

Subject Specific Grant Guide

Grants to Support Water and Stormwater Projects

This guide identifies funding opportunities released in the previous year. Please note that this guide may not capture all available funding opportunities. Additionally, some programs may have changed or may not be released due to shifting administrative priorities among funding agencies. The grants included here represent traditionally offered opportunities intended to serve as a reliable foundation for your funding research.

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GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

FY 2025 Revolving Fund Program

Grant Overview

The Revolving Loan Fund Program helps communities expand and improve water or wastewater systems using short-term loans to subgrant recipients. Qualified private, nonprofit organizations use RFP grant funds to establish a revolving loan fund. These organizations then provide loans to eligible entities for predevelopment costs or short-term, small capital projects not part of the regular operation and maintenance of existing water and wastewater systems. Eligible applicants are nonprofit entities that have the legal authority to operate a revolving loan fund and the financial, technical, and managerial capacity to comply with relevant state/federal laws and regulations.

Program History

There is no history available for this program.

Key Information

Total Funding: $1 million
Award Range: Unspecified
Match: 20 percent
Solicitation date: July 9, 2025
Proposal due: August 7, 2025

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/revolving-funds-for-financing-water-and-wastewater-projects

Tips

- All projects must take place in eligible rural areas including rural areas and towns with populations of 10,000 or less, tribal lands in rural areas, and colonias.
- A revolving loan fund is a pool of public- and private-sector funds that recycles money as loans are repaid (revolved funds). Funding from a grant or a long-term/low-cost loan is used to start, replenish and expand revolving loan funds.

Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Agency: Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

FY 2025 Revolving Fund Program

Detailed Summary

This program provides grants to qualified private, nonprofits entities to capitalize revolving funds for the purpose of providing financing to eligible entities for pre-development costs associated with proposed water and wastewater projects or with existing water and wastewater systems, and short-term costs incurred for the replacement equipment, small-scale extension of services, or other small capital projects that are not part of the regular operations and maintenance activities of existing water and wastewater systems.

Revolving loan funds can be used for pre-development costs for water and wastewater treatment projects and short-term capital improvement projects that are not part of regular operations and maintenance.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are private, nonprofit entities that have the legal authority to operate a revolving loan fund and the financial, technical, and managerial capacity to comply with relevant state/federal laws and regulations. The applicant must have sufficient expertise and experience in making and servicing loans.

Projects must take place in eligible rural areas and towns with populations of 10,000 or less, tribal lands in rural areas, and colonias.

Funding

In FY 2025, $1 million is available through this program. The total amount of financing to an eligible entity shall not exceed $200,000 or 75 percent of the total project cost (whichever is less) and shall be repaid in a term not to exceed 10 years. The interest rate shall be determined by the grant recipient and approved by USDA Rural Development Rural Utilities Service.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 20 percent of the total project cost in matching funds. Applicants that provide more than the minimum required match will be awarded additional points during the application evaluation process.

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https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/revolving-funds-for-financing-water-and-wastewater-projects

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Office of Rural Development

FY 2025 Rural Decentralized Water Systems (DWS) Program

Grant Overview

This program supports projects in creating revolving loan funds that will help individuals with low to moderate incomes finance the costs of household water well systems and individually owned decentralized wastewater systems that they own or will own. Eligible applicants are private, nonprofit entities.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$5 million	6

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $5 million
Match: 10 percent
Solicitation date: January 1, 2025
Proposal due: March 3, 2025

- Projects must be located in rural areas and towns with populations of 50,000 or less, tribal lands in rural areas, or colonias.

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/rural-decentralized-water-systems-grant-program

Awardee Profile

Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project, Inc. (SERCAP), VA

AMOUNT: Unspecified
YEAR: 2024

SERCAP received funding to help individuals with low to moderate incomes finance the costs of household water well systems and individually owned decentralized wastewater systems that they own or will own.

Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Office of Rural Development

FY 2025 Rural Decentralized Water Systems (DWS) Program

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support projects in creating revolving loan funds that will help individuals with low to moderate incomes finance the costs of household water well systems and individually owned decentralized wastewater systems that they own or will own. Applicants should consider energy efficiency, resiliency, and water reuse technologies. Loans may be used to construct, refurbish, and service a household water well or decentralized wastewater system up to the point of entry to the residence. In certain circumstances where ground well water contamination is documented, funding may be used to complete work beyond the point of entry to the residence.

Ultimately, the program is intended to increase access to safe, reliable water and septic systems for households in rural areas. Projects must be located in rural areas and towns with populations of 50,000 or less, tribal lands in rural areas, or colonias.

Award recipients may make loans of up to $15,000 that will have a term of up to 20 years at a 1 percent annual interest rate. Where necessary, up to 50 percent of the awarded funds may be used as a grant.

Eligible loan recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Be individuals that are members of a household in which the combined household income of all members does not exceed 60 percent of the median non-metropolitan household income for the state or territory in which the individual resides
- Own and occupy the home being improved or be purchasing the home to occupy under a legally enforceable land purchase contract that is not in default by either the seller or the purchaser

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are private, nonprofit entities that have:

- Expertise and experience promoting the safe, productive use of individually owned household water wells systems
- Legal authority to act as a lender
- Sufficient expertise and experience in lending activities
- Financial, technical, and managerial capacity to comply with relevant federal and state laws and regulations

Prior awards cannot be renewed; however, previous award recipients are eligible to apply for new projects. Non-tribal applicants proposing to serve households on tribal lands must submit a tribal resolution of support with their application from the tribe, or tribes, that have jurisdiction over those lands.

Funding

In FY 2025, an estimated $5 million is available to support awards through this program. Funding will be provided on a reimbursement basis.

Awards are anticipated to be announced on September 30, 2025. The project period will begin on October 1, 2025, and end on September 30, 2026.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants must provide at least 10 percent of project costs via cash contributions. Applicants that provide more than the minimum required match will be awarded additional points based on the match percentage during the application evaluation process. Matching funds may originate with the applicant or a third party.

Matching requirements only apply to awards funds that are then used as revolving funds, and do not apply to subawards.

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https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/rural-decentralized-water-systems-grant-program

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GRANT PROFILE



Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

FY 2025 OneRD Guarantee Loan Initiative: Water and Waste Disposal Loan Guarantees

Grant Overview

This program provides assistance to private lenders in providing affordable financing to qualified borrowers to improve access to clean, reliable water and waste disposal systems for households and businesses in rural areas. Eligible applicants are lenders with the legal authority, sufficient experience, and financial strength to operate successful lending programs including federal- or state-chartered banks, savings and loans, farm credit banks with direct lending authority, and credit unions.

Program History

Program history for this program is not available.

Key Information

Total Funding: $14,624,737
Award Range: Up to $50 million
Match: Not required
Proposal due: Rolling

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-guarantees

Tips

- All facilities financed with the aid of a loan guarantee must be used for public purposes.
- Reasonable and customary fees for loan origination are negotiated between the borrower and lender.
- Projects that primarily serve rural areas that have populations under 10,000 will receive priority points in the application evaluation process.

Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

FY 2025 OneRD Guarantee Loan Initiative: Water and Waste Disposal Loan Guarantees

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist private lenders in providing affordable financing to qualified borrowers to improve access to clean, reliable water and waste disposal systems for households and businesses in rural areas. Projects must be located in rural areas with a population of fewer than 50,000, excluding incarcerated populations. Funding will be provided to construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve facilities for:

- Drinking water
- Sanitary sewers
- Solid waste disposal
- Stormwater disposal facilities

Depending on the circumstances, some funds may also be used for:

- Guarantee and lender fees
- Legal and engineering fees
- Land acquisition and equipment
- Additional borrower labor to install and extend service
- Initial operating expenses
- Capitalized interest
- Purchase of existing facilities to improve service or prevent loss of service
- Debt refinancing, in some instances

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are lenders with legal authority, sufficient experience, and financial strength to operate successful lending programs. Lenders may include:

- Federal- or state-chartered banks
- Savings and loans
- Farm credit banks with direct lending authority
- Credit unions

Lenders may request guarantees for the following borrowers:

- Public bodies
- Federally recognized tribes

- Nonprofit corporations that are unable to obtain commercial credit at reasonable rates and terms without the federal government's guarantee

Eligibility is limited to projects located in rural areas with a population of greater than 50,000 tribal lands in rural areas, or colonias. Applicants may verify address eligibility online here.

Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support guarantees of loans obtained through private lenders through this program. The loan guarantee percentage is 80 percent. The maximum loan amount is $50 million. Loan fees will apply as follows:

- Initial guarantee fee: 1 percent of the guaranteed amount
- Issuance of loan note guarantee prior to construction completion fee: 0.5 percent

Interest rates are negotiated between the lender and borrower. Rates may be fixed or variable; however, variable interest rates may not be adjusted more often than quarterly.

The loan term is limited to 40 years.

Matching and Cost Sharing

There are no stated matching requirements for this program; however, applicants that include funds from sources other than the funding agency will receive additional points in the application evaluation process. Lenders must also include borrower contributions in the application.

Contact Information

Contact the local Rural Development office that serves your area.

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-guarantees

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Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Rural Development

FY 2025 Water and Waste Disposal Predevelopment Planning Grants

Grant Overview

This program supports the provision of clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and stormwater drainage for households and businesses in eligible rural areas. Funding will help eligible low-income communities plan and develop applications for the funding agency's Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program. Eligible applicants are most state and local government entities, nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized tribes.

Program History

Program history is unavailable.

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: Unspecified
Award Range: Up to $60,000
Match: 25 percent
Proposal due: Rolling

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/water-waste-disposal-predevelopment-planning-grants



Tips

- Projects must serve areas that have a median household income below the poverty line, or less than 80 percent of the statewide non-metropolitan median household income
- Partnerships with other federal, state and local entities are encouraged, and awards will be issued through this program only when the applicant cannot afford to borrow the needed funds

Department: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Agency: Rural Development

FY 2025 Water and Waste Disposal Predevelopment Planning Grants

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to support the provision of clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and stormwater drainage for households and businesses in eligible rural areas. Funding will help eligible low-income communities plan and develop applications for the funding agency's Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program.

The funding agency recommends finding your state office contact information and speaking to a program specialist before attempting to fill out any forms or applications.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are most state and local governmental entities, nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized tribes.

Projects must serve areas that have a median household income below the poverty line or less than 80 percent of the statewide non-metropolitan median household income. Eligible areas may include:

- Rural areas and towns with populations of 10,000 or fewer – more information can be found here.
- Federally recognized tribal lands – a list can be found here.
- Colonias

Partnerships with other federal, state, and local organizations are encouraged, and awards will be issued through this program only when the applicant cannot afford to borrow the needed funds.

Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support awards of up to $60,000 or 75 percent of the total predevelopment planning costs, whichever is less.

Matching and Cost-Share

Applicants must provide at least 25 percent of the total predevelopment planning costs via cash contributions.

Contact Information

Questions should be directed to the appropriate local office listed here.

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/water-waste-disposal-predevelopment-planning-grants

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GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Commerce
Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

FY 2025 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (PWEEA)

Grant Overview

This program assists communities and regions in devising and implementing long-term economic development efforts through a variety of non-construction and construction projects. Eligible applicants are district organizations; Indian Tribes; states, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of states, including special purpose units of state or local governments engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities; institutions of higher education; and private or public nonprofits acting in cooperation with officials of political subdivisions of states.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$429,177,544	209
2023	$161,930,109	85

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: Unspecified
Award Range: Varies by project category
Match: Varies
Solicitation date: September 16, 2025
Proposal due: Rolling

- In FY 2025, the notice of funding opportunity was revised with the funding agency's updated investment priorities and other technical changes.

For more information, click here.

Awardee Profile

City of West Lafayette, IN

AMOUNT: $2,073,500
YEAR: 2024

The City of West Lafayette, IN, received Public Works funding to support increasing the wastewater treatment capacity for the Purdue Research Park. The project work includes the expansion of an existing regional lift station and a larger force main. The grantee estimates that this investment to expand the Park's wastewater capacity will help create 400 jobs and leverage $20 million in private investment.

Department: U.S. Department of Commerce
Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

FY 2025 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (PWEEA)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist communities and regions in devising and implementing long-term economic development efforts through a variety of non-construction and construction projects. Funding will support bottom-up strategies that build on regional assets to spur economic growth and resiliency, and applicants are encouraged to propose initiatives that present new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities. Further, the funding agency recognizes the value of project alignment and integration with existing regional public or private investments to extend the impact of these efforts. Applicants need not specify the program for which they are applying, as the funding agency will consider the application under the most appropriate pool of funding.

Projects must be consistent with at least one of the following investment priorities of the funding agency: critical infrastructure, workforce, innovation and entrepreneurship, economic recovery resilience, and manufacturing. The funding agency is not prioritizing any investment priorities over another.

Separate program funds are available for the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) programs, as follows:

- Public Works: The funding agency provides catalytic investments to help distressed communities build, design, or engineer critical infrastructure and facilities that will help implement regional development strategies and advance bottom-up economic development goals to promote regional prosperity. The Public Works program provides resources to meet the construction and/or infrastructure design needs of communities to enable them to become more economically competitive.
- EAA: The funding agency provides investments that support a wide range of construction and non-construction activities in regions experiencing adverse economic changes that may occur suddenly or over time. Supported activities include construction and non-construction, such as workforce training, design and engineering, technical assistance, economic recovery strategies, and capitalization or re-capitalization of revolving loan funds (RLFs). The funding agency utilizes EAA investments to provide resources that help communities experiencing or anticipating economic dislocations to plan and implement specific solutions to leverage their existing regional economic advantages to support economic development and job creation. Like Public Works investments, EAA investments are designed to help communities catalyze public-private partnerships to foster collaboration, attract investment, create jobs, and foster economic resiliency and prosperity.

The EAA program is also designed to provide specific investment assistance to communities harmed by the closure of nuclear, biomass, or coal facilities. EAA assistance to Nuclear Closure Communities (NCCs) and Biomass Closure Communities (BCC) supports communities that have been impacted, or can reasonably demonstrate they will be impacted, by closures of nuclear or biomass power plants. Similarly, EAA Assistance

to Coal Communities (ACC) supports communities that have been negatively impacted by the closure of coal facilities. Additionally, the EAA program includes an addendum for Assistance to Indigenous Communities, (AIC) to assist Indigenous communities particularly in the areas of capacity building and planning support.

Projects must also be consistent with the region's current comprehensive economic development strategy (CEDS), or if a CEDS does not exist, an equivalent regional economic development strategy that meets the funding agency's CEDS or strategy requirements, except for a strategy grant to develop, update, or refine a CEDS.

Competitive applications will propose projects designed to create the conditions for economic growth in Indigenous Communities. The funding agency encourages non-construction projects that provide capacity-building, planning support, and technical assistance to support the future implementation of foundational economic infrastructure. Foundational economic infrastructure can include broadband, energy, road, water, and wastewater infrastructure (including community water facilities); vocational and higher education facilities; and community health and childcare facilities that are necessary for job creation and economic mobility. Projects can also provide technical assistance to support business development, entrepreneurship assistance, economic development planning, rural prosperity, and workforce training in Indigenous Communities.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are district organizations of an EDA-designated Economic Development District; Indian Tribes or a consortium of Indian Tribes; state, county, city, or other political subdivision of a state, including a special purpose unit of a state or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; institutions of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; public or private non-profit organizations or associations acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a state.

