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U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

RD 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>

RD Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants

Deadline: Ongoing (accepted year-round)

Type: Grant

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, flood, 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.

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/emergency-community-water-assistance-grants/ga>

RD 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>

RD Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Loan or Grant

This program is open year-round and 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.

Contact: Rural Development Georgia Community Programs Division: 706.546.2171. Jack Stanek, Program Director. jack.stanek@usda.gov

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/ga>



RD Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) Grant Program

Deadline: 4/20/23

Type: Grant

The Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) Grant Program offers grant assistance to create and augment high-wage jobs, accelerate the formation of new businesses, support industry clusters and maximize the use of local productive assets in eligible low-income rural areas.

For fiscal year 2023, the RISE program is making \$2 million available to consortiums of local governments, investors, industry, institutions of higher education, and other public and private entities in rural areas. The funding may be used to support innovation centers and job accelerator programs that improve the ability of distressed rural communities to create high-wage jobs, form new businesses, and identify and maximize local assets.

RISE grant funds can be used to:

- Build or support a business incubator facility
- Provide worker training to assist in the creation of new jobs
- Train the existing workforce with skills for higher-paying jobs
- Develop a base of skilled workers and improve their opportunities to obtain high-wage jobs in new or existing local industries

Contact: SM.USDA-RD.RISE@usda.gov

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-programs/rural-innovation-stronger-economy-rise-grants>



RD Community Connect Grant Program

Deadline: 6/20/23

Type: Grant

The Community Connect provides financial assistance to eligible applicants that will provide broadband service in rural, economically-challenged communities where service does not exist.

Eligible Uses: Rural areas that lack any existing broadband speed of at least 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream are eligible.

- The construction, acquisition, or leasing of facilities, spectrum, land or buildings used to deploy broadband service for:
- All residential and business customers located within the Proposed Funded Service Area (PFSA)
- All participating critical community facilities (such as public schools, fire stations, and public libraries)
- The cost of providing broadband service free of charge to the critical community facilities for 2 years.
- Less than 10% of the grant amount or up to \$150,000 may be used for the improvement, expansion, construction or acquisition of a community center that provides online access to the public.

Match: Matching funds of at least 15% from non-federal sources are required and can be used for operating costs.

Contact: General Field Representative for Georgia: Andrew E. Hayes at andrew.hayes@usda.gov or 770.312.7073

Prior to official submission of applications, applicants may request technical assistance or other application guidance from the Agency. It is recommended requests be made **prior to May 30, 2023**. Requests made after this date will be handled as best RUS is able, but applicants should be aware RUS has finite capacity to assist and may not be able to fully address requests submitted after May 30, 2023

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-programs/community-connect-grants>



NRCS Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG)

Deadline: 5/22/23

Type: Grant

Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) is a competitive program that supports the development of new tools, approaches, practices, and technologies to further natural resource conservation on private lands. Through creative problem solving and innovation, CIG partners work to address our nation's water quality, air quality, soil health and wildlife habitat challenges, all while improving agricultural operations.

At least 10 percent of the total funds available for CIG in FY 2023 is set aside for proposals from Historically Underserved producers, veteran farmers or ranchers, or community-based organizations comprised of or representing these entities.

Match: This NFO requires applicants to share at least 50 percent of total project costs. Total project costs include Federal and non-Federal shares of the project. Special considerations exist for some historically underserved applications.

Contact: Erick Purifoy, Grants Management Specialist, FPAC Business Center

Email: erick.purifoy@usda.gov with a copy to FPAC.BC.GAD@USDA.GOV

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/cig-conservation-innovation-grants>



Regional Food System Partnerships (RFSP)

Deadline: 5/2/23

Type: Grant

The Regional Food System Partnerships (RFSP) program supports partnerships that connect public and private resources to plan and develop local or regional food systems.

The program focuses on strengthening the viability and resilience of regional food economies through collaboration and coordination. RFSP supports public-private partnerships that plan and develop relationships between local and regional producers, processors, intermediaries, and institutional markets or institutional food service operations through local and regional producers and local and regional food systems.

Eligibility: Only partnerships are eligible to apply to RFSP. A partnership is an agreement between one or more eligible entities and one or more eligible partners.

