



# U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development

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#### Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP)

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Loan or Grant

This program is designed to provide loans and grants to Microenterprise Development Organizations (MDOs) to:

- Help microenterprises startup and growth through a Rural Microloan Revolving Fund.
- Provide training and technical assistance to microloan borrowers and micro entrepreneurs

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-microentrepreneur-assistance-program

#### **Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants**

Deadline: Ongoing (accepted year-round)

Type: Grants

This program helps prevent damage or restore households and business' access to clean, reliable drinking water in eligible rural areas and towns following natural disasters (including drought, floor, earthquake, tornado, hurricane, disease outbreak, chemical spill/leak/seepage, and more). A federal disaster declaration is not required. Funding can improve the natural environment and encourage manufacturers and other businesses to locate or expand operations. Applications for this program are accepted year round. Eligible applicants include public bodies, non-profits, and federally recognized tribes. Eligible areas include rural areas with no more than 10,000 residents. <a href="https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/emergency-community-water-assistance-grants/ga">https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/emergency-community-water-assistance-grants/ga</a>

# Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Households (SEARCH)

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Technical Assistance

This program helps very small, financially distressed rural communities with predevelopment feasibility studies, design and technical assistance on proposed water and waste disposal projects. Eligible applicants include public bodies, non-profits, and federally recognized tribes. Eligible areas include rural areas with no more than 20,000 residents and a median household income below 80% of the state non-metropolitan median household income. Contact a specialist to discuss specific projects before applying.

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/search-special-evaluation-assistance-rural/ga



### **Economic Impact Initiative Grants**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant

This program provides funding to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural communities with extreme unemployment and severe economic depression. An essential community facility is one that provides an essential service to the local community, is needed for the orderly development of the community, serves a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial, or business undertakings. Eligible applicants include public bodies, non-profits, and federally recognized tribes. Eligible areas include rural areas with no more than 20,000 residents that have a "not employed rate" greater than 19.5%, and a median household income below 90% of the state non-metropolitan median household income. Contact a specialist to discuss specific projects before applying.

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities/economic-impact-initiative-grants/ga

#### **Rural Housing Preservation Grant**

Deadline: 7/11/22 Type: Grant

The Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) program provides grants to sponsoring organizations for the repair or rehabilitation of housing owned or occupied by low- and very-low-income rural citizens. Rural areas and towns with 20,000 or fewer people are eligible

Eligible expenses include: (1) Repairing or replacing electrical wiring, foundations, roofs, insulation, heating systems and water/waste disposal systems; (2) Handicap accessibility features; (3) Labor and materials; (4) Administrative expenses

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-programs/housing-preservation-grants



## U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration

### **Planning and Local Technical Assistance Programs**

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Technical Assistance

Under the **Planning** program, EDA makes Partnership Planning, Short-Term Planning, and State Planning awards to eligible recipients to create and implement regional economic development plans designed to build capacity and guide the economic prosperity and resiliency of an area or region. Under the **Local Technical Assistance** program, EDA makes awards to strengthen the capacity of local or State organizations, institutions of higher education, and other eligible entities to undertake and promote effective economic development programs through projects such as feasibility studies, impact analyses, disaster resiliency plans, and project planning.

Contact: Jonathan Corso at 404.809.7094 or icorso@eda.gov

https://www.eda.gov/files/programs/eda-programs/FY21-23-Planning-and-LTA-NOFO\_FINAL.pdf





## U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)

#### **Better Buildings Challenge**

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Technical Assistance

The Better Buildings Challenge is a voluntary leadership initiative that asks leading CEOs and executives of U.S. commercial and manufacturing companies, universities, school districts, multifamily residential organizations, data centers, and state and local governments to make a public commitment to energy efficiency.

What does an organization commit to? Partners commit to:

- Publicly pledge to improve energy intensity of the entire U.S. portfolio by at least 20% within 10 years announce, initiate, and complete at least one showcase project and one implementation model.
- Publicly announce an initial showcase project (e.g., retrofit, retro commissioning) within 6 months and initiate the project within 12 months.
- Announce the use of one or more energy efficiency implementation models within 6 months.
- Make available portfolio-wide, building level energy performance information within 12 months and track progress on an annual basis.

