



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.

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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

FEMA: Assistance to Firefighter Grants (AFG) FY 2018

Due: 2/2/2018 5pm (EST)

Amount: Based on population in jurisdiction.

Match: Yes %. Based on population count.

Description: AFG has 3 activities; Operations and Safety, Vehicle Acquisition, and Regional Projects. Each has its own eligibility requirements. Reporting to the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) is required to receive funding under this program and during the program period.

Description: The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

Contact us today to begin your application!

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UPCOMING FUNDING (ALL CATEGORIES)

US Bureau of Reclamation: 2018 WaterSMART - Water and Energy Efficiency Grants

Release: TBD (possibly October/November 2017) *Still pending release as of 11/24/17*

Deadline: TBD (possibly January 2018)

Amount: Funding Group I (small projects): \$300,000; Funding Group II (larger, phased projects): \$1,000,000

Match: 50% or more of project costs

Eligibility: States, Indian tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, or other organizations with water or power delivery authority (may include municipalities)

<https://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/weeg/ssweg.html>

The WaterSMART Program focuses on improving water conservation, sustainability and helping water resource managers make sound decisions about water use. It identifies strategies to ensure that this and future generations will have sufficient supplies of clean water for drinking, economic activities, recreation and ecosystem health. The program also identifies adaptive measures to address climate change and its impact on future water demands. Through the WaterSMART Grants, Reclamation provides 50/50 cost share funding to irrigation and water districts, Tribes, States and other entities with water or power delivery authority. Projects should seek to conserve and use water more efficiently, increase the use of renewable energy, protect endangered species, or facilitate water markets. Projects are selected through a competitive process and the focus is on projects that can be completed within 24 months that will help sustainable water supplies in the western United States. Proposals must seek to conserve and use water more efficiently, increase the use of renewable energy, improve energy efficiency, benefit endangered and threatened species, facilitate water markets, carry out activities to address climate-related impacts on water or prevent any water-related crisis or conflict.

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

Release: Caltrans anticipates the CTC will announce the 2019 (Cycle 4) call-for-projects in or around March 2018. In preparation for this call, CTC will be holding several ATP stakeholder workshops to discuss possible changes to the Guidelines and Application. These workshops will be spread geographically across the state during the last quarter of 2017. Cycle 4 Call for Projects is expected to include about \$440M in ATP funding made up of Federal funding and State SB1 and SHA funding. The funding/programming years are expected to include 19/20, 20/21, 21/22 and 22/23 funding years. Potential applicants are encouraged to check the Caltrans and CTC ATP websites for future updates. CTC – ATP website:

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

Deadline: TBC

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/>

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.

FEMA Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Grants (SAFER)

Release: Expected January 2018

INFRASTRUCTURE & FACILITIES FUNDING



CalRecycle: FY2017-18 Tire Derived Aggregate (TDA) Grants

Deadlines: February 1, 2018

Amount: Individual grants up to \$300,000

Match: Any project or materials costs not covered by the grant.

Eligibility: California local government entities (including cities, counties, and cities and counties); Special districts (including transportation districts); Joint Powers Authorities (JPA) (where all JPA members are also otherwise eligible applicants); Public school districts; Institutions of higher education; for-profit entities, nonprofit entities.

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/TDA/FY201718/default.htm>

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) administers a program to provide opportunities to divert waste tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content tire products. The Tire-Derived Aggregate (TDA) Grant Program (Program) provides assistance to civil engineers in solving a variety of engineering challenges. TDA, which is produced from shredded tires, is lightweight, free-draining, and a less expensive alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates. Projects must be located in California and use California waste tires. Projects generally fall into one of four categories :

- 1) Category 1: Lightweight fill (slope stabilization, embankment fill, landslide repair, and retaining walls).
- 2) Category 2: Vibration mitigation (under rail lines).
- 3) Category 3: Low impact development/storm water management.
- 4) Category 4: Landfill application (aggregate replacement projects such as leachate and gas collection systems, drainage layers, leachate injection). Projects that are currently underway or that have been completed at the same location within the same facility within three years of application are not eligible. Landfill application projects do not include use of shredded waste tires as alternative daily cover or alternative intermediate cover. Additionally, these landfill application project(s) are not eligible for consideration as a Very Large Project (see below for definition).

