

Grant Newsletter - October 2023

Thank you for signing up for our Monthly Grant Newsletter!

DISCLAIMER: The Fiscal Year 2023 budget for the federal government provides funding for federal agencies through September 30, 2023. Absent any other action, there will be a lapse in appropriations beginning October 1, 2023. Without action, operations at the federal grant-making agencies listed below could be impacted.

If you have any questions, please call my office at (215)-884-4300.

Successful Grant Highlight

Recipient: Montgomery County, PA

Project: Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) Program

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Amount: \$4.4 million

Save the Date

The following webinar may Our office is hosting monthly webinars with federal agencies to discuss funding opportunities and best practices:

October 19th at 9:00 AM: Department of Justice and COP Grant. Register <u>here</u>.

Please stay tuned for additional information to sign up for our webinars!

NOTE: October's webinar may be impacted if government funding lapses on October 1. We will notify you of any changes as soon as possible.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program (CFPCGP)

Agency: USDA

Description: The CFPCGP is intended to bring together stakeholders from distinct parts of the food system and to foster understanding of national food security trends and how they might improve local food systems. Understanding that low-income individuals experience disproportionate access to healthy foods, projects are to address food and nutrition insecurity, particularly among our nation's most vulnerable populations. Nutrition Security is defined as having consistent access, availability, and affordability of foods and beverages that promote well-being. Communities that are partially or fully located in Opportunity Zones are particularly encouraged to apply.

Closing Date: October 30, 2023

Additional information via Grants.gov. As of 9/28/23, Grants.gov has not yet created a unique URL for this opportunity. For more information, please use the **general search function** and enter "USDA-NIFA-CFP-009982" in the "Opportunity Number" search criteria.

Farm Labor Stabilization and Protection Pilot Program (FLSP)

Agency: USDA

Description: The purpose of this program is to improve food and agricultural supply chain resiliency by addressing the challenges agricultural employers face with labor shortages and instability.

The FLSP Program seeks to advance the following Administration priorities:

1. Address current labor shortages in agriculture;

- 2. Reduce irregular migration from Northern Central America through the expansion of regular pathways; and
- 3. Improve working conditions for farmworkers.

USDA will advance these priorities by funding grants to agricultural employers, to be known as Awardees, that seek to hire workers through the H-2A Temporary, Agricultural Employment of Foreign Workers Program, as outlined in Section 218 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Closing Date: November 28, 2023



U.S. Department of Commerce

Large Supply Chain Projects

Agency: U.S. Department of Commerce

Description: The Department of Commerce has begun accepting pre-applications on a rolling basis for large-scale supply chain projects with capital investments greater than \$300 million, as well as all wafer manufacturing facilities.

The CHIPS Program Office encourages applicants to submit an optional pre-application before submitting a full application. Pre-applications serve as an opportunity for the CHIPS Program Office to provide meaningful feedback to applicants before preparing a full application package.

An additional funding opportunity will be released in the fall for supplier projects below the \$300 million capital expenditure threshold with a tailored application that smaller businesses can navigate.

Closing Date: Potential applicants may submit pre-applications on a rolling basis beginning September 1, 2023, and full applications on a rolling basis beginning October 23, 2023.

Additional information **HERE**.

<u>EPA-DISASTER-2023 FY 2023 Disaster Supplemental Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration</u>

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...."

Closing Date: 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.

Additional information **HERE**.



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Modeling, Monitoring, and Data Analysis Support for the Chesapeake Bay Program Partnership

Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Description: EPA is seeking insightful, expert, and cost-effective applications from eligible applicants to provide the Chesapeake Bay Program's non-federal partners with technical analysis and programmatic evaluation support related to water quality modeling and monitoring and spatial systems to manage, analyze, and map environmental data. The project assists the partners in meeting their restoration and protection goals and in increasing the transfer of scientific understanding to the Chesapeake Bay Program modeling, monitoring, and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) activities. The recipient will support modeling, monitoring, and GIS programs needed to explain and communicate the health of and changes in the Chesapeake Bay ecosystem.