#### U.S. Department of Energy agrees to:

- Provide expert technical assistance and energy efficiency solution development assistance
- Connect partners with a network of allies (including financial organizations) that can help them achieve their energy savings pledges
- Publicly recognize partners for achieving energy and cost savings and applying innovative energy efficiency solutions.

Eligible Partners: Partners are commercial businesses, industrial corporations, data centers, universities, states, municipalities, and other building owners that make a public commitment to reduce energy consumption across their U.S. portfolios. Some cities also work with local businesses to assess opportunities and take action.

https://betterbuildingssolutioncenter.energy.gov/challenge/join





# U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications & Information Administration

#### NTIA Enabling Middle Mile Broadband Infrastructure Program

Deadline: 9/30/22 Type: Grant

The Middle Mile Broadband Infrastructure Grant (MMG) Program provides funding for the construction, improvement, or acquisition of middle mile infrastructure. The purpose of the grant program is to expand and extend middle mile infrastructure to reduce the cost of connecting areas that are unserved or underserved to the internet backbone.

Grants can be used for the construction, improvement, or acquisition of middle mile infrastructure, including:

- Construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment
- Engineering design, permitting and work related to project reviews
- Personnel costs, incl. salaries and benefits for staff and consultants
- Other costs necessary to programmatic activities

Cost Sharing / Matching: The amount of a middle mile grant awarded to an eligible entity through this program may not exceed 70 percent of the total project cost.

https://www.internetforall.gov/program/enabling-middle-mile-broadband-infrastructure-program



## U.S. Department of Transportation

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

Deadline: 9/15/22 Type: Grant

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) establishes the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary program that will provide \$5-6 billion in grants over the next 5 years. Funding supports regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. Eligible activities:

- Develop or update a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.
- Conduct planning, design, and development activities in support of an Action Plan.
- Carry out projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan.

https://www.transportation.gov/SS4A



## **Transportation Infrastructure Finance & Innovation Act (TIFIA)**

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Loan

The Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) program provides credit assistance for qualified projects of regional and national significance. Many large-scale, surface transportation projects - highway, transit, railroad, intermodal freight, and port access - are eligible for assistance. Eligible applicants include state and local governments, transit agencies, railroad companies, special authorities, special districts, and private entities. The TIFIA credit program is designed to fill market gaps and leverage substantial private co-investment by providing supplemental and subordinate capital. Each dollar of Federal funds can provide up to \$15 in TIFIA credit assistance and support up to \$50 in transportation infrastructure investment. https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/financing/tifia

# Transportation Infrastructure Finance & Innovation Act (TIFIA) Rural Project Initiative (RPI)

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Loan

The Rural Project Initiative is aimed at helping improve transportation infrastructure in America's rural communities. Eligible projects include: Roads, bridges and tunnels; Transit systems including infrastructure, bus and train stations, and buses and passenger rail vehicles and facilities; Intermodal connectors; Pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; Freight transfer facilities; Sea and inland waterway ports, and even; Airports - under certain circumstances. For the purposes of this initiative, a rural project is one that is located outside of an urbanized area with a population greater than 150,000 individuals as determined by the Bureau of Census.

https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/financing/tifia/tifia-rural-project-initiative-rpi

### **Reconnecting Communities Pilot Grants (RCP)**

Deadline: 10/13/22

Type: Grant

RCP funds can support planning, capital construction, and technical assistance to equitably and safely restore community connectivity through the removal, retrofit, mitigation, or replacement of eligible transportation infrastructure facilities that create barriers to mobility, access, or economic development. There are **Planning Grants** and **Capital Construction Grants** available.

https://www.transportation.gov/grants/reconnecting-communities

## Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety & Modernization Grant

Deadline: 7/25/22 Type: Grant

The funding opportunity is open to all municipal or community-owned utilities (excluding for-profit entities) seeking assistance in repairing, rehabilitating, or replacing high-risk, leak-prone natural gas distribution infrastructure. Funds can also be used to acquire equipment that will assist in reducing natural gas distribution pipeline incidents and fatalities, as well as to avoid economic loss from leaks.

https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=340638





#### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

## Continuum of Care Supplemental to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness

Deadline: 10/20/22

Type: Grant and Technical Assistance

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a first-of-its-kind package of resources to address unsheltered homelessness and homeless encampments, including funds set aside specifically to address homelessness in rural communities.

