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COVID-19: Ad credits for Google Ads Small and Medium-sized Businesses

Grantor: Google

Due: Ongoing

Information: Google is offering existing advertising customers that are small and median-sized businesses (SMBs) \$340 million in ad credits, which can be used towards future ad spend, until the end of 2020 across our Google Ads platforms. This is part of a **larger commitment** from Google to support SMBs, health organizations and governments, and health workers on the frontline of this global pandemic. Please visit the [Google for Small Business site](#) for more information.

COVID-19 Dislocated Worker Grants

Grantor: U.S. Department of Labor

Due: December 31, 2020

Information: COVID-19 National Dislocated Worker Grants (DWGs) disburse funds through the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) to provide critically needed employment to vulnerable Georgians who have lost their job as a result of COVID-19. Funds are intended to provide immediate employment opportunities to Georgians to assist with cleanup and recovery efforts due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under a public health emergency declaration such as the coronavirus, the types of disaster-relief employment allowable include:

- Workers providing environmental services, sanitation and clean-up of public areas impacted by COVID-19. Highest priorities to public facilities such as court houses, city halls, schools, county and city jails, libraries, public transportation and applicable public lands.
- Workers engaged in the logistics and distribution of essential supplies, protective items and medical supplies. Delivering medicine, food, or other supplies to older individuals and other individuals with respiratory conditions and other chronic medical disorders, with appropriate training and precautions. Coronavirus infection has been the most harmful to these populations, and there may be heavy need for such services that traditional volunteer organizations cannot support alone.
- Helping set up quarantine areas and providing assistance to quarantined individuals.
- Organizing and coordinating recovery, quarantine, or other related activities.

For more information, please visit <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/dislocated-workers>.

Eligibility: An individual eligible to receive services through this Disaster Recovery DWG must be one of the following:

- Temporarily or permanently laid off as a consequence of the disaster
- Dislocated workers or workers laid-off as a result of the disaster, including
 - Workers who are laid off as a result of a quarantine, because they miss work to care for a family member, or
 - Workers cannot come to their regular workplace in order to follow social distancing requirements
 - Workers laid off after a business closure related to disruptions caused by the outbreak and the efforts to contain it.
 - Self-employed individuals unemployed or underemployed because of the disaster
 - Long-term unemployed individuals.

Participants may be employed for a maximum of 12 months or 2,080 hours, whichever is longer.

Contact: For more information, please refer to this [webinar](#) or call: Lori Frazier Bearden | Deputy Commissioner, Economic and Workforce Development | Georgia Department of Labor | 148 Andrew Young International Blvd., N.E. Suite 600 | Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1751 | Phone: 404.232.7444 | Cell: 404.780.4948

COVID-19 Emergency School Nutrition Funding

Grantor: GENYOUth

Due: Ongoing; reviewed on a rolling basis

Information: GENYOUth is providing grants of up to \$3,000 per school to supply much-needed resources for meal distribution and delivery efforts to get food to students during COVID-19. From soft-sided coolers, bags and containers for individual servings, to protective gear for food service sanitation and safety, this equipment will help ensure our children continue to receive the nutritious meals they need. For more information or to apply, please visit <https://covid-19.genyouthnow.org/>.

Eligibility: Principals, School Nutrition Managers, School Nutrition Directors, and District Superintendents

COVID-19 Response Learning & Leadership Grants

Grantor: NEA Foundation

Due: July 15, 2020

Information: In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the NEA Foundation is providing funding to support educators responding to educational needs and concerns related to the Covid-19 pandemic. All applications submitted for this funding should address how the applicant(s) would use grant funds to prepare themselves, their colleagues, their students or school community to adapt to educational challenges experienced or expected due to the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, for example:

- Addressing the social and emotional needs of educators, students, and students' families
- Learning new pedagogy and/or adapting curricula to support distance/virtual learning and instruction
- Addressing students' learning loss resulting from extended school closures
- Providing educational enrichment to support student learning
- Strengthening educators'/schools' engagement with families and communities to meet student needs.

Particular attention should be given to identifying and addressing pertinent educational equity and opportunity gaps exacerbated by the pandemic.

The purpose of the NEA Foundation's COVID-19 Response - Learning & Leadership grants is to support educator's professional development focused on adapting teaching and learning to the unique challenges of the 2020-2021 school year. Successful projects will identify clear professional learning goals associated with serving students during the 20-21 school year.

These grants will be awarded for a one-year period beginning in September-October 2020, in amounts of either \$2,000 or \$5,000. Applicants requesting this funding should be prepared to implement their projects during the 2020-2021 school year. These grants will fund activities for 12 months from the date of the award.

For more information, please visit <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/covid-rapid-response-grants/covid-response-learning-leadership-grants/>.

Eligibility: Applicants must be teachers, education support professionals, or specialized instructional support personnel and must be current NEA members. Current NEA Foundation grantees are ineligible for this funding opportunity. A successful proposal will also make an individual ineligible for other NEA Foundation funding opportunities, until the grant is successfully completed and closed out.

COVID-19 Response Student Success Grants

Grantor: NEA Foundation

Due: July 15, 2020

Information: The purpose of the NEA Foundation's COVID-19 Response - Student Success Grants is to support educator-led initiatives that increase educational equity and opportunity, responding to student needs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Successful projects will support creativity and individuality in student learning, while clearly responding to needs that emerged or worsened during the pandemic. These grants will be awarded for a one-year period beginning in September-October 2020, in amounts of either \$2,000 or \$5,000. Applicants requesting this funding should be prepared to implement their project during the 2020-2021 school year. These grants will fund activities for 12 months from the date of the award. For more information, please visit <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/covid-rapid-response-grants/covid-response-student-success-grants/>.

Eligibility: Applicants must be teachers, education support professionals, or specialized instructional support personnel and must be current NEA members. Current NEA Foundation grantees are ineligible for this funding opportunity. A successful proposal will also make an individual ineligible for other NEA Foundation funding opportunities, until the grant is successfully completed and closed out.

Economic Development Administration (EDA) Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs including CARES Act Funding

Grantor: Economic Development Administration

Due: Ongoing

Information: Under this NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works and EAA programs. Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities. EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive-merit-basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States. If you are interested in applying for a project of national impact/scope under the CARES Act; please inquire at RNTA@eda.gov.

For more information, please visit <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?opId=321695>.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants for EDA financial assistance under the Public Works and EAA programs include a(n): (i) District Organization of a designated Economic Development District; (ii) Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes; (iii) State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; (iv) institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or (v) public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State.

Contact: For a full list of EDA contacts, please visit <http://www.eda.gov/contact/>.

Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs with CARES Act Addendum

Grantor: U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Due: December 31, 2020

Information: EDA has published an [Addendum](#) to this Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity (FY20 PWEAA NOFO). Under this announcement, EDA will make CARES Act Recovery Assistance grants under the authority of its Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) program, which is intended to be flexible and responsive to the economic development needs and priorities of local and regional stakeholders. EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance investments will support a wide range of non-construction and construction activities, including Revolving Loan Funds, in regions across the country experiencing severe economic dislocations brought about by the coronavirus pandemic. Examples of projects that EDA may fund through its CARES Act Recovery Assistance include economic recovery planning and preparing technical assistance strategies to address economic dislocations caused by the coronavirus pandemic, preparing or updating resiliency plans to respond to future pandemics, implementing entrepreneurial support programs to diversify economies, and constructing public works and facilities that will support economic recovery, including the deployment of broadband for purposes including supporting telehealth and remote learning for job skills. Independently of the addendum, the Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) programs also provide economically distressed communities and regions with comprehensive and flexible resources to address a wide variety of economic needs. Projects funded by these programs will support work in Opportunity Zones and will support the mission of the Department by, among other things, leading to the creation and retention of jobs and increased private investment, advancing innovation, enhancing the manufacturing capacities of regions, providing workforce development opportunities, and growing ecosystems that attract foreign direct investment. Through the PWEAA NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in order to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, planning, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works program and EAA programs (which includes Assistance to Coal Communities). Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities, including those negatively impacted by changes to the coal economy. There are no submission deadlines under this opportunity. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until a new PWEAA NOFO is published, this PWEAA NOFO is cancelled, or all funds have been expended.