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

California 2018 Nonpoint Source Grant Program (CA NPS)

Amount: CWA 319 & Timber Fund \$250,000 Min - \$800,000 Max Total cost of a project including match can exceed \$800,000, but grant amount is limited to \$800,000

Match: Yes. 25% of project (see formula in guidelines). Note applicant may qualify for and apply for partial or full match waiver. Match can be donated funds, volunteer or in-kind services.

Due Date: February 8, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

Eligibility: An applicant must be a public agency, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, Federally Recognized Tribe**, state agency, public college, or a federal agency.

Description: The 2018 Nonpoint Source (NPS) Grant Program aims to reduce and mitigate the effects of nonpoint source pollutants in waters of the state. Nonpoint source pollutants include sediment, pesticides, nutrients, and other pollutants from diffuse, nonpoint sources. The funds in the NPS Grant Program are reserved for implementation projects, or projects that install treatments or management practices to reduce the physical load of nonpoint source pollutants to, or concentration of nonpoint source pollutants in waters of the state; projects may incorporate outreach and education, project-level planning and design, and water quality monitoring, but may not consist entirely of outreach and education, project design, or water quality monitoring. The 2018 NPS Grant Program is comprised of funds from a U.S. EPA Clean Water Act (CWA) section 319(h) grant to the State Water Board (Federal Grant),¹ and from the Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Fund (Timber Fund) should such funds be made available to the State Water Board through the fiscal year 2018/2019 California Budget Act. Agencies/Cities/Districts can apply through one or both of the funds. See table in RFP for respective criteria. To apply for funding, applicants must submit a complete proposal per Section E, Proposal Instructions in the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST): <https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov/>.

Applicants are encouraged to discuss their proposals with Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) staff prior to submitting their proposals in order to ensure proposals address the priorities of the Regional Water Board. Applicants who discuss their proposals with Regional Water Board staff generally have a higher chance of being selected for funding. Applicants are also encouraged to begin their proposals well in advance of the submittal deadline; failure to submit a complete proposal by the deadline will result in disqualification.

The eligibility requirements for the **CWA 319 funds and Timber Fund are different**. Applicants may apply for one or both of these sources of funding, but proposals must meet the minimum eligibility requirements for at least one of the funding sources in order to receive funding. State and Regional Water Board staff reserve the right to make a final determination as to which funding source is most appropriate for each proposal.

Link: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.shtml

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

Deadline: Accepting applications via FAAST 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.

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

ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION, & AIR QUALITY FUNDING

National Forest Foundation: Matching Awards Program (MAP)

Deadline: January 23, 2018 and 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.



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The eligibility requirements for the **CWA 319 funds and Timber Fund are different**. Applicants may apply for one or both of these sources of funding, but proposals must meet the minimum eligibility requirements for at least one of the funding sources in order to receive funding. State and Regional Water Board staff reserve the right to make a final determination as to which funding source is most appropriate for each proposal.

Link: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.shtml

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

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING



California Transportation Commission (CTC) 2018 Local Partnership Program (LPP) (SB 1)

Eligibility: Taxing authorities that have sought and received voter approval of taxes, tolls or fees, or that have imposed fees, including uniform developer fees, and which taxes and fees are dedicated solely to transportation improvements. Taxing authorities that have imposed fees and have not received voter approval of taxes, tolls or fees are only eligible for the competitive grant program.

Award Amount: Based on Project Rating and region (Northern/Southern California) and/or 1:1 match

Deadline: January 30, 2018

Description: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1 SB1) appropriates \$200M annually by the CTC to local or regional transportation agencies that have sought and received voter approval of taxes or have imposed fees, which taxes or fees are dedicated solely for transportation improvements. The program's objective is to balance the need to direct increased revenue to the state's highest transportation needs, while fairly distributing the economic impact of increased funding [SB 1 Section 1(I)].

Requirements: A 1:1 match is required, except jurisdictions with a vote approved tax or fee which generates less than \$100K annually, need only match equal 50% or requested LPP funds. Matching funds must be

expended concurrently and proportionately to the LPP funds. Costs incurred prior to allocation will not be counted towards match. Must include funding plans that show match is available and sufficient to complete project. This is a reimbursement program.

Eligible Projects: Improvements to the state highway system, including but not limited to: Major rehab of an existing segment that extends the useful life of the segment by at least 15 years; new construction to increase capacity of a highway segment that improves mobility or reduces congestion on that segment; and safety or operational improvements on a highway segment that are intended to reduce accidents and fatalities or improve traffic flow on that segment. Improvements to transit facilities; acquisition, retrofit, or rehab of rolling stock, buses or other transit equipment, transit stations, maintenance facilities, passenger shelters, fare collection equipment with a useful life of at least 10 years. Improvements to the local road system including as noted above in the state highway system. Improvements to bicycle or pedestrian safety or mobility with an extended useful life. Improvements to mitigate the environmental impact of new transportation infrastructure on a locality's or region's air quality or water quality, or for purpose of the LPP a separate phase to a construction that may include mitigation of the project's environmental impacts. Road maintenance and rehab and other transportation improvement projects.