Projects must be located in regions that meet the funding agency's distress criteria. Applicants must self-define the appropriate region geographically. The geographic area comprising the region need not be contiguous or defined by political boundaries; however, it should constitute a cohesive area capable of undertaking self-sustained economic development. Applicants must provide third-party data that clearly indicates that the relevant region is subject to at least one of the following economic distress criteria:

- An unemployment rate that is, for the most recent 24-month period for which data is available, at least one percentage point greater than the national average unemployment rate
- A per capita income that is, for the most recent period for which data is available, 80 percent or less of the national average per capita income
- A special need, as defined by the funding agency

For construction projects, including design and engineering, the project must be located within an eligible region. For non-construction projects, the scope of work must primarily benefit an eligible region, and stakeholders from that eligible region must be directly engaged. Projects may meet the regional eligibility criteria in one of the following ways:

- Located in a region that meets the funding agency's economic distress criteria
- Located in an economic development district (EDD) that is located in a region that does not meet the funding agency's economic distress criteria, but the funding agency determines it will be of

substantial direct benefit to a geographic area within the EDD that meets the funding agency's economic distress criteria
- Located in a geographic area of poverty or high unemployment that meets the funding agency's economic distress criteria but that is located in a region that overall does not meet the funding agency's economic distress criteria

Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is expected to be available to support grants and cooperative agreements through this program, as follows:

- Public Works Program: Awards are expected to range from $600,000 to $5 million. In the past, the average award size has been approximately $1.4 million. No more than 15 percent of investments made through this program may be spent in a single state.
- Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) Program: Awards are expected to range from $150,000 to $2.5 million. In the past, the average award size has been approximately $650,000.
- Assistance to Coal Communities (ACC): Awards are expected to range from $500,000 to $3 million for implementation projects and from $100,000 to $350,000 for planning activities.
- Assistance to Nuclear Closure Communities (NCC): Awards are expected to range from $500,000 to $3 million for implementation projects and from $100,000 to $350,000 for planning activities.
- Assistance to Biomass Closure Communities (BCC): Awards are expected to range from $500,000 to $3 million for implementation projects and from $100,000 to $350,000 for planning activities.

Additionally, approximately $5 million is available for non-construction Assistance to Indigenous Communities awards ranging from $75,000 and $200,000 through the EAA Program.

Project periods will depend on the nature of the project for which the grant or cooperative agreement is awarded. Typically, strategy grants and non-construction projects range in duration from 12 to 24 months. Construction projects are expected to range from 12 to 48 months and are expected to be completed within five years from the award date.

Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, applicants must provide at least 40 percent of the total project costs via cash and/or in-kind contributions; however, the funding agency may fund up to 80 percent of the total project costs based on the relative needs of the region. Matching requirements will vary according to the economic distress of the region in which the project is located, as follows:

- Regions in which the 24-month unemployment rate is at least 225 percent of the national average: applicants must provide at least 20 percent of the total project costs
- Regions in which the per capita income is not more than 50 percent of the national average: applicants must provide at least 20 percent of the total project costs
- Regions in which the 24-month unemployment rate is at least 200 percent of the national average: applicants must provide at least 30 percent of the total project costs
- Regions in which the per capita income is not more than 60 percent of the national average: applicants must provide at least 30 percent of the total project costs
- Regions in which the 24-month unemployment rate is at least one percentage point greater than the national average: applicants must provide at least 40 percent of the total project costs

- Regions in which the per capita income is not more than 80 percent of the national average: applicants must provide at least 40 percent of the total project costs

In addition, the matching requirements may be waived for Indian tribes, states or political subdivisions of states, and nonprofits that can document that they have exhausted their effective taxing and borrowing capacity.

Contact Information

Program contacts vary by regional office. EDA regional representatives can be found at https://www.eda.gov/contact/.

https://www.eda.gov/funding/funding-opportunities/fiscal-year-2023-public-works-and-economic-adjustment-assistance

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service

FY 2025 AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Program

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service projects on a short-term basis. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, federal, state, and local governments, Native American tribes, schools, and school districts.

Program History

There is no program history.

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: Rather than providing monetary awards, this program places a full-time team of 8 to 12 AmeriCorps NCCC members and one team leader to serve with sponsoring organizations.
Match: Unspecified
Solicitation date: Unspecified
Proposal due: Due dates will vary according to region and are based on the dates for which the applicant requests an NCCC team.

- To initiate the application process, applicants must contact the appropriate regional campus to discuss the project
- Mandatory project concept forms must be submitted to the appropriate regional campus by the specific regional deadline
- Applications should be submitted at least four months prior to the preferred start date of the project

https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-nccc

Awardee Profile

Tips

- Projects will typically last 3-13 weeks
- Resources are available up to 60 weeks
- Project Sponsors must provide technical oversight and direction to the NCCC team each day
- Project Sponsors must provide lodging and cooking facilities.

FY 2025 National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Program

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service projects on a short-term basis. Rather than providing monetary awards, this program places a full-time team of 8 to 12 AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) members and one team leader to serve with sponsoring organizations to help meet a critical community need that would not be fully addressed without additional assistance.

NCCC members represent a wide variety of socioeconomic, cultural, geographic, and educational backgrounds, and will complete projects in the following focus areas:

Natural and other disasters: preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation projects that address the needs of communities affected by floods, hurricanes, wildfires, and other disasters; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Supporting disaster recovery centers, shelters, and facilities
- Preparing and distributing meals or water
- Mucking and gutting storm-damaged homes and buildings
- Debris removal
- Roof tarping

Infrastructure improvement: projects that address the needs of communities by contributing to the safety and well-being of community citizens through the repair and building of public structures; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Building and repairing wheelchair ramps, boardwalks, and footbridges
- Assembling playgrounds
- Repairing and painting public facilities
- Renovating museums, historical buildings, and cemeteries
- Restoring and refurbishing picnic areas and campsites

Environmental stewardship and conservation: projects that address the needs of communities by helping them maintain and protect their natural resources; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Trail building and maintenance
- Planting trees
- Removing invasive plant species
- Cleaning up rivers, streams, and wetlands
- Addressing climate mitigation, adaptation, and resilience
- Facilitating environmental education workshops and camps for youth

Energy conservation: projects that address the needs of communities by helping citizens to more effectively and efficiently utilize their local resources; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Conducting energy-efficiency assessments
- Assisting with installations of energy-efficient modifications to homes, businesses, and public facilities
- Developing and improving recycling programs
- Performing home-weatherization projects
- Facilitating educational programming on energy sustainability and conservation practices

Urban and rural development: projects that address the needs of communities in ways that improve the quality of life for citizens; examples of eligible service activities include:

- Supporting homeless shelters, food banks, and youth and family service organizations
- Renovating and constructing homes for those in need
- Leading neighborhood and community revitalization projects
- Community and school gardens and summer feeding programs
- Assisting students, parents, and families through tutoring and after-school programming

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are nonprofit, secular, and faith-based organizations; local municipalities and city governments; state governments; the federal government; Native American and Alaskan tribes; national or state parks, forests, and other public lands; and schools and school districts.

To initiate the application process, applicants must contact the appropriate regional campus to discuss the project. Mandatory project concept form deadlines will vary according to each of this program's four regional campuses. Project concept forms must be submitted to the appropriate regional campus. Specific submission instructions will be provided by the regional campus. Applicants that submit a successful project concept form will be invited to complete a full application. Generally, applications should be submitted at least four months prior to the preferred start date of the project.

Funding

In FY 2025, rather than providing monetary awards, this program places a full-time team of 8 to 12 AmeriCorps NCCC members and one team leader to serve with sponsoring organizations to help meet a critical community need that would not be fully addressed without additional assistance.

In addition, this program will provide sponsoring organizations with a team leader to coordinate the team; one 15-passenger van and fuel; funds for food and laundry; and Federal Tort Claims Act and Federal Employees Coverage Act insurance.

Projects will typically last 3 to 13 weeks but will vary depending on the specific requirements of each project. Project sponsors can receive NCCC resources for up to 60 weeks. Exceptions may be granted for strategic, mission-critical projects and disaster response and recovery projects.

Matching and Cost Sharing

The NCCC program has an unspecified cost match. However, if selected as a sponsoring organization, applicants will be required to provide NCCC members with the following: on-site technical oversight and direction with the team each day; at least 40 hours of enriching service per week, per member; project supplies, equipment, materials, and any necessary building permits; schedule of work and training plan; lodging with showers; cooking facilities, unless meals are provided; service-learning support and opportunities to understand community impact; Inclement-weather work plan.