The \$322 million available under this NOFO will enhance communities' capacity to humanely and effectively address unsheltered homelessness by connecting vulnerable individuals and families to housing, healthcare, and supportive services. This Special NOFO strongly promotes partnerships with healthcare organizations, public housing authorities and mainstream housing providers, and people with lived expertise of homelessness.

https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/comm\_planning/coc/specialCoCNOFO



## U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

## **Targeted Brownfields Assessments (TBA)**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant

EPA's Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) program helps states, tribes, and municipalities minimize the uncertainties of contamination often associated with brownfield sites. This program supplements other efforts under the Brownfields Program to promote the cleanup and redevelopment of brownfield sites. TBAs are considered a grant of services and are conducted by environmental consultants currently under contract with EPA. It is important that the applicant currently have redevelopment plans for the contaminated property. The applicant should apply on behalf of a specific site which it currently owns or can obtain ownership through some other means (e.g. tax foreclosure). Contact: Camilla Warren at warren.camilla@epa.gov or 404.562.8519 https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/targeted-brownfields-assessments-tba



#### **Brownfields Job Training Grants**

Deadline: 8/2/22 Type: Grants

Brownfields Job Training programs recruit, train, and retain a local, skilled workforce by prioritizing unemployed and underemployed residents to obtain the skills and credentials needed for pathways into full-time employment in the environmental field.

While Brownfields Job Training Grants require training in brownfield assessment and/or cleanup activities, these grants also require that Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER) training be provided to all individuals being trained. EPA encourages applicants to develop their curricula based on local labor market assessments and employers' hiring needs, while also delivering comprehensive training that results in graduates securing multiple certifications.

https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/fy-2023-brownfields-job-training-jt-grants



#### National Endowment for the Arts

#### **Our Town Grants**

Deadline: 8/4/22 Type: Grant

Our Town is the NEA's creative placemaking grants program. Through project-based funding, the program supports activities that integrate arts, culture, and design into local efforts that strengthen communities. The Our Town program seeks to leverage creative placemaking and innovative partnerships in responding to evolving and emerging local community needs. These may include efforts to support artists and cultural organizations in addressing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, artist unemployment, racial inequity, and other needs that may not be clear at this specific time. Competitive projects often pilot new proposed activities and establish new or deepen existing cross-sector partnerships, while also demonstrating how they strive to lay the groundwork for long-term systems change. Grants range from \$25,000 to \$150,000, with a minimum cost share/match equal to the grant amount. 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. Local arts agencies or other departments, agencies, or entities within an eligible local government may submit the application on behalf of that local government. https://www.arts.gov/grants/our-town



## **Public Humanities Projects**

Deadline: 8/10/22 Type: Grant

The Public Humanities Projects program supports projects that bring the ideas of the humanities to life for general audiences through public programming. Small and mid-sized organizations are especially encouraged to apply. The NEA likewise welcomes humanities projects tailored to particular groups, such as families, youth (including K-12 students in informal educational settings), underserved communities, and veterans. Awards support projects that are intended to reach broad and diverse public audiences in non-classroom settings in the United States. Projects should engage with ideas that are accessible to the general public and employ appealing interpretive formats. Public Humanities Projects supports projects in three categories (Exhibitions, Historic Places, and Humanities Discussions), and at two funding levels (Planning and Implementation). Proposed projects may include complementary components: for example, a museum exhibition might be accompanied by a website or mobile app.

https://www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects



#### National Endowment for the Humanities

## **Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants**

Deadline: 9/27/22 Type: Grant

The purpose of the program is to strengthen the institutional base of the humanities by enabling infrastructure development and capacity building. Awards of federal matching funds aim to help institutions secure long-term support for their core activities and expand efforts to preserve and create access to outstanding humanities materials. The program supports two distinct types of projects, each with its own Notice of Funding Opportunity:

- Capital Projects support the purchase, design, construction, restoration, or renovation of
  facilities for humanities activities. This includes costs related to planning as well as the
  purchase and installation of related moveable and permanently affixed equipment for
  exhibiting, maintaining, monitoring, and protecting collections (whether on exhibit or in
  storage), and for critical building systems, such as electrical, heating ventilation and air
  conditioning, security, life safety, lighting, utilities, telecommunications, and energy
  management.
- **Digital Infrastructure** supports the maintenance, modernization, and sustainability of existing digital scholarly projects and platforms.

https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/infrastructure-and-capacity-building-challenge-grants





#### National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

community engagement, planning and project design.