For more information, please visit <https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are:

- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
- City or township governments
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- State governments
- Special district governments
- County governments
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Contact: EDA staff provides technical assistance to prospective applicants to assist in application development and submission. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the EDA representative listed for Georgia:

Jonathan Corso | 401 West Peachtree Street, NW | Suite 1820 | Atlanta, GA 30308-3510 | Email: jcorso@eda.gov | Phone: 404.809.7094

Small Business Administration Debt Relief

Grantor: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

Due: Automatically applied to applicable borrowers; no need to apply to receive assistance.

Information: The SBA is providing a financial reprieve to small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic. As part of SBA's coronavirus debt relief efforts, the SBA will pay 6 months of principal, interest, and any associated fees that borrowers owe for all current 7(a), 504, and Microloans in regular servicing status as well as new 7(a), 504, and Microloans disbursed prior to September 27, 2020. This relief is not available for Paycheck Protection Program loans or Economic Injury Disaster loans. Borrowers do not need to apply for this assistance. It will be automatically provided as follows:

- For loans not on deferment, SBA will begin making payments with the next payment due on the loan and will make six monthly payments.
- For loans currently on deferment, SBA will begin making payments with the next payment due after the deferment period has ended, and will make six monthly payments.
- For loans made after March 27, 2020 and fully disbursed prior to September 27, 2020, SBA will begin making payments with the first payment due on the loan and will make six monthly payments.

SBA has notified 7(a), 504 and Microloan Lenders that it will pay these borrower loan payments. Lenders have been instructed to refrain from collecting loan payments from borrowers. If a borrower's payment was collected after March 27, 2020, lenders were instructed to inform the borrower that they have the option of having the loan payment returned by the lender or applying the loan payment to further reduce the loan balance after SBA's payment. Borrowers should contact their lender if they have any questions regarding this payment relief.

Contact: If you have questions about your current loan and whether or not your loan is automatically deferred, please contact your Loan Servicing Office directly using the following information:

- Birmingham Disaster Loan Servicing Center | Phone: 800.736.6048 | Email: BirminghamDLSC@sba.gov
- El Paso Disaster Loan Servicing Center | Phone: 800.487.6019 | Email: ElPasoDLSC@sba.gov

Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loans

Grantor: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

Due: Ongoing

Information: The U.S. Small Business Administration is offering designated states and territories low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Upon a request received from a state's or territory's Governor, the SBA will issue under its own authority, as provided by the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act that was recently signed by the President, an Economic Injury Disaster Loan declaration.

- Any such Economic Injury Disaster Loan assistance declaration issued by the SBA makes loans available statewide to small businesses and private, nonprofit organizations to help alleviate economic injury caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). This will apply to current and future disaster assistance declarations related to Coronavirus.
- The SBA's Office of Disaster Assistance will coordinate with the state's or territory's Governor to submit the request for Economic Injury Disaster Loan assistance.
- Once a declaration is made, the information on the application process for Economic Injury Disaster Loan assistance will be made available to affected small businesses within the state.
- The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans offer up to \$2 million in assistance and can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing.
- These loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that cannot be paid because of the disaster's impact. The interest rate is 3.75% for small businesses. The interest rate for non-profits is 2.75%.
- The SBA offers loans with long-term repayments in order to keep payments affordable, up to a maximum of 30 years. Terms are determined on a case-by-case basis, based upon each borrower's ability to repay.
- The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are just one piece of the expanded focus of the federal government's coordinated response, and the SBA is strongly committed to providing the most effective and customer-focused response possible.

Note: Additional Economic Injury Disaster Loan Funding – With the additional funding provided by the new COVID-19 relief package, SBA will resume processing EIDL Loan and Advance applications that are already in the queue on a first come, first-served basis. We will provide further information on the availability of the EIDL portal to receive new applications (including those from agricultural enterprises) as soon as possible.

Eligibility: Small business owners in all U.S. states and territories, including the entire state of Georgia, are currently eligible to apply for a low-interest loan due to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Contact: For questions, please contact the SBA disaster assistance customer service center at +1.800.659.2955 (TTY: +1.800.877.8339) or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loan Advance

Grantor: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

Due: Ongoing

Information: In response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, small business owners in all U.S. states, Washington D.C., and territories are eligible to apply for an Economic Injury Disaster Loan advance of up to \$10,000. This advance will provide economic relief to businesses that are currently experiencing a temporary loss of revenue. Funds will be made available following a successful application. This loan advance will not have to be repaid.

Note: Additional Economic Injury Disaster Loan Funding – With the additional funding provided by the new COVID-19 relief package, SBA will resume processing EIDL Loan and Advance applications that are already in the queue on a first come, first-served basis. We will provide further information on the availability of the EIDL portal to receive new applications (including those from agricultural enterprises) as soon as possible.

Eligibility: The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan provides vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This program is for any small business with less than 500 employees (including sole proprietorships, independent contractors and self-employed persons), private non-profit organization or 501(c)(19) veterans organizations affected by COVID-19. Businesses in certain industries may have more than 500 employees if they meet the [SBA's size standards](#) for those industries. The Economic Injury Disaster Loan advance funds will be made available within days of a successful application, and this loan advance will not have to be repaid.

Contact: For questions, please contact the SBA disaster assistance customer service center at +1.800.659.2955 (TTY: +1.800.877.8339) or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Small Business Administration Paycheck Protection Program Loan

Grantor: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

Due: Ongoing – The SBA resumed accepting Paycheck Protection Program applications from participating lenders in late April and will continue to do so until funding is depleted.

Information: The Paycheck Protection Program is a loan designed to provide a direct incentive for small businesses to keep their workers on the payroll. SBA will forgive loans if all employees are kept on the payroll for eight weeks and the money is used for payroll, rent, mortgage interest, or utilities. You can apply through any existing SBA 7(a) lender or through any federally insured depository institution, federally insured credit union, and Farm Credit System institution that is participating. Other regulated lenders will be available to make these loans once they are approved and enrolled in the program. You should consult with your local lender as to whether it is participating in the program. For more information, please visit <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program>.

Eligibility: The following entities affected by Coronavirus (COVID-19) may be eligible:

- Any small business concern that meets SBA's size standards (either the industry based sized standard or the alternative size standard)
- Any business, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, 501(c)(19) veterans organization, or Tribal business concern (sec. 31(b)(2)(C) of the Small Business Act) with the greater of:
 - 500 employees, or
 - That meets the SBA industry size standard if more than 500
- Any business with a NAICS Code that begins with 72 (Accommodations and Food Services) that has more than one physical location and employs less than 500 per location
- Sole proprietors, independent contractors, and self-employed persons

Small Business Administration Express Bridge Loans

Grantor: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

Due: Ongoing

Information: The Express Bridge Loan Pilot Program allows small businesses who currently have a business relationship with an SBA Express Lender to access up to \$25,000 quickly. These loans can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing and can be a term loans or used to bridge the gap while applying for a direct [SBA Economic Injury Disaster loan](#). If a small business has an urgent need for cash while waiting for decision and disbursement on an Economic Injury Disaster Loan, they may qualify for an SBA Express Disaster Bridge Loan. Terms: Up to \$25,000; Fast turnaround; Will be repaid in full or in part by proceeds from the EIDL loan. For more information, please visit <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/sba-express-bridge-loans>.

Southern Smoke Emergency Relief Program

Grantor: Southern Smoke

Due: Ongoing

Note: This grant is *not* COVID-19 specific.

Information: Southern Smoke is a nonprofit 501c3 charitable foundation. Our Emergency Relief Program provides emergency funding to those employed by or own restaurants or bars or are employed by a restaurant or bar supplier that are faced unforeseen expenses that cannot or will not be covered by insurance. We stand with those in our community and are committed to “taking care of our own”. Please fill out the application if you believe you meet the necessary criteria for Southern Smoke’s Emergency Relief Fund. Please only apply if insurance is not providing you with compensation for your emergency. For more information or to apply, please visit <https://form.southernsmoke.org/smoke/application/>.