Link: http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB_1/102017_Final_LPP_Guidelines.pdf

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.



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PARKS & RECREATION

CA Department of Parks & Recreation (CA State Parks): Land and Water Conservation Fund 2017/2018

Deadline: February 5, 2018

Amount: \$2,000,000 maximum request

Match: dollar for dollar (1 to 1); applicants will have to demonstrate they can fund 100% of the project costs; then will be reimbursed for 50% of that total.

Eligibility: Cities, counties and districts authorized to acquire, develop, operate and maintain park and recreation areas

http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=21360

The California Department of Parks and Recreation and its Office of Grants and Local Assistance (OGALS), in partnership with the National Park Service (NPS) offers the Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to provide

funding for cities and counties to acquire, develop, operate and maintain park and recreation areas and facilities. Priority development projects include trails, campgrounds, picnic areas, natural areas and cultural areas for recreational use. Property acquired or developed under the program must be maintained in perpetuity for public outdoor recreation use. This competitive cycle will combine federal fiscal year 2017 and 2018 funding. Grant requests up to \$2 million are encouraged!

Major League Baseball Foundation: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

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

Amount: \$40,000 average award size

Match: 50% or more of total project cost

Eligibility: Tax exempt organizations

http://web.mlbcommunity.org/index.jsp?content=programs&program=baseball_tomorrow_fund

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.

People for Bikes: Community Grants Program

Amount: \$10,000

Due Date: January 19, 2018 (LOI open 12/11/17) Full application (by invite) due 4/6/18

Match: None required, but will not fund more than 50% of a single project.

Eligibility: PeopleForBikes accepts grant applications from non-profit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development, from city or county agencies or departments, and from state or federal agencies working locally. PeopleForBikes only funds projects in the United States. Requests must support a specific project or program; we do not grant funds for general operating costs.

[PeopleForBikes](#) aims to make riding better for everyone. By collaborating with millions of individual riders, businesses, community leaders, and elected officials, we are uniting people to create a powerful, united

voice for bicycling and its benefits. To that end, the organization has awarded more than three hundred and fifty grants totaling over \$3 million to nonprofit organizations and local governments in all fifty states and the District of Columbia since its establishment in 1999. Projects eligible for funding include bike paths and rail trails, as well as mountain bike trails, bike parks, BMX facilities, and large-scale bicycle advocacy initiatives. PeopleForBikes focuses most grant funds on bicycle infrastructure projects such as:

- Bike paths, lanes, trails, and bridges
- Mountain bike facilities
- Bike parks and pump tracks
- BMX facilities
- End-of-trip facilities such as bike racks, bike parking, bike repair stations and bike storage

Will also fund some advocacy projects, such as campaigns to increase the investment in bicycle infrastructure. PeopleForBikes will fund engineering and design work, construction costs including materials, labor, and equipment rental, and reasonable volunteer support costs. For advocacy projects, we will fund staffing that is directly related to accomplishing the goals of the initiative. PeopleForBikes accepts requests for funding of up to \$10,000. Does not require a specific percentage match, but do look at leverage and funding partnerships very carefully. We will not consider grant requests in which our funding would amount to 50% or more of the project budget. The organization will begin accepting Letters of Interest on December 11, 2017. To be considered, LOIs must be received by January 19, 2018. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a full application by April 6, 2018.

Link: <http://peopleforbikes.org/grant-guidelines/>

ESPN Home Court Program

Amount: \$25,000

Due: January 31, 2018

Match: Yes 1:1

Eligibility: Nonprofit CBOs, Middle and High Schools in selected markets: **Los Angeles**, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Houston, Memphis, and Atlanta.