Eligible entities include agricultural businesses or cooperatives, producer networks or associations, community supported agriculture networks or associations, food councils, **local governments**, nonprofit corporations, public benefit corporations, economic development corporations, regional farmers market authorities, and tribal governments.

Eligible partners include state agencies or regional authorities, philanthropic corporations, institutions of higher education, and commercial, federal or farm credit system lending institutions.

Match: The program requires cash-only matching fund contributions in an amount equal to 25 percent of the total Federal portion of the grant. Match contributions may be in the form of cash or in-kind resources

Contact: IPPGGrants@usda.gov

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/rfsp>



Local Food Promotion Program

Deadline: 5/2/23

Type: Grant

The Local Food Promotion Program (LFPP) funds projects that develop, coordinate and expand local and regional food business enterprises that engage as intermediaries in indirect producer to consumer marketing to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products. Grants can be used:

- for the planning stages of establishing or expanding a local and regional food business enterprise, or
- to improve or expand a food business that supports locally and regionally produced agricultural products and food system infrastructure by performing feasibility studies, market research, training, and technical assistance for the business enterprise and/or for producers working with the business enterprise.

Eligibility: Entities that are eligible to apply include: Agricultural businesses and cooperatives; Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) networks and associations; Food councils; Economic development corporations; Local governments; Nonprofit and public benefit corporations; Producer networks or associations; Regional farmers' market authorities; Tribal governments

Match: A 25% match is required. In-kind contributions are allowed.

Contact: FMLFPPGrants@usda.gov

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/lfpp>



Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP)

Deadline: 5/2/23

Type: Grant

The Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP) funds projects that develop, coordinate and expand direct producer-to-consumer markets to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products through outreach, training, and technical assistance to:

- domestic farmers markets,
- roadside stands,
- community-supported agriculture programs,
- agritourism activities,
- online sales or
- other direct producer-to-consumer (including direct producer-to-retail, direct producer-to-restaurant and direct producer-to-institutional marketing) market opportunities.

Eligibility: Entities that are eligible to apply include: Agricultural businesses and cooperatives; Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) networks and associations; Food Councils; Economic development corporations; Local governments; Nonprofit and public benefit corporations; Producer networks or associations; Regional farmers' market authorities; Tribal governments

Match: A 25% match is required. In-kind contributions are allowed.

Contact: FMLFPPGrants@usda.gov

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/fmpp>



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)



Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

Deadline: 4/28/23

Type: Grant

The Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program will provide grants to states, territories, tribes, air pollution control agencies, and local governments to develop and implement plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful air pollution. The CPRG program will be designed to provide flexible support to states, tribes and local governments regardless of where they are in their climate planning and implementation process. For example, projects could further goals and policies for clean energy, energy efficiency, and more.

Eligibility: This two-staged grant program provides funding of \$250 million for noncompetitive planning grants, and \$4.6 billion for competitive implementation grants.

- **For planning grants (noncompetitive):** States, Territories, District of Columbia; air pollution control agencies; municipalities; Tribes; or groups of such eligible entities. *See details below.*
- **For implementation grants (competitive):** Those states, territories, District of Columbia; air pollution control agencies; municipalities; Tribes; or groups of such eligible entities that are covered by a plan developed with funding from a planning grant awarded under this section. *EPA expects to announce the notice of funding opportunity later in 2023, with applications due in the first quarter of calendar year 2024.*

Contact: CPRG@epa.gov

<https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/climate-pollution-reduction-grants>

Environmental Justice Government-to-Government Program (EJG2G)

Deadline: 4/10/23

Type: Grant

EPA is soliciting applications for projects that transform overburdened and underserved communities into healthy, thriving communities capable of addressing the environmental and public health challenges they have historically faced, as well as current and future challenges.

Contact: For more information, please contact [Omari Burrell](#).

<https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-government-government-program>

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>



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.

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://betterbuildingsolutioncenter.energy.gov/challenge/join>



Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA)

Deadline: 4/14/23

Type: Financial Investment and Technical Assistance

The Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA) program will provide financial investment, technical assistance, and other resources to advance clean energy demonstrations and energy solutions that are replicable and scalable. The ERA Program is managed by the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED).

Eligible Projects: Projects should be in areas of less than 10,000 people.