Business Development Revolving Loan Fund Grants

Grantor: Appalachian Regional Commission

Due: Ongoing

Eligible Applicants: state and local agencies and governmental entities (such as economic development authorities), local governing boards (such as county councils), and nonprofit organizations (such as schools and organizations that build low-cost housing). Applicants must be within the ARC region, which includes the following Georgia counties: Banks, Barrow, Bartow, Carroll, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cherokee, Dade, Dawson, Douglas, Elbert, Fannin, Floyd, Forsyth, Franklin, Gilmer, Gordon, Gwinnett, Habersham, Hall, Haralson, Hart, Heard, Jackson, Lumpkin, Madison, Murray, Paulding, Pickens, Polk, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, Walker, White, and Whitfield.

Information: ARC awards grants to projects that address one or more of the five goals identified by ARC in its **2016–2020 strategic plan** and that can demonstrate measurable results. The five goals identified by ARC are Business Development and Entrepreneurship, Education and Training, Health Care, Physical Infrastructure, and Leadership Development and Civic Capacity. Business development revolving loan funds (RLFs) are pools of money used by grantees for the purpose of making loans to create and retain jobs. As loans are repaid, money is returned to the fund and made available for additional loans. ARC has long used revolving loan funds as an effective tool of economic development.

Contact: For more information or to apply, please visit <https://www.arc.gov/funding/ARCGrantsandContracts.asp>.

Civic Innovation Challenge

Grantor: National Science Foundation

Due: August 3, 2020

Information: The Civic Innovation Challenge (CIVIC) is a research and action competition that aims to fund ready-to-implement, research-based pilot projects that have the potential for scalable, sustainable, and transferable impact on community-identified priorities. CIVIC will lay a foundation for a broader and more fluid exchange of research interests and civic priorities that will create new instances of collaboration and introduce new areas of technical and social scientific discovery. CIVIC will fund projects that can produce significant community impact within 12 months (following a four-month planning phase) and have the potential for lasting impact beyond the period of the CIVIC award.

CIVIC is organized as a two-stage competition with two tracks centered around the following topic areas:

- Track A. Communities and Mobility: Offering Better Mobility Options to Solve the Spatial Mismatch Between Housing Affordability and Jobs
- Track B. Resilience to Natural Disasters: Equipping Communities for Greater Preparedness and Resilience to Natural Disasters.

For more information, please visit <https://nscivinnovation.org/>.

Eligibility: CIVIC asks communities to identify civic priorities ripe for innovation and then to partner with researchers to address those priorities. As a result, although awards will be made to universities and nonprofits, all teams are required to work with civic partners. The solicitation describes a civic partner as including local, state, or tribal government officials; non-profit representatives; community organizers or advocates; community service providers; and/or others working to improve their communities. More details on how to build a cross-sector, multi-disciplinary team is available [here](#).

Contact: For more information, please send an email to innovate@metrolabnetwork.org.

Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program

Grantor: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Due: Applications are accepted year round.

Eligible Applicants: public bodies; community-based nonprofit corporations

Information: This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings. Examples of essential community facilities include:

- Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities
- Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements
- Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing
- Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment
- Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools
- Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment
- Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses

Rural areas including cities, villages, townships and towns including Federally Recognized Tribal Lands with no more than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census Data are eligible for this program. Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and / or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses. Contact the Rural Development Georgia Community Programs Division before attempting to complete any forms or applications for the loan or grant program. Application forms are available at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/ga>.

Contact: Jack Stanek | Program Director | Rural Development Georgia Community Programs Division | Email: jack.stanek@ga.usda.gov | Phone: 706.546.2171

CommunityWINS (Working/Investing in Neighborhood Stabilization) Grant

Grantor: U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM)

Due: October 9, 2020

Information: Wells Fargo Bank and the Wells Fargo Foundation, along with the U.S. Conference of Mayors, aim to award \$1 million this year to support local nonprofits with the CommunityWINS (Working/Investing in Neighborhood Stabilization) grant program. The goal of the grant is to:

- Assist cities with the opportunity to invest, strengthen, and address housing affordability issues.
- Award \$1,000,000 to support local nonprofit partners to cities of all sizes nationwide.

For more information, please visit <https://www.usmayors.org/communitywins/>.

Eligibility: USCM members are qualified to nominate up to three initiatives or programs through an eligible nonprofit of their choice that addresses one of the following categories:

- Neighborhood stabilization projects designed to stimulate growth and stability while assisting in the removal of blight and the rebuilding of neighborhoods
- Economic development projects designed to promote business development
- Job creation projects designed to aid in local job creation or assist in job training.

Eight awards are available in 2020 - two awards per population category. Awards are based on population size:

- Metropolitan: Population greater than 500,000
- Large: Population of 275,000 to 500,000
- Medium: Population of 50,000 to 275,000
- Small: Population less than 50,000.

Contact: Please email CommunityWINS@wellsfargo.com for additional information.

Distressed County Grants

Grantor: Appalachian Regional Commission

Due: Ongoing

Eligible Applicants: state and local agencies and governmental entities (such as economic development authorities), local governing boards (such as county councils), and nonprofit organizations (such as schools and organizations that build low-cost housing). Applicants must be within the ARC region in a county classified as distressed, which includes the following Georgia counties: Barrow, Bartow, Carroll, Chattooga, Douglas, Elbert, Floyd, Franklin, Gordon, Gwinnett, Habersham, Hall, Haralson, Hart, Murray, Polk, Rabun, Stephens, Walker, White, and Whitfield.

Information: ARC awards grants to projects that address one or more of the five goals identified by ARC in its **2016–2020 strategic plan** and that can demonstrate measurable results. The five goals identified by ARC are Business Development and Entrepreneurship, Education and Training, Health Care, Physical Infrastructure, and Leadership Development and Civic Capacity. ARC targets special resources to the most economically distressed counties in the Region, using a measure of economic distress based on three economic indicators: three-year average unemployment rates, per capita market income, and poverty rates. Besides allocating funding to benefit distressed counties, ARC has established other policies to reduce economic distress. ARC normally limits its maximum project funding contribution to 50 percent of costs, but it can increase its funding share to as much as 80 percent in distressed counties.

Contact: For more information or to apply, please visit <https://www.arc.gov/funding/ARCGrantsandContracts.asp>.

Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund (DDRLF)

Grantor: Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Due: Applications are accepted throughout the year.

Eligible Applicants: local development authorities in Georgia

Information: The purpose of the Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund (DD RLF) is to assist cities, counties and development authorities in their efforts to revitalize and enhance downtown areas by providing below-market rate financing to fund capital projects in core historic downtown areas and adjacent historic neighborhoods where DD RLF will spur commercial redevelopment. Eligible applicants under this program shall be municipalities with a population of 100,000 or less, counties with a population of 100,000 or less proposing projects in a core historic commercial area, and development authorities proposing projects in a core historic commercial area in municipalities or counties with a population of 100,000 or less. The ultimate user of funds may be a private business or a public entity such as a city or development authority. Applicants must demonstrate that they have a viable downtown development project and clearly identify the proposed uses of the loan proceeds. Once approved, funds may be used for such activities as: real estate acquisition, development, redevelopment, and new construction; rehabilitation of public and private infrastructure and facilities; purchase of equipment and other assets (on a limited basis). The maximum loan is \$250,000 per project. Applications will be accepted throughout the year and as loan funds are available to the Department.

Contact: For more information or to apply, please email Cherie Bennett at cherie.bennett@dca.ga.gov and visit <https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/downtown-development-revolving-loan-fund-ddrlf>.

Economic Development Research and National Technical Assistance

Grantor: U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Due: Ongoing until funding is depleted

Information: EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive merit basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States. Under this NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in order to provide investments that support research and technical assistance projects under EDA's Research & Evaluation (R&E) and National Technical Assistance (NTA) programs.

R&E investments may be awarded to:

- Research and evaluate topics or issues to improve the understanding of economic development principles, strategies, and concepts
- Improve understanding of the causes of economic distress and distressed communities and potential remedies thereof
- Evaluate success of economic development programs, policies and strategies for improving economic outcomes
- Develop innovative tools, measures and widely applicable data sets for studying economic development outcomes, principles and policies
- Perform other activities determined by EDA to be appropriate under the R&E program.

