



MUNICIPAL GRANTS



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This document contains a selection of federal, state, and private grant and loan funding opportunities organized by funding topic. These opportunities are customized for your city, district or municipality.

- Infrastructure & Facilities Funding
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- Transportation Funding
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- Economic Development Funding
- Law Enforcement Funding
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- Health & Human Services Funding
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Within each topic section, grants are listed in order by those with hard deadlines, quarterly deadlines, and those which are due continuously. If you are interested in any of the listed opportunities, please contact your Project Manager for more information or to begin your application today!

In the Spotlight USDA NRCS Conservation Innovation Grants

Deadline: April 17, 2018

Amount: up to \$75,000, estimated 6 awards in California

Match: required match

Eligibility: State Governments, County governments, local governments and special districts, public housing/Indian housing authorities, Tribal governments (federally recognized or other), individuals, small businesses, non-profits, independent school districts, institutions of higher education, for profit organizations other than small businesses..

Description: All projects need to result in technology or methods that can be used to augment agency technical guidance; be designed with an understanding of NRCS practice standards, pertinent assessment tools, and planning criteria. Areas of conservation are soil health, plant quality, oak woodland health, water conservation, water quality, water quantity, air quality, energy conservation, waste recycling-resource conservation, and wildlife.

Contact us today to begin your application or to discuss any of the grant opportunities found in this list!

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UPCOMING FUNDING (ALL CATEGORIES)

Caltrans: Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant Statewide Cycle 4

Deadline: 7/31/18 (proposed)

Amount (based on previous cycle): Minimum funding request is \$250,000 (Non-infrastructure projects, Safe Routes to Schools projects, Recreational Trails projects, and Planning projects are exempt from this and may apply for smaller amounts).

Match: None required

Eligibility: cities, counties, county transportation commissions, regional transportation planning agencies, MPOs, school districts, and transit districts

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/>

<http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/ATP.htm>

The Active Transportation Program was created to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking. Funding from the Active Transportation Program may be used to fund the development of community wide bike, pedestrian, safe routes to schools, or active transportation plans in predominantly disadvantaged communities. The goals of the Active Transportation Program are to:

- Increase the proportion of trips accomplished by biking and walking or Increase the safety and mobility of non-motorized users.
- Advance the active transportation efforts of regional agencies to achieve greenhouse gas reduction
- Enhance public health, including reduction of childhood obesity using programs including, but not limited to, projects eligible for Safe Routes to School Program funding.
- Ensure that disadvantaged communities fully share in the benefits of the program.
- Provide a broad spectrum of projects to benefit many types of active transportation users.

Caltrans: Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 9

Release: TBD (May 2018) *Scheduled for May 2018 release as of 11/24/17*

Deadline: TBD (possibly July/August 2018)

Amount: \$100,000 - \$10 Million

Match: 10% of project cost

Eligibility: city, county, or a tribal government federally recognized within the State of California

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/apply_now.htm

The purpose of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) program is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-State-owned public roads and roads on tribal land. HSIP funds are eligible for work on any public road or publicly owned bicycle or pedestrian pathway or trail, or on tribal lands for general use of tribal members, that improves the safety for its users. All proposed projects will be evaluated based on the Benefit/Cost (B/C) ratios. For Cycle 8 call-for-projects, the minimum B/C for a project to be eligible for local HSIP funding was 3.5 and this is not expected to change for Cycle 9. Please note that Caltrans expects the next call for projects (HSIP Cycle 9) to be announced around May 2018.

INFRASTRUCTURE & FACILITIES FUNDING



California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (SCIP)

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Financing is for low interest, tax-exempt bonds.

Eligibility: Public agencies

<http://cscda.org/Apply-Online/Statewide-Community-Infrastructure-Program>

In response to the increasing local agency staff time and budget pressures caused by new commercial, industrial or residential development, CSCDA

offers the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program ("SCIP").

USDA Rural Development: Community Facilities Grants & Loans

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies by population & income (typically no larger than \$30,000)

Match: Varies by population & income (60% - 80%)

Eligibility: Public bodies (including cities, counties, and local educational agencies); Community-based non-profit corporations; Federally-recognized Tribes

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/CA-CFPPrograms.html>

Community Facilities Programs provides grants to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural areas and towns of up to 20,000 in population. Grants are authorized on a graduated scale.

Applicants located in small communities with low populations and low incomes will receive a higher percentage of grants. Examples of essential community facilities include:

- Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities
- Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements
- Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing
- Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment
- Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools
- Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment
- Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses

WATER & ENERGY FUNDING

USDA NRCS Conservation Innovation Grants

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Match: required match

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<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/cig/>

NRCS is announcing the availability of Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies. Applications will be accepted from eligible entities for projects carried out in the state of California. A total of up to \$375,000 is available for CIG in FY 2018. All non-Federal entities (NFE) and individuals are invited to apply, with the sole exception of Federal agencies. Projects may be between one and three years in duration. The maximum award amount for a single award in FY 2018 is \$75,000. All projects need to result in technology or methods that can be used to augment agency technical guidance; be designed with an understanding of NRCS practice standards, pertinent assessment tools, and planning criteria. Areas of conservation are soil health, plant quality, oak woodland health, water conservation, water quality, water quantity, air quality, energy conservation, waste recycling-resource conservation, and wildlife.

State Water Resources Control Board: Water Recycling Funding Program (WRFP)

Deadline: Accepting applications via FFAST system on a continuous basis.

Amount: \$75,000 (for Planning Grants); \$15-\$20 Million (for Construction Grants)

Match: 50% (for Planning Grants); 35% (for Construction Grants)

Financing: For Construction applications Interest at 1/2 General Obligation Bond Rate; 30 year term;

Allowance following the CWSRF Policy

Eligibility: local public agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/proposition1_funding.shtml

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) provides funding for the planning, design, and construction of water recycling projects that offset or augment state fresh water supplies. There are two programs within this fund:

- **Planning Grants:** The purpose of the planning grant is to assist agencies or regions with completing feasibility studies for water recycling projects using treated municipal wastewater and/or treated groundwater from sources contaminated by human activities. Only local public agencies are eligible to apply for planning grants.
- **Construction Grants:** The Water Recycling Funding Program provides grants and financing to eligible applicants for the construction of water recycling facilities. Construction projects may be funded with grants and low interest financing from a state bond, a CWSRF financing agreement, or combinations of funding sources. Eligible applicants are local public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, state & federal recognized Indian tribes, and mutual water companies.

California Energy Commission (CEC): Interest Rate 1% Loan Financing for Energy Efficiency & Energy Generation Projects

Deadline: Applications are funded on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted

Amount: Maximum loan amount of \$3 million per applicant

Financing Terms: Loans must be repaid from energy cost savings or other legally available funds within a maximum term of 20 years (including principal and interest).

Eligibility: Cities, Counties, Specials Districts, Public Colleges or Universities

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/financing/>

The CEC is offering loans financing for energy efficiency and energy generation projects for Public Agencies. Projects with proven energy and/or demand cost savings are eligible, provided they meet the ECAA eligibility requirements. Projects already funded with an existing loan or already installed are ineligible. Examples of Qualified Projects include the following:

- Lighting systems
- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning equipment
- Streetlights and LED traffic signals
- Energy management systems and equipment controls
- Pumps and motors
- Building envelope and insulation
- Energy generation including renewable energy and combined heat and power projects
- Water and waste water treatment equipment

California Energy Commission: The Energy Partnership Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$20,000 of a consultant's costs

Match: Any amount in excess of the \$20,000 provided by CEC

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/partnership/index.html>

The Energy Partnership Program can conduct an energy audit of existing facilities identify energy saving projects, including: Conduct energy audits and prepare feasibility studies; Review existing proposals and designs; Develop equipment performance specifications; Review equipment bid specifications; Assist with contractor selection; and Review commissioning plans. The Energy partnership also provides technical assistance early in the design phase of new facility construction, including: Provide design review consultation; Identify cost-effective, energy-saving measures; Compare different technologies; Review schematics and construction plans; Provide equipment specification consultation; Develop computer simulation models of your planned project; Help select experienced professionals with energy efficiency expertise; and Assist with system commissioning.

State Water Resources Control Board: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: No maximum funding or disbursement limits. Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval.

Eligibility: Any city, town, district, or other public body created under state law, including state agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program offers low cost financing for a wide variety of water quality projects. The program has significant financial assets, and is capable of financing projects from <\$1 million to >\$100 million. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment
2. Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: Agriculture; Forestry; Urban Areas; Marinas; Hydromodification; Wetlands
3. Development and implementation of estuary comprehensive conservation and management plans for: San Francisco Bay; Morro Bay; Santa Monica Bay

State Water Resources Control Board: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Green Project Reserve Program

Deadline: Applications accepted on a continuous basis

Amount: \$2.5 Million maximum; \$30 million allocated to entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Municipalities

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

Effective with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund's (CWSRF) 2015 Capitalization Grant from U.S. EPA, the State Water Resources Control Board has \$30 million available to provide CWSRF loan (principal) forgiveness to projects that address water or energy efficiency, mitigate storm water runoff, or encourage sustainable project planning, design, and construction. There are four categories of green projects: green infrastructure, water efficiency, energy efficiency, and environmentally innovative activities.

