



GHCOC Public Funding Notification Alert

PUBLIC GRANTS AND LOANS SCHEDULE APRIL TO SEPTEMBER 2017

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS OPEN WHILE FUNDS AVAILABLE

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Dept. of Commerce

<http://www.commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/current-opportunities/community-development-block-grants/>

Assist local governments in carrying out community and economic development projects that principally benefit LMI persons.

June 1: General Purpose Grants - construction, acquisition, local assistance & planning-only - application due

June 30: Imminent Threat Grants - unanticipated emergencies posing a serious immediate threat to public health and safety. Applications accepted while funds are available

July 1: Economic Opportunity Grants - economic development projects that promote vibrant rural communities. Applications accepted while funds are available

HISTORIC & CULTURAL PROGRAMS

Main Street Program, Dept. of Archaeology & Historic Preservation

<http://www.dahp.wa.gov/programs/mainstreet-program>

Main Street is a comprehensive approach to revitalization built around a community's unique heritage and attributes. The program helps communities develop strategies to stimulate long term economic growth and pride in the heart of the community-downtown. The program provides access to information, guidance and support to individuals and organizations interested in downtown revitalization.

Humanities Washington

<http://www.humanities.org/programs/grants>

Humanities Washington provides funding for projects which interpret art, or use art or artistic performance, to enhance humanities programs.

Opportunity Grants:

Jan 1: year-round to small or rural organizations for program planning or implementation, up to \$1,000.

Art Works & Challenge America & Our Town, National Endowment for the Arts

<https://www.arts.gov/grants/apply-grant/grants-organizations>

\$10,000 to \$100,000 matching grants that strength communities through the arts.

Registration dates: June 21, Sept 12, Oct 11

WATER QUALITY

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF), Dept. of Health

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/CommunityandEnvironment/DrinkingWater/WaterSystemAssistance/DrinkingWaterStateRevolvingFundDWSRF>

Low-interest loans or grants to public (municipal) and private drinking water systems. These loans cover capital improvements that increase public health and compliance with drinking water regulations.

June 30: Pre-construction loan, small to medium systems, due. Application available May 1

Emergency loan program applications accepted anytime.

Source Water Protection Grant Program, Dept. of Health

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/CommunityandEnvironment/DrinkingWater/SourceWater/SourceWaterProtection>

Up to \$30,00 for source water protection studies.

Applications accepted anytime; grants awarded on a funds available basis. Contact Corina Hays: corina.hayes@doh.wa.gov

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)

<http://www.tib.wa.gov/>

Urban and Small City programs funding transportation projects for improved road safety, rehabilitation & maintenance, and sidewalk safety & connectivity.

June: Applications available

August: Application due

TRAFFIC SAFETY

Traffic Safety Commission

<http://www.wtsc.wa.gov/grants/>

Traffic safety grants to state and local government, law enforcement agencies, schools and non-profit organizations. Priority funding for public education campaigns, equipment or materials, implementation of traffic safety strategies or training.

On-going: Mini grants fund small projects up to \$1,000

**More funding resources are
available on the GHCOC web site:**
<http://www.ghcog.org/fundingresources.html>

ENERGY PROGRAMS

RELIGHT WASHINGTON, TIB

<http://www.tib.wa.gov/grants/urban/LEDUrban.cfm>

The goal of the Relight WA Program is to lower city street light costs by helping cities convert to more energy efficient LED streetlights. Cities should work with their public utility district to ensure concurrence and confirm that reasonable savings will accrue to the city.

Application open continuously

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING

Community Planning Assistance Teams (CPAT)

American Planning Association WA Chapter

<http://www.washington-apa.org/community-planning-assistance-teams>

CPAT members include planners with expertise in land use, transportation, economic development, urban design, natural resources, parks and recreation, and historic preservation.

National Parks Service - Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance (RTCA)

http://www.nps.gov/nrcr/programs/rtca/contactus/cu_apply.html

Do you have an idea for a local conservation and outdoor recreation project, but need assistance to move that vision into reality? RTCA is ready to help! RTCA provides guidance to communities so they can conserve waterways, preserve open space, and develop trails and greenways.

Jun 30: Application deadline, contact NPS 30 days prior to submission

Plan ahead - the earlier the better!

It takes months of preparation and planning to complete a successful application. Funding agencies want to finance projects that are well thought out, support area-wide strategic plans, will be completed in a timely manner, and will be adequately maintained into the future.

Disclaimer: program availability and deadlines were collected from information available as of **April 18, 2017**.

HELPFUL RESOURCES

Municipal Research and Services Center of Washington (MRSC)

<http://www.mrsc.org/>

Department of Commerce

<http://www.commerce.wa.gov/>

Open Grants & Loans

<http://www.commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/current-opportunities/>

INFRASTRUCTURE ASSISTANCE

Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB)

<http://www.commerce.wa.gov/building-infrastructure/community-economic-revitalization-board/>

Low interest loans and grants that encourage job creation and retention. Committed Private Partner & Prospective Development Construction Programs. Applicants that meet threshold requirements at first deadline will be asked to submit second application.

May 15/29: Application due (Board meets July 27)

July 17/31: Application due (Board meets Sept 21)

Sept 18/Oct 2: Application due (Board meets Nov 16)

Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)

<http://www.rcac.org/>

<http://www.rcac.org/lending/environmental-loans/>

Water, wastewater, stormwater, and solid waste planning; environmental work; and other work to assist in developing an application for infrastructure improvements. Feasibility, pre-development, and construction loans.

Rural Water Loan Fund

<http://nrwa.org/initiatives/revolving-loan-fund/>

Rural Water Revolving Loan Fund. Short-term costs for replacement equipment, small scale extension of services, or other small capital projects that are not a part of regular operations and maintenance for drinking water and wastewater projects.

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USDA Rural Development

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/wa>

Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program

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

Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program/wa>

Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities, population under 2,500, water & waste disposal projects.
<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/search-special-evaluation-assistance-rural-communities-and-households>

Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants

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

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