ERA aims to fund clean energy projects with three specific goals:

1. **Deliver measurable benefits to energy customers in rural or remote areas** by funding replicable energy projects that lower energy costs, improve energy access and resilience, and/or reduce environmental harm;
2. **Demonstrate new rural or remote energy system models** using climate-resilient technologies, business structures that promote economic resilience, new financing mechanisms, and/or new community engagement best practices; and
3. **Build clean energy knowledge, capacity, and self-reliance in rural America.**

Match: Special Cost Share for Domestic Institutions of Higher Education, Domestic Nonprofit Entities, and U.S. State, Local, or Tribal Government Entities: The recipient cost share requirement for the non-federal share of projects is **reduced from 50% to 20%** where the prime recipient is a domestic institution of higher education; domestic nonprofit entity; or U.S. state, local, or tribal government entity (including Alaska Native Corporations and Alaska Native Village Corporations).

Contact: For questions regarding FOA content and requirements: ERAFOA1@hq.doe.gov

<https://oced-exchange.energy.gov/Default.aspx#Foald90cf93a3-9947-4d2e-b1fb-f98d7b30cdab>



National Endowment for the Humanities

Cultural and Community Resilience

Deadline: 5/16/23 (optional draft due 4/11/23)

Type: Grant

The Cultural and Community Resilience program supports community-based efforts to mitigate climate change and COVID-19 pandemic impacts, safeguard cultural resources, and foster cultural resilience through identifying, documenting, and/or collecting cultural heritage and community experience. The program prioritizes projects from disadvantaged communities in the United States or its jurisdictions, and NEH encourages applications that employ inclusive methodologies.

Expected output: Digital Surrogate Collections; Oral History Collections; Physical Archival Collections; Plans for Community Documentation. Contact the Division of Preservation and Access Team at preservation@neh.gov.

<https://www.neh.gov/program/cultural-and-community-resilience>



U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

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>



Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program

Deadline: 5/30/23

Type: Grant

The Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program (CFI Program) is a new competitive grant program created by President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and alternative fueling infrastructure in the places people live and work – urban and rural areas alike – in addition to along designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs).

CFI Program investments will make modern and sustainable infrastructure accessible to all drivers of electric, hydrogen, propane, and natural gas vehicles. This NOFO offers up to \$700 million from Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 to strategically deploy electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure and other alternative fueling infrastructure projects in urban and rural communities in publicly accessible locations, including downtown areas and local neighborhoods, particularly in underserved and disadvantaged communities.

This program provides two funding categories of grants: (1) Community Charging and Fueling Grants (Community Program); and (2) Alternative Fuel Corridor Grants (Corridor Program).

Match: Awardees must provide at least 20 percent of the total project cost (not 20 percent of the Federal share) as a matching share.

Contact: Neelam Patel: neelam.patel@dot.gov or Michael Culp: michael.culp@dot.gov
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/cfi/>



Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program

Deadline: 7/10/23

Type: Grant

The SS4A program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. There are two types of SS4A grants: Planning and Demonstration Grants and Implementation Grants.

The following activities are eligible for the SS4A program:

- Develop or update a comprehensive safety action plan (Action Plan). This includes:
 - Developing an Action Plan;
 - Conducting supplemental planning in support of an Action Plan; and
 - Carrying out demonstration activities in support of an Action Plan.
- Conducting planning, design, and development activities for projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan.
- Carry out projects and strategies identified in an Action Plan.

Match: The Federal share of a SS4A grant may not exceed 80 percent of total eligible activity costs. Recipients are required to contribute a local matching share of no less than 20 percent of eligible activity costs. In-kind contributions are allowed.

Contact: SS4A@dot.gov
<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SS4A>



FTA Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program

Deadline: 4/13/23

Type: Grant

The Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (49 U.S.C. 5339(b)) makes federal resources available to states and direct recipients to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities, including technological changes or innovations to modify low or no emission vehicles or facilities. Funding is provided through formula allocations and competitive grants.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants for the Buses and Bus Facilities Program include designated recipients that allocate funds to fixed-route bus operators, States (including territories and Washington D.C.) or *local governmental entities that operate fixed route bus service*, and Indian tribes.

Eligible subrecipients include all otherwise eligible applicants and also private nonprofit organizations engaged in public transportation.