State Water Resources Control Board: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: No maximum disbursement limit.

Financing Terms: Interest rates average 2-3% and 20-year loan. Public water systems that serve small, disadvantaged communities may be eligible for 0% and 30-year loan.

Eligibility: Community water systems and non-profit, non-community water systems.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.shtml

Established by an amendment to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act in 1996, the DWSRF provides low-interest loans, additional subsidy (principal forgiveness), and technical assistance to public water systems for infrastructure improvements to correct system deficiencies and improve drinking water quality. The purpose of the DWSRF is to provide financial assistance for the planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects that are needed to achieve or maintain compliance with federal and state drinking water statutes and regulations. Funding for the DWSRF comes from federal grants, state sources, and loan repayment. Eligible projects include Planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects including: treatment systems, distribution systems, interconnections, consolidations, pipeline extensions, water sources, and water meters. Applications are offered for the following two categories:

1. Construction Financing - These funds are for applicants with complete final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation.
2. Planning/Design Financing - These funds are for applicants who do not have final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation.

State Water Resources Control Board: Proposition 1 Small Community Wastewater Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: \$260 Million allocated to program. Like CWSRF (see above) there is no maximum funding or disbursement limits. Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval.

Eligibility: Most cities, towns, districts, or other public bodies created under state law, including state agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/small_community_wastewater_grant/projects.shtml

Section 79723 of Prop 1 allocates \$260 million to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund. The State Water Board has an annual SCG appropriation of \$8 million dollars, which is administered consistent with the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP), and the CWSRF Policy.

The Prop 1 funds will supplement existing SCG authority. Eligible projects are similar to the CWSRF program and include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment
2. Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: Agriculture; Forestry; Urban Areas; Marinas; Hydromodification; Wetlands

USDA Rural Development: Water & Waste Disposal Grant/Loan Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: Grant amount varies. Loan has up to 40-year payback period, on a fixed interest rate of 3.125% or lower.

Eligibility: state and local government entities, private nonprofits, federally-recognized tribes in rural areas with fewer than 10,000 people.

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

This program provides long-term low interest loans for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. Funds may be used to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of: Drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and distribution; Sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; Solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and Storm water collection, transmission and disposal. In some cases, funding may also be available for related activities such as: Legal and engineering fees; Land acquisition, water and land rights, permits and equipment; Start-up operations and maintenance; Interest incurred during construction; Purchase of existing facilities to improve service or prevent loss of service; and Other costs determined to be necessary for completion of the project.

ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION, & AIR QUALITY FUNDING

California Natural Resources Agency - Urban Greening Round 2

Due: 04/11/2018

Amount: No minimums or maximums

Match: NONE

Eligibility: City, County, special district, nonprofit organization, or an agency or entity formed pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, if at least one of the parties to the joint powers agreement qualifies as an eligible applicant, notwithstanding the Joint Exercise of Powers Act.

Description: Eligible urban greening projects will reduce GHG emissions and provide multiple additional benefits, including, but not limited to, a decrease in air and water pollution or a reduction in the consumption of natural resources and energy. Eligible projects will result in the conversion of an existing built environment into green space that uses natural and green infrastructure approaches to create sustainable and vibrant communities. A competitive project will maximize opportunities to reduce GHG emissions through project design and implementation, and will incorporate green infrastructure solutions that improve the sustainability and function of existing urban hardscapes and landscapes.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Have you updated your www.grants.gov and SAM accounts? Make sure you verify and update prior to developing a federal RFP. The process has changed! Visit www.grants.gov or ask your Project Manager for more information.

There are 26 federal fund granting agencies. Each agency has multiple departments and funding sources all gathered and managed through the federal portal www.grants.gov

Examples of eligible urban greening projects include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Establishment, enhancement, and expansion of neighborhood parks and community spaces
- Greening of public lands and structures, including schoolyards, and which may include incorporation of riparian habitat for water capture and provide for other public and wildlife benefits
- Green streets and alleyways
- Non-motorized urban trails that provide safe routes for travel between residences, workplaces, commercial centers, and schools
- Urban heat island mitigation and energy conservation efforts

All eligible projects must result in GHG reductions by including at least one of the following activities:

- Sequester and store carbon by planting trees (tree canopy)
- Reduce building energy use by strategically planting trees to shade buildings
- Reduce commute vehicle miles traveled by constructing bicycle paths, bicycle lanes or pedestrian facilities that provide safe routes for travel between residences, workplaces, commercial centers, and schools.

The Urban Greening Program is responsible for reporting to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) GHG emission reductions resulting from funded projects in accordance with a CARB approved quantification methodology and Funding Guidelines for Agencies that administer California Climate Investments (2017). All projects are required to show a net GHG benefit and provide multiple other benefits. In order to quantify GHG emission reductions, projects must include **at least one** of the following project activities:

- Sequester and store carbon by planting trees
- Reduce building energy use by strategically planting trees to shade buildings
- Reduce commute vehicle miles traveled by constructing bicycle paths, bicycle lanes or pedestrian facilities that provide safe routes for travel between residences, workplaces, commercial centers, and schools.

The 2017-2018 quantification methodology for the Urban Greening Program can be found at:

www.arb.ca.gov/cc-quantification.

Projects – In addition to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, SB 859 requires all projects to achieve measurable benefits. Per statute, all projects must do at least one of the following-

- Acquire, create, enhance, or expand community parks and green spaces, and/or
- Use natural systems or systems that mimic natural systems to achieve multiple benefits.

Link: <http://resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening/>

California Natural Resources Agency – Urban Greening Round 2

Due: April 11, 2018

Amount: No Minimums or maximums

Match: None

Eligibility: City, County, special district, nonprofit organization, or an agency or entity formed pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, if at least one of the parties to the joint powers agreement qualifies as an eligible applicant, notwithstanding the Joint Exercise of Powers Act.

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National Forest Foundation: Matching Awards Program (MAP)

Deadline: June 13, 2018

Amount: Varies by project. Average award is \$25,000
Match: 1:1 non-federal cash match
Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofits, universities, and Native American tribes are eligible to receive MAP grants. If an organization does not meet this eligibility requirement, it must utilize an eligible fiscal sponsor.

<https://www.nationalforests.org/grant-programs/map>

The National Forest Foundation is pleased to announce the that it is currently soliciting proposals for its Matching Awards Program (MAP). MAP is a nationally competitive grant program that provides federal funds for direct on-the-ground projects benefiting America's National Forests and Grasslands. The program supports action-oriented projects that enhance outdoor experiences, forest and ecosystem health, and engage local communities in caring for their public lands. All projects must show a strong commitment to civic engagement and community involvement through direct public involvement. Grants are awarded for one year and require a 1:1 non-federal cash match.



California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank): California Lending for Energy and Environmental Needs (CLEEN) Center

Deadline: Available on a continuous basis

Amount: Loans from \$500,000 to \$30 million; larger loans with IBank Board approval.

Financing Terms: The interest rate benchmark is Thompson's Municipal Market Data Index. Staff may adjust the interest rate based upon factors that include: Unemployment, Medium Household Income, Environmental, and Other special circumstances. The IBank Board has final approval of the interest rate. Maximum 30-year term Open application process.

Eligibility: Any subdivision of a local government, including cities, counties, special districts, assessment districts, joint powers authorities and nonprofit corporations.

http://ibank.ca.gov/infrastructure_loans.htm

The CLEEN Program provides loan financing for public infrastructure projects including, but not limited to: Energy Efficiency; Renewable Energy Sector; Energy Storage; Water Sector; Alternative Technologies; Alternative Fuels transportation; Statewide Energy Efficiency Program (SWEEP) and LED Street Lighting Program (LED Program). Eligible uses of this funding include, but are not limited to:

- Advanced metering systems to support conversion of master-metered buildings to sub-metering
- Water/wastewater, pipeline, mining/extraction, and similar end-use processes, facilities, buildings, and infrastructure
- LED repairs, replacements and upgrades
- Converting incandescent to CFL
- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems (HVAC)
- Lighting and control systems
- Energy management and/or control systems
- Thermal and electric energy storage projects
- Demand response programs
- Building envelope projects
- Occupant plug load management systems
- Load reduction projects
- Zero emission vehicle purchase/implementation projects
- Hydrogen fueling station construction projects
- Data center, information technology, communications development projects

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<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/cig/>

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TRANSPORTATION FUNDING



Bay Area Air Quality Management District: Bikeways, Roads, Lanes and Paths Program

Deadline: Continuous until funding exhausted

Amount: Varies. An initial allocation of \$5 million is available, and funding will be awarded to qualifying projects on a first-come, first-served basis.