Description: The Local Initiatives Support Corporation has issued a Request for Proposals for its LISC/ESPN Pilot Home Court Program. A collaboration between ESPN and LISC, the program provides nonprofit neighborhood-based organizations, middle schools, and high schools with financing and technical assistance for use in improving the quality, safety, and accessibility of local basketball courts in selected markets. Because they offer opportunities for recreation and relaxation that can contribute to local health and quality of life, especially for young people, basketball courts can be tremendous community assets. The LISC/ESPN Home Court Program is intended not only to respond to the immediate shortage of athletic courts, but also to build an infrastructure through partnerships and resident involvement that sustains open court spaces for community use. To that end, grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded in support of capital projects that include the installation/refurbishment of basketball court flooring, hoops, nets, backboards, scoreboards, bleachers, and/or fencing. To be eligible, applicants must be a nonprofit community-based organization registered as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or a middle or high school. In addition, all organizations applying for funds must serve low- to moderate-income areas located in Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Houston, Memphis, Atlanta, or Los Angeles. Download RFP and program description at the agency's website.

Link: <http://www.lisc.org/our-initiatives/health/sports-recreation/espn-home-court-program/>



HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

Strategic Growth Council: Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Grant

Deadline: January 16, 2018

Amount: The maximum AHSC Program loan or grant award, or combination thereof, for a TOD, ICP and RIPA Project Area is \$20 million with a minimum award of at least \$1 million.

Match: Typically, none.

Eligibility: Local Governments (City, County, City/County); Local Transportation Agencies; Public Housing Authority; Transit Agency or Operator; Regional Transportation Planning Agency; Congestion Management

Agency; Joint Powers Authority; School District; Facilities District; University or Community College District; Developer (Public, Private, or Nonprofit); Program Operator (Public, Private, or Nonprofit)

<http://sgc.ca.gov/Grant-Programs/AHSC-Guidelines.html>

The AHSC Program aims to improve mobility options and accessibility to affordable housing by funding connectivity and compact development projects. These multi-faceted projects facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by combining elements of affordable housing development, key transit and active transportation infrastructure, incentive programs, green infrastructure, and transportation-related amenities. The impact of these projects is on a neighborhood scale - to better connect homes, employment centers, and key destinations via low carbon transportation options (walking, biking and transit), resulting in fewer vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Projects will support public policy objectives through coordination including:

- Reducing air pollution
- Improving conditions in disadvantaged communities
- Supporting or improving public health
- Improving connectivity and accessibility to jobs, housing and services
- Increasing options for mobility, including active transportation
- Protecting agricultural lands to support infill development

California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD): Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG) Program

Deadline: January 16, 2018

Amount: For Qualifying Infill Projects, the Program grant amount shall not be less than \$500,000 or \$250,000 for Rural Areas. The maximum Program grant amount shall not exceed \$5 million for each application.

Match: Typically none.

Eligibility: Non-profit or for profit developers (required applicants); public housing authorities or other localities in partnership with developers.

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-funding/iigp.shtml>

Funded by Proposition (Prop 1C) 1C, the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006, the primary goal is to promote infill housing development. By providing financial assistance, IIG supports infrastructure improvements to facilitate new infill housing development. IIG serves to aid in new construction and rehabilitation of infrastructure that supports higher-density affordable and mixed-income housing in locations designated as infill. Infill project sites must have been previously developed, or largely surrounded by development. For Qualifying Infill Projects, the Program grant amount shall not be less than \$500,000 or \$250,000 Rural Areas. The maximum Program grant amount shall not exceed \$5 million for each application. The Department will fund only one application for each Capital Improvement Project or portion thereof. In each NOFA, the Department will fund only one application for each Qualifying Infill Project. To be eligible for funding, a Capital Improvement Project must be an integral part of, or necessary for the development of a Qualifying Infill Project. Program grant funds must be used for reasonable and necessary costs of the Capital Improvement Project. Eligible activities include new construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of infrastructure. Non-profit or for-profit developers are required applicants, either solely or as a joint applicant with a Locality or public housing authority with jurisdiction over the area in which the Qualifying Infill Project is located. Public agencies are not eligible as sole applicants for Qualifying Infill Projects.

**US DOJ Office on Violence
Against Women (OVW)**

Funding Opportunity Number:
OVW-2018-13831

CFDA Number: 16.889

Due: January 26, 2018

Amount: \$300,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education. Open to nonprofit entities with very specific undeserved populations, such as ethnic populations, LGBT, religious minority or the disabled.

The Office of Violence Against Women (OVW)'s program was authorized to develop and implement outreach strategies targeted at, and provide victim services to, adult and youth victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking in underserved populations. Grant funds are used to provide enhanced services to these populations; build the capacity of both mainstream organizations and organizations serving the target populations to provide culturally appropriate and inclusive services; and to increase training and outreach activities targeted at organizations providing services to underserved populations.