Match: The federal share of eligible capital costs is 80 percent of the net capital project cost, unless the grant recipient requests a lower percentage.

Contact: Region 4 Office, Federal Transit Administration at 404.865.5600

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/bus-program>



FTA Low or No Emission Vehicle Program

Deadline: 4/13/23

Type: Grant

The Low or No Emission competitive program provides funding to state and local governmental authorities for the purchase or lease of zero-emission and low-emission transit buses as well as acquisition, construction, and leasing of required supporting facilities.

Eligible projects include:

- purchasing or leasing low- or no-emission buses
- acquiring low- or no-emission buses with a leased power source
- constructing or leasing facilities and related equipment (including intelligent technology and software) for low- or no-emission buses
- constructing new public transportation facilities to accommodate low- or no-emission buses
- rehabilitating or improving existing public transportation facilities to accommodate low- or no-emission buses
- Additionally, 0.5% of a request may be for workforce development training and an additional 0.5% may be for training at the National Transit Institute (NTI). Applicants proposing any project related to zero-emission vehicles must also spend 5% of their award on workforce development and training as outlined in their Zero-Emission Transition Plan, unless the applicant certifies that their financial need is less.

Match: All eligible expenses under the Low-No Program are attributable to compliance with the Clean Air Act and/or the Americans with Disabilities Act. Therefore, the Federal share of the cost of leasing or purchasing a transit bus is not to exceed *85 percent* of the total transit bus cost. The federal share in the cost of leasing or acquiring low- or no-emission bus-related equipment and facilities is *90 percent* of the net project cost. Applicants must identify these specific activities in their application in order to receive this increased federal share.

Contact: Region 4 Office, Federal Transit Administration at 404.865.5600

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/lowno>



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program

Deadline: 4/11/23

Type: Grant

The purpose of the DFC Support Program is to establish and strengthen collaborations to support the efforts of community coalitions working to prevent and reduce substance use among youth. Joining this program provides community-based coalitions with up to 10 years of funding to promote positive youth engagement and address the local conditions that drive youth substance use.

The DFC Support Program has two goals:

1. Establish and strengthen the collaboration among communities, public and private non-profit agencies, as well as federal, state, local, and tribal governments to support the efforts of community coalitions working to prevent and reduce substance use among youth (individuals 18 years of age and younger).
2. Reduce substance use among youth and, over time, reduce substance use among adults by addressing the factors in a community that increases the risk of substance use and promoting the factors that minimize the risk of substance use.

Eligibility:

- Eligible entities are community-based coalitions. Community-based coalitions that are non-profits (501c3 status) can apply.
- If community-based coalitions don't have 501c3 status, they can partner with another organization (e.g., school districts, local health departments, YMCAs, Boys and Girls Clubs, local hospitals, local governments, or other agencies) to apply for funding.

Contact: For questions or technical assistance, please contact CDC's Drug Free Communities Support Program at DFC_NOFO@cdc.gov

<https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/drug-free-communities/funding-announcements.html>



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



Capital Fund Housing-Related Hazards and Lead-Based Paint Program

Deadline: 4/13/23

Type: Grant

The purpose of the Housing-Related Hazards Capital Fund (HRHCF) & Lead-based Paint Capital Fund Program (LBPCF) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to evaluate and reduce residential health hazards in public housing, including lead-based paint, carbon monoxide, mold, radon, fire safety, and asbestos.

Contact: Yolanda Brown: 202.903.9576, Yolanda.A.Brown@hud.gov

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/capfund/hrh



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

Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Program

Deadline: 4/14/23

Type: Grant

The 2023 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act program is a competitive grant program that provides funding to improve the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for law enforcement through the implementation of peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, and other promising practices for wellness programs.

The FY23 LEMHWA program has two open solicitations. A description of each solicitation is available in the Fact Sheet linked below.

1. LEMHWA Implementation Projects
2. LEMHWA National Level Resources, Training, and Technical Assistance

No local match required.

Contact: For programmatic assistance with the requirements of this program, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.

<https://cops.usdoj.gov/lemhwa>



Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants Program

Deadline: 5/1/23

Type: Grant

The Fiscal Year 2023 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants Program funds are used to develop law enforcement's capacity to implement community policing strategies by providing funding to local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies.