Match: None

Eligibility: Municipalities, government agencies, and public educational institutions located within the boundaries of the Air District's jurisdiction

<http://www.baaqmd.gov/grant-funding/public-agencies/bikeways-roads-lanes-paths>

In fiscal year ending 2016, up to \$3.84 million are available for bicycle parking and bikeway projects. Funding is offered on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds have been spent. In order to be eligible for funding projects must be included in an adopted countywide bicycle plan, Congestion Management Plan (CMP), or the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Regional Bicycle Plan. Funding is available for the following project types:

- New Class-1 bicycle paths;
- New Class-2 bicycle lanes;
- New Class-3 bicycle routes; and
- New Class-4 cycle tracks or separated bikeways.

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Total Road Improvement Program (TRIP)

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Local governments leverage their State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax to finance road improvement projects.

Eligibility: Local public agencies (cities and counties)

[http://cscda.org/Public-Agency-Programs/Total-Road-Improvement-Programs-\(TRIP\)](http://cscda.org/Public-Agency-Programs/Total-Road-Improvement-Programs-(TRIP))

CSCDA offers a pooled securitization program to assist local agencies in bonding against future payments to obtain funding for more projects today. As a pooled public offering, program participants will benefit from reduced issuance costs and better interest rates as compared to stand alone issues. The program does not require a pledge of the local agency's General Fund.

The Gas Tax Accelerated Street Improvement Program will allow local governments to leverage their State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax (the "Gas Excise Tax") to finance road improvement projects. The use of proceeds from the Gas Excise Tax, an 18-cent State excise tax collected on fuel sales, is restricted to the maintenance and construction of public streets and highways. The obligations will be secured solely by a pledge of Gas Excise Tax revenues of the participating agencies.

South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)/Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC): 2018 Natural Gas Infrastructure Funding Opportunities

Deadline: June 29, 2018

Amount: \$4,000,000 total available with a \$500,000 cap per county and \$150,000 allocated for Technical Assistance projects.

Match: None

Eligibility: Infrastructure developers and alternative fuel providers; Public & Private Fleet operators; School districts; Project teaming by multiple stakeholders within the boundaries of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)..

<http://www.cleantransportationfunding.org/rfp/view/natural-gas-infrastructure-funding-opportunities>

The Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) is pleased to announce the availability of Clean Transportation Funding to assist in the construction of Natural Gas Refueling Infrastructure within the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). This funding opportunity has at its core the following goals and objectives:

- Offer funding opportunities to most, if not all, entities interested in pursuing natural gas infrastructure projects, including public and private site owners, fleet owners, infrastructure providers, fuel providers, and school districts;
- Provide incentives for the construction or expansion of natural gas refueling stations;
- Provide an additional funding incentive for refueling stations that utilize natural gas produced from renewable sources;
- Offer incentives to fleets to upgrade their existing vehicle maintenance facilities to accommodate indoor maintenance of gaseous-fuel vehicles;
- Support the training of technicians in the maintenance of natural gas-fueled vehicles and infrastructure;
- Support fleets purchasing natural gas vehicles in compliance with the SCAQMD Fleet Rules, or pursuing vehicle incentives under the SCAQMD Carl Moyer Program.

South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD): On-Road Heavy-Duty Voucher Incentive Program (VIP)

Deadline: Continuous until funds are exhausted

Amount: Maximum of \$45,000 available per truck for replacements and up to \$10,000 for retrofits

Match: None

Eligibility: owners/operators with *fleets of 10 or fewer* vehicles that have been operating at least 75% (mileage-based) in California during the previous twenty four (24) months *in the SCAQMD service area*.

<http://www.aqmd.gov/home/programs/business/business-detail?title=voucher-incentive-program>

VIP reduces emissions by replacing old, high-polluting vehicles with newer, lower-emission vehicles, or by installing a retrofit device. The goal of this program is to reduce emissions from in-use heavy-duty trucks in small fleets by retrofitting Engine Model Years 2006 and older or by replacing Engine Model Years 2006 and older with Model Years 2007 (or newer) emissions compliant models. The VIP is implemented by SCAQMD through contractual agreements with Dealers, Dismantlers, and Retrofit Installers. The Dealers/Retrofit Installers will apply to the SCAQMD for the vouchers on behalf of the applicant. If approved, the voucher amount will be deducted from the total purchase price of the truck or retrofit device by the Dealer or Retrofit Installer, respectively. Applicants interested in replacing their truck must purchase their replacement truck through an SCAQMD-approved VIP Participating Dealership that has completed the required training for the VIP. Similarly, applicants interested in retrofitting their truck must purchase their retrofit device through an SCAQMD-approved VIP Participating Retrofit Installer who has completed the required training for the VIP. A current list of SCAQMD approved Dealerships and Retrofit Installers is included below. Additional updates to these lists will be posted on our webpage as they become available.

2018 AmeriCorps State and National Grants – Targeted Priority Corporation for National and Community Service

Intent to Apply: April 2, 2018

Deadline: May 2, 2018

Amount: Varies

Match: Yes

Eligibility: State government and organizations that operate in more than one state will apply directly through CNCS. Other agencies should follow their State's application process.

<https://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=300415>

AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. 2018 AmeriCorps Funding Priorities are Healthy Futures (reducing and/or preventing prescription drug and opioid

abuse), Child Wellness (reducing and/or preventing child abuse, improving outcomes for child victims of abuse, and improving outcomes for foster youth, including youth aging out of foster care), and Infrastructure (aviation, bridges, dams, hazardous waste, inland waterways, levees, ports, public parks, rail, roads, schools, solid waste, transit, and wastewater).



PARKS & RECREATION

Pool Safety Grant Program (PSGP)

Deadline: April 2, 2018

Amount: \$50,000-\$250,000

Match: No

Eligibility: State governments and territories, Local Governments, school districts, special districts, intrastate districts, council of governments, or any agency or instrumentality of a local government.

<https://www.poolsafely.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/FOA-VGB-Grants-FY2018.pdf>

Applicants who are granted FY 2018 PSGP funds will be authorized to use the PSGP funding for the following activities to implement enforcement and education programs to prevent the drowning and drain entrapments of children in pools and spas:

- 1) To hire and train enforcement personnel for implementation and enforcement of standards under the state or local swimming pool and spa safety law (the minimum state law requirements under Section 1406 of the VGB Act). At least 50 percent of funding must be used for this purpose.
- 2) To educate: a. pool construction and installation companies and pool service companies about the standards; b. pool owners, pool operators, and other members of the public about the standards under the swimming pool and spa safety law and about the prevention of drowning or entrapment of children using swimming pools and spas.
- 3) Defray administrative costs associated with such training and education programs.



Major League Baseball Foundation: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

Deadline: Quarterly April 1, July 1, & October 1)

Amount: \$40,000 average award size

Match: 50% or more of total project cost

Eligibility: Tax exempt organizations

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association designed to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. The Baseball Tomorrow Fund supports projects that meet the following evaluation criteria: increase the number of youth participating in baseball and softball programs; improve the quality of youth baseball and softball programs. Link: http://web.mlbcommunity.org/index.jsp?content=programs&program=baseball_tomorrow_fund

Basic Center Program (BCP)

Due: March 11, 2018

Amount: \$50,000-\$200,000

Match: Yes

Eligibility: : Public and nonprofit entities and combinations of such entities are eligible to apply

Description: THE BCP works to establish or strengthen community-based programs that meet the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth up to age 18 years of age and their families. BCPs provide youth with emergency shelter, food, clothing, counseling and referrals for health care. Basic centers can provide temporary shelter for up to 21 days for youth and seeks to reunite young people with their families, whenever possible, or to locate appropriate alternative placements. THE PRIMARY purpose of the BCP is to provide counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might end up in contact with law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. THE AWARD process for FY2018 BCP allows for annual awards over a three-year project period as funds are available.

Link:

<https://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=298176>

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Foundation

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$100 - \$500,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, local government agencies, and educational institutions in communities served by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway
<http://www.bnsffoundation.org/>

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Foundation provides support in communities in the company's area of operations. The Foundation considers requests falling in the following categories:

- **Civic Services:** This area includes organizations which are concerned with the environment and local community issues, such as crime prevention, parks and recreation, diversity and community development.
- **Cultural Organizations:** This area includes performing arts, visual arts, fine arts, and museums and other related activities that offer opportunities for underserved children to experience cultural learning events.
- **Educational Institutions:** This area includes both public and private education, primarily at the college level. (Grants of an exceptional nature may be made to vocational and non-college schools. Preferably, contributions will be directed toward the improvement of the quality of education.)
- **Health and Human Service Organizations:** This area includes hospitals, medical programs, and programs that address chemical dependency treatment and prevention, spouse and child abuse, women's and children's aid, and transitional shelters.
- **Youth Organizations:** This area includes Boys & Girls Clubs, Camp Fire, Scouts, Junior Achievement, and similar groups.