Contact Information

To initiate the application process applicants must contact the appropriate regional campus.

https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-nccc

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Department of Defense
Agency: Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation

FY 2025 Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP)

Grant Overview

This program is designed to address deficiencies in community infrastructure, supportive of a military installation, in order to enhance military value, installation resilience, and military family quality of life or contribute to the training of cadets enrolled in an independent program at a covered educational institution. Eligible applicants are state and local governments owning infrastructure outside of, but supporting, a military installation.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$100 million	14
2023	$99.7 million	17
2022	$90 million	19

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $90 million
Award Range: $250,000 - $20 million
Match: 30 percent
Solicitation date: May 27, 2025
Proposal due: July 3, 2025

- Benefitting military installation must provide a letter of support for the project

https://oldcc.gov/defense-community-infrastructure-program-dcip

Awardee Profile

City of Copperas Cove, TX

AMOUNT: $10,308,887
YEAR: 2024

The City of Copperas Cove received funding for road improvements to enhance access, reduce congestion, and boost safety—laying groundwork for a future regional transportation hub that supports Fort Cavazos, improves military readiness, and benefits service members, families, and the broader community.

Department: U.S. Department of Defense
Agency: Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation

FY 2025 Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to assist states and local governments, and nonprofit member-owned utility services in addressing deficiencies in community infrastructure supportive of a military installation. For the purposes of this program, a military installation is defined as a base, camp, post, station, yard, center, homeport facility for any ship, or other activity under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense, including any leased facility, which is located within any of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or Guam.

Eligible community infrastructure projects are any complete and useable transportation project; community support facility (e.g., school, hospital, police, fire, emergency response, or other community support facility); and utility infrastructure project (e.g., water, wastewater, telecommunications, electric, gas, or other utility infrastructure (with necessary cyber safeguards)) that:

- are on land located off of a military installation or on property under the jurisdiction of a Secretary of a military department that is subject to a real estate agreement allowing the project or facility to be located on military property (including a lease or easement)
- support a military installation
- are owned by a state, local government, or a not-for-profit, member-owned utility service
- are supported by the installation commander representing the installation benefitting from the proposed project
- are where ground-disturbing work has not yet commenced
- are construction-ready

To be eligible, projects that will contribute to the training of cadets enrolled in an independent Reserve Officer Training Corps program at a covered educational institution must meet the requirements listed above. The location of the proposed infrastructure project contributing to the training of such cadets does not necessarily have to be on the campus of the covered educational institution. Projects must be tied to a specific, eligible independent cadet program at a covered educational institution and support a military installation.

Community infrastructure projects will be prioritized in the following order:

- Projects that will enhance military value at a military installation
- Projects that will contribute to the training of cadets enrolled in an independent program at a covered educational institution
- Projects that will enhance military installation resilience
- Projects that will enhance military family quality of life at an installation.

Proposed stormwater management projects involving retrofitting a defense access road to reduce stormwater runoff and ponding or standing water that includes the combination of stormwater runoff and water levels resulting from extreme weather conditions shall be given priority over other proposed stormwater projects.

Eligible costs include only hard construction and renovation costs, such as the costs directly associated with project administration, inspection, construction, utilities, and contingency costs required to execute the project, as well as costs of capital equipment affixed to the real property with a depreciable life of not less than seven years. Soft costs, such as those required for planning, design, permitting, and meeting requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act must be funded by non-Federal project cost contribution funds. Construction contingency costs are limited to no more than 15 percent of the proposed project.

Project proposals must include a letter of support from the local installation commander representing the installation benefitting from the proposed project.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are state or local governments. Not-for-profit, member-owned utilities may receive funding as a sub-recipient to a state or local government, and projects owned by such utilities must comply with Federal Interest rules described in the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation's grant terms and conditions. The facility addressed in the application must not be located on a military installation, unless it is on property under the jurisdiction of a military department and is subject to a real estate agreement (e.g., a lease or an easement).

Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $90 million is available to support awards ranging from $250,000 to $20 million through this program. Environmental permits, authorizations, and approvals must be completed within 120 days of grant award. Projects should commence within 12 months upon receipt of a grant. Projects should be completed no later than five years following obligation of funds.

Matching and Cost-Share

State or local government recipients must agree to contribute not less than 30 percent of the total funding required for the community infrastructure project. State or local government matches are not required for proposed community infrastructure projects located in rural areas, defined as a city, town, or unincorporated area that has a population of not more than 100,000 inhabitants. In addition, State or local government funding contributions are not required for proposed community infrastructure projects that are determined to be advantageous for reasons related to national security.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

FY 2025 Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to promote clean and safe water by providing capitalization grants to states to establish Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CWSRFs). States will provide loans and other types of financial assistance to local communities and intermunicipal and interstate agencies for the construction of publicly owned water treatment works, implementation of nonpoint source management activities, and reuse and recycling, among others. Eligible applicants are states and Puerto Rico.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$3.30 billion	168
2023	$3.08 billion	168
2022	$3.04 billion	168
2021	$1.58 billion	56

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: Unspecified
Match: 20 percent
Proposal Due: Varies by state

- States are required to provide a match of 20 percent of the amount of each federal grant payment

https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf

Awardee Profile

North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
Raleigh, NC

AMOUNT: $41.043 million
YEAR: 2024

North Carolina's program will continue to be one of low-interest loans, supplemented with principal forgiveness. In addition to funding infrastructure projects, the NC CWSRF also allows the use of set-asides of capitalization grant funds for technical assistance. The State intends to access up to 2% of the capitalization grants (up to $294,660 of the base CWSRF and up to $820,860 from BIL CWSRF General Supplemental) for technical assistance.

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

FY 2025 Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to promote clean and safe water by providing capitalization grants to states to establish Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CWSRFs). States will provide loans and other types of financial assistance to local communities, intermunicipal and interstate agencies, and other eligible entities under Title VI of the Clean Water Act for the construction of wastewater treatment facilities and the implementation of other water quality management activities.

In general, eligible activities include:

- Construction of publicly owned water treatment works
- Implementation of nonpoint source management activities included in state plans developed pursuant to Section 319
- Development and implementation of a National Estuary Program comprehensive conservation and management plan under Section 320
- Construction, repair, or replacement of decentralized wastewater treatment systems that treat municipal wastewater or domestic sewage
- Measures to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water
- Measures to reduce the demand for publicly owned treatment works capacity through water conservation, efficiency, or reuse for any municipality or intermunicipal, interstate, or state agency
- Development and implementation of watershed projects meeting the criteria set forth in section 122
- Measures to reduce the energy demand for publicly owned treatment works by any municipality or intermunicipal, interstate, or state agency
- Reusing or recycling wastewater, stormwater, or subsurface drainage water
- Measures to increase the security of publicly owned treatment works
- Support to qualified nonprofit organizations to provide assistance to owners and operators of small and medium-sized publicly owned treatment works to plan, develop, and obtain financing for eligible projects under section 603(c), including planning, design, and associated pre-construction activities and to assist such treatment works in achieving compliance with the Clean Water Act
- Support to qualified nonprofit organizations to provide assistance to eligible individuals for the repair or replacement of existing individual household decentralized wastewater treatment systems or the connection of households to available publicly owned treatment works

Funding provided through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) also makes additional capitalization awards available to each state to support projects that address emerging contaminants.

States are required to prepare and provide for public commenting on a plan identifying the intended uses of funds and how the proposed uses support program goals prior to submitting applications and intended use plans.

Applicant Eligibility

States and the U.S. territory of Puerto Rico are eligible to receive capitalization grants. The District of Columbia, territories, possessions of the United States, and federally recognized Indian/Native American/Alaska Native tribal governments are eligible to receive grants for the construction of municipal wastewater facilities.

Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount is available to support formula awards through this program. Funds are available for obligation to the state during the fiscal year in which they are allotted and during the following year.

Award funding must be used to provide loans and other types of financial assistance to local communities, intermunicipal and interstate agencies, and other eligible entities under Title VI of the Clean Water Act. A portion of awarded funding must be used to provide additional subsidy in the form of grants, principal forgiveness, or negative interest loans.