When properly applied, community policing improves the identification and prioritization of community problems; builds trust and relationships between law enforcement and the communities they serve; and enables an agency to build a culture toward accountability, transparency, open communication, and mutual trust.

Eligible Project Categories:

- Community Violence Intervention
- Officer Recruitment, Retention and Workforce Diversification
- Hate Crimes and Domestic Extremism
- Underserved Populations
- Building Trust and Legitimacy with the Community

Contact: For programmatic assistance with the requirements of this program, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.

<https://cops.usdoj.gov/cpdmicrogrants>



COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

Deadline: 5/4/23

Type: Grant

The Fiscal Year 2023 **COPS Hiring Program (CHP)** is a competitive award program designed to provide funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

Anticipated outcomes of the CHP program awards include engagement in planned community partnerships, implementation of projects to analyze and assess problems, implementation of changes to personnel and agency management in support of community policing, and increased capacity of agency to engage in community policing activities.

Match: There is a minimum 25 percent local cash match (cost share) requirement, unless a waiver is approved. The maximum federal share per officer position is \$125,000 over the three-year period, (not \$125,00 per year) unless a local match waiver is approved. Any additional costs for higher than entry-level salaries and fringe benefits will be the responsibility of the recipient agency.

Contact: For programmatic assistance with the requirements of this program, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.
<https://cops.usdoj.gov/chp>



Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams - Community Policing Development Program

Deadline: 5/1/23

Type: Grant

Through the decades, law enforcement has made significant improvements in its responses to people experiencing mental health crises through the development of various models of crisis intervention team (CIT) training, crisis triage centers, co-response teams, and embedded mental health and behavioral services.

The evolution of these approaches has improved the safety of law enforcement and people in crisis. It has also resulted in the deflection of individuals with mental health needs away from the criminal justice system and toward the services and care they need.

The goal of FY 2023 **Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams** solicitation is to provide funding to support the implementation of crisis intervention teams, including embedding behavioral or mental health professionals with law enforcement agencies, training for law enforcement officers and embedded behavioral or mental health professionals in crisis intervention response, or a combination of these.

Contact: For programmatic assistance with the requirements of this program, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.
<https://cops.usdoj.gov/cit>



Supporting Law Enforcement Agencies in Seeking Accreditation - Community Policing Development

Deadline: 5/8/23

Type: Grant

The Supporting Law Enforcement Agencies in Seeking Accreditation Solicitation is to support law enforcement agencies seeking accreditation. Under this solicitation, the COPS Office will fund costs related to obtaining accreditation from an existing law enforcement accreditation entity.

Contact: For programmatic assistance with the requirements of this program, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.

<https://cops.usdoj.gov/accreditation>



Community Policing Development (CPD) De-Escalation Training Program

Deadline: 5/15/23

Type: Grant

Through this solicitation, the COPS Office will provide grant funding to support whole agency training efforts in de-escalation, implicit bias, and duty to intervene, including overtime to participate in training programs and support for training officers to attend nationally certified train-the-trainer programs in these topic areas.

Funding can also be used to support:

- use of force data analysis; after-action reviews;
- the development of internal marketing and promotional materials, policies, and procedures that encourage a de-escalation mindset; and
- other organizational change efforts that work toward the creation of a culture of de-escalation within an agency.

Funded agencies will have the opportunity to participate in an ongoing community of practice with other COPS Office awardees.

Contact: With any programmatic questions, please contact the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.

<https://cops.usdoj.gov/de-escalation>



Smart Policing Initiative Grant Program

Deadline: 5/1/23

Type: Grant

Through this opportunity, the Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks applications for funding to support innovative and evidence-based policing practices, more effective information sharing, and multiagency collaboration under the Smart Policing Initiative Program.

Contact: For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact the OJP Response Center at 800.851.3420, 301.240.6310 (TTY for hearing-impaired callers only), or grants@ncjrs.gov.

<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171650>



Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program

Deadline: 4/25/23

Type: Grant

This opportunity seeks applications for grant funds from state, local, and tribal law enforcement and correctional entities to develop and implement law enforcement or corrections crisis response training programs.

This program supports law enforcement partnerships with mental health, substance use disorder, and community service agencies to improve appropriate and effective responses to individuals in crisis who have behavioral health conditions, intellectual disabilities, developmental disabilities, or physical disabilities and to achieve safe outcomes for all individuals in the community.