Federated organizations such as United Way and American Red Cross are also supported.

To be considered for a grant, requests should meet at least two of the following criteria:

The organization or project has significant Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) employee participation; the organization or the services provided are in close proximity to a BNSF main line or BNSF is the only railroad or major corporation in the applicant's area of the state; the request is related to the railroad industry; or, the request is for direct programming or project support.

Transitional Living Program and Maternity Group Homes

Deadline: March 11, 2018

Estimated Award Date: May 1, 2018

Amount: \$100,000-\$241,660

Match: Yes

Eligibility: Networks of public and nonprofit private entities (including institutions of higher learning)

<https://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=298156>

The purpose of FYSB's TLP and MGH grant programs are to implement, enhance, and/or support effective strategies for successful transition to sustainable living for runaway and homeless youth ages 16 to under 22 and/or pregnant and parenting youth ages 16 to under 22 and their dependent child(ren). Both projects must provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for 18 months and, under extenuating circumstances, can be extended to 21 months and provide comprehensive services that supports the transition of homeless youth to self-sufficiency and stable, independent living.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

Economic Development Administration (EDA)/U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC): FY 2017 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Programs

Deadline: Continuous until new solicitation published

Amount: \$100,000 - \$3,000,000

Match: 50% of project cost

Eligibility: Cities; Counties; 501(c)(3) nonprofits; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments; Private institutions of higher education; Special district governments

<http://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/> and

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=290874>

The Economic Development Administration's (EDA's) mission is to lead the Federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for economic growth and success in the worldwide economy. EDA fulfills this mission through strategic investments and partnerships that create the regional economic ecosystems required to foster globally competitive regions throughout the United States. EDA supports development in economically distressed areas of the United States by fostering job creation and attracting private investment. Specifically, under the Economic Development Assistance programs (EDAP) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), EDA will make construction, non-construction, and revolving loan fund investments under the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) Programs. Through this NOFA, EDA will also designate a portion of its EAA funding to support communities and regions that have been negatively impacted by changes in the coal economy (Assistance to Coal Communities, or ACC 2017). Grants made under these programs will leverage regional assets to support the implementation of regional economic development strategies designed to create jobs, leverage private capital, encourage economic development, and strengthen America's ability to compete in the global marketplace. Through the EDAP NOFA, EDA solicits applications from rural and urban communities to develop initiatives that advance new ideas and creative approaches to address rapidly evolving economic conditions.

LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING

NIJ Research and Evaluation on Gangs and Gang Violence

Deadline: April 24, 2018

Amount: one or more grants awarded totaling up to \$1,000,000

Match: voluntary

Eligibility: States (including territories), units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior),

nonprofit and for-profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit and for-profit organizations), institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education), and certain qualified individuals.

<https://nij.gov/funding/Documents/solicitations/NIJ-2018-13941.pdf>

NIJ is seeking applications for the funding of research and program evaluation projects that inform efforts to reduce street gang activity and violence in the United States. Gangs and gang members are responsible for a large amount of crime and violence in many localities, and are responsible for a disproportionate share in those communities most afflicted by crime and violence. NIJ will support scientifically rigorous research and evaluation projects designed to produce findings with high practical utility for gang prevention, intervention, enforcement, or reentry strategies. This solicitation supports the U.S. Department of Justice's priority to prevent and reduce crime.

FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES FUNDING

FEMA: AFG Program – Fire Prevention & Safety Grant (FY 2017 FP & S Grant)

CFDA# 97.044 NOFA: DHS-17-GPD-044-000-98

Due: March 12, 2018

Amount:

Eligibility: The following entities are eligible to apply directly to FEMA under this NOFO:

1. Fire Prevention and Safety Activity (FP&S) - Fire departments; and national, regional, state, local, federally recognized tribal, and non-profit organizations that are recognized for their experience and expertise in fire prevention and safety programs and activities. Both private and public non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for funding in this activity.

For-profit organizations, federal agencies, and individuals are not eligible to receive an FP&S Grant Award under the FP&S Activity.

2. Firefighter Safety Research and Development Activity (R&D) - National, state, local, federally recognized tribal, and non-profit organizations, such as academic (e.g., universities), public health, occupational health, and injury prevention institutions. Both private and public non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for funding in this activity.

Fire departments are not eligible to apply for funding in the R&D Activity. Additionally, for-profit organizations, federal agencies, and individuals are not eligible to receive a grant award under the R&D Activity.

Description: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate is responsible for the implementation and administration of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program. The Grant Programs Directorate administers the Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grant Program as part of the AFG Program. The purpose of the FP&S Grant Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards by assisting fire prevention programs and supporting firefighter health and safety research and development.

In awarding grants, the Administrator of FEMA shall consider the following:

- The findings and recommendations of the Technical Evaluation Panel (TEP);
 - The degree to which an award will reduce deaths, injuries, and property damage by reducing the risks associated with fire-related and other hazards; and
 - The extent of an applicant's need for an FP&S Grant and the need to protect the United States as a whole.
- FP&S Grants are offered to support projects in two activities. This NOFO provides potential eligible applicants with application requirements and details for processing and evaluating applications for financial assistance for both of these activity areas.

• **Fire Prevention and Safety Activity:** The FP&S Activity is designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate the incidence of death, injuries, and property damage caused by fire and fire-related hazards.

Accordingly, the four project categories eligible for funding under this activity are:

- o Community Risk Reduction;
- o Code Enforcement/Awareness;
- o Fire & Arson Investigation; and
- o National/State/Regional Programs and Studies.

Each category within this activity has specific priorities. For additional details, please see [Appendix B – Programmatic Information and Priorities](#), Section III. Funding Priorities.

• **Firefighter Safety Research and Development (R&D) Activity:** The R&D Activity is aimed at improving firefighter safety, health, or wellness through research and development that reduces firefighter fatalities and injuries.

The six project categories eligible for funding under this activity are:

- o Clinical Studies;
- o Technology and Product Development;
- o Database System Development;
- o Dissemination and Implementation Research;
- o Preliminary Studies; and
- o Early Career Investigator

The FY 2017 FP&S Grant Program also plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System. The National Preparedness System is the instrument the Nation employs to build, sustain, and deliver core capabilities in order to achieve the National Preparedness Goal (Goal) of a secure and resilient Nation. Complex and far-reaching threats and hazards require a collaborative and whole community approach to national preparedness that engages individuals, families, communities, private and nonprofit sectors, faith-based organizations, and all levels of government. The guidance, programs, processes, and systems that support each component of the National Preparedness System allow for the integration of preparedness efforts that build, sustain, and deliver core capabilities and achieve the desired outcomes identified in the Goal while maintaining the civil rights of individuals.

The FY 2017 FP&S Grant Program's allowable costs support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery mission areas. Examples of tangible outcomes that may be seen for projects funded in FY 2017 FP&S include building and sustaining core capabilities, such as Fire Management and Suppression and Long term Vulnerability Reduction. Additional details on the National Preparedness Goal can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/national-preparedness-goal>.

Link: <https://www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program>

FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program

Deadline: **April 1** (April, Aug, Dec 1st annually)

Award amount: \$2500-\$5000

Match: None

Eligibility: Fire departments and brigades, as well as national, state, regional, local, and community organizations

<http://www.fmglobal.com/page.aspx?id=01060200>

The FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program supports a wide array of fire prevention, preparedness, and control efforts throughout the U.S. and internationally. Funded projects include pre-fire planning for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities; fire and arson prevention and investigation; and fire prevention education and training programs.

Firefighters Charitable Foundation

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: None

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

Assists fire and disaster victims; and supports Volunteer Fire Departments. Grants offered for the following needs/programs: AED (Automatic External Defibrillator); Fire Department Equipment Program; Community Smoke Detector Program; and the Juvenile Fire-setter Prevention and Intervention Program.

Fire Fighters Support Foundation, Inc.

