of Energy

**Description:** The Office of Manufacturing and Energy Supply Chains (MESC) and Office of State and Community Energy Programs (SCEP) is issuing this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) to establish new Industrial Assessment Centers (IACs) at community colleges, trade schools, and union training programs, as well as to create new Building Training and Assessment Centers (BTACs) at institutions of higher education, including Tribal colleges and universities. The new IACs and BTACs that will be created with this funding will build upon

the demonstrated success of applied learning environments and hands-on training approaches of existing IACs. The IACs also will draw on the unique strengths, geographic reach, and faculty/student composition of trade schools, community colleges, union training programs, and other institutions of higher education. The new IACs will focus on high-quality skilled trades job pathways in fields such as industrial electrician, energy management, renewable energy, and advanced manufacturing, while providing hands-on support to small and medium manufactures. The new BTACs will expand these benefits to commercial and institutional buildings to help lower utility costs and allow companies to reinvest in businesses, employees, and community services. BTACs will train students and workers as engineers, architects, building scientists, building energy permitting and enforcement officials, and building technicians in energy-efficient design and operation.

**Closing Date:** August 15, 2023

**More Info:**<https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/Default.aspx#FoaId7ab20cf6-b723-402a-ab29-12f58f41ca8d>

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### **Industrial Assessment Center Expansion**

**Agency:** Department of Energy

**Description:**

Funding to help community colleges, trade schools, union training programs, tribal \ colleges/ universities, and other higher education institutions to stand up Industrial Assessment Centers to support workforce development for clean energy and advanced manufacturing.

**Closing Date:** August 15, 2023

**More Info:**<https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/Default.aspx#FoaId7ab20cf6-b723-402a-ab29-12f58f41ca8d>

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### **2023 Funding Opportunity Announcement for Energy Improvements at Nonprofits — Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) – Renew America’s Nonprofits\*\*\***

**Agency:** [Department of Energy](#)

**Description:** 2023 Funding Opportunity Announcement for Energy Improvements at Nonprofits — Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) – Renew America’s Nonprofits The Office of State and Community Energy Programs is issuing this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), Renew America’s Nonprofits.

Awards made under this FOA will be funded, in whole or in part, with funds appropriated by the

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, more commonly known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). This FOA seeks applications that address energy efficiency upgrades, which enable scalable impacts, create innovative partnerships, and leverage funding and economies of scale. As part of and in addition to upgrading and modernizing infrastructure, DOE's BIL investments will support efforts to build a clean and equitable energy economy that achieves a zero-carbon electricity system by 2035, and to put the United States on a path to achieve net-zero emissions economy-wide by no later than 2050 to benefit all Americans.

DOE will award 5-15 larger grants to nonprofits interested in serving as Prime recipients. These Prime recipients will assemble and support a group of energy efficiency projects in the facilities of other nonprofit organizations.

**Closing Date:** August 3, 2023

**More Info:** [EERE Funding Opportunity Infrastructure Exchange](#)

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### **Solar for All Competition**

**Agency:** Department of Energy

**Description:** This competition will award up to 60 grants to states, territories, Tribal governments, municipalities, and eligible nonprofit recipients to expand the number of low-income and disadvantaged communities primed for distributed solar investment—enabling millions of low-income households to access affordable, resilient, and clean solar energy. Grantees will use funds to expand existing low-income solar programs or design and deploy new Solar for All programs nationwide. EPA will not fund individual projects under this competition.

**Closing Date:** September 26, 2023

**More Info:** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=348957>

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*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 [website](#) 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 [here](#).*