Administrative costs are limited to 4 percent of the award amount, $400,000 each year, or one-fifth percent per year of the current valuation of the fund.

Matching and Cost Sharing

For Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) base appropriations, states must provide a 20 percent match. For general supplemental capitalization grant appropriations provided through the FY 2025 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), states must provide a 20 percent match. Matching funds are not required for emerging contaminant supplemental capitalization funding provided through the IIJA. The match is also waived for the supplemental appropriation under the 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act.

Contact Information

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Agency: Office of Water and Wastewater Management

FY 2025 Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Program

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to accelerate investment in the nation's water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost, supplemental credit assistance under customized terms to creditworthy water infrastructure projects of national and regional significance. Eligible applicants are local, state, tribal, and federal government entities, partnerships and joint ventures, corporations and trusts, and state infrastructure financing authorities.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2023	$13 billion	31
2022	$14 billion	42

Key Information

Total Funding: $6.5 billion
Award Range: Varies
Match: 51%
Solicitation date: November 20, 2025
Proposal due: Rolling

- Prospective borrowers seeking a WIFIA loan must submit an LOI describing the project fundamentals and addressing the WIFIA selection criteria.

https://www.epa.gov/wifia

Awardee Profile

City of Lake Oswego, OR

AMOUNT: $123 million
YEAR: 2023

The purpose of the project is to modernize Lake Oswego's Wastewater Treatment Facility by increasing the system's ability to withstand storm events, reducing energy consumption and reducing the risk of untreated wastewater spilling into the Willamette River.

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Agency: Office of Water and Wastewater Management

FY 2025 Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Program

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to accelerate investment in the nation's water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost, supplemental credit assistance under customized terms to creditworthy water infrastructure projects of national and regional significance. This program is implementing the following five key priorities of the funding agency:

- Providing Safe Drinking Water and Improving Water Quality: Project types are wide-ranging and include, but are not limited to, projects that: improve water quality, support compliance with drinking water standards and wastewater permit requirements, reduce stormwater runoff, modernize aging water infrastructure, address PFAS and other emerging contaminants, and remove lead service lines.
- Pursuing Energy Independence, Exploration, Development, or Production: EPA encourages the submission of projects that serve populations in regions impacted by significant energy exploration, development, or production. These projects can help communities pursue energy independence and lower energy costs for communities.
- Advancing Local, Regional, and State Water Priorities: EPA will partner with localities, regions, and states across the country to advance durable water infrastructure projects that address the critical needs of all communities, especially for small and rural communities.
- Supporting Water Sector Innovation: EPA is prioritizing projects that incorporate new or innovative technology, which can play a significant role in helping states, tribes, and communities ensure the provision of clean, safe, and reliable water supplies. In particular, water reuse technology solves a variety of water challenges, such as expanding water resources to support economic development (e.g., artificial intelligence data centers) and alleviating the effects of drought. Other examples of new or innovative technology include, but are not limited to, desalination and cybersecurity enhancements.
- Promoting Economic Growth for American Industries: Reliable water infrastructure not only benefits residents, but also companies that depend on water resources to maintain and expand operations. Without durable water supplies, American industries, including the automotive, electronic, mining, and artificial intelligence sectors, cannot thrive. EPA encourages prospective borrowers to demonstrate how projects will generate economic and public benefits, such as supporting international commerce, increasing domestic manufacturing, or accelerating economic growth.

The WIFIA program can fund development and implementation activities for eligible projects:

- A wide range of wastewater, stormwater, and nonpoint source projects that are eligible under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)
- A wide range of drinking water infrastructure projects – including treatment, transmission and distribution, source, storage, consolidation/partnerships, and the creation of new systems – that are eligible under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)
- Projects for repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of drinking water, wastewater, or stormwater infrastructure
- Energy efficiency enhancements for a public water system or publicly owned treatment works
- Desalination, aquifer storage and recovery, water recycling, or other projects to provide an alternative water supply and reduce aquifer depletion
- Drought prevention, reduction, or mitigation projects
- Acquisition of real property or an interest in real property, in certain circumstances
- A combination of drinking water and wastewater projects submitted by a state infrastructure financing authority
- A combination of eligible projects, secured by a common security pledge, for which a single entity, or a combination of eligible entities, submits a single application

Eligible project costs are costs associated with the following activities:

- Development-phase activities, including planning, feasibility analysis (including any related analysis necessary to carry out an eligible project), revenue forecasting, environmental review, permitting, preliminary engineering and design work, and other preconstruction activities
- Construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and replacement activities
- The acquisition of real property or an interest in real property (including water rights, land relating to the project, and improvements to land), environmental mitigation, construction contingencies and acquisition of equipment
- Capitalized interest necessary to meet market requirements, reasonably required reserve funds, capital issuance expenses, and other carrying costs during construction. Capitalized interest on WIFIA credit assistance may not be included as an eligible project cost

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are local, state, tribal, and federal government entities, partnerships and joint ventures, corporations and trusts, and state infrastructure financing authorities.

Public sponsorship is required for projects undertaken by an entity that is not a state or local government or agency or instrumentality of a state or local government, or a tribal government or consortium of tribal governments.

Funding

In FY 2025, approximately $6.5 billion is available to help finance an unspecified number of direct loans or loan guarantees. Projects must have eligible costs that are reasonably anticipated to be equal to or exceed $20 million, or for small communities (serving not more than 25,000 individuals), project costs that are reasonably anticipated to equal or exceed $5 million.

Matching and Cost Sharing

In general, applicants must provide 51% of the project costs. The maximum amount of WIFIA credit assistance to a project is 49% of eligible project costs in almost all instances. For small communities who face significant water infrastructure challenges and economic or administrative hardships accessing funding and financing, the WIFIA program may provide credit assistance up to a maximum of 80% of eligible project costs.

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE



Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

FY 2024 Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grants

Grant Overview

This program provides funding for critical stormwater infrastructure projects in communities including combined sewer overflows (CSO) and sanitary sewer overflows (SSO). Funding is awarded through an allocation formula to states which provide sub-awards to eligible entities for projects that address infrastructure needs for CSOs, SSOs, and stormwater management. Eligible applicants are states and U.S. territories including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Program History

	Total Funding Available to be Allocated to States and Territories
2022	$42 million
2021	$40 million

Key Information

Total Funding: $41 million
Award Range: Varies
Match: 20 percent
Solicitation Date: Unspecified
Proposal Due: Rolling

https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/sewer-overflow-and-stormwater-reuse-municipal-grants-program

Tips

- The allotment formula is determined by the data from the latest Clean Watersheds Needs Survey, along with supplemental data on population, urban population, and precipitation.
- States should use at least 20 percent of their allocation for green infrastructure, water and energy efficiency improvements, and other environmentally innovative activities.

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

FY 2024 Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grants

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to fund critical stormwater infrastructure projects in communities including combined sewer overflows (CSO) and sanitary sewer overflows (SSO). The statutory eligibilities allow states to fund a variety of project types. Projects can be publicly or privately owned. Only capital projects are eligible, including infrastructure planning, design, construction, and equipment purchases. Operations and maintenance activities are not eligible for funding.

Eligible projects exist under the following three general categories: 1) combined sewer overflow correction, 2) sanitary sewer overflow correction, and 3) stormwater and subsurface drainage water. This list is not meant to be exclusive, and it is possible that there are other eligible projects that are consistent with the authorizing statute.