NTA investments may be awarded to:

- Determine the causes of excessive unemployment, underemployment, low per capita income, outmigration, or other economic distress-related problems throughout the nation
- Formulate and implement economic development tools, models, and innovative techniques that will alleviate or prevent conditions of economic distress
- Formulate and implement economic development programs to increase regional and national capacity
- Evaluate the effectiveness and economic impact of programs, projects, and techniques to alleviate economic distress and promote economic development
- Disseminate information about effective programs, projects, and techniques that alleviate conditions of economic distress and promote economic development
- Assess, market, and establish business clusters and associations
- Perform other activities determined by EDA to be appropriate under the NTA program.

For more information, please visit <https://www.eda.gov/pdf/about/Research-and-Evaluation-Program-1-Pager.pdf>.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants for and eligible recipients of EDA investment assistance under this NOFO include a(n):

- District Organization
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State
- A private individual
- For-profit organization.

There are no submission deadlines under this NOFO. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until the termination of this NOFO or publication of a superseding RNTA NOFO.

Contact: For additional questions, please send an email to the RNTA Program at rnta@eda.gov.

Economic Development Research Program (EDRP)

Grantor: Center for Economic Development Research, Georgia Tech's Enterprise Innovation Institute

Due: Ongoing

Information: The Center for Economic Development Research at Georgia Tech's Enterprise Innovation Institute will be funding a new round of Economic Development Research Program (EDRP) projects and is looking for communities to submit their applications for research. The mission of EDRP is to assist local communities by providing affordable economic development and policy research to enhance their competitive positions. The types of research include strategic planning and visioning, economic forecasting, fiscal and economic impact analysis, community assessments, downtown development planning, and workforce analysis and planning to name a few. If your community has a need for economic development research, is willing to become actively involved in the project during the study phase and follow-up implementation, and is willing to provide some level of cost match, Georgia Tech and EDA want to partner with you to conduct the research. There are limited funds available and projects will be chosen based on local commitment, likelihood of implementation, level of cost match, and obviously a match with the capabilities of the research team at Georgia Tech. We look forward to getting your applications and partnering with you to meet your community's research needs.

Eligibility: Any local government in the southeastern United States

Contact: Visit <http://cedr.gatech.edu/edrp/> for more details about the program, or contact Candice McKie at cmckie@gatech.edu or 404.385.2053.

EDGE Fund

Grantor: OneGeorgia Authority and Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Due: Applications must arrive at DCA by 4:00 PM on the 2nd Friday of January, April, July and October of each year

Eligible Applicants: A local development authority must be the applicant for an EDGE application and the application must be supported by a recommendation letter from a state agency, typically the Georgia Department of Economic Development.

Information: The purpose of the EDGE Fund is to provide financial assistance to eligible applicants that are being considered as a relocation or expansion site and are competing with another state for location of a project; and, where the EDGE Fund is used when the health, welfare, safety and economic security of the citizens of the state are promoted through the development and/or retention of employment opportunities.

For more information, please visit <https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding/onegeorgia-authority/edge-fund>.

How to Apply: Apply via the DCA with forms found at <https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding/onegeorgia-authority/edge-fund>.

Contact: Anna Hensley | Email: anna.hensley@dca.ga.gov

Equity Fund

Grantor: OneGeorgia Authority and Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Due: Applications must arrive at DCA by 4:00 PM on the 2nd Friday of January, April, July and October of each year

Eligible Applicants: Eligible recipients of grant and loan funds include general-purpose local governments (municipalities and counties), local government authorities and joint or multi-county development authorities in rural counties suffering from high poverty rates. Sub-recipients may be a for-profit entity or non-profit. Financial underwriting of a sub-recipient company is required. All applicants are urged to consider using Equity Fund monies only when other funding is not available or not sufficient to address project needs. OneGeorgia Equity should be viewed as funding of last resort when no other public or private funding is available. View the eligibility map at

https://www.dca.ga.gov/sites/default/files/onegeorgia_official_map_12_2014_0.pdf.

Information: The purpose of the Equity Fund is to provide a program of financial assistance that includes grants, loans and any other forms of assistance authorized by (O.C.G.A.50-34-1 et seq.) to finance activities that will assist applicants in promoting the health, welfare, safety, and economic security of the citizens of the state through the development and retention of employment opportunities in areas of greater need as defined by the Georgia Business Expansion and Support Act of 1994, as amended (O.C.G.A.48-7-40).

For more information, please visit <https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding/onegeorgia-authority/equity-fund>.

How to Apply: Apply via the DCA with forms found at <https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding/onegeorgia-authority/equity-fund>.

Contact: Anna Hensley | Email: anna.hensley@dca.ga.gov

Georgia-Pacific Foundation Grants

Grantor: Georgia-Pacific

Due: October 31, 2020

Information: The Georgia-Pacific Foundation, established in 1958, funds grants for charitable purposes. As a good corporate citizen, Georgia-Pacific creates value in its communities by addressing mutual issues of importance which improve the quality of life in the communities where our employees live and work. The Georgia-Pacific Foundation uses its Four Focus Areas (Four E's): Education, Environment, Enrichment of Community and Entrepreneurship as guideposts for giving, both in terms of grants provided to nonprofit organizations and in decision-making around employee participation in company-sponsored volunteer programs. The Four E's enables us to ensure that our charitable giving creates value and translates into strengthening our communities. For more information, please visit

<https://www.gp.com/community/foundation-faqs>.

Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs

Grantor: U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Due: Ongoing until funds are expended

Information: The Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) programs provide economically distressed communities and regions with comprehensive and flexible resources to address a wide variety of economic needs. Projects funded by these programs will support work in Opportunity Zones and will support the mission of the Department by, among other things, leading to the creation and retention of jobs and increased private investment, advancing innovation, enhancing the manufacturing capacities of regions, providing workforce development opportunities, and growing ecosystems that attract foreign direct investment. For more information, please visit <https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Private institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); City or township governments; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; State governments; Special district governments; County governments; Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Contact: EDA staff provides technical assistance to prospective applicants to assist in application development and submission. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the EDA representative listed for Georgia: Jonathan Corso | 401 West Peachtree Street, NW | Suite 1820 | Atlanta, GA 30308-3510 | Email: jcorso@eda.gov | Phone: 404.809.7094

Regional Economic Business Assistance (REBA)

Grantor: Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Due: Ongoing

Eligible Applicants: local development authorities in Georgia

Information: REBA is an incentive program that is used to help "close the deal" when companies are considering Georgia and another state or country for their location or expansion. REBA funds may be used to finance various fixed-asset needs of a company including infrastructure, real estate acquisition, construction, or machinery and equipment. A local development authority must be the applicant for a REBA application and the application must be supported by a recommendation letter from a state agency, typically the Georgia Department of Economic Development.

Contact: For more information or to apply, please email Sherron Alexander Jackson at sherron.alexanderjackson@dca.ga.gov and visit <https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/regional-economic-business-assistance-reba>.

Renaissance Strategic Visioning and Planning Process (RSVP)

Grantor: Carl Vinson Institute of Government, University of Georgia

Due: Ongoing

Information: The Downtown Renaissance Strategic Visioning and Planning Process assists downtowns through the creation of a community-supported vision, plan, and implementation program. The RSVP is both a downtown master planning process and a downtown planning document that illustrates the community's vision for the future and provides the steps to get there. Driven by a robust public input process that seeks the participation of all community members, RSVPs help local governments and community partners prioritize top downtown issues and work to establish a consensus around what must be achieved in the short and long-term.

For more information, please visit <https://cviog.uga.edu/services-and-research/planning-and-environmental-services/rsvp.html>.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are cities in the State of Georgia with downtowns.

Contact: Danny Bivins | Email: dbivins@uga.edu | Phone: 706.583.0856

Robert W. Woodruff Foundation Grant

Grantor: Robert W. Woodruff

Due: August 15, 2020

Information: The Robert W. Woodruff Foundation is an independent private foundation that seeks to improve the quality of life in Georgia by investing in health, education, economic opportunity and community vitality. In any given year, the Foundation may receive more than 350 grant requests. Due to program priorities and rigorous evaluation, about one in seven requests is approved for funding.

For more information, please visit <http://woodruff.org/grants-program/program-areas/community-development/>.

Eligibility: Your organization may be eligible for a grant if it:

- Is a 501(c)(3) public charity.
- Is located or operating in Georgia.
- Aligns with the Foundation's program interests in **Health, Education, Environment, Human Services, Arts & Culture** or **Community Development**.