Deadline: Quarterly

Amount: \$5-10,000

Match: None

<http://www.ffsupport.org/assistance.html>

The Firefighters Support Foundation pro-actively makes contributions to funds established for the children of fallen firefighters. This financial support may be applied for by downloading, completing, and mailing an application on the foundation's website.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING

Joseph Drown Foundation Education & Community Grants

Deadline: Quarterly (**April 15th** ; July 15th; October 15th)

Amount: Varies by application

Match: None

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofits, government institutions, schools *in the Los Angeles area*
<http://www.jdrown.org/mission/index.html>

The Foundation's goal is to assist individuals in becoming successful, self-sustaining, contributing citizens. The Foundation is interested in programs that break down any barrier that prevents a person from continuing to grow and learn through grant programs including:

- 1) *Education*: Education is the primary focus of the Foundation. The Foundation supports education programs in K-12, at both public and private schools, that seek to solve the existing problems in Los Angeles area schools. These grants for education reform can be made directly to the schools or to independent organizations which are closely involved with this issue. In addition, the Foundation provides funds to private secondary schools, colleges and universities for student financial assistance, in the form of both scholarships and loan programs. Favor is given to those programs directed at talented middle income students who are unable to obtain assistance from sources specifically available to low income students.
- 2) *Community, Health, & Social Services*: The Foundation is also committed to improving the quality of life in the local community. The Foundation supports programs that encourage all individuals to reach their fullest potential. The best chance a young person has to reach that goal is to stay in school, inside a functioning family, and outside the juvenile justice system. To that end, the Foundation supports programs that deal with issues such as the high drop-out rate, lack of sufficient health care, substance abuse and violence. In addition, the Foundation will consider programs that address poverty issues and assist the economically disadvantaged. Programs aimed at solutions to or the prevention of these problems are favored. Although the Foundation recognizes the importance of Community, Health, and Social Services, it is not the Foundation's primary funding focus.

The Kresge Foundation: Developing Healthy Places Grants

Deadline: Continuous. Preliminary applications may be submitted at any time.

Amount: Varies by program. The Foundation's Total Annual Giving is \$125,200,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Government entities and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations

<http://kresge.org/programs/health/developing-healthy-places>

The Kresge Foundation works to reduce health disparities among children and adults by addressing conditions that lead to poor health outcomes. The Foundation's Developing Healthy Places program supports place-based, community-driven efforts to promote health and remove barriers to opportunity for people in low-income neighborhoods. In the Healthy Housing and Neighborhoods category, support is provided to organizations working to address policies, systems change, and communication to connect health and housing; policies that promote healthy housing and mitigate the impacts of substandard housing; and innovative investments that connect community development, health, and housing. Visit the Foundation's website to review the application guidelines.

The Kresge Foundation: Human Services Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies.

Match: None

Eligibility: government agencies and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations

<http://kresge.org/programs/human-services/advancing-effectiveness-human-serving-organizations>

The Kresge Foundation works to improve the life circumstances of poor and low-income children and adults and those living in underserved communities. Through the Human Services Program, the Foundation seeks to expand access and opportunity for individuals and families who are vulnerable and low-income by strengthening human services organizations and promoting new responses to challenges in the sector. One of the program's focus areas, "Advancing the effectiveness of human-serving organizations," provides grants to enhance the ability of high-performing organizations to innovate and effectively support individuals and families on the path to self-sufficient, self-determined lives. Preference is given to nonprofit organizations and government entities that employ integrated, innovative, culturally responsive approaches to change the circumstances of people outside the economic mainstream. Preliminary inquiries may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website for more information.

Stuart Foundation Grant Funding

Deadline: Continuous (LOIs may be submitted at any time)

Amount: Varies. The amount requested from the Foundation should be proportionate to your organizational budget, project budget, and expected income from other sources

Match: None

Eligibility: school districts, universities, and government entities such as city or county agencies in California
<http://www.stuartfoundation.org/BecomeOurPartner>

The Stuart Foundation is dedicated to transforming the public education and child welfare systems in California and Washington so that all youth can learn and achieve in school and life. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that address the following priorities: The Education Systems category invests in coordinated programs, partnerships, and research and policy analysis that help students to learn and achieve in school by developing effective education systems. The Vulnerable Youth in Child Welfare category partners with child welfare agencies to help children and youth in foster care to realize positive outcomes in the following focus areas: safety, permanency, well-being, education opportunities, and youth, family, and community engagement. Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time; the Foundation will take up to 60 days to respond to an LOI.

Vision Screening in Young Children (Technical Assistance)

Deadline: March 26, 2018

Amount: Technical Assistance

Match: No

Eligibility: Eligible applicants include public or private entities. Faith-based and community-based organizations, tribes, and tribal organizations are eligible to apply.

<https://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=295200>

To improve vision screening and eye health in young children by providing technical assistance and education to state public health entities in implementing evidence-based recommendations for coordinated education, screening, follow-up and surveillance of vision problems in preschool-aged children.

Title X FY 2018 Funds for Family Planning Services Grants

Deadline: May 24, 2018

Amount: \$150,000-\$22,000,000

Match: Yes

Eligibility: Any public or private nonprofit entity located in a State (which includes one of the 50 United States, District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands) is eligible to apply for a grant under this announcement. Faith-based organizations and American Indian/Alaska Native/Native American (AI/AN/NA) organizations are eligible to apply for Title X family planning services grants.

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=297943>

This notice solicits applications from public and private nonprofit entities, including comprehensive primary care providers, hospitals, health collaboratives, and women's health centers to establish and operate voluntary family planning projects to serve the 50 United States, District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands. We encourage all qualified applicants, especially those proposing innovative strategies to increase the number of clients served or the quality of services, to apply. HHS seeks a broad competition for Title X grant awards to provide a diversity of options for clients with the intention of improving overall service provision, increasing the number of clients served, and expanding the breadth of services available in the states, territories and throughout the regions. All activities funded under this announcement must be in compliance with the Title X statute, as well as the program regulations and legislative mandates, as applicable. HHS/OASH encourages applicants to review all program requirements, eligibility information, application format and submission information, evaluation criteria and other information in this funding announcement to ensure that their applications comply with all requirements and instructions.

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDING



National Endowment for the Arts (NEA): Challenge America

Amount: \$10,000

Due: SF 424 Due 4/12/2018 Materials and Attachments due 4/17-4/24/2018

Match: Yes 100% (*can be through a partnership*)

Eligibility: Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply. Applicants may be arts organizations, local arts agencies, arts service organizations, local education agencies (school districts), and other

organizations that can help advance the goals of the National Endowment for the Arts.

Description: The Challenge America category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations -- those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted above also must be present. Please provide details about the underserved audience you select in your application. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development. This category encourages and supports the following objective: **Engagement:** Public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation.

Challenge America grants: Extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations, are limited to the specific types of projects outlined below, and are for a fixed amount of \$10,000 and require a minimum \$10,000 match. Partnerships can be valuable to the success of these projects. While not required, applicants are encouraged to consider partnerships among organizations, both in and outside of the arts, as an appropriate way to engage with the identified underserved audience. To ensure that Challenge America funding reaches new organizations and communities, the National Endowment for the Arts has implemented a policy to limit consecutive-year funding.

Projects:

Guest Artist project type, which refers to an arts event or events that will feature one or more guest artists. The guest artist is engaged specifically for the proposed project, and is not considered a resident artist, regular company member, or individual currently serving on the artistic staff of the applicant organization.

Public Art Projects, community-based and professionally directed. Although many kinds of arts projects take place in the public realm, for the Challenge America category, the Public Art project type is intended to support primarily **visual arts projects, which may be temporary or permanent**, such as murals, sculptures, multi-media, or environmental art, developed **through a meaningful community engagement process**. Evidence of community involvement should be apparent in the planning, design, or fabrication of the work, and should include a professional lead artist.

Cultural Tourism, specifically the unified promotion of community-wide arts activities and/or the development of cultural tourism products to enhance public engagement with arts and culture in communities and in cultural districts (including the marketing and promotion of arts and culture to populations that have been historically underserved). NOTE: Promotional projects for a single organization are not eligible. Unified promotion is defined as the professional assessment, design, and/or distribution of public relations and marketing tools (calendars, websites, radio and television, brochures, rack cards, signage, etc.) designed to benefit several local organizations in a community.

Link: <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/challenge-america/grant-program-description>

Amphion Grant Program – Performing Ensembles

Deadline: April 1, 2018

Amount: \$1,000-\$7,500

Match: no

Eligibility: publicly supported non-profit or fiscally-sponsored [Performing Ensembles](#) that have a history of substantial commitment to contemporary concert music at a high level of excellence.

<https://amphionfoundation.org/programs/amphion-grant-program>

Project support will be given only for a project that begins in the current season. Thus, for the 2018 grant round, support will only be given to projects that begin between September 2018 and August 2019.

Applicants other than orchestras and opera companies may request either general operating support or support for special projects. All orchestras and opera companies, except for contemporary music specialists, are eligible to apply only for special project support. Applicants should be aware that support in one year does not imply continuation of that support. In general, special projects relating to a broad spectrum of contemporary music will be viewed more favorably than those relating to a single work or a single composer.

Kress Conservation Grant Program

Deadline*: January 15, **April 1**, and October 1

*Please note, if the application deadline falls on a weekend, applications must be received by the previous Friday.