Link:

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=298794>

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.

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, COMMUNITY SAFETY FUNDING

BSCC California Violence Prevention & Intervention Grant

Deadline: January 28, 2018

Amount: \$500,000 (at least 2 grants will be given to cities with populations under 200K). \$9M available (\$1M dedicated to City of LA)

Match: 100% Cash or in-kind or combination of both

Eligibility: Cities or Community Based Organizations in California

http://www.bscc.ca.gov/s_cpgpcalvipgrant.php

Each city that receives a grant shall distribute at least 50% of the grant funds to one or more community-based organizations. Grantees will collaborate and coordinate with area jurisdictions and agencies, including the existing county juvenile justice coordination council, with the goal of reducing violence in the city and adjacent

areas. Grantees must establish a coordinating and advisory council to prioritize the use of the funds. Membership must include city officials, local law enforcement, local education agencies, local community based organizations, and local residents. Reporting to the BSCC regarding progress and achieving clearly defined, measurable grant objectives. Quarterly reporting. Eligible activities include: community mobilization and education, CBT, mental or public health, case management, diversion, education/after school programs, recreation/social, mentoring, community resource centers, community police relations, employment/job training, street outreach and intervention, regional task forces, ceasefire/GVRM (group violence reduction models), focused deterrence.

FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES FUNDING

FEMA: Assistance to Firefighter Grants (AFG) FY 2018

Due: 2/2/2018 5pm (EST)

Amount: Based on population in jurisdiction. Max Cap \$3,450,000. 100K or fewer residents max \$1,000,000, Up to 500K residents is \$2,000,000, above 1M residents \$3,000,000 with jurisdictions with more than 1M residents at the program's cap of \$3,450,000.

Match: Yes %. Based on population count. Jurisdiction with fewer than 20,000 residents must make available non-federal funds in an amount equal to and not less than 5% of the grant awarded. More than 20,000 residents but fewer than 1M the match is 10%, more than 1M residents match is 15%.

Eligibility: Fire departments in the US, and special districts. AFG has 3 activities; Operations and Safety, Vehicle Acquisition, and Regional Projects. Each has its own eligibility requirements. Reporting to the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) is required to receive funding under this program and during the program period.

Description: The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

New construction costs are not eligible but modifications to facilities not considered construction, may be eligible. See RFP for detailed list. Projects proposing modifications or renovations of existing buildings, structures and facilities must participate in the FEMA Environmental and Historical Preservation (EHP).

Narrative evaluation criteria include 4-points there include: Financial need (25% of the score), Project description and budget (25%), Statement of Effect/Impact on daily operations (25%). There have been subtle changes in priorities from FY 2016 to FY 2017 AFG program.

Grantees may request a waiver or reduction of their non-federal funds cost share requirement, maintenance of effort requirement, or both, in cases of demonstrated economic hardship. This link provides the minimum requirements for eligibility to request an [Economic Hardship Waiver](#) and the process and mechanism for requesting an Economic Hardship Waiver.

FEMA has provided a variety of preparation tools, including a budget worksheet, and narrative guidelines, as well as detailed program priorities for vehicle acquisition and fire safety. They also have video webinars on the application process, producing a Check List and packaging the request for submission.

Link: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/153366>

CalOES: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - Planning Grant Subapplication

Deadline: January 1, 2018

Amount: \$150,000 for a single jurisdiction and \$250,000 for a multi-jurisdictional planning activity

Match: 25% or more of the total project costs

Eligibility: State agencies, local governments, special districts, and some private non-profits

<http://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/recovery/disaster-mitigation-technical-support/404-hazard-mitigation-grant-program>

The Planning Subapplication for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding is available for eligible entities in California as the result of Presidential Disaster Declarations (DR-4301, DR-4305 and DR4308). Planning activities that reduce the effects of future natural disasters are eligible for this funding. Eligible activities that can be funded as mitigation planning-related activities under HMGP (these activities are not eligible under Pre Disaster Mitigation (PDM) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)) include but are not limited to:

1. Updating or enhancing sections of the current FEMA-approved mitigation plan, such as:
 - The risk and vulnerability assessment based on new information, including supporting studies, such as economic analyses
 - The mitigation strategy, specifically strengthening the linkage to mitigation action implementation, with emphasis on available HMA project grant funding
 - The risk assessment and/or mitigation strategy, incorporating climate adaptation, green building, smart growth principles, or historic properties and cultural resources information
2. Integrating information from mitigation plans, specifically risk assessment or mitigation strategies, with other planning efforts, such as:
 - Disaster recovery strategy (pre- or post-), preparedness, or response plans
 - Comprehensive (e.g., land use, master) plans
 - Capital improvement or economic development plans
 - Resource management/conservation plans (e.g., storm water, open space)
 - Other long-term community planning initiatives (e.g., transportation or housing)
3. Building capability through delivery of technical assistance and training.
4. Evaluating adoption and/or implementation of ordinances that reduce risk and/or increase resilience.

FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program

Deadline: December 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.

Fireman's Fund Heritage Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: None

https://www.firemansfund.com/home/policyholders/about_us/supporting_firefighters/index.html

Fireman's Fund awards grants to fire departments and fire & burn prevention organizations to support firefighters for safer communities. These grants can be used to purchase needed equipment, firefighter training, and community education programs.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING

Joseph Drown Foundation Education & Community Grants

Deadline: Quarterly (**January 15th**; 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.

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDING



National Endowment for the Arts (NEA): Art Works

Amount: \$10,000 to \$100,000 (average \$25,000)

Due: SF 424 Due 02/15/2018 Materials and Attachments due 2/20-2/27/18

Match: Yes. Equal to grant amount requested.

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 Arts . . . belong to all the people of the United States"*

Art Works is the National Endowment for the Arts' principal grants program. Through project-based funding, we support public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation, the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of the arts into the fabric of community life. Projects may be large or small, existing or new, and may take place in any part of the nation's 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. Encourage applications for artistically excellent projects that: Celebrate America's creativity and cultural heritage, Invite a dialogue that fosters a mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all persons and groups and enrich our humanity by broadening our understanding of ourselves as individuals and as a society. Grants generally will range from \$10,000 to \$100,000. No grants will be made below \$10,000. Grants of \$100,000 or more will be made only in rare instances, and only for projects that we determine demonstrate exceptional national or regional significance and impact. In the past few years, well over half of the agency's grants have been for amounts less than \$25,000.

To apply, choose a discipline: *Click on link of interest or visit the NEA website for detailed info*

- [Artist Communities](#)
- [Arts Education](#)
- [Dance](#)
- [Design](#)
- [Folk & Traditional Arts](#)
- [Literature](#)
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- [Musical Theater](#)
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- Artistic significance of the project.

The **artistic merit** of the project, which includes the:

- Potential to:
 - Celebrate America's creativity and cultural heritage,
 - Invite mutual respect for differing beliefs and values, or
 - Enrich humanity.
- Extent to which the project serves the organization's community or constituency.
- Potential impact on artists (including evidence of direct payment) and the artistic field.
- Appropriateness of the project to the organization's mission, audience, community, and/or constituency.
- Appropriateness of any proposed performance measurements. This includes, where relevant, measures to assess student and/or teacher learning in arts education.
- Plans for documentation and dissemination of the project results, as appropriate.

- Ability to carry out the project based on such factors as the appropriateness of the budget, the quality and clarity of the project goals and design, the resources involved, and the qualifications of the project's personnel.
- Where appropriate, potential to reach underserved populations such as those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited.

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

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>

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.

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

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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:

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 - ☐ Is a local or state government agency, Tribe or a private organization designated as a nonprofit by the Internal Revenue Service.
 - ☐ Has resources available for VISTAs to perform their activities, such as space, supplies, and on-the-job transportation, and is able to provide emergency cash advances when needed.
 - ☐ Has the management capacity and commitment to recruit, train, supervise, and otherwise support VISTAs recruited locally and nationally.
 - ☐ Understands and is committed to promoting national and community service.
 - ☐ Has the capacity to build community partnerships and collaborative efforts to achieve project self-sufficiency.

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NONPROFIT/COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION FUNDING

OVW FY 2018 Grants for Outreach and Services to Underserved Populations Program

Funding Opportunity Number: OVW-2018-13831

CFDA Number: 16.889

Due: January 26, 2018

Amount: \$300,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education. Open to nonprofit entities with very specific underserved populations, such as ethnic populations, LGBT, religious minority or the disabled. See page 5 of attached RFP.

Description: The Office of Violence Against Women (OVW)'s program was authorized to develop and implement outreach strategies targeted at, and provide victim services to, adult and youth victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking in underserved populations. Grant funds are used to provide enhanced services to these populations; build the capacity of both mainstream organizations and organizations serving the target populations to provide culturally appropriate and inclusive services ; and to increase training and outreach activities targeted at organizations providing services to underserved populations. In FY 2018, OVW is interested in supporting the priority area identified below. Applications proposing activities in the following area will be given special consideration during the review process.