1. Combined Sewer Overflow Correction: assistance may be provided to any municipality or municipal entity for planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, treat, or reuse municipal combined sewer overflows. Eligible CSO correction projects may include:
    - Installation of separate sanitary and storm sewers
    - Downspout disconnection
    - Overflow tanks/tunnels
    - Infiltration/inflow correction
    - Conveyance infrastructure related to CSO correction
    - Real-time control systems for CSO management
    - Planning and design activity related to an eligible capital project
2. Sanitary Sewer Overflow Correction: assistance may be provided to any municipality or municipal entity for planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, treat, or reuse municipal sanitary sewer overflows. Eligible SSO correction projects may include:
    - Infiltration/inflow correction
    - Enhancement of collection system, pump station, or treatment facility capacity for the purposes of mitigating SSOs
    - Real-time control systems for SSO management
    - Other capital projects for the purposes of mitigating or preventing the impact of stormwater on wastewater collection
    - Planning and design activity related to an eligible capital project
3. Stormwater and Subsurface Drainage Water: assistance may be provided to any municipality or municipal entity for planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, treat, or reuse stormwater. Eligible gray and green infrastructure projects may include:
    - Gray Infrastructure as defined as conventional piped drainage and water treatment systems designed to move urban stormwater away from the built environment. Examples include:
        - Traditional pipe, storage, and treatment systems

    - Collection and treatment systems for reuse
    - Real-time control systems for CSO management
    - Sediment controls
    - Planning and design activity related to an eligible capital project
- Green infrastructure as defined as the range of measures that use plant or soil systems, permeable pavement or other permeable surfaces or substrates, stormwater harvest and reuse, or landscaping to store, infiltrate, or evapotranspirate stormwater and reduce flows to sewer systems or to surface waters. Examples include:
    - Green roofs, blue roofs, green streets, and green walls
    - Rainwater harvesting collection, storage, management, and distribution systems
    - Real-time control systems for harvested rainwater
    - Infiltration basins
    - Constructed wetlands, including surface flow and subsurface flow (e.g., gravel) wetlands
    - Bioretention/bioswales (e.g., rain gardens, tree boxes)
    - Permeable pavement
    - Wetland/riparian/shoreline creation, protection, and restoration - Establishment/restoration of urban tree canopy
    - Replacement of gray infrastructure with green infrastructure including purchase and demolition costs
    - Planning and design activity related to an eligible capital project
- Other capital projects for the purposes of mitigating or preventing the impact of stormwater on wastewater collection or treatment

States are required to prioritize funding projects for communities that are financially distressed, have a long-term municipal CSO or SSO control plan, or for projects that have requested a grant on their Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Intended Use Plan. The funded activities should support EPA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2022 Strategic Plan.

To the extent that eligible projects are available, at least 20 percent of a state's allocation must be used for green infrastructure, water and energy efficiency improvements, and other environmentally innovative activities. States may apply up to four percent of their allotment towards their administrative expenses.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible recipients are states and U.S territories including the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands. Eligible sub-awardees are municipalities or municipal entities.

Funding

In FY 2024, $41 million is available to support 56 formula allocations to U.S. states and territories. EPA developed the allotment formula for the program to best address CSOs, SSOs, and stormwater needs for each state, as determined by the data from the latest Clean Watersheds Needs Survey, along with supplemental data on population, urban population, and precipitation.

The project period should be no more than four years.

Matching and Cost Sharing

The Federal share for awards is 80% of the total award. Recipients must provide a non-federal cost share/match for the remaining 20% of the total award. The non-Federal share of the cost may include public and private funds and in-kind services, and financial assistance, including loans, from a state water pollution control revolving fund (CWSRF).

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FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Agency: Office of Water Management

FY 2025 Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)

Grant Overview

The purpose of this program is to ensure all communities have access to clean, safe, and reliable water by providing technical assistance that will help communities to address challenges in providing safe drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater services to their residents. Rather than providing monetary awards, this program will provide free technical assistance services that will support communities and their water utilities. Eligible applicants are local governments and communities; drinking water, wastewater and stormwater utilities and systems; states and territories; tribes; and nongovernmental organizations.

Program History

Program history is unavailable.

Key Information

Total Funding: Rather than providing monetary awards, this program will provide free technical assistance services
Match: Not required
Proposal due: Rolling

https://www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/water-technical-assistance-waterta

Awardee Profile

Gila County, Arizona

YEAR: 2024

Technical assistance was provided to help launch the Cesspool Remediation Project, funded through the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA). This initiative aims to protect public health and enhance community safety by addressing and replacing aging septic systems and cesspools on private properties.

Department: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Agency: Office of Water Management

FY 2025 Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to ensure all communities have access to clean, safe, and reliable water by providing technical assistance that will help communities to address challenges in providing safe drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater services to their residents. Rather than providing monetary awards, this program will provide free technical assistance services that will support communities and their water utilities to:

- Identify lead pipes for removal
- Enhance resilience against cybersecurity threats
- Identify climate adaptation strategies
- Provide resources for workforce development
- Address stormwater challenges
- Comply with the Safe Drinking Water and Clean Water Acts

The program aims to assist communities with applications for federal funding, quality infrastructure, and reliable water services in partnership with drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater utilities, and local governments. The program's ongoing TA initiatives include:

- Environmental finance centers
- Training and technical assistance for small systems
- Rural, small, and tribal (RST) technical assistance for wastewater systems
- Creating resilience water utilities (CRWU)
- Area-wide optimization system (AWOP)
- Water infrastructure and resiliency finance center
- Cybersecurity
- Drinking water rule implementation and compliance assistance
- Water resilience
- Drinking water capacity development
- Utility workforce development

TA will be provided for the following types of systems/projects:

- Drinking water
- Wastewater
- Stormwater
- Source water protection
- Nonpoint source
- Decentralized wastewater/septic systems
- Multiple types of systems/projects

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are local governments/communities, drinking water utilities/systems, wastewater utilities/systems, stormwater utilities/systems, states and territories, tribes, and non-governmental organizations.

Funding

Rather than providing monetary awards, this program will provide free technical assistance services that will support communities and their water utilities.

Matching and Cost Sharing

There are no matching requirements for this program.

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https://www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/water-technical-assistance-waterta

FEDERAL
GRANT PROFILE



Department: U.S. Department of Interior
Agency: Bureau of Reclamation

FY 2025 WaterSMART Drought Response Program Drought Resiliency Project Grants

Grant Overview

The WaterSMART Drought Response Program supports a proactive approach to drought by providing financial assistance to develop and update comprehensive drought plans and implement projects that will build long-term resilience to drought. Eligible applicants are states, tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, and other state, regional, or local authorities with water or power delivery authority located in the Western United States, as well as nonprofit conservation organizations working in partnership with the entities listed above.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$147.6 million	42
2023	$84 million	36
2022	$20.5 million	13

Key Information

Total Funding: Unspecified
Award Range: Varies by category
Match: 50 percent
Solicitation date: July 24, 2024
Proposal due: October 7, 2024

https://www.usbr.gov/drought/

Awardee Profile

City of Gallup, New Mexico

AMOUNT: $9.5 million
YEAR: 2024

The City of Gallup received funding to construct a new well for potable water supplies to provide water to the city, the Navajo Nation, and parts of McKinley County.

Department: U.S. Department of Interior
Agency: Bureau of Reclamation

FY 2025 WaterSMART Drought Response Program Drought Resiliency Project Grants

Detailed Summary

The WaterSMART Drought Response Program supports a proactive approach to drought by providing financial assistance to develop and update comprehensive drought plans and implement projects that will build long-term resilience to drought. This program will support projects that that can increase water management flexibility and reliability to help entities prepare for and address the impacts of drought and water supply shortages.

Projects that may be funded under this program are divided into four task areas:

- Task A: Increasing the reliability of water supplies through infrastructure improvements, including:
    - System modifications or improvements
        - Constructing or modifying surface water intakes to access supplies when water levels are low (e.g., at dead pool), or to allow access at different locations.
        - Constructing new conveyance system components (pipelines, canals, pumping plants, etc.) to increase flexibility to deliver water from different sources, to facilitate voluntary water marketing or to deliver water from alternative sources.
        - Constructing interties between water conveyance systems to increase options for water deliveries.
        - Installing barriers or other facilities to prevent saltwater intrusion into surface supplies.
    - Storing water and/or recharging groundwater supplies
        - Developing or expanding small-scale surface water storage facilities such as off-stream storage ponds.
        - Installing water towers and storage tanks to store water for municipal and domestic use.
        - Installing recharge ponds or injection wells to increase recharge of surplus, inactive, or reclaimed water. Recharged water can serve multiple purposes such as sustainable conjunctive use in times of drought, deterring saltwater.
    - Developing alternate sources of water supply including water treatment
        - Constructing or expanding small-scale water treatment facilities to treat impaired groundwater, municipal wastewater, stormwater runoff, for environmental, agricultural, or potable purposes.
        - Constructing stormwater capture and reuse systems, including green stormwater infrastructure solutions such as rain gardens, cisterns, and bioswales
        - Installing residential grey water and rain catchment systems.
- Task B: Increasing the reliability of water supplies through groundwater through:
    - Constructing wells to provide back-up water supplies during times of drought.