Amount: generally \$10,000-\$25,000

Match: Case by case basis – the foundation will review the detailed budget to see if any elements are particularly suited for their support

Eligibility: non-profit institutions with 501(c) 3 status, based in the United States, including supporting foundations of European institutions

www.kressfoundation.org/grants/conservation/

The Conservation program supports the professional practice of art conservation, especially as it relates to European art of the pre-modern era. Grants are awarded to projects that create and disseminate specialized knowledge, including archival projects, development and dissemination of scholarly databases, documentation projects, exhibitions and publications focusing on art conservation, scholarly publications, and technical and scientific studies. Grants are also awarded for activities that permit conservators and conservation scientists to share their expertise with both professional colleagues and a broad audience through international exchanges, professional meetings, conferences, symposia, consultations, the presentation of research, exhibitions that include a prominent focus on materials and techniques, and other professional events.

International Paper Foundation:

Environmental Education & Literacy Grants

Deadline: Quarterly (February 1, April 1, August 1, and October 1, annually)

Amount: \$100 - \$100,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, government entities, and school districts

<http://www.internationalpaper.com/company/regional/north-america/ip-foundation-usa/apply-for-a-grant>

The foundation's primary focus areas include the following:

1. Environmental Education: The Foundation supports programs that help both younger and older generations understand a sustainable approach balancing environmental, social,

and economic needs. Examples of supported programs include:

- science-based programs targeting children;
 - outdoor classrooms at schools or in communities;
 - outdoor science programs tied to forestry, air, or water; and,
 - education-based programs that promote recycling, tree planting, and composting initiatives.
2. Literacy: The Foundation addresses literacy through support of programs that:
 - enhance availability of reading materials at school and community libraries;

- enhance reading skills of children and adults; and,
- teach English as a Second Language (ESL).

The Foundation provides limited consideration for funding to new critical needs in company communities. Consideration is given to one-time, non-recurring needs which benefit the community

at large. The Foundation considers providing “seed” money on a one-time basis for requests that identify a community-wide need and provide details of sustaining the initiative within the community beyond International Paper funding. The Foundation generally does not fund capital, economic development, or multi-year projects. Average grant awards are around \$100.

AmeriCorps VISTA Sponsor Request for Concept Papers (RFCP)

Amount: Based on number of VISTA participants hired.

Match: Yes 50% bi-weekly volunteer costs/stipends

Due: **March 12, 2018** (Concept paper) If invited application due May 15, 2018

Eligibility: Public organizations such as state and local government, Indian Tribes and non-profit private organizations with IRS 501(c)3 status can apply to become VISTA sponsors. Applicants that have a focus or plan to focus on alleviating and reducing poverty are eligible to apply for VISTA resources.

Description: The CNCS California State Office is currently accepting Concept Papers that propose to address one or more of the following issue areas from the [CNCS Strategic Plan](#) and [FY 2018 AmeriCorps VISTA Program Guidance](#):

☐ *Economic Opportunity* ☐ *Education* ☐ *Healthy Futures* ☐ *Veterans and Military Families*

Eligible applicants interested in sponsoring an AmeriCorps VISTA project are invited to submit a concept paper via [eGrants](#) – the CNCS electronic grants system. Concept Papers responding to this RFCP should be submitted by **8pm Pacific Time on the due date. Please note the answers to the Narrative sections must not exceed 4 pages (or 1,000 words).**

The California State Office will prioritize approval of Concept Papers that are one of the following types of projects: 1. Intermediaries applying on behalf of 8 or more organizations; 2. Organizations proposing to cost share 2 or more VISTA members; 3. Projects that will place a minimum of 7 VISTA members with a single agency or as a part of a collaborative of 3 or more organizations; or 4. Meeting needs in communities dealing with concentrated poverty (Poverty Mapping Tool –

<http://rdgdwe.sc.egov.usda.gov/rdpoverty/index.html> and the Economic Security Index –

<http://www.basiceconomicsecurity.org>). Interested organizations that do not meet one of the above-listed criteria should contact the California State Office at ca@cns.gov to discuss other opportunities to host an AmeriCorps VISTA member. All Concept Papers must be submitted via eGrants. Please see [A Guide to Becoming an AmeriCorps VISTA Project Sponsor](#) and [AmeriCorps VISTA Concept Paper Instructions](#) for instructions on developing and submitting a Concept Paper. A tutorial on how to use eGrants is available at <https://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/egrants>. When applying, please select the NOFA: **AmeriCorps VISTA State FY 2018**. The NOFA deadline that appears in eGrants should be disregarded. **Please note the answers to the Narrative sections must not exceed 4 pages (or 1,000 words).**

Subject to availability of resources, AmeriCorps VISTA projects will be awarded on a full-time basis for one year to newly approved VISTA sponsoring organizations. CNCS will make awards covering a period not to exceed one year with the potential for continuation.

The CNCS State Office will be guided by locally driven programming that addresses the following “Key Principles.” Each VISTA project must be developed in accordance with the parameters defined by law, federal regulations and the key VISTA principles: Anti-Poverty Focus, Capacity Building, Sustainable Solutions and Community Empowerment.

Key Principles:

☐ **ANTI-POVERTY EMPOWERMENT** As previously noted, by law, the purpose of VISTA is to support efforts to fight poverty. The goal of every project must be to help individuals and communities out of poverty, not to simply make poverty more tolerable. The project should focus on long-term solutions rather than short-term services.



□ **COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT** All VISTA project sponsors must ensure that their project engages residents of the low-income community in planning, developing, implementing and evaluating the project. The project must be responsive and relevant to the lives of the community residents, and should tap into inherent community assets, strengths and resources

□ **CAPACITY BUILDING** One way to achieve sustainable solutions is to strengthen the ability of local organizations to fight poverty. Through activities such as fundraising, establishment of volunteer recruitment and management systems, community outreach and partnership development, VISTAs help sponsors to achieve lasting solutions to poverty. However, projects should focus their performance measures on achieving outcomes and impact on the community and/or beneficiary population, and not only outcomes on capacity building for the sponsoring organization or its partners, affiliates or intermediary organizations.

□ **SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS** As originally designated in the Domestic Volunteer Service Act and reinforced in the Serve America Act, VISTA members represent a short-term resource and work to build the long-term sustainability of anti-poverty programs. All VISTA projects should be developed with a goal of establishing permanent infrastructure to sustain the project following the phase-out of VISTA members. With the exception of intermediary projects, VISTA projects typically last three years. From the beginning of the project planning process, the sponsor and community must think about how to utilize the VISTA project to phase-in other resources and systems to eventually replace the VISTA resource.

Further criteria for determining approval are based on whether the applicant:

□ Is a local or state government agency, Tribe or a private organization designated as a nonprofit by the Internal Revenue Service.

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https://www.nationalservice.gov/sites/default/files/documents/VISTA_Concept%20Paper_2017%20%2802%29_508.pdf

Native Youth and Culture Fund Grants

Deadline: Stage I (online application w attachments) **March 8, 2018**; Stage II proposal (by invitation) May 1, 2018

Amount: \$5,000-\$20,000

Match: No

Eligibility: All entities that apply must be located in the United States or U.S. Territories and must be Native-controlled nonprofit organizations or Native-controlled community organizations. First Nations considers "Native-controlled" to mean that the majority (more than 50%) of the organization's Board of Directors is tribally affiliated.

<https://firstnations.org/grantmaking/2018NYCF>

2018 Request for Proposals (RFP) for projects that focus on youth and incorporate culture and tradition to address social issues such as drug and alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy, mental health or other social issues. Specifically, we are seeking projects that focus on one or more of these four priority areas:

- Preserving, strengthening or renewing cultural and/or spiritual practices, beliefs and values.
- Engaging both youth and elders in activities that demonstrate methods for documenting traditional knowledge, practices and/or beliefs, where culturally appropriate.

- Increasing youth leadership and their capacity to lead through integrated educational or mentoring programs.
- Increasing access to and sharing of cultural customs and beliefs through the use of appropriate technologies (traditional and/or modern), as a means of reviving or preserving tribal language, arts, history or other culturally relevant topics.

Native Language Immersion Initiative Grants

Deadline: March 23, 2018

Amount: up to \$90,000

Match: no

Eligibility: Tribal government programs, tribal 7871 entities, Native-controlled nonprofit organizations, and Native-controlled community organizations located in the United States are eligible to apply. Applicants located in an urban area are eligible to apply if they are able to demonstrate a close tie to one or more tribal communities. Applicants must be located in the United States and serve Native American, Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian communities.

<https://firstnations.org/grantmaking/2018NLII>

First Nations will distribute approximately 12 grant awards of up to \$90,000 each to build the capacity of and directly support Native-controlled nonprofit organizations and tribal government programs actively supporting Native language-immersion and culture-retention programs. The NLII seeks to build a dialogue and community of practice around Native language immersion programs and consensus on and momentum for Native language programs. Eligible entities must be Native-controlled intuitions and organizations with an existing language-immersion program providing at least 20 hours per week per school year of Native American language instruction with at least 10 students. The target age is children to college-age students. Programs should be actively growing new speakers and have plans for assessment and evaluation in place to identify progression in student Native language acquisition. Priority will be given to programs with a long-term, community-based immersion plan. Funding can support curriculum development, technology access, instructional courses and materials, teacher training and other kinds of organizational infrastructure, all aimed toward achieving Native American fluency and academic proficiency.