1. Increase support for survivors of sexual assault, including services, law enforcement response, and prosecution. To meet this priority, applications **must**:

a) Include a minimum of 75% focus of goals/objectives/activities on sexual assault victim services and/or training.

b) Propose activities that address more than intimate partner sexual violence.

c) Include services to and training on how to respond to a broad range of survivors (e.g., youth survivors, adults sexually assaulted by those other than an intimate partner such as a stranger, neighbor, family member, coworker, community leader, clergy/spiritual leader, etc.). Applicants may focus project activities on victims within a certain age range.

d) Reflect the "Types of Sexual Assault Services" as described in Appendix F of the RFP. This appendix is intended to describe the broad range of services that advocacy agencies may provide but is not exhaustive. Applicants do not need to provide all of the services as part of the grant project. However, the proposed goals, objectives, and activities should generally reflect the types of services listed. Services made available to survivors of sexual assault must be representative of cultural and individual needs.

Link: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=298794>

People for Bikes: Community Grants Program

Amount: \$10,000

Due Date: January 19, 2018 (LOI open 12/11/17) Full application (by invite) due 4/6/18

Spring 2018 Grant Cycle

Online application opens:	December 11, 2017
Online Letter of Interest due:	January 19, 2018
Notification of LOI status:	February 23, 2018
Full Applications due:	April 6, 2018
Grant award notifications:	by May 25, 2018

Fall 2018 Grant Cycle

Online application opens:	June 11, 2018
Online Letter of Interest due:	July 23, 2018
Notification of LOI status:	August 31, 2018

Full Applications due: October 19, 2018
Grant Award notifications: by December 3, 2018

Match: None required, but will not fund more than 50% of a single project.

Eligibility: PeopleForBikes accepts grant applications from non-profit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development, from city or county agencies or departments, and from state or federal agencies working locally. PeopleForBikes only funds projects in the United States. Requests must support a specific project or program; we do not grant funds for general operating costs. [PeopleForBikes](#) aims to make riding better for everyone. By collaborating with millions of individual riders, businesses, community leaders, and elected officials, we are uniting people to create a powerful, united voice for bicycling and its benefits. To that end, the organization has awarded more than three hundred and fifty grants totaling over \$3 million to nonprofit organizations and local governments in all fifty states and the District of Columbia since its establishment in 1999. Projects eligible for funding include bike paths and rail trails, as well as mountain bike trails, bike parks, BMX facilities, and large-scale bicycle advocacy initiatives. PeopleForBikes focuses most grant funds on bicycle infrastructure projects such as:

- Bike paths, lanes, trails, and bridges
- Mountain bike facilities
- Bike parks and pump tracks
- BMX facilities
- End-of-trip facilities such as bike racks, bike parking, bike repair stations and bike storage

Will also fund some advocacy projects, such as campaigns to increase the investment in bicycle infrastructure. PeopleForBikes will fund engineering and design work, construction costs including materials, labor, and equipment rental, and reasonable volunteer support costs. For advocacy projects, we will fund staffing that is directly related to accomplishing the goals of the initiative. PeopleForBikes accepts requests for funding of up to \$10,000. Does not require a specific percentage match, but do look at leverage and funding partnerships very carefully. We will not consider grant requests in which our funding would amount to 50% or more of the project budget. The organization will begin accepting Letters of Interest on December 11, 2017. To be considered, LOIs must be received by January 19, 2018. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a full application by April 6, 2018.

Link: <http://peopleforbikes.org/grant-guidelines/>

ESPN Home Court Program

Amount: \$25,000

Due: January 31, 2018

Match:

Eligibility: Nonprofit CBOs, Middle and High Schools in selected markets: **Los Angeles**, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Houston, Memphis, and Atlanta.