#### America the Beautiful Challenge (ATBC) 2022

Deadline: 7/21/22 Type: Grant

In year one of the ATBC approximately \$85 million will be awarded in nationwide funding to advance the America the Beautiful Initiative and its goals to connect and restore the lands, waters, and wildlife upon which we all depend. In the first year, ATBC will seek to fund projects across the following themes:

- 1. Conserving and restoring rivers, coasts, wetlands and watersheds
- 2. Conserving and restoring forests, grasslands and other important ecosystems that serve as carbon sinks
- 3. Connecting and reconnecting wildlife corridors, large landscapes, watersheds and seascapes
- 4. Improving ecosystem and community resilience to flooding, drought and other climaterelated threats
- 5. Expanding access to the outdoors, particularly in underserved communities ATBC will prioritize proposals that implement voluntary large-scale, on-the-ground conservation activities or otherwise lead to on-the-ground implementation through capacity building,

https://www.nfwf.org/programs/america-beautiful-challenge/america-beautiful-challenge-2022-request-proposals





#### National Park Service

#### **Underrepresented Community Grants**

Deadline: 8/10/22 Type: Grant

The National Park Service's Underrepresented Communities Grant Program (URC) is now accepting applications for FY2022 competitive grants. The National Park Service's Underrepresented Community Grant Program (URC) works towards diversifying the nominations submitted to the National Register of Historic Places. URC grants are funded by the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF), and are administered by the NPS. Projects include surveys and inventories of historic properties associated with communities underrepresented in the National Register, as well as the development of nominations to the National Register for specific sites. Congress has appropriated \$1.25 million for the URC Grant Program. Eligible applicants are limited to State Historic Preservation Offices, Federally Recognized Tribes, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations, and Certified Local Governments. This grant program supports the survey, inventory, and designation of historic properties that are associated with communities currently underrepresented in the National Register of Historic Places and among National Historic Landmarks. All funded projects must result in:

- The submission of a new nomination to the National Register of Historic Places or National Historic Landmark program, *or*
- An amendment to an existing National Register or National Historic Landmark nomination to include underrepresented communities

https://www.nps.gov/articles/000/underrepresented-communities-grants-opportunity.htm

#### **Battlefield Restoration Grants**

Deadline: 8/17/22 Type: Grant

Battlefield Restoration Grants (BARE) support preservation partners across the country in their effort to restore eligible American Revolution, War of 1812, and Civil War sites to day-of battle conditions. By restoring landscapes, grant recipients can preserve important historic sites at the same time they are conserving open spaces, protecting natural resources, and providing public access to the sites of our shared heritage. The grant program provides up to 50% in matching funds for scoping or implementation grants, allowing preservationists, property owners, and local communities to define, articulate, and realize their shared vision for these special places. Projects eligible for this grant opportunity include preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration activities for properties acquired with the assistance of an NPS Battlefield Land Acquisition Grant (more on eligibility below). The American Battlefield Protection Program invites Tribal, State, and local governments and nonprofit organizations to apply for this funding opportunity. All grants will be evaluated and awarded through a competitive merit review process.

https://www.nps.gov/orgs/2287/battlefield-restoration-grants.htm



#### **History of Equal Rights Grants**

Deadline: 9/14/22 Type: Grant

Funded through the Historic Preservation Fund, the History of Equal Rights grant program preserves sites related to the struggle for any or all people to achieve equal rights in America. Grants are available for planning and "bricks and mortar" preservation/conservation work on historic buildings and structures. Eligible costs for preservation projects include: architectural services, historic structure reports, preservation plans, and physical preservation to structures. Grants will be awarded through a competitive process and do not require non-Federal funding match. This program funds physical preservation work and pre-preservation planning activities for sites that are listed in or determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark. Should a site not be listed, or not listed for its association with equal rights, then a new nomination or amendment must be created as part of the grant project. https://www.nps.gov/subjects/historicpreservationfund/history-of-equal-rights.htm



#### Appalachian Regional Commission

#### **Business Development Revolving Loan Fund Grants**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant to Lenders

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. Applicants must be within the ARC region.

https://www.arc.gov/business-development-resolving-loan-fund-grants/

### **Distressed County Grants**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant

ARC awards grants to projects that address one or more of the five goals identified by ARC in its 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. Find a map of county economic status here.