Contact: Please review the **FAQs** for answers to common questions. If you have additional questions about the grantmaking process or programs, please contact Jenny Morgan at morgan@woodruff.org. If you require technical assistance with the grant portal, please contact Emily Patteson at patteson@woodruff.org.

State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI)

Grantor: Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Due: Ongoing

Eligible Applicants: local development authorities in Georgia

Information: The Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 (the “Act”) became law in the fall of 2010. The Act created the State Small Business Credit Initiative, funded with \$1.5 billion to strengthen state lending programs that support small businesses and manufacturers. Of the total amount funded, Georgia was allocated \$48,024,748.

The State of Georgia application to the U.S. Treasury was approved and the allocation agreement executed in December 2011. GHFA EDFI/Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) is the administrator of the program. Per the agreement, the oversight with the U.S. Treasury expired on March 31, 2017.

Currently, Georgia’s SSBCI offers two programs.

1. GA LPP (Georgia Loan Participation Program) is a program where the State purchases a participation of up to 25% of an approved loan, for loans ranging from \$100,000 to \$5,000,000. (Maximum participation amount depending on program liquidity) Current Maximum participation is \$250,000.
2. Georgia SBCG (Small Business Credit Guaranty) is a 50% loan guaranty program with a current maximum loan amount of \$400,000 with a \$200,000 guarantee.

Contact: For more information or to apply, please email ssbci.manager@dca.ga.gov and visit

<https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/state-small-business-credit-initiative-ssbci>.

Technical Assistance - Building Blocks for Equitable Development

Grantor: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Due: July 2, 2020

Information: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to announce opportunities for two communities located in EPA Regions 2, 3, or 4 (which covers Georgia) to receive no-cost planning technical assistance on the topic of Building Blocks for Equitable Development. This program is geared toward communities that are relatively new to equitable development planning, but that have capacity to implement some policy recommendations tailored to their circumstances.

Letters of interest (applications) are due by email to Alexis Rourk from EPA's Office of Community Revitalization at Rourk.alexis@epa.gov by 6:00 P.M. EDT on July 2, 2020.

Equitable development is about more than affordable housing - it also includes other factors that contribute to residents' quality of life, such as access to high-quality employment; safe, walkable, and bike-friendly neighborhoods; transportation connections; environmentally-safe and healthy communities; support for local culture; and other amenities and community institutions. Through this process, each selected community will select one or two of these factors, along with a local site or area, to target for an initial action plan. For this round of assistance, special consideration will be given to communities that present challenges related to equitable development of public/open spaces.

For this program, EPA defines 'community' as a neighborhood or small set of neighborhoods that is represented in this process by a local government or neighborhood or community organization that is acknowledged by the local government. Communities most appropriate for Building Blocks recognize they have concerns or challenges around development and are initiating efforts to address a specific local issue.

Through their application, communities will be asked to demonstrate their commitment to meaningful and diverse participation. Selected communities will also be expected to complete a self-assessment and other exercises to examine and document key local data related to these factors. EPA plans to select communities that have adequate organizational capacity and are in the early- to mid-planning stages of addressing a specific issue related to equitable development.

This technical assistance is intended to support community members in coming together to discuss where they have been, where they are today, and how they can play a role in shaping where they are going. An important aspect of this assistance will include modeling and guiding community leads as they implement new outreach and participatory strategies, create a digital community asset map with support from EPA staff, and develop actions for a local site or area that can serve as a starting point for inclusive progress.

For more information, please visit <https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/smart-growth-technical-assistance-programs>.

Contact: Alexis Rourk | EPA's Office of Community Revitalization | Email: Rourk.alexis@epa.gov

USDA Rural Business Development Grants

Grantor: U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Due: Ongoing

Information: This program is designed to provide technical assistance and training for small rural businesses. Small means that the business has fewer than 50 new workers and less than \$1 million in gross revenue. Rural public entities may apply for this program, including, but not limited to towns, communities, state agencies, authorities, nonprofit corporations, institutions of higher education, federally-recognized tribes, and rural cooperatives (if organized as a private nonprofit corporation). Rural Business Development Grant money must be used for projects that benefit rural areas or towns outside the urbanized periphery of any city with a population of 50,000 or more. Check **eligible areas**. There is no maximum grant amount; however, smaller requests are given higher priority. There is no cost sharing requirement. Opportunity grants are limited to up to 10 percent of the total Rural Business Development Grant annual funding. For more information, please visit <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-business-development-grants>.

Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities (WORC)

Grantor: U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)

Due: July 29, 2020

Information: This announcement solicits applications for the WORC Initiative for grants serving the Appalachian and Delta regions. The purpose of this program is to demonstrate the alignment of regionally driven, comprehensive approaches to addressing economic distress and the necessary workforce development activities to ensure a workforce capable of succeeding in current and future job opportunities. Successful long-term economic growth strategies build upon bottom-up, community-led plans that promote economic resilience and maximize regional strengths. The WORC Initiative grants take a long-term view toward assisting eligible communities in diversifying their economies by investing in local strategies developed by regional partners. This long-term view also acknowledges the impact of the opioid crisis and the significant challenges it presents to a community's workforce. To address these challenges, the Employment and Training Administration encourages applicants to include within their applications strategies to address the employment and training needs of individuals affected by substance use disorder in their communities.

For more information, please visit <https://www.gacities.com/GeorgiaCitiesSite/media/PDF/WORC-FOA-ETA-20-04.pdf>.

Eligibility: The following are eligible entities:

- State Government
- County Government
- City or Township Government
- Special District Government
- Regional Organization
- State or Local Workforce Development Board
- Independent School District
- Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education
- Indian/Native American Tribal Government (Federally Recognized)
- Indian/Native American Tribal Government (Other than Federally Recognized)
- Indian/Native American Tribally Designated Organization
- Public/Indian Housing Organization
- Nonprofit Organization with IRS 501(c)(3) Status
- Nonprofit Organization without IRS 501(c)(3) Status
- Private Institution of Higher Education
- Hispanic-serving Institution
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)
- Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCUs)

Contact: Please contact Jenifer McEnery, Grants Management Specialist, at mcenery.jenifer@dol.gov.

Distance Learning & Telemedicine Grants

Grantor: U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Due: July 13, 2020

Information: The Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) program helps rural communities use the unique capabilities of telecommunications to connect to each other and to the world, overcoming the effects of remoteness and low population density.

DLT grant funds support the use of telecommunications-enabled information, audio and video equipment, and related advanced technologies by students, teachers, medical professionals, and rural residents. For example, this program can link teachers and medical service providers in one area to students and patients in another.

Grant funds may be used for:

- Acquisition of eligible capital assets, such as
 - Broadband transmission facilities
 - Audio, video and interactive video equipment
 - Terminal and data terminal equipment
 - Computer hardware, network components and software
 - Inside wiring and similar infrastructure that further DLT services
- Acquisition of instructional programming that is a capital asset
- Acquisition of technical assistance and instruction for using eligible equipment

Eligibility: Eligible applicants include most entities that provide education or health care through telecommunications, including: Most State and local governmental entities; Federally-recognized Tribes; Non-profits; For-profit businesses; Consortia of eligible entities.

Contact: Andrew E. Hayes | General Field Representative for Georgia | 101 Marketside Ave. | Suite 404-9 | Ponte Vedra, FL 32081 | Email: dltinfo@usda.gov or andrew.hayes@usda.gov | Phone: 202.720.0800 or 770.312.7073 | Web: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants>

Local Government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement (STAR) Program

Grantor: Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD)

Due: December 31, 2020

Information: The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is committed to cleaning up scrap tires in Georgia and encourages local governments to assist with this effort by applying to the Local Government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement (STAR) Program. For more information, please visit <https://epd.georgia.gov/star-program>.

Eligibility: Cities, counties, and solid waste management authorities are eligible for this program that covers the costs of removing, transporting, and processing scrap tires cleaned up from scrap tire dumps; removed from city and county right-of-ways; and collected during scrap tire amnesty events. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and awarded first-come, first-served, contingent on funding availability and demand. EPD is currently only accepting applications for events planned through June 30, 2020. Starting May 1, 2020, we will accept applications for events that begin after July 1, 2020.

Contact: For more information, please review the [general program guidelines](#), consult the [online FAQs](#), email epd.star@dnr.ga.gov, or call 404.362.2537.

Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements

Grantor: U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Due: September 30, 2020

Information: The Rural Energy for America Program will provide funds to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to install renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. The Rural Energy for America Program is designed to help agricultural producers and rural small businesses reduce energy costs and consumption and help meet the nations critical energy needs. The grants are awarded on a competitive basis. For more information, please visit <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=321976>.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are agricultural producers and rural small businesses. All agricultural producers, including farmers and ranchers, who gain 50% or more of their gross income from the agricultural operations are eligible. Small businesses that are located in a rural area can also apply. Rural electric cooperatives may also be eligible to apply.

Solar Resiliency Technical Assistance Program



Grantor: Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA)

Due: Application is open until funds are exhausted

Information: GEFA is providing feasibility studies and professional technical assistance for local governments in solar energy and storage resiliency. The program will help local governments create resilient critical facilities using solar plus energy storage and identify the technical solutions available to achieve the highest and best use of their resources.

The feasibility study is free for the local government and will include:

- Researching project options
- Site visit to review project options, gather information and provide technical guidance
- Engineering cost estimates for proposed technology
- Help defining project parameters
- Economic modeling, and
- Preparation of preliminary project budget(s).

Currently, there is no application deadline, and funds will be awarded until they are exhausted. For more information, please visit <https://gefa.georgia.gov/solar-resiliency-technical-assistance-program>.

Eligibility: Applicants must be a Georgia city, county or registered local government authority.

Contact: For more information, please contact Kelly Cutts at 404.584.1089 or kcutts@gefa.ga.gov.

PeopleForBikes Community Grant Program

Grantor: PeopleForBikes

Due: July 24, 2020 (application opens June 15, 2020)

Information: The PeopleForBikes Community Grant Program supports bicycle infrastructure projects and targeted advocacy initiatives that make it easier and safer for people of all ages and abilities to ride. PeopleForBikes focuses most grant funds on bicycle infrastructure projects such as: Bike paths, lanes, trails, and bridges; Mountain bike facilities; Bike parks and pump tracks; BMX facilities; End-of-trip facilities such as bike racks, bike parking, bike repair stations and bike storage. We also fund some advocacy projects, such as: Programs that transform city streets, such as Ciclovías or Open Streets Days; Campaigns to increase the investment in bicycle infrastructure. PeopleForBikes will fund engineering and design work, construction costs including materials, labor, and equipment rental, and reasonable volunteer support costs. For advocacy projects, we will fund staffing that is directly related to accomplishing the goals of the initiative. PeopleForBikes accepts requests for funding of up to \$10,000. We do not require a specific percentage match, but we do look at leverage and funding partnerships very carefully. We will not consider grant requests in which our funding would amount to 50% or more of the project budget.

Eligibility: PeopleForBikes accepts grant applications from non-profit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development, from city or county agencies or departments, and from state or federal agencies working locally.

Contact: Zoe Kircos, Director of Grants and Partnerships | Email: zoe@peopleforbikes.org | Phone: 303.449.4893 x106

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

Grantor: Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)

Due: July 31, 2020

Information: Georgia DOT partners with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in facilitating and providing an opportunity for local governments to pursue non-traditional transportation related activities such as pedestrian facilities, bicycle facilities, and pedestrian streetscaping projects. TAP improves the quality of life for citizens in communities across the state by providing local governments the means to pursue projects that might not otherwise be possible. Applicants must demonstrate the following:

- The project is financially feasible
- Capacity of providing required matching funds, completing the project and planning for its ongoing maintenance of required items
- The Local Public Agency must be adequately staffed and suitably equipped to undertake and satisfactorily complete the project
- The Local Public Agency must provide a full-time employee to be in responsible charge of the project
- The Local Public Agency must be Local Administered Project (LAP) certified by GDOT according to Departmental policies and Federal Highway Administration Guidelines
- Refer to the [LAP Manual](#) for additional information and assistance regarding LAP Certification.

Eligibility: Local governments; Regional Transportation Authorities; Transit Agencies; Natural Resources or public lands agencies; School districts, local education agencies or schools; Tribal governments; Any other local or regional governmental entity with responsibility for oversight of transportation or recreational trails (other than a MPO or a state agency that the state determines to be eligible)

Eligible Projects: Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities; Streetscape Improvements; Safe Routes to School Program
Please visit <http://www.dot.ga.gov/IS/Funding/TAP> for more information.

Contact: Please email your comments and questions about the TAP program to TAPapplications@dot.ga.gov.

Grants for Arts Projects

Grantor: National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Due: July 9, 2020

Information: Grants for Arts Projects is the National Endowment for the Arts' principal grants program. Through project-based funding, this program supports public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation, the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of the arts into the fabric of community life. Projects may be large or small, existing or new, and may take place in any part of the nation's 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. While we welcome applications for a variety of artistically excellent projects, we encourage projects that address any of the following activities below: Celebrate America's creativity and/or cultural heritage.

Invite a dialogue that fosters a mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all persons and groups.

Enrich our humanity by broadening our understanding of ourselves as individuals and as a society.

In the spirit of White House Executive Orders that encourage federal agencies to engage with typically underserved constituencies, the National Endowment for the Arts encourages applications from:

- Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Tribal Colleges and Universities
- American Indian and Alaska Native tribes
- African American Serving Institutions
- Hispanic Serving Institutions
- Asian American and Pacific Islander communities, and
- Organizations that support the independence and lifelong inclusion of people with disabilities.

For more information, please visit <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/gap/grant-program-description>.

Eligibility: Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply. Applicants may be arts organizations, local arts agencies, arts service organizations, local education agencies (school districts), and other organizations that can help advance the goals of the National Endowment for the Arts. Matching grants generally will range from \$10,000 to \$100,000. No grants will be made below \$10,000. Grants of \$100,000 or more will be made only in rare instances, and only for projects that NEA determines demonstrate exceptional national or regional significance and impact. In the past few years, well over half of the agency's grants have been for amounts less than \$25,000.

Contact: Please see the [online FAQs](#) or the [Agency contacts website](#) to determine the appropriate staff contact for each discipline for which you are applying.

Multi-Sport Courts Grant

Grantor: KaBOOM!

Due: December 31, 2020

Information: Sports courts help communities address a lack of play opportunities for older youth that no longer play on playgrounds. The interlocking panels are easy to install and maintain. Sports courts provide communities with a wide variety of different sports using the same space — such as basketball, hockey, volleyball and many other games. Sports courts applications are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year. For more information, please visit https://kaboom.org/grants/multi_sport_courts.

Eligibility: Applicants must:

- Serve youth from low-income population and demonstrate the need for an engaging space for kids and older youth to play sports.
- Work with the community, with guidance from a dedicated KaBOOM! Project Manager, to fundraise toward the cost of equipment.
- Own the land on which you wish to build, or have a long-term lease and get permission from the landowner to construct a sports court.
- Demonstrate ability to recruit a team of parents, neighbors, and community members who are excited about serving on the planning committee for an eight to ten week period, plus recruit approximately 100-200 community members to participate on Build Day.
- Complete any needed site preparation to create a flat asphalt or concrete slab with dimensions of 64 feet by 40 feet or 74 feet by 42 feet.
- Secure soil tests, utility checks, and build permits in a timely manner.
- Identify community resources to secure additional in-kind contributions such as breakfast and lunch for Build Week, tools, restroom facilities and a dumpster.
- Accept ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the sports court upon completion of project.

The KaBOOM! Multi-sport Courts program provides the facilitation and support of an experienced Project Manager as community members embark on an eight- to ten-week planning process. After selection, all partners will join together for a community Design Day, inviting the youth that will utilize the Sports Court to design their new playspace.

The planning process culminates in a six-hour community-build day, where your community will transform your space to include a permanent play structure and site enhancements that make the space unique to your community. Site enhancements vary for each project due to location, budget and scope of project.

Contact: Please see the online FAQs at <https://kaboom.org/grants/faq> or email apply@kaboom.org if you have additional questions.