Legal Education Diversity Pipeline Grant Program

Deadline: Letter of Inquiry accepted March 1 through March 31

Amount: \$25,000 to \$125,000

Match: no

Eligibility: nonprofit educational institutions and other nonprofit and public organizations which are classified as tax-exempt under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) or as “public” charities under § 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) of the Code, as well as public organizations that are designated under § 170(c) of the Code. Faculty, practitioners and researchers are eligible for grants through their affiliated organization, provided that the organization maintains a qualified tax-exempt status as described above.

<https://www.accesslex.org/legal-education-diversity-pipeline-grant-program>

The Legal Education Diversity Pipeline Grant Program awards grants to current or proposed programs that provide college students and/or college graduates from historically underrepresented groups with information and resources premised on aiding their successful matriculation into law school and the legal profession. The best programs are collaborative and provide meaningful and holistic content, experiences and support, and are designed to yield measurable outcomes and scalable best practices.

NONPROFIT/COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION FUNDING

US EPA 2018 Environmental Education (EE) Grant

Due: March 15, 2018

Amount: The total funding for the competitive opportunity in U.S. EPA Region 9 is **up to \$300,000**. This Region expects to award three or four grants for **no less than \$50,000, and no more than \$100,000 each**. Region 9 covers the states and territories of Arizona (AZ), California (CA), Hawaii (HI), Nevada (NV), American Samoa, Guam, and Northern Marianas Islands.

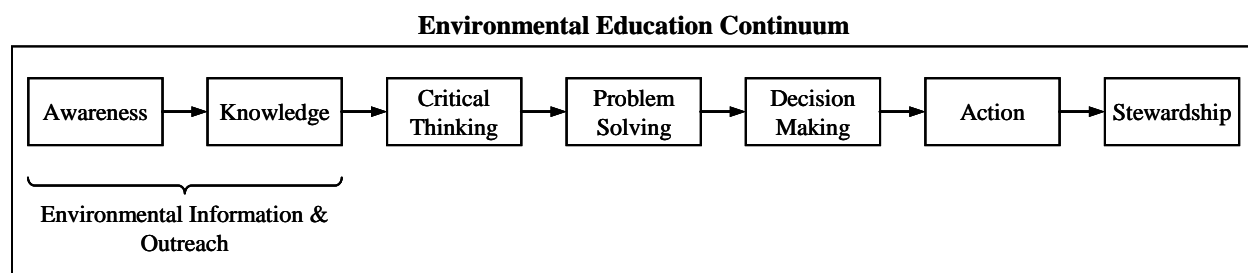
Match: Yes at least 25% of the total cost of the project.

Eligibility: Nonprofit, LEA (school district), State education or environmental agency, college or university, Tribal education agency.

Description: Under this solicitation EPA is seeking grant proposals from eligible applicants to support locally-focused environmental education projects that promote environmental and conservation stewardship and help develop knowledgeable and responsible students, teachers, and citizens. This grant program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques, as described in this notice, that will serve to increase environmental literacy and encourage behavior that will benefit the environment in the local community(ies) in which they are located. Selections and awards will be made in Region 9. (Note that separate solicitations will be issued from each of the 10 EPA Regional Offices, and selections and awards will be made in each respective Region.)

The goal of this solicitation is to fund locally-focused EE projects that design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques, as described in this notice. EPA will provide financial support for projects that promote environmental and conservation stewardship and help develop informed, knowledgeable and responsible citizens in the community(ies) in which the project is located.

EPA further clarifies that environmental and conservation information and outreach may be important elements of EE projects, but these activities by themselves are not EE. By itself, environmental or conservation information only addresses awareness and knowledge, usually about a particular environmental or conservation issue. Outreach involves information dissemination and requests or suggestions for action on a particular issue (often without the critical thinking, problem solving and decision making steps in between). EE teaches individuals how to weigh various sides of an issue through critical thinking, problem solving and decision making skills on environmental and conservation topics. EE is a continuum that covers the range of steps and activities from awareness to action with an ultimate goal of environmental and conservation stewardship.



EE increases public awareness and knowledge about environmental and conservation issues and provides the participants in its programs the skills necessary to make informed decisions and to take responsible actions. EE is based on objective and scientifically-sound information

and does not advocate a particular viewpoint or a particular course of action. EE involves lifelong learning; its audiences are of all age groups, from very young children through senior citizens. EE can include both outdoor and in-classroom education, in both formal and non-formal settings.

EPA's Educational Priorities:

Proposals must address at least one of these Educational Priorities to be considered eligible.

1. **Agricultural Education:** Educating students of any age group and/or training their educators or community leaders on how to teach, in formal and non-formal settings, about environmental issues affecting agriculture in urban, suburban and rural communities -- in such areas as integrated pest management, nutrient management, integrated vegetation management, and air, soil and water quality issues-- and how to find creative solutions to such issues.

2. **Community Projects:** Increasing public understanding of the benefits of and participation in environmental and conservation stewardship through community collaboration on water and soil quality issues, food waste management, increase of locally sourced food in farm to table systems, management of ecosystem health and/or local fire or flood prevention and fire, flood or hurricane preparedness as related to human health and environmental protection. Projects can take place in rural, suburban and urban settings, in a local formal or non-formal educational context, and use outdoor, place-based, experiential, service learning and/or community-focused stewardship activities as the primary teaching tool(s).

3. **Career Development:** Educating students of any age group and/or training their educators or community leaders on how to teach, in formal and non-formal settings, about environmental and conservation issues, solutions and stewardship for the purpose of encouraging interest in careers in environmental fields, including conservation, natural resources, chemical safety, and water and air quality management fields.

Link: <https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grant-solicitation-notice>

Vodafone America's Foundation: Wireless Innovation Project

Due Date: 03/05/2018 11:59PM

Amount: Up to \$600,000

Match: Based on project reach

Eligibility: Universities or Nonprofits in US

Description: The Vodafone Americas Foundation™ designed the Wireless Innovation Project™ as a competition to promote innovation and increase implementation of wireless related technology for a better world. Total awards up to \$600,000 will be available to support projects of exceptional promise that meet our [eligibility criteria](#). The Vodafone Wireless Innovation Project™ (the “competition”) seeks to identify and fund the best innovations using wireless related technology to address critical social issues around the world. Project proposals must demonstrate significant advancement in the field of wireless-related technology applied to social benefit use. The competition is open to projects from universities and nonprofit organizations based in the United States. Although organizations must be based in the United States, projects may operate and help people outside of the United States. Applicants must demonstrate a multi-disciplinary approach that uses an innovation in wireless-related technology to address a critical global issue in one or more of the following areas: Social Issue Areas, Access to communication, Education, Economic development, Environment, Health, Technical Issue Areas, Connectivity, Energy, Language or Literacy hurdles, Ease of use.

The project must be at a stage of research where an advanced prototype or field/market test can occur during the award period. The Technology should have the potential for replication and large scale impact. Teams should have a business plan or a basic framework for financial sustainability and rollout.

Link: <http://vodafone-us.com/wireless-innovation-project/about-wip/>

AmeriCorps VISTA Sponsor Request for Concept Papers (RFCP)

Amount: Based on number of VISTA participants hired.

Match: Yes 50% bi-weekly volunteer costs/stipends

Due: **March 12, 2018** (Concept paper) If invited application due May 15, 2018

Eligibility: Public organizations such as state and local government, Indian Tribes and non-profit private organizations with IRS 501(c)3 status can apply to become VISTA sponsors. Applicants that have a focus or plan to focus on alleviating and reducing poverty are eligible to apply for VISTA resources.