Description: The Local Initiatives Support Corporation has issued a Request for Proposals for its LISC/ESPN Pilot Home Court Program. A collaboration between ESPN and LISC, the program provides nonprofit neighborhood-based organizations, middle schools, and high schools with financing and technical assistance for use in improving the quality, safety, and accessibility of local basketball courts in selected markets. Because they offer opportunities for recreation and relaxation that can contribute to local health and quality of life, especially for young people, basketball courts can be tremendous community assets. The LISC/ESPN Home Court Program is intended not only to respond to the immediate shortage of athletic courts, but also to build an infrastructure through partnerships and resident involvement that sustains open court spaces for community use. To that end, grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded in support of capital projects that include the installation/refurbishment of basketball court flooring, hoops, nets, backboards, scoreboards, bleachers, and/or fencing. To be eligible, applicants must be a nonprofit community-based organization registered as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or a middle or high school. In addition, all organizations applying for funds must serve low- to moderate-income areas located in Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Houston, Memphis, Atlanta, or Los Angeles. Download RFP and program description at the agency's website.

Link: <http://www.lisc.org/our-initiatives/health/sports-recreation/espn-home-court-program/>

California 2018 Nonpoint Source Grant Program (CA NPS)

Amount: CWA 319 & Timber Fund \$250,000 Min - \$800,000 Max Total cost of a project including match can exceed \$800,000, but grant amount is limited to \$800,000

Match: Yes. 25% of project (see formula in guidelines). Note applicant may qualify for and apply for partial or full match waiver. Match can be donated funds, volunteer or in-kind services.

Due Date: The Proposal phase of the RFP begins on December 5, 2018 and closes on February 8, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

Eligibility: An applicant must be a public agency, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, Federally Recognized Tribe**, state agency, public college, or a federal agency.

Description: The 2018 Nonpoint Source (NPS) Grant Program aims to reduce and mitigate the effects of nonpoint source pollutants in waters of the state. Nonpoint source pollutants include sediment, pesticides, nutrients, and other pollutants from diffuse, nonpoint sources. The funds in the NPS Grant Program are reserved for implementation projects, or projects that install treatments or management practices to reduce the physical load of nonpoint source pollutants to, or concentration of nonpoint source pollutants in waters of the state; projects may incorporate outreach and education, project-level planning and design, and water quality monitoring, but may not consist entirely of outreach and education, project design, or water quality monitoring. The 2018 NPS Grant Program is comprised of funds from a U.S. EPA Clean Water Act (CWA) section 319(h) grant to the State Water Board (Federal Grant),¹ and from the Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Fund (Timber Fund) should such funds be made available to the State Water Board through the fiscal year 2018/2019 California Budget Act. Agencies/Cities/Districts can apply through one or both of the funds. See table in RFP for respective criteria. To apply for funding, applicants must submit a complete proposal per Section E, Proposal Instructions in the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST): <https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov/>. Applicants are encouraged to discuss their proposals with Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) staff prior to submitting their proposals in order to ensure proposals address the priorities of the Regional Water Board. Applicants who discuss their proposals with Regional Water Board staff generally have a higher chance of being selected for funding. Applicants are also encouraged to begin their proposals well in advance of the submittal deadline; failure to submit a complete proposal by the deadline will result in disqualification.

The eligibility requirements for the **CWA 319 funds and Timber Fund are different**. Applicants may apply for one or both of these sources of funding, but proposals must meet the minimum eligibility requirements for at least one of the funding sources in order to receive funding. State and Regional Water Board staff reserve the right to make a final determination as to which funding source is most appropriate for each proposal.

Link: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.shtml

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/>

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National Endowment for the Arts (NEA): Art Works

Amount: \$10,000 to \$100,000 (average \$25,000)

Due: SF 424 Due 02/15/2018 Materials and Attachments due 2/20-2/27/18

Match: Yes. Equal to grant amount requested.

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 Arts . . . belong to all the people of the United States"*

Art Works is the National Endowment for the Arts' principal grants program. Through project-based funding, we support public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation, the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of the arts into the fabric of community life. Projects may be large or small, existing or new, and may take place in any part of the nation's 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. Encourage applications for artistically excellent projects that: Celebrate America's creativity and cultural heritage, Invite a dialogue that fosters a mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all persons and groups and enrich our humanity by broadening our understanding of ourselves as individuals and as a society. Grants generally will range from \$10,000 to \$100,000. No grants will be made below \$10,000. Grants of \$100,000 or more will be made only in rare instances, and only for projects that we determine demonstrate exceptional national or regional significance and impact. In the past few years, well over half of the agency's grants have been for amounts less than \$25,000.

To apply, choose a discipline: *Click on link of interest or visit the NEA website for detailed info*

- [Artist Communities](#)
- [Arts Education](#)

- [Dance](#)
- [Design](#)
- [Folk & Traditional Arts](#)
- [Literature](#)
- [Local Arts Agencies](#)
- [Media Arts](#)
- [Museums](#)

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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>