Closing Date: October 30, 2023

Innovative Water Infrastructure Workforce Development Grant Program

Agency: **EPA**

Description: To further the goal of ensuring a strong pipeline of skilled and diverse workers in the water utilities sector, the EPA developed a grant program to accelerate career pipelines in the water utilities sector and provide access to water utility workforce opportunities. In addition, Congress authorized EPA to award grants for workforce development activities that help reduce green-house gas emissions and other air pollutants that benefit disadvantaged communities as defined by the EPA Administrator.

Through this grant program, EPA is soliciting applications from eligible applicants to assist in the development and utilization of innovative activities relating to workforce development and career opportunities in the water utility sector, which may include:

- 1. Expanding the use and availability of activities and resources that relate to the recruitment, including the promotion of diversity within that recruitment, of individuals to careers in the drinking water and wastewater utility sector, including stormwater:
- 2. Expanding the availability of training opportunities for (i) individuals entering the water and wastewater utility sector; and (ii) individuals seeking to advance careers within the water and wastewater utility sector;
- Expanding the use and availability of activities and strategies, including the
 development of innovative activities and strategies, that relate to the
 maintenance and retention of a sustainable workforce in the water and
 wastewater utility sector; and
- 4. Expanding the availability of workforce development and training that enables drinking water and wastewater utility workers to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and other air pollutants to benefit disadvantaged communities.

Closing Date: November 17, 2023

Environmental Education Local Grants Program for Region 3 (PA, DE, MD, VA, WV, DC)

Agency: **EPA**

Description: The Environmental Education Grant Program is seeking applications from eligible applicants to support locally-focused environmental education projects that promote environmental stewardship and help develop knowledgeable and responsible

students, teachers, and community members. This grant program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques that increase public awareness and knowledge about local environmental issues and provides participants in its programs the skills necessary to make informed decisions and to take responsible actions toward the environment.

Closing Date: November 8, 2023

Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

Agency: EPA

Description: The 2022 Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) established the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program, which provides funds in two distinct but related phases:

- 1. <u>Planning grants</u>: \$250 million for states, U.S. territories, municipalities, air pollution control agencies, tribes, and groups thereof to develop plans to reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs). The Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) is the first deliverable due under the CPRG planning grants.
- 2. **Implementation grants**: \$4.6 billion for competitive grants to eligible applicants to implement GHG reduction programs, policies, projects, and measures (collectively referred to as "GHG reduction measures," or "measures") identified in a PCAP developed under a CPRG planning grant.

This notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) announces the availability of up to \$4.3 billion for the CPRG implementation grants general competition. Lead organizations for CPRG planning grants must submit their PCAPs to EPA by the deadline of March 1, 2024, for lead organizations and other eligible applicants under this announcement to submit grant applications to fund measures contained in those plans. EPA anticipates awarding approximately 30 to 115 grants ranging between \$2 million and \$500 million under this general competition.

Closing Date: March 1, 2024

Additional information **HERE**.



U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Healthy Homes Production Grant Program

Agency: HUD

Description: The Healthy Homes Production Program (HHP) is part of HUD's overall Healthy Homes Initiative launched in 1999. The program takes a comprehensive approach to addressing multiple childhood diseases and injuries in the home by focusing on housing-related hazards in a coordinated fashion, rather than addressing a single hazard at a time. The program builds upon HUD's successful Lead Hazard Control programs to expand the Department's efforts to address a variety of high-priority environmental health and safety hazards.

Closing Date: November 7, 2023

Older Adults Home Modification Grant Program

Agency: HUD

Description: The overall purpose of the Older Adult Home Modification Program (OAHMP) is to assist experienced nonprofit organizations, state and local governments, and public housing authorities in undertaking comprehensive programs that make safety and functional home modification repairs and renovations to meet the needs of low-income seniors. The goal of the home modification program is to enable low-income elderly persons to remain in their homes through low-cost, low barrier, high impact home modifications to reduce older adults' risk of falling, improve general safety, increase accessibility, and to improve their functional abilities in their home. This will enable older adults to remain in their homes, that is, to "age in place," rather than move to nursing homes or other assisted care facilities.

Closing Date: October 16, 2023



U.S. Department of the Interior

Historic Preservation Fund- African American Civil Rights

Agency: National Parks Service

Description: The National Park Service's (NPS) African American Civil Rights Grant Program (AACR) will document, interpret, and preserve the sites and stories of the full history of the African American struggle to gain equal rights as citizens from the transatlantic slave trade forward. The NPS 2008 report, Civil Rights in America, A Framework for Identifying Significant Sites, will serve as a guide in determining the appropriateness of proposed projects and properties. African American Civil Rights Network (AACRN) Preservation Grants will fund a broad range of preservation projects for historic sites including architectural services, historic structure reports, preservation plans, and physical preservation to structures.