https://www.arc.gov/funding/ARCGrantsandContracts.asp





## TCSG Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) Office of Workforce Development

#### **COVID-19 Dislocated Workers Grants**

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Grant COVID-19 National Dislocated Worker Grants (DWGs) disburse funds to provide critically needed

employment to vulnerable Georgians who have lost their job or income 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.

https://www.tcsg.edu/worksource/covid-19-employment-training-assistance/



Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

#### **OneGeorgia Rural Innovation Fund**

Next Deadline: 10/14/22 Type: Grant or Loan

The Rural Innovation Fund will provide financial assistance to eligible applicants when the health, welfare, safety, and economic security of the citizens of the state are promoted through the development or retention of economic and employment opportunities.

Eligible applicants must complete a mandatory Initial Project Assessment for Rural Innovation Fund in a format and manner required by the OneGeorgia Authority to determine the proposed activity's eligibility for the Rural Innovation Fund.

https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/onegeorgiaauthority/rural-innovation-fund

### Equity Fund (OneGeorgia Authority)

Next Deadline: 10/14/22 Type: Grant or Loan

The purpose of the Equity Fund is to provide a program of financial assistance that includes grants, loans and any other forms of assistance 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. Not all areas of the state are eligible to apply. Click for the official eligibility map.

Eligible Use: Projects relating to water and sewer infrastructure, road, rail and airport improvements, industrial parks, workforce, technology, and tourism.

https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/onegeorgiaauthority/equity-fund



#### **EDGE Fund (OneGeorgia Authority)**

Deadline: Ongoing
Type: Grant or Loan

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. 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.

https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding/onegeorgia-authority/edge-fund

#### **Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund (DDRLF)**

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Grant to Lenders (grants for DDAs to lend to businesses)

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.

https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/downtown-development-revolving-loan-fund-ddrlf

## State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI)

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Loan

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. 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.
- 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.

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



#### **Employment Incentive Program**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Loan

The Employment Incentive Program (EIP) is a financing program that may be used in conjunction with traditional private financing for economic development projects resulting in employment of low- and moderate-income persons. Many types of public infrastructure projects, or loans to for-profit companies, can be financed with EIP funding. Projects creating opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons (at least 51% of total jobs created), greater job security, better working conditions, job training, enhancement of workplace skills, advancement opportunities, and benefits receive the greatest consideration.

https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/community-development-block-grants-cdbg/employment

#### Regional Economic Business Assistance (REBA)

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant or Loan

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. <a href="https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/regional-economic-business-assistance-reba">https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/regional-economic-business-assistance-reba</a>

### **CDBG Immediate Threat and Danger Program (ITAD)**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant

The Immediate Threat and Danger Program provides 50% matching funds for community development activities having a particular urgency when existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community. The ITAD Program is intended to address situations which are urgent and unique. These situations should typically occur due to state or federally declared disasters. Local funds must comprise at least 10% of project costs. Funding for this program comes from the state's annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Applicants can apply for \$50,000 and DCA reserves \$200,000 for "major disasters." https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/community-development-block-grants-cdbg/immediate



#### **CDBG Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Loan Guarantee

The CDBG Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program is an economic and community development financing tool authorized under Section 108 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. The program is a method of assisting non-entitlement local governments with certain unique and large-scale economic development projects that cannot proceed without the loan guarantee. In order to be eligible a project must meet all applicable CDBG requirements and result in significant employment and/or benefit for low and moderate income persons. Projects that are eligible for financing under existing federal, state, regional or local programs will generally not be considered for guarantee assistance unless the programs would fail to fully meet a project's need. https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/community-development-block-grants-cdbg/cdbg-section

#### **CDBG-CV Program**

Deadline: Ongoing Type: Grant

The CDBG-CV program originated from the CARES Act of 2020, enacted to provide relief in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. An allocation was made to states to "prevent, prepare for, and respond to" COVID-19 through funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In total, Georgia received \$82,850,707 from HUD for the CDBG-CV program, including administration. Generally speaking, all typical federal requirements associated with CDBG funding apply to grantees and subgrantees. In addition to the CDBG regulations, DCA and its subgrantees must adhere to all additional requirements outlined in Federal Register Notice FR-6218-N-01. https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/community-development-block-grants-cdbg/cdbg-cv

### **Redevelopment Fund (RDF)**

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Grant or Loan (Flexible Financial Assistance)