    - Constructing extraction wells at groundwater banks or other recharge areas to improve extraction and return capabilities during dry years.
    - Constructing an aquifer storage and recovery well.
    - Treating impaired groundwater for beneficial use.
- Task C: Improving water management through decision support tools, modeling, and measurement, including:
    - Developing water management and modeling tools to help communities evaluate options and implement strategies to address drought.
    - Installing water measurement equipment and monitoring instrumentation devices to accurately track water supply conditions.
- Task D: Construction of domestic water supply projects of which the primary purpose is to provide domestic water supplies to Tribal or disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water supplies. This can include the development of new supplies and/or associated infrastructure for treatment and delivery.

Proposed projects must include activities beyond routine water management required by state law for conservation and efficiency and must have ongoing benefits to build long-term resilience to drought. In addition, projects should help avoid the need for emergency response actions, such as water hauling programs and temporary infrastructure. Applicants must also demonstrate that the proposed project is supported by an existing drought planning effort.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are states, tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, and other state, regional, or local authorities with water or power delivery authority. Applicants must be located in the western U.S., which includes the states and territories of Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands. Additionally, nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership and with the agreement of an entity described above are eligible.

Applicants may seek funding under one application for multiple project components that include one or a combination of tasks if the project components are interrelated or closely related (e.g., a project to construct a new storage and conveyance system [Task A] coupled with a decision support tool for operation of the system [Task C]). However, if the projects are only loosely related, separate applications need to be submitted.

Funding

In FY 2025, an unspecified amount of funding is available to support an estimated 20-40 awards through this program. Awards are provided through separate funding groups:

For Categories A through C:

- Group I: Up to $750,000 will be available for projects generally completed within two years
- Group II: Up to $3,000,000 will be available for projects completed within three years and funded on an annual basis, contingent upon future appropriations

Category A entities are limited to a total of $3,000,000. Category B applicants may be considered for multiple awards up to a total of $15,000,000, if the Category A partners are different for each project selected

For Category D:

- Up to $10,000,000 will be available for the construction of domestic water supply projects for Tribes or disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water supplies and will be completed within three years

The anticipated award date is September 1, 2025.

Matching and Cost-Share

Applicants applying for funding under Tasks A-C must be capable of cost sharing 50 percent or more of the total project costs. Applicants applying for funding through Task D must provide a five percent cost-share of the total project's costs.

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Department: U.S. Department of Transportation
Agency: Office of the Secretary for Transportation Policy

FY 2025 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant

Grant Overview

A revised Notice of Funding Opportunity has been reissued under the Trump Administration for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Program, renaming to the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant program and implementing amendments to reflect the Administration's priorities. The program supports surface transportation projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. Eligible applicants are state, local, tribal, and U.S. territorial governments, including special districts and public authorities with a transportation function, transit agencies, port authorities, and multi-state or multijurisdictional groups of eligible entities.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2024	$1.8 billion	148
2023	$1.5 billion	162

Key Information and Tips

Total Funding: $150 million (Round 2 Funding Only)
Award Range: $1 million - $25 million (rural)
$5 million - $25 million (urban)
Match: 20 percent (urban)
Solicitation date: November 1, 2024
Proposal due: January 30, 2025

- FY 2024 RAISE (Round 1) Projects of Merit awards
- Review revised NOFO definitions and merit criteria prior to submitting

https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants

Awardee Profile

County of Pueblo
Pueblo, CO

AMOUNT: $8,863,514
YEAR: 2024

This project will fund the planning and construction of phase 3 of a multi-use trail from Pueblo West to the City of Pueblo, expand access to mobility hubs, and plan and design a corridor to Water Works Park.

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Detailed Summary

Previously known as the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) and Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grants, the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) program provides funding for surface transportation infrastructure that will have a significant local or regional impact and improve transportation infrastructure.

Eligible **capital projects** include but are not limited to:

- Highway, bridge, or other road projects eligible under title 23, United States Code
- Public transportation projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code
- Passenger and freight rail transportation projects
- Port infrastructure investments (including inland port infrastructure and land ports of entry)
- Surface transportation components of an airport project eligible for assistance under part B of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code (see Airport Improvement Program Handbook Appendix P for details)
- Intermodal projects
- Projects to replace or rehabilitate a culvert or prevent stormwater runoff for the purpose of improving habitat for aquatic species while advancing the goals of the BUILD program
- Projects investing in surface transportation facilities that are located on Tribal land and for which title or maintenance responsibility is vested in the Federal Government
- Other surface transportation infrastructure projects that the Secretary considers to be necessary to advance the goals of BUILD such as public road and non-motorized projects that are not otherwise eligible under title 23, United States Code

The following projects are also eligible: public road and non-motorized projects that are not otherwise eligible under title 23, United States Code; surface transportation components of transit-oriented development projects; and surface transportation components of mobility on-demand projects that expand access and reduce transportation cost burden. If an application includes right-of-way acquisition, the project will be considered a capital project.

Projects components that are presented together in a single application must ensure each component has independent utility and that there is a demonstrated relationship and connection between them.

Activities eligible for funding under BUILD **planning grants** are related to the planning, preparation, or design— for example environmental analysis, community engagement, feasibility studies, benefit-cost analysis, and other pre-construction activities—of eligible surface transportation capital projects. Eligible activities related to multidisciplinary projects or regional planning may include:

- Development of master plans, comprehensive plans, transportation corridor plans, and integrated economic development, land use, housing, and transportation plans
- Planning activities related to the development of a multimodal freight corridor, including those that seek to reduce conflicts with residential areas and with passenger and non-motorized traffic
- Development of port and regional port planning grants, including State-wide or multi-port planning within a single jurisdiction or region
- Risk assessments and planning to identify vulnerabilities and address the transportation system's ability to withstand probable occurrence or recurrence of an emergency or major disaster

Research, demonstration, or pilot projects are only eligible if they will result in long-term, permanent surface transportation infrastructure that has independent utility.

Definitions

Urban: A project is designated as urban if it is located within (or on the boundary of) a Census-designated urban area that had a population greater than 200,000 in the 2020 Census. See the interactive map.

Rural: A project is designated as rural if it is located outside a Census-designated urban area that had a population greater than 200,000 in the 2020 Census. See the interactive map.

Areas of Persistent Poverty (APP): A project is located in an Area of Persistent Poverty if:

1. the **County** in which the project is located consistently had greater than or equal to 20 percent of the population living in poverty during the 30-year period preceding November 15, 2021, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial census and the most recent annual Small Area Income Poverty Estimates; **OR**
2. the **Census Tract** in which the project is located has a poverty rate of at least 20 percent as measured by the 2014-2018 5-year data series available from the American Community Survey of the Bureau of the Census; **OR**
3. the project is located in any territory or possession of the United States.

See the interactive map to show Areas of Persistent Poverty.

Historically Disadvantaged Communities (HDC): A project is located in a Historically Disadvantaged Community if:

1. the **County** in which the project is located consistently had greater than or equal to 20 percent of the population living in poverty during the 30-year period preceding November 15, 2021, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial census and the most recent annual Small Area Income Poverty Estimates; **OR**
2. the **Census Tract** in which the project is located has a poverty rate of at least 20 percent as measured by the 2014-2018 5-year data series available from the American Community Survey of the Bureau of the Census; **OR**
3. the project is located in any territory or possession of the United States.