Closing Date: November 15, 2023

Additional information **HERE**.



U.S. Department of Justice

<u>Virtual Reality Training Development for Law Enforcement</u>

Agency: DOJ

Description: The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) seeks applications for funding to develop

emerging technologies designed to enhance law enforcement training programs. This program furthers DOJ's mission by supporting training efforts involving technology designed to address existing gaps and enhance law enforcement training using evidence-based curricula and virtual reality technology.

With this solicitation, BJA seeks to support a collaborative partnership between two or more universities to develop, design, and pilot a virtual reality training program designed to improve law enforcement interactions with all individuals, with an emphasis on deescalation tactics. New technologies, including virtual reality systems designed for use by police, allow for multiparticipant engagement and can be integrated into training programs focused on improving law enforcement encounters. Universities are required to partner to carry out the activities of the federal award; however only one applicant can apply.

Closing Date: November 13, 2023

Additional information: As of 9/28/23, Grants.gov has not yet created a unique URL for this opportunity. For more information, please use the **general search function** and enter "O-BJA-2023-171886" in the "Opportunity Number" search criteria.



U.S. Department of Transportation

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Airport Terminal Program Grants

Agency: Federal Aviation Administration

Description: The Department of Transportation announces the opportunity to apply for approximately \$1 billion in FY 2024 discretionary funds for the Airport Terminal Program (ATP), made available under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, herein referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The purpose of the ATP is to make annual grants available to eligible airports for airport terminal and airport-owned Airport Traffic Control Towers development projects that address the aging infrastructure of our nation's airports. In addition, ATP grants will align with DOT's <u>Strategic Framework FY2022-2026</u>. The FY 2024 ATP will be implemented consistent with law and in alignment with the priorities in Executive Order 14052, Implementation of the Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act, which are to

invest efficiently and equitably; promote the competitiveness of the U.S. economy; improve job opportunities by focusing on high labor standards; strengthen infrastructure resilience to all hazards including climate change; and to effectively coordinate with State, local, Tribal, and territorial government partners.

Closing Date: October 16, 2023

Additional information **HERE**.

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.

Closing Date: November 15, 2023

<u>Fueling Aviation's Sustainable Transition via Sustainable Aviation Fuels and Low-</u> Emission Aviation Technologies Grant Program

Agency: DOT

Description: The Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces the opportunity to apply for funds for the FAA Fueling Aviation's Sustainable Transition (FAST) Grant Program. The grant program will have elements focused on sustainable aviation fuel (SAF), to be termed FAST-SAF, and elements focused on low-emission aviation technologies, to be termed FAST-Tech. The purpose of the FAST Grant Program is to make grants available to eligible entities for projects that support sustainable aviation fuels and low-emission aviation technologies in line with the goals of the United States Aviation Climate Action Plan.

Closing Date: November 27, 2023

Fiscal Year 2023 – 2026 Bridge Investment Program, Large Bridge Project Grants

Agency: Federal Highway Administration

Description: The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for Large Bridge Project grants (a project with total eligible costs greater than \$100 million) for awards under the Bridge Investment Program (BIP). This notice establishes a "rolling application" process for Large Bridge Project applications by providing the schedule, requirements, and selection process for such projects for the remaining available amounts of BIP funding provided by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the "Bipartisan Infrastructure Law" or BIL) for FY 2023 through FY 2026, which total up to \$9.62 billion (see section B.1 for details for funds available for each fiscal year). The FHWA will solicit applications for the other two BIP project categories in a subsequent NOFO: (1) Planning and (2) Bridge Project (a project with total eligible costs not greater than \$100 million).

Closing Date: November 27, 2023 (for FY 2023 and 2024 funds); August 1, 2024 (for FY 2025 funds); August 1, 2025 (for FY 2026 funds).