Recognizing that redevelopment projects can be the most challenging economic and community development projects a local government may undertake, the Redevelopment Fund (RDF) was created as a set-aside of Georgia's non-entitlement CDBG Program. The RDF provides local governments access to flexible financial assistance to help them implement projects that cannot be undertaken with the usual public sector grant and loan programs. The RDF finances locally initiated public/private partnerships to leverage investments in commercial, downtown, industrial redevelopment, and revitalization projects that may not proceed otherwise. Unlike other DCA CDBG programs, the RDF uses the CDBG national objective of "eliminating slums or blight." As a result, many smaller scale projects (in downtown areas or blighted industrial areas) may be competitive for RDF financing. https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/community-development-block-grants-cdbg-0





# University of Georgia Carl Vinson Institute of Government

### Renaissance Strategic Visioning and Planning Process (RSVP)

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Technical Assistance

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.

https://cviog.uga.edu/services-and-research/planning-and-environmental-services/rsvp.html



## Georgia Tech Enterprise Innovation Institute

#### **Economic Development Research Program (EDRP)**

Deadline: Ongoing, reviewed on a rolling basis Type: Technical Assistance Matching Grant

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.

http://cedr.gatech.edu/edrp/





## Georgia Council for the Arts

#### **Cultural Facilities Grant**

Deadline: 8/15/22 Type: Grant

Cultural Facilities Grants provide support for the renovation, restoration, preservation or acquisition of an arts facility, and the purchase of equipment that supports arts programs. Match Requirement: One-to-one match of request amount for organizations with budgets over \$500,000. 50% match of request amount for organizations with budgets under \$500,000 Eligible applicants must be one of the following:

- a non-profit arts organization registered with the IRS (to be defined as an arts organization, the entity must include the arts as part of the mission statement and more than 50% of programming must be arts-related)
- a local government entity (i.e. a city, county or local authority) that owns and manages an arts facility

https://gaarts.org/what-we-do/grants/cultural-facilities-grant/

#### Private Grants



#### Fox Theatre Institute Preservation Grant Program

Deadline: 8/15/22 Type: Grant

The Fox Theatre Institute Preservation Grant Program's goal is to award funding for historic theatres in the state of Georgia. Grants will be awarded to projects designed to provide significant economic and cultural impact to the communities they serve. Grant award winners will also receive operations expertise and guidance through seminars, and strategic planning fostering professional development. The Fox Theatre will be offering 2022/2023 fiscal year grants when the new grant cycle begins on July 1, 2022. FTI Staff will host three grant workshops in June 2022. The grant application will be posted on June 1, 2022, with an application deadline of August 15, 2022. This is a postmark deadline and they do not accept electronic applications.

https://www.foxtheatre.org/fox-theatre-institute/grants-program



#### **MLB-MLBPA** Youth Development Fund Grant

Deadline: 9/17/22

Type: Grant

The MLB-MLBPA Youth Development Foundation will accept applications throughout the year for bold, innovative, and creative ideas to increase opportunities to play baseball and/or softball for youth (age 20 and under), in particular youth who are minorities, girls, and/or located in underserved communities.

https://www.mlbplayers.com/ydf





#### **Georgia-Pacific Bucket Brigade Program**

Deadline: accepted on a rolling basis

Type: Grant

Georgia-Pacific launched its Bucket Brigade program to help support local fire departments and the brave men and women who strive to keep our communities safe. Since 2006, the Bucket Brigade program has contributed more than \$2 million to fire departments in communities within 30 miles of a Georgia-Pacific facility through cash grants as well as educational materials and National Volunteer Fire Council memberships. Eligible entities include fire departments in communities within 30 miles of a Georgia-Pacific facility.

https://www.gp.com/community/bucket-brigade



#### **Safety First Challenge for Safer Streets**

Deadline: ongoing

Type: Grant

The National League of Cities (NLC) launched a new "Safety First Challenge" to build a coalition of 100+ cities and towns in 100 days who want to join the safety movement by taking steps in their communities to bring forward solutions. Focusing on safer streets will save lives, particularly those disproportionately impacted by traffic crashes, and improve safety for everyone on our streets and sidewalks.

https://www.nlc.org/initiative/safety-first-challenge-for-safer-streets/

To search and apply for federal grants, loans, and other assistance, please visit Grants.gov.

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