Contact: For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact the OJP Response Center at 800.851.3420, 301.240.6310 (TTY for hearing-impaired callers only), or grants@ncjrs.gov.

<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171627>



Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program

Deadline: 4/24/23

Type: Grant

This opportunity will support law enforcement–behavioral health cross-system collaboration to improve public health and safety as well as responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders (MHDs) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (MHSUDs).

BJA will give priority consideration to rural communities. The Census Bureau defines rural as "any population, housing, or territory NOT in an urban area. (See <https://www.nal.usda.gov/rural-development-and-communities/what-is-rural>.)

Match: This solicitation requires an escalating percentage cash or in-kind match. For years 1 and 2, a 20 percent match is required. For year 3, a 40 percent match is required. Federal funds awarded under this solicitation may not cover more than 80 percent of the total costs of the project being funded in years 1 and 2, and 60 percent in year 3 of the total costs of the project being funded.

<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171520>



Georgia Environmental Finance Authority



GEFA Lead Service Line Replacement

Deadline: 4/14/23

Type: Funding

The 2022 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Request for Interest (RFI) is now open. The DWSRF will provide annual funding in the amount of \$66,808,000 over the next five years for lead service line inventory management and lead service line replacement (LSLR) projects that will assist local communities with the implementation of proactive LSLR programs.

Minimum Criteria for Eligibility:

- Only those counties and municipalities certified as Qualified Local Governments by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the water and sewer authorities within those certified governments may receive funding.
- Only applicants within counties that have current DCA-certified Service Delivery Agreements (HB 489) may receive funding and the proposed project must be consistent with the verified strategy.
- Applicants must be in compliance with state audit requirements. Compliance questions can be answered at audits.ga.gov.
- Applicants within the Metro North Georgia Water Planning District (MNGWPD) must be certified by the director of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) as complying or making a good faith effort to comply with all MNGWPD plans and/or enforcement measures.
- Project must conform to applicant's regional Water Development and Conservation Plan, once adopted.
- All applicants must adopt and enforce the state minimum standard plumbing code provisions outlined in O.C.G.A. Section 8-2-3 to be eligible to receive funding.

Contact: Please contact the Water Resources Division at 404.584.1055 or waterresources@gefa.ga.gov if you have any questions.

<https://gefa.georgia.gov/call-for-projects>



Georgia Environmental Protection Division

Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant

Deadline: 4/30/23

Type: Grant

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GAEPD) anticipates receiving a FY2023 Section 319(h) grant to prevent or abate nonpoint source pollution in support of [Georgia's Statewide Nonpoint Source Management Plan](#).

Using a competitive process, GAEPD will award grant funds to eligible projects that propose to address nonpoint sources of pollution by identifying and implementing the activities best suited to address those sources resulting in measurable water quality improvements to impaired waters throughout the State.

Eligible Project Examples: streambank or shoreline protection; channel stabilization and restoration; green infrastructure/low impact development practices; urban stormwater controls not included in NPDES permits; agricultural practices; septic system repair and replacement; water quality monitoring that meets minimum GAEPD standards; education and training.

Minimum Requirements: All projects must address nonpoint sources of pollution to improve water quality, and

1. Implement an existing watershed-based plan that meets USEPA's Nine Elements of Watershed Planning or implement an alternative to a watershed-based plan in the form of a Summary of Nine Elements
2. Locate the project in a watershed or drainage area equal in size to a 10-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC-10) or smaller.
3. Commit to a **minimum 40% non-Federal Match** that can be accomplished through local funds, in-kind services, or other non-Federal sources.

Contact: Mary Gazaway at mary.gazaway@dnr.ga.gov or 470.524.0556

<https://epd.georgia.gov/outreach/grants/georgia-319h-nonpoint-source-grant>



Georgia Department of Transportation

Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG)

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Grant

The LMIG program has been developed in cooperation with ACCG, GMA, and others. The annual LMIG allocation is based on the total centerline road miles for each local road system and the total population of each county or city as compared with the total statewide centerline road miles and total statewide population. The LMIG program will allow local governments greater flexibility and quicker project delivery while allowing us to effectively administer the program with a reduced workforce and new funding match requirements.

