

## **From the Desk of Caitlin Williams**

Hi Team,

Just a quick update from Washington, D.C.—

This week, I had the opportunity to meet with the Bureau of Reclamation to discuss their federal grant programs. The agency expressed optimism about the future of their funding initiatives and was enthusiastic about the upcoming release of several new opportunities, including additional rounds of their WaterSMART grants. It's encouraging to see their commitment to supporting local governments and water agencies through these crucial programs.

I am happy to report that the following federally funded programs are currently available:

### **USDOJ: COPS Hiring Program (CHP)**

**Deadline:** Grants.gov – June 25, 2025 | JustGrants – July 1, 2025

**Amount:** Up to \$125,000

**Match:** 25% local cash match

Provides funding to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers to increase community policing capacity and support crime prevention efforts.

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

### **California Department of Parks and Recreation: Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)**

**Deadline:** August 5, 2025

**Amount:** Up to \$6 million

Provides up to \$6 million in funding for the acquisition or development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities.

[https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=21360](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=21360)

### **Cal Parks: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP)**

**Deadline:** TBD Winter 2026

**Amount:** \$300,000 to \$15 million per application

Funds urban park and recreation projects in underserved communities.

[https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=30578](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30578)

### **USDOT: Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)**

**Deadline:** June 26, 2025

**Amount:** \$100,000 to \$25 million

**Match:** 20%

Supports local roadway safety plans and implementation projects.  
<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SS4A>

### **USDOT FHA: Bridge Investment Program**

#### **Deadlines:**

- August 1, 2025 for Large Bridge Projects (minimum \$2.5M)
- October 1, 2025 for Planning Grants (FY '26 funding)
- November 1, 2025 for Bridge Projects (minimum \$50M)

**Amount:** \$2.5 million to \$100 million

Provides funding to rehabilitate or replace aging infrastructure and reduce the number of bridges in poor condition.

<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/bip/>

As part of our continued efforts to stay current on the federal grants landscape, I'll be holding ongoing meetings with Congressional offices and federal agencies in the coming weeks. These conversations help us stay informed about program timelines, updates, and agency communications—so we can better support our clients with up-to-date information.

Please look out for these weekly DC updates from me as I share insights from the Capitol and provide relevant grant-related news from the federal level.

Thank you,

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