Our Town Program

Grantor: National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Due: August 6, 2020

Information: Our Town is the National Endowment for the Arts' creative placemaking grants program. These grants support projects that integrate arts, culture, and design activities into efforts that strengthen communities by advancing local economic, physical, and/or social outcomes. Successful Our Town projects ultimately lay the groundwork for systemic changes that sustain the integration of arts, culture, and design into strategies for strengthening communities. NEA encourages applications for artistically excellent projects that:

- Bring new attention to or elevate key community assets and issues, voices of residents, local history, or cultural infrastructure.
- Inject new or additional energy, resources, activity, people, or enthusiasm into a place, community issue, or local economy.
- Envision new possibilities for a community or place - a new future, a new way of overcoming a challenge, or approaching problem-solving.
- Connect communities, people, places, and economic opportunity via physical spaces or new relationships.

The National Endowment for the Arts plans to support a variety of projects across the country in urban, rural, and tribal communities of all sizes.

For more information, please visit <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/grant-program-description>.

Eligibility: All applications require partnerships that involve at least two primary partners as defined by these guidelines: a nonprofit organization and a local governmental entity. One of the two primary partners must be a cultural (arts or design) organization. Additional partners are encouraged.

One of the two primary partners must act as the official applicant (lead applicant). This lead applicant must meet the eligibility requirements, submit the application, and assume full responsibility for the grant.

Eligible lead applicants are:

- Nonprofit tax-exempt 501(c)(3) U.S. organizations with a documented completed three-year history of programming. For the purpose of defining eligibility, "three-year history" refers to when an organization began its programming and not when it incorporated or received nonprofit, tax-exempt status.
- Local governments. For the purposes of these guidelines, local governments are defined as counties, parishes, cities, towns, villages, or federally recognized tribal governments. Local arts agencies or other departments, agencies, or entities within an eligible local government may submit the application on behalf of that local government. The following do not qualify as local governments: state level government agencies, other state-designated entities, state higher education institutions, regional governments and entities, quasi-government organizations, regional planning organizations, and business improvement districts.

Contact: Please email staff at please contact the staff at OT@arts.gov.

Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grants

Grantor: Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation

Due: August 19, 2020

Information: The mission of the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation is to impact the lifesaving capabilities and the lives of local heroes and their communities. This is accomplished by providing lifesaving equipment and prevention education tools to first responders and public safety organizations.

Funding Areas:

- Life-Saving Equipment - Provide first responders with life-saving equipment.
- Prevention Education - Provide prevention education tools to the public about the importance of public safety in order to prevent disasters in the home and community.
- Scholarships and Continued Education - Provide financial resources or continued education to individuals pursuing a career in public safety.
- Disaster Relief - Provide assistance and resources during and after natural and man-made disasters such as fires, tornadoes, hurricanes, etc.
- Support for Members of the Military - Benefit men and women of the military who have served their country in any of the branches of the United States Uniformed Services.

For more information, please visit <https://firehousesubsfoundation.org/grant-faqs/>.

Eligibility: Fire departments, law enforcement, EMS, public safety organizations, non-profits and schools are encouraged to apply for lifesaving equipment.

Contact: Please email foundation@firehousesubs.com for questions related to this grant.

HELP (Hazmat Emergency Local Preparedness) Award

Grantor: CHEMTREC

Due: September 1, 2020

Information: CHEMTREC has partnered with the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) to award \$10,000 to two volunteer fire departments in the U.S. that are also members of the NVFC. The awards are intended to help the fire departments enhance their response capabilities and increase local preparedness to respond to and prepare for hazardous materials incidents.

For more information, please visit <https://www.chemtrec.com/emergency-responders/help-award>.

Eligibility: Department must be all-volunteer or mostly-volunteer (over 50%).

- Department must serve a population of 25,000 or less.
- Department must be located in the United States and be legally organized under state law.
- Department or individual applying on behalf of the department must be a member of the NVFC. Learn about member benefits and join at www.nvfc.org/BeYourBest.
- Department must demonstrate their need to receive the \$10,000 award and in the application essay must describe the equipment, resources, and/or training the department would purchase and/or the training they would attend to increase their response capabilities for hazardous materials incidents. Please also describe the potential hazardous materials incidents that could occur in your community.

Contact: Erica Bernstein | Director – Outreach | Phone: 703.741.5524 | Email: ebernstein@chemtrec.com

Victims of Crime Act Grant Program (VOCA Georgia)

Grantor: Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Due: August 14, 2020

Information: The VOCA Formula Grant Program, created under the 1984 Victims of Crime Act, provides federal funding to support victim assistance and compensation programs, to provide training for diverse professionals who work with victims, to develop projects to enhance victims' rights and services, and to undertake public education and awareness activities on behalf of crime victims. The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) provides federal funds to support victim assistance and compensation programs around the country. The Crime Victims' Fund is the source of funding for these programs. Millions of dollars are deposited into the Crime Victims' Fund annually from criminal fines, forfeited bail bonds, penalties, and special assessments collected by U.S. Attorneys' Offices, federal U.S. courts, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons. To date, Crime Victims' Fund dollars have always come from offenders convicted of federal crimes, not from taxpayers. According to the 2016 VOCA Program Rules, direct services or services to victims of crime are defined as those efforts that (1) respond to the emotional, psychological, and physical needs of crime victims, (2) assist victims to stabilize their lives after victimization, (3) assist victims to understand and participate in the criminal justice system, or (4) restore a measure of safety and security for the victim. For the purpose of the VOCA Crime Victim Assistance grant program, a crime victim or victim of crime is a person who has suffered physical, sexual, financial, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime. Generally, funding cannot be used for the investigation of crimes or collection of evidence to further the prosecution of crimes.

For more information, please visit <https://cjcc.georgia.gov/grants/funding-opportunities/current-grant-opportunities>.

Eligibility: Awards are limited to organizations that provide services to crime victims and are operated by a public agency, a nonprofit organization, or a combination of such agencies or organizations. Service provision must be available to crime victims regardless of victims' participation in the criminal justice system and immigration status. Please note any award made pursuant to this solicitation is dependent upon the receipt and availability of federal grant awards and any requirements or conditions attached thereto.

An eligible applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be a non-profit organization or a public government entity
- Serve as the fiscal agent for the grant and the point of contact to CJCC
- Be responsible, liable, and oversee financial, program, and post-award reporting requirements
- Be certified and eligible to receive Local Victim Assistance Program (LVAP) 5% funds, and
- Have a history of providing specialized, trauma-informed direct services to victims.

Contact: Jenny Aszman | Statewide Family Justice Center Coordinator | Email: Jenny.Aszman@cjcc.ga.gov

Kristy Carter | Victim Assistance Division Director | Email: Kristy.Carter@cjcc.ga.gov

2020 Homeowner Assistance Products

Grantor: Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta (FHLBank Atlanta)

Due: December 31, 2020

Information: Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta (FHLBank Atlanta) funding for its 2020 Homeowner Assistance Products is now available. The Homeowner Assistance Products are part of FHLBank Atlanta's Affordable Housing Program (AHP) and are designed to help eligible borrowers purchase or rehabilitate their home.

2020 Homeowner Assistance Products include

- **First-time Homebuyer Product:** The First-time Homebuyer Product provides up to \$5,000 in down-payment, closing-cost, and principal reduction assistance for eligible first-time homebuyers.
- **Community Partners Product:** The Community Partners Product provides up to \$7,500 in down-payment, closing-cost, and principal reduction assistance for homebuyers who are currently employed or retired law enforcement officers, educators, firefighters, health care workers, and other first responders.
- **Foreclosure Recovery Product:** The Foreclosure Recovery Product provides up to \$15,000 in down-payment, closing-cost, and principal reduction assistance for eligible homebuyers purchasing properties from the Real Estate Owned inventory of any FHLBank Atlanta member financial institution.
- **Community Rebuild and Restore Product:** The Community Rebuild and Restore Product provides up to \$10,000 in funding for the rehabilitation of an existing owner-occupied home in a "Major Disaster Declaration" area as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The homeowner must have at least 30 days of current ownership by life estate or full interest in the fee title and have ownership of the subject property at the time of the "Major Disaster Declaration."
- **Veterans Purchase Product:** The Veterans Purchase Product provides up to \$7,500 in down-payment, closing-cost, and principal reduction assistance for homebuyers who are veterans or active-duty members of the U.S. military, their spouses, or their surviving spouses.
- **Returning Veterans Purchase Product:** The Returning Veterans Purchase Product provides up to \$10,000 in down-payment, closing-cost, and principal reduction assistance for homebuyers who are currently serving or have served in an overseas military intervention for any branch of the U.S. military, their spouses, or their surviving spouses.