<u>Cooperative Agreements with Technical Assistance Providers for the Fiscal Year</u> 2023 Thriving Communities Program

Agency: Office of the Under Secretary for Policy

Description: This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) continues investment in a national technical assistance program and provides new opportunities for state-, Tribal-, local-, and regional-level community support through the Thriving Communities Regional Pilot Program that will drive innovation, advance equity outcomes, and build a national pipeline of community-driven infrastructure projects. The Thriving Communities Program will offer deep-dive technical assistance to through cooperative agreements with eligible entities. Entities awarded a cooperative agreement will be "capacity builders" that will directly assist local governments that request technical assistance. Priority is given to assisting communities that are disadvantaged and/or transportation burdened or those that have limited technical capacity or budgets. The intent of technical assistance is to plan for, prepare, secure funding for, and deliver transformative infrastructure projects.

Eligible TCP capacity builders should propose strategies to provide deep-dive technical assistance, planning and capacity building and build a robust Community of Practice involving diverse transportation and community stakeholders. Specifically, this includes facilitating the scoping, planning, development and delivery of transportation and community revitalization activities supported by DOT under titles 23, 46, and 49, United States Code, that increase mobility, reduce pollution from transportation sources, expand affordable transportation options, facilitate efficient land use, preserve or

expand jobs, improve housing conditions, enhance connections to health care, education, and food security, or improve health outcomes.

Closing Date: November 28, 2023



U.S. Department of Labor

Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants

Agency: Department of Labor

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: November 14, 2023

Additional information **HERE**.



Institute of Museum and Library Services

Museums for America Program

Agency Name: Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Description: The Museums for America program supports museums of all sizes and disciplines in strategic, project-based efforts to serve the public through exhibitions, educational/interpretive programs, digital learning resources, professional development, community debate and dialogue, audience-focused studies, and/or collections management, curation, care, and conservation. Museums for America has three project categories: Lifelong Learning, Community Engagement, and Collections Stewardship and Access.

Closing Date: November 15, 2023

Additional information **HERE**.

Inspire! Grants for Small Museums

Agency Name: <u>IMLS</u>

Description: Inspire! Grants for Small Museums is a special initiative of the Museums for America program. It is designed to support small museums of all disciplines in project-based efforts to serve the public through exhibitions, educational/interpretive programs, digital learning resources, policy development and institutional planning, technology enhancements, professional development, community outreach, audience development, and/or collections management, curation, care, and conservation. Inspire! has three project categories: Lifelong Learning, Institutional Capacity, and Collections Stewardship and Access.

For the FY2024 grant cycle, the IMLS invites applications that commemorate America's 250th anniversary as part of the agency's IMLS250: All Stories, All People, All Places initiative. IMLS believes that the semiquincentennial is an opportunity to commemorate all lived experiences through civic engagement, public programs, and collections stewardship in preparation for 2026.

Closing Date: November 15, 2023

Additional information **HERE**.

Museum Grants for African American History and Culture (AAHC) Program

Agency Name: IMLS

Description: The Museum Grants for African American History and Culture (AAHC) program is designed to build the capacity of African American museums and support the growth and development of museum professionals at African American museums.

The AAHC program supports projects that nurture museum professionals, build institutional capacity, and increase access to museum and archival collections at African American museums and Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

Closing Date: November 15, 2023

Additional information **HERE**.



National Science Foundation

Research in the Formation of Engineers

Agency: National Science Foundation

Description: The NSF Engineering Directorate (ENG) has launched a multi-year initiative, the Professional Formation of Engineers, to create and support an innovative and inclusive engineering profession for the 21st century. Professional Formation of Engineers (PFE) refers to the formal and informal processes and value systems by which people become engineers. It also includes the ethical responsibility of practicing engineers to sustain and grow the profession to improve quality of life for all peoples. The engineering profession must be responsive to national priorities, grand challenges, and dynamic workforce needs; it must be equally open and accessible to all.

Professional Formation of Engineers includes, but is not limited, to:

- 1. Introductions to the profession at any age;
- 2. Development of deep technical and professional skills, knowledge, and abilities in both formal and informal settings/domains;
- 3. Development of outlooks, perspectives, ways of thinking, knowing, and doing;
- 4. Development of identity as an engineer and its intersection with other identities; and
- 5. Acculturation to the profession, its standards, and norms.

Closing Date: Year Round

Additional information **HERE**.

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 opportunities. Please visit grants.gov 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 here.

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