THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT INSTITUTE OF WISCONSIN & WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE PRESENT

Funding Local Government:

Innovation Grants Workshop

Five Regional Half-Day Sessions • December 2026 • $25 per person

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

WISCONSIN INNOVATION GRANT PROGRAM — ACT 12 (2023) & ACT 15 (2025)

$228 Million Available

Statewide for qualifying local governments and tribal nations

December 2026 | **$25 per person — includes food & beverages** | **8:00 AM – Noon**

Wisconsin's Innovation Grant program provides funding for local governments that completely transfer one or more services to another government, non-profit, or private entity. Join us at a location near you to hear from the Wisconsin DOR administrator who reviews and approves applications — and from local officials who have done it.

WORKSHOP LOCATIONS

December 1
Rice Lake
UW-Eau Claire – Barron County

NORTHWEST WISCONSIN

December 3
Rhinelander
Nicolet College

NORTHWOODS WISCONSIN

December 8
Green Bay
NWTC (NE Wisconsin Technical College)

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN

December 10
Whitewater
The Innovation Center

SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN

December 15
Platteville
UW-Platteville

SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN

AGENDA

8:00 AM	**Registration, Coffee & Pastries**
9:00 AM	**Wisconsin Innovation Fund: Lessons Learned and What's Next** *Valeah Foy, Division Administrator, Wisconsin Department of Revenue*
10:00 AM	**Collaboration in Action** *Presentation from a successful Innovation Grant recipient in your region*
10:45 AM	**Break & Networking**
11:15 AM	**Collaboration in Action** *Presentation from a successful Innovation Grant recipient in your region, or Q&A and general discussion on making collaboration happen and how to get started*
12:00 PM	**Lunch & Networking**

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

How Much You Can Get
Annual grants equal 25% of prior-year service costs — up to $10 million per year, for up to four remaining annual payments through June 30, 2030

What Services Qualify
Complete service transfers to another government, non-profit, or private entity — public safety, roads, utilities, and more

How to Apply
Form SL-405 through MyDORGov — contract requirements, eligible transferees, and what DOR prioritizes

What You Can Do with the Money
Grant proceeds are unrestricted — invest in infrastructure, technology, debt reduction, or any priority your governing body approves

Real Examples
Hear directly from local officials in your region who have successfully navigated the application process

Compliance & Ongoing Requirements
The 115% cost cap, annual certification, and what happens if requirements aren't met

FEATURED PRESENTER

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Valeah Foy
State and Local Finance Division Administrator — Wisconsin Department of Revenue

The State and Local Finance Division administers the Innovation Grant program at the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. Valeah will present at all five regional workshops, offering direct guidance on what qualifies, how to apply, and what applicants should know going in.

ABOUT THE INNOVATION GRANT

$228M	25%	$10M	4
Remaining Statewide ($300M total program)	of Prior-Year Service Cost (annually)	Maximum per Entity per Year	Remaining Annual Payments (through June 30, 2030)

WHO CAN APPLY (TRANSFEROR)

Any Wisconsin county, municipality, or tribe that completely transfers one or more services or duties to an eligible recipient.

ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS (TRANSFEREE)

Another county, municipality, tribe, non-profit organization, or private entity.

CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

- Must completely transfer services (not share)
- Contract signed on or after Nov. 13, 2024
- Minimum 3-year contract term
- Detailed cost information required

HOW TO APPLY

Submit Form SL-405 through **MyDORGov**. DOR gives priority to public safety, fire protection, and emergency services. Contact: **lgs@wisconsin.gov**

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

County Administrators & Executives | **City & Village Administrators** | **Town Supervisors & Clerks**

Finance Directors & Treasurers | **Municipal Attorneys** | **Department Heads** | **Elected Officials**

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