For more information, please visit <http://corp.fhlbatl.com/who-we-are/news/fhlbank-atlanta-announces-2020-funding-for-homeowners/>.

Eligibility: Eligibility criteria vary by program. Information on eligible borrowers, maximum subsidies, borrower minimum contributions, eligible use of funds, and eligible properties is available at <http://corp.fhlbatl.com/files/documents/ahp-setaside-brochure.pdf>.

Contact: Peter E. Garuccio | Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta | Email: pgaruccio@fhlbatl.com | Phone: 404.888.8143

Hurricane Irma Disaster Assistance Grant

Grantor: Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Due: July 15, 2020

Information: The Hurricane Irma Disaster Assistance Grant program is a one-time subgrant program to assist Georgia historic property owners with recovery from Hurricane Irma by addressing historic property needs unmet through other funding sources. This subgrant program has been made available through the award of a Hurricane Harvey, Irma, and Maria Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund grant from the National Park Service to the Historic Preservation Division, Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

For more information, please visit <https://georgiashpo.org/disaster-recovery-grants>.

Eligibility: Owners of historic buildings, structures, and objects in Georgia counties designated for general public assistance and individual assistance by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Hurricane Irma are eligible to apply.

The following counties were not designated for general or public assistance by FEMA for Hurricane Irma, and therefore historic resources located in these counties are ineligible for assistance: Bartow, Bleckley, Carroll, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Columbia, Dade, Douglas, DeKalb, Fannin, Fulton, Floyd, Gordon, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Richmond, Walker and Whitefield.

This is a reimbursement grant program, and there is a minimum project cost of \$5,000. No match is required. There is no maximum project cost, but the subgrant program will award up to \$400,000 in total.

Eligible projects include site-specific plans and specifications (pre-development) and construction (development) projects. Properties must be listed or eligible to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Contact: Melanie Holthaus, Grants Coordinator | Historic Preservation Division, GA DNR | 2610 GA Hwy 155 SW | Stockbridge, Georgia 30281 | Email: melanie.holthaus@dnr.ga.gov

Georgia offers a number of incentives to businesses looking to locate or expand in the state. Please see Georgia Department of Economic Development’s Business Incentives Brochure at <http://online.flowpaper.com/79590748/BusinessIncentivesBrochure/>.

Federal and Regional Agencies	State-Funded Agencies	State Departments
<p>Appalachian Regional Commission Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA) Rural Development (USDA) Small Business Administration Small Business Development Center Southern Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education</p>	<p>Charter Schools Commission Council for the Arts Council on Developmental Disabilities Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency Environmental Finance Authority Historical Records Advisory Council Humanities Council Road and Tollway Authority Soil and Water Conservation Commission South Arts Student Finance Commission Technology Authority of Georgia</p>	<p>Agriculture Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Coastal Resources Community Affairs Community Health Early Care and Learning Economic Development Education Entertainment Family and Children Services Forestry Highway Safety Historic Preservation Human Services Labor Land Conservation Natural Resources Public Health Student Achievement Transportation</p>

Grantor	Geographic Focus
Ameriprise Financial Community Relations Program	Communities served by the company
Anheuser-Busch Foundation	Primarily communities with company operations including Cartersville, Georgia
Bank of America Charitable Foundation	Communities served by the bank
Bank of America Philanthropic Solutions	The foundations primarily distribute grants in several states including Georgia
Bruner Foundation: The Rudy Bruner Award for Urban Excellence	The contiguous United States
Callaway Foundation	Primarily LaGrange and Troup County, Georgia
Canfor Corporate Sponsorship and Donation Program	Company communities including Moultrie and Thomasville, Georgia
Charles A. Frueauff Foundation	Several states including Georgia
Community Foundation for Northeast Georgia	Northeast Georgia
Community Foundation of West Georgia	Carroll, Haralson, and Heard counties in Georgia
Constellation Energy Community Giving Program	Communities with company operations
Cousins Properties Foundation	Primarily the Atlanta area
Cox Charitable Giving Program	Communities served by the company
CSX Community Investment Program	Primarily company communities
Dart Foundation	Emphasis on mid-Michigan, with additional grants provided in selected communities including Thomaston, Georgia
Delta Air Lines Sponsorship and Charitable Giving Program	Communities served by the company including College Park, Georgia
Ecolab Foundation	Communities with company facilities including Norcross, Georgia
Fifth Third Foundation	Communities where the Bank has a presence
Foundation for Rural Service Grant Program	Rural communities
Georgia Natural Gas Corporate Giving Program	Communities served by the company
Georgia-Pacific Foundation	Communities with company facilities including Albany, Monticello, Marietta, and Norcross, Georgia
Gulfstream Gives	Company communities
Ingles Markets Corporate Giving Program	Communities served by the company
Insperty Corporate Contributions Program	Communities within the company's district markets
Kaiser Permanente	Communities served by the company in several states including Georgia

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Kubota Cares	Rural communities
Lewis Hall and Mildred Sasser Singletary Foundation	Primarily southwest Georgia
Lockheed Martin Corporate Philanthropy Program	Emphasis on communities with company facilities, including Acworth, College Park, and Marietta, Georgia
Lowe's Small Toolbox for Education	Communities with company stores
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation	Georgia
MillerCoors Corporate Contributions Program	Emphasis on locations with company facilities including Albany, Georgia
National Rural Education Association	Rural areas throughout the U.S.
Nordson Corporation Foundation	Communities across the U.S. including Gwinnett, Dawson, and Emanuel counties, Georgia
North Georgia Community Foundation	Banks, Dawson, Fannin, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Jackson, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, and White counties in Georgia
Olin Corporation Charitable Trust	Communities with company facilities
OMNOVA Solutions Foundation	Communities with company facilities including Calhoun, Georgia
P&G Corporate Contributions Program	Primarily communities with company facilities including Albany, Georgia
Perdue Charitable Giving Program	Communities with a significant company presence including Forsyth, Georgia
QuikTrip Corporate Contributions Program	Communities with company facilities
Regions Charitable Giving Program	Communities served by the bank
Rural LISC Community Facilities Fund (Loan)	Nonprofits or public entities in rural communities
Robert W. Woodruff Foundation	Metropolitan Atlanta
Schwan Food Company Corporate Contributions Program	Communities with company operations including Cartersville, Georgia
Southern Partners Fund	Multiple states including Georgia
Southwest Airlines Charitable Giving Program	Primarily communities served by the company including College Park, Georgia
State Farm Good Neighbor Citizenship Company Grants Program	Company communities in the U.S.
SunTrust Foundation	Communities served by the bank
TechBridge Georgia Dream Big Technology Grant	Georgia
The Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation	Emphasis on Atlanta

Grantor	Geographic Focus
The Charles M. and Mary D. Grant Foundation	Multiple states including Georgia
The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta	Metropolitan Atlanta and surrounding counties
The Community Foundation of Central Georgia	Central Georgia
The Community Foundation of Northwest Georgia	Northwest Georgia, with emphasis on Bartow, Gordon, and Whitfield counties
The Gordon Charter Foundation	Chambers County in Alabama and Harris and Troup counties in Georgia
The Imlay Foundation	Primarily metropolitan Atlanta, GA, and Hilton Head, SC
The James M. Cox Foundation	Primarily communities with company operations, with emphasis on Atlanta, Georgia
The Kroger Company Foundation	Communities with company facilities
The Sapelo Foundation	Georgia
The Sara Giles Moore Foundation	Atlanta metropolitan area
The Sartain Lanier Family Foundation	Atlanta metropolitan area
The Scott Hudgens Family Foundation	Primarily the Gwinnett County community, and secondarily the metropolitan Atlanta community and the state of Georgia
Walgreens Charitable Donations Program	Primarily communities served by the company
Waste Management Charitable Giving Program	Communities with company operations
Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions Program	Communities served by the company
WestRock Foundation	Communities with company operations including Norcross, Georgia
Williams Family Foundation of Georgia	Primarily Thomasville, Georgia

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To search for new grants, loans, and other funding assistance, please visit:

- [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)
- [Georgia Municipal Association](https://www.ga.gov)
- [Georgia Department of Community Affairs](https://www.ga.gov)