Description: The CNCS California State Office is currently accepting Concept Papers that propose to address one or more of the following issue areas from the [CNCS Strategic Plan](#) and [FY 2018 AmeriCorps VISTA Program Guidance](#):

- ☐ *Economic Opportunity*
- ☐ *Education*
- ☐ *Healthy Futures*
- ☐ *Veterans and Military Families*

Eligible applicants interested in sponsoring an AmeriCorps VISTA project are invited to submit a concept paper via [eGrants](#) – the CNCS electronic grants system. Concept Papers responding to this RFCP should be submitted by **8pm Pacific Time on the due date. Please note the answers to the Narrative sections must not exceed 4 pages (or 1,000 words).**

The California State Office will prioritize approval of Concept Papers that are one of the following types of projects: 1. Intermediaries applying on behalf of 8 or more organizations; 2. Organizations proposing to cost share 2 or more VISTA members; 3. Projects that will place a minimum of 7 VISTA members with a single agency or as a part of a collaborative of 3 or more organizations; or 4. Meeting needs in communities dealing with concentrated poverty (Poverty Mapping Tool – <http://rdgdwe.sc.egov.usda.gov/rdpoverty/index.html> and the Economic Security Index – <http://www.basiceconomicsecurity.org>). Interested organizations that do not meet one of the above-listed criteria should contact the California State Office at ca@cns.gov to discuss other opportunities to host an AmeriCorps VISTA member. All Concept Papers must be submitted via eGrants. Please see [A Guide to Becoming an AmeriCorps VISTA Project Sponsor](#) and [AmeriCorps VISTA Concept Paper Instructions](#) for instructions on developing and submitting a Concept Paper. A tutorial on how to use eGrants is available at <https://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/egrants>. When applying, please select the NOFA: **AmeriCorps VISTA State FY 2018**. The NOFA deadline that appears in eGrants should be disregarded. **Please note the answers to the Narrative sections must not exceed 4 pages (or 1,000 words).**

Subject to availability of resources, AmeriCorps VISTA projects will be awarded on a full-time basis for one year to newly approved VISTA sponsoring organizations. CNCS will make awards covering a period not to exceed one year with the potential for continuation.

The CNCS State Office will be guided by locally driven programming that addresses the following “Key Principles.” Each VISTA project must be developed in accordance with the parameters defined by law, federal regulations and the key VISTA principles: Anti-Poverty Focus, Capacity Building, Sustainable Solutions and Community Empowerment.

Key Principles:

- ☐ **ANTI-POVERTY EMPOWERMENT** As previously noted, by law, the purpose of VISTA is to support efforts to fight poverty. The goal of every project must be to help individuals and communities out of poverty, not to simply make poverty more tolerable. The project should focus on long-term solutions rather than short-term services.
- ☐ **COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT** All VISTA project sponsors must ensure that their project engages residents of the low-income community in planning, developing, implementing and evaluating the project. The project must be responsive and relevant to the lives of the community residents, and should tap into inherent community assets, strengths and resources
- ☐ **CAPACITY BUILDING** One way to achieve sustainable solutions is to strengthen the ability of local organizations to fight poverty. Through activities such as fundraising, establishment of volunteer recruitment and management systems, community outreach and partnership development, VISTAs help sponsors to

achieve lasting solutions to poverty. However, projects should focus their performance measures on achieving outcomes and impact on the community and/or beneficiary population, and not only outcomes on capacity building for the sponsoring organization or its partners, affiliates or intermediary organizations.

☐ **SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS** As originally designated in the Domestic Volunteer Service Act and reinforced in the Serve America Act, VISTA members represent a short-term resource and work to build the long-term sustainability of anti-poverty programs. All VISTA projects should be developed with a goal of establishing permanent infrastructure to sustain the project following the phase-out of VISTA members. With the exception of intermediary projects, VISTA projects typically last three years. From the beginning of the project planning process, the sponsor and community must think about how to utilize the VISTA project to phase-in other resources and systems to eventually replace the VISTA resource.

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Kress Conservation Grant Program

Deadline*: January 15, **April 1**, and October 1

*Please note, if the application deadline falls on a weekend, applications must be received by the previous Friday.

Amount: generally \$10,000-\$25,000

Match: Case by case basis – the foundation will review the detailed budget to see if any elements are particularly suited for their support

Eligibility: non-profit institutions with 501(c) 3 status, based in the United States, including supporting foundations of European institutions

www.kressfoundation.org/grants/conservation/

The Conservation program supports the professional practice of art conservation, especially as it relates to European art of the pre-modern era. Grants are awarded to projects that create and disseminate specialized knowledge, including archival projects, development and dissemination of scholarly databases, documentation projects, exhibitions and publications focusing on art conservation, scholarly publications, and technical and scientific studies. Grants are also awarded for activities that permit conservators and conservation scientists to share their expertise with both professional colleagues and a broad audience through international exchanges, professional meetings, conferences, symposia, consultations, the presentation of research, exhibitions that include a prominent focus on materials and techniques, and other professional events.

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA): Challenge America

Amount: \$10,000

Due: SF 424 Due 4/12/2018 Materials and Attachments due 4/17-4/24/2018

Match: Yes 100% (*can be through a partnership*)

Eligibility: Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply. Applicants may be arts organizations, local arts

agencies, arts service organizations, local education agencies (school districts), and other organizations that can help advance the goals of the National Endowment for the Arts.

Description: The Challenge America category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations -- those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted above also must be present. Please provide details about the underserved audience you select in your application. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development. This category encourages and supports the following objective: **Engagement:** Public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation.

Challenge America grants: Extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations, are limited to the specific types of projects outlined below, and are for a fixed amount of \$10,000 and require a minimum \$10,000 match. Partnerships can be valuable to the success of these projects. While not required, applicants are encouraged to consider partnerships among organizations, both in and outside of the arts, as an appropriate way to engage with the identified underserved audience. To ensure that Challenge America funding reaches new organizations and communities, the National Endowment for the Arts has implemented a policy to limit consecutive-year funding.

Projects:

Guest Artist project type, which refers to an arts event or events that will feature one or more guest artists. The guest artist is engaged specifically for the proposed project, and is not considered a resident artist, regular company member, or individual currently serving on the artistic staff of the applicant organization.

Public Art Projects, community-based and professionally directed. Although many kinds of arts projects take place in the public realm, for the Challenge America category, the Public Art project type is intended to support primarily **visual arts projects, which may be temporary or permanent**, such as murals, sculptures, multi-media, or environmental art, developed **through a meaningful community engagement process**. Evidence of community involvement should be apparent in the planning, design, or fabrication of the work, and should include a professional lead artist.

Cultural Tourism, specifically the unified promotion of community-wide arts activities and/or the development of cultural tourism products to enhance public engagement with arts and culture in communities and in cultural districts (including the marketing and promotion of arts and culture to populations that have been historically underserved). NOTE: Promotional projects for a single organization are not eligible. Unified promotion is defined as the professional assessment, design, and/or distribution of public relations and marketing tools (calendars, websites, radio and television, brochures, rack cards, signage, etc.) designed to benefit several local organizations in a community.

Link: <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/challenge-america/grant-program-description>



Major League Baseball Foundation: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

Deadline: Quarterly April 1, July 1, & October 1)

Amount: \$40,000 average award size

Match: 50% or more of total project cost

Eligibility: Tax exempt organizations

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association designed to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and

softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. The Baseball Tomorrow Fund supports projects that meet the following evaluation criteria: increase the number of youth participating in baseball and softball programs; improve the quality of youth baseball and softball programs. Link: http://web.mlbcommunity.org/index.jsp?content=programs&program=baseball_tomorrow_fund

Amphion Grant Program – Performing Ensembles

Deadline: April 1, 2018

Amount: \$1,000-\$7,500

Match: no

Eligibility: publicly supported non-profit or fiscally-sponsored [Performing Ensembles](#) that have a history of substantial commitment to contemporary concert music at a high level of excellence.

<https://amphionfoundation.org/programs/amphion-grant-program>

Project support will be given only for a project that begins in the current season. Thus, for the 2018 grant round, support will only be given to projects that begin between September 2018 and August 2019.

Applicants other than orchestras and opera companies may request either general operating support or support for special projects. All orchestras and opera companies, except for contemporary music specialists, are eligible to apply only for special project support. Applicants should be aware that support in one year does not imply continuation of that support. In general, special projects relating to a broad spectrum of contemporary music will be viewed more favorably than those relating to a single work or a single composer.

Legal Education Diversity Pipeline Grant Program

Deadline: Letter of Inquiry accepted March 1 through March 31

Amount: \$25,000 to \$125,000

Match: no

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Title X FY 2018 Funds for Family Planning Services Grants

Deadline: May 24, 2018

Amount: \$150,000-\$22,000,000

Match: Yes

Eligibility: Any public or private nonprofit entity located in a State (which includes one of the 50 United States, District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands) is eligible to apply for a grant under this announcement. Faith-based organizations and American Indian/Alaska Native/Native American (AI/AN/NA) organizations are eligible to apply for Title X family planning services grants.

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=297943>

This notice solicits applications from public and private nonprofit entities, including comprehensive primary care providers, hospitals, health collaboratives, and women's health centers to establish and operate voluntary family planning projects to serve the 50 United States, District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands. We encourage all qualified applicants, especially those proposing innovative strategies to increase the number of clients served or the quality of services, to apply. HHS seeks a broad competition for Title X grant awards to provide a diversity of options for clients with the intention of improving overall service provision, increasing the number of clients served, and expanding the breadth of services available in the states, territories and throughout the regions. All activities funded under this announcement must be in compliance with the Title X statute, as well as the program regulations and legislative mandates, as applicable. HHS/OASH encourages applicants to review all program requirements, eligibility information, application format and submission information, evaluation criteria and other information in this funding announcement to ensure that their applications comply with all requirements and instructions.



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