<https://www.dot.ga.gov/GDOT/Pages/LMIG.aspx>



Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Rural Innovation Fund (OneGeorgia Authority)

Quarterly Deadlines: 2nd Friday of first month of the quarter

Next Deadline: 4/14/23

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.

Contact the OneGeorgia Team: Gina Webb, OneGeorgia Director, gina.webb@dca.ga.gov

<https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/onegeorgia-authority/rural-innovation-fund>

Equity Fund (OneGeorgia Authority)

Quarterly Deadlines: 2nd Friday of first month of the quarter

Next Deadline: 6/1/23

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.

Contact the OneGeorgia Team: Gina Webb, OneGeorgia Director, gina.webb@dca.ga.gov

<https://www.dca.ga.gov/community-economic-development/funding-programs/onegeorgia-authority/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.

Contact the OneGeorgia Team: Gina Webb, OneGeorgia Director, gina.webb@dca.ga.gov

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



DCA Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY2023 Annual Competition

Deadline: 6/2/23

Type: Matching Grant

The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) provides funding to assist a wide range of eligible activities, including housing improvement projects, public facilities such as water and sewer lines, buildings such as local health centers or head start centers, and economic development projects. All projects must substantially benefit low and moderate income persons.

Eligibility: DCA administers the State's Non-Entitlement CDBG program. As the administrator of these funds, eligible applicants include Units of General-Purpose Local Government (cities or counties) that do not participate in HUD's CDBG Entitlement or Urban County program. Eligible applicants selected for funding will be those having the greatest need as evidenced by poverty and per capita income and whose applications most adequately address the needs of low- and moderate-income persons and have the greatest impact.

Match: All awards under the Annual Competition (except for single-activity housing grants) have the following minimum match requirements:

- 0% match requirement for grant requests of \$300,000 and less
- 5% match requirement for grant requests of \$300,001 to \$750,000
- 10% match requirement for grant requests of \$750,001 to \$1,000,000
- 15% match requirement for grant requests of \$1,000,001 or more

Contact: Please contact Kathleen Vaughn, Director of the Office of Community Development, for any questions or concerns regarding the Community Development Block Grant Annual Competition at Kathleen.Vaughn@dca.ga.gov.

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

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>

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.

Contact: Sherron Alexander Jackson at sherron.alexanderjackson@dca.ga.gov

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

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>

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>

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>

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>

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>



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/>



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>

To search and apply for federal grants, loans,
and other assistance, please visit [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).

For more information or research assistance, please contact:

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Private Grants

KABOOM! Community-Built Playspace Grants

Deadline: Ongoing

Type: Grant

Note: Greater Atlanta area only.

Description: Our Community-Built Playspace grants are a partnership between your community, one of our dedicated funding partners, and KABOOM! As a Community Partner, you'll lead a process that will center your community's voices — both kids and adults — to design, plan, and build a new playspace using our signature community-build model. Depending on your community's needs, available space on your property, and available funding, KABOOM! offers three different types of playspaces. Once you've submitted an application, KABOOM! will evaluate your eligibility for the different types, and begin a conversation with you to determine which playspace is best for your community's kids. You can preview the application questions [here](#). Take the [quiz](#) to confirm your eligibility for this grant. Submit any inquiries through [this contact form](#) or email apply@kaboom.org.

<https://kaboom.org/grants/community-built>

HeroX American-Made Network

American-Made Energizing Rural Communities Prize

Deadline: 5/24/23

Type: Technical Assistance and Assistance with Access to Financing

The \$15 million Energizing Rural Communities Prize challenges individuals and organizations to develop partnership plans or innovative financing strategies to help rural or remote communities (with populations of no more than 10,000 people) improve their energy systems and advance clean energy demonstration projects. The Energizing Rural Communities Prize has two tracks:

- The Partner track—with a \$10 million cash prize pool—will support plans to connect rural or remote communities to government funding, technical assistance, or a network of partners that can help implement clean energy demonstration projects.
- The Finance track—with a \$5 million cash prize pool—will support plans to access capital or to develop community ownership models to help finance clean energy demonstration projects in rural or remote areas.

Contact: ruralenergyprize@nrel.gov

<https://www.herox.com/rural-energy>