See the interactive map to show Historically Disadvantaged Communities.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants are States and the District of Columbia; any territory or possession of the United States; a unit of local government; a public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States; a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority; a Federally recognized Indian Tribe or a consortium of such Indian Tribes; a transit agency; and a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities that are separately eligible. Recipients of previous RAISE/BUILD/TIGER grants may apply for funding to support additional phases of a project previously awarded funding through this program.

Multiple states or jurisdictions may submit a joint application and should identify a lead applicant as the primary point of contact and identify the primary recipient of the award.

Funding

In FY 2025, a total of $150 million of infrastructure law funding is available to support awards through this round of the program. For capital awards, the minimum award amount is $5 million for projects located in urban areas and $1 million for projects located in rural areas. There is no minimum award amount for planning awards. The maximum award amount for both capital and planning grants is $25 million. Funds are available for obligation only through September 30, 2029. All funds must be expended (the grant obligation must be liquidated or actually paid out to the grantee) by September 30, 2034. Funds will be provided on a reimbursement basis.

Funding will be allocated as follows:

- Up to 50 percent of the total funding available, or up to $750 million, will be allocated to rural projects
- Up to 50 percent of the total funding available, or up to $750 million, will be allocated to urban projects, which, for the purposes of this program, are defined as census-designated urbanized areas that had a population greater than 200,000 in the 2020 Census
- At least 5 percent, or $75 million, will be allocated for planning awards.
- At least 1 percent, or $15 million, will be allocated to projects located in areas of persistent poverty or historically disadvantaged communities
- Up to 20 percent of the total funding available, or $300 million may be allocated to support the subsidy and administrative costs of projects receiving credit assistance under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Program, or the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing (RRIF) Program.
- No more than 15 percent of the total BIL funding available, or $225 million, can be awarded to a single state.

Matching and Cost Sharing

Applicants with projects located in urban areas must provide at least 20 percent of the total project costs non-federal cash match. For projects located in rural areas, historically disadvantaged areas, and areas of persistent poverty are eligible to fund the project up to 100 percent with Federal funding. Projects located in an urban area, that are not designated APP and/or HDC, that have more than 80 percent federal funding will be ineligible.

Non-Federal sources include State funds originating from programs funded by State revenue, local funds originating from State or local revenue-funded programs, or private funds. Applicants may also be allowed to use select federal funds as part of matching funds including tribal transportation program funds, TIFIA program funds, and Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing program funds. DOT considers an applicant's cost share during the evaluation and selection process only to confirm eligibility for urban projects that are not located in an APP or HDC.

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Department: U.S. Department of Transportation
Agency: Federal Highway Administration

FY 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation

Grant Overview

The Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program provides funding for projects that address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail. Eligible applicants include states, political subdivisions of a state and local governments, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority, Indian tribes, a Federal land management agency that applies jointly with a State or group of States, and a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities.

Program History

	Total Funding	# of Awards
2022/2023	$830 million	980

Key Information

Total Funding: $876 million
Award Range: Varies
Match: Varies
Solicitation date: October 25, 2024
Proposal due: February 24, 2025 (Round 1), February 25, 2026 (Round 2)

https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/356840

Awardee Profile

City of Philadelphia, PA

Amount: $14 million
Year: 2022

The City of Philadelphia received funding to rehabilitate two deteriorating bridges over Wissahickon Creek in Northwest Philadelphia. Built in the 1800s, the Bells Mill Road and Valley Green Road bridges provide access to Wissahickon Valley Park, a noteworthy natural destination in the city that experiences frequent flooding. Improvements also include the creation and restoration of wetlands.

Department: U.S. Department of Transportation
Agency: Federal Highway Administration

FY 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation

Detailed Summary

The purpose of this program is to address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail. The program aims to make transportation infrastructure and service more resilient to climate change and extreme weather events, reduce damage and disruption to the transportation system, improve the safety of the traveling public, and improve equity by addressing the needs of disadvantaged communities that are often the most vulnerable to hazards.

Projects should support the continued operation or rapid recovery of crucial local, regional, or national surface transportation facilities. Furthermore, selected projects should utilize innovative and collaborative approaches to risk reduction, including the use of natural infrastructure, which is explicitly eligible under the program. Also called nature-based solutions, these strategies include conservation, restoration, or construction of riparian and streambed treatments, marshes, wetlands, native vegetation, stormwater bioswales, breakwaters, reefs, dunes, parks, urban forests, and shade trees. They reduce flood risks, erosion, wave damage, and heat impacts while also creating habitat, filtering pollutants, and providing recreational benefits.

There are four categories through this program:

- Planning Grants - may be used to develop Resilience Improvement Plans for States and MPOs; resilience planning, predesign, design, or the development of data tools to simulate transportation disruption scenarios, including vulnerability assessments; technical capacity building to facilitate the ability of the eligible entity to assess the vulnerabilities of its surface transportation assets and community response strategies under current conditions and a range of potential future conditions; or evacuation planning and preparation.
- Resilience Improvement Grants - may be used to improve the ability of an existing surface transportation asset to withstand one or more elements of a weather event or natural disaster, or to increase the resilience of surface transportation infrastructure from the impacts of changing conditions, such as sea level rise, flooding, wildfires, extreme weather events (including heat waves), and other natural disasters.
- Community Resilience and Evacuation Route Grants - may be used for activities that strengthen and protect evacuation routes that are essential for providing and supporting evacuations caused by emergency events including activities that will improve evacuation routes, provide safe passage during an evacuation, and reduce the risk of damage to evacuation routes as a result of future emergency events. For routes that inadequately facilitate evacuations, including the transportation of emergency responders and recovery resources, activities include expanding capacity through installation of communication and intelligent transportation system equipment and infrastructure,

counterflow measures, or shoulders, in addition to constructing new or redundant evacuation routes, acquiring evacuation route or traffic incident management equipment or signage, or ensuring access or service to critical destinations, including hospitals and other medical or emergency services facilities, major employers, critical manufacturing centers, ports and intermodal facilities, utilities, and Federal facilities.

- At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants - may be used for activities to strengthen, stabilize, harden, elevate, relocate or otherwise enhance the resilience of highway and non-rail infrastructure, including: bridges, roads, pedestrian walkways, and bicycle lanes, and associated infrastructure, such as culverts and tide gates to protect highways that are subject to, or face increased long-term future risks of, a weather event, a natural disaster, or changing conditions, including coastal flooding, coastal erosion, wave action, storm surge, or sea level rise, in order to improve transportation and public safety and to reduce costs by avoiding larger future maintenance or rebuilding costs.

By funding projects that improve resilience to natural hazards and climate change impacts, the program aims to reduce damage and disruption to the transportation system, improve the safety of the traveling public, and improve equity by addressing the needs of disadvantaged communities that are often the most vulnerable to hazards.

Applicant Eligibility

Eligible applicants include states, political subdivisions of a state and local governments, metropolitan planning organizations, a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, Indian tribes, a Federal land management agency that applies jointly with a State or group of States, and a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities.

Applicants pursuing funding under the "At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants" category must be located in a state bordering on, the Atlantic, Pacific, or Arctic Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico, Long Island Sound, or one or more of the Great Lakes.

Applicants may use one application to submit the same project for multiple funding categories if the project meets the eligibility criteria for multiple categories.

Funding

In FY 2024-2026, $876 million is available to support awards through this program. Awards vary by category as follows:

- Planning Grants – Up to $86 million is available to support awards that are at minimum $100,000. There is no maximum award size.
- Resilience Improvement Grants – Up to $618 million is available to support awards that are a minimum of $500,000. There is no maximum award size.
- Community Resilience and Evaluation Route Grants – Up to $86 million is available to support awards that are a minimum of $500,000. There is no maximum award size.
- At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants – Up to $86 million is available to support awards that are a minimum of $500,000. There is no maximum award size.

At least 25 percent of the available funding will be focused on projects located in areas that are outside an urban area with a population over 200,000. Additionally, at least 2 percent of the available funding will be reserved for tribal entities.

Matching and Cost-Share

Cost-share is not required for Planning Grants. All remaining categories require a 20% match.

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