GHCOG Public Funding Notification Alert

PUBLIC GRANTS AND LOANS SCHEDULE APRIL TO SEPTEMBER 2019

INFRASTRUCTURE

Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB)
Low interest loans and grants that encourage job creation and retention. - Committed Private Partner & Prospective Development Construction Programs. Applicants that meet threshold requirements at first deadline will be asked to submit second application.
May 13/27: Application due (Board meets July 18)
July 15/29: Application due (Board meets Sept 19)
Sept 16/30: Application due (Board meets Nov 21)
Nov 18/25: Application due (Board meets Jan 16, 2020)

Emergency Loan Program, Public Works Board
http://www.commerce.wa.gov/building-infrastructure/pwb-financing/
The Emergency Construction Loan Program focuses on the activities that repair, replace, and/or reconstruct a facility that will restore essential services. Applications are accepted continuously until loan funds are expended.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
Assist local governments in carrying out community and economic development projects that principally benefit LMI persons.

Economic Opportunity Grants
Application accepted year-round on a funds available basis.

General Purpose Grants
Jun 5: Application due, opens March

TRANSPORTATION

County Safety Program (HSIP)
The purpose of this program is to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes on county roads using engineering improvements/countermeasures.
May 31: Application due

Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)
http://www.tib.wa.gov/
Urban and Small City programs funding transportation projects for improved road safety, rehabilitation & maintenance, and sidewalk safety & connectivity.
If you have one or more transportation projects in need of funding, Jason Phelps, our regional TIB engineer, can assist with project scoping, helping communities put together the most competitive application. JasonP@tib.wa.gov, 360-586-1151.
June: Applications available
August: Application due

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING

Community Planning Assistance Teams (CPAT)
American Planning Association WA Chapter
http://www.washington-apa.org/community-planning-assistance-teams
CPAT members include planners with expertise in land use, transportation, economic development, urban design, natural resources, parks and recreation, and historic preservation.

National Parks Service - Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance (RTCA)
http://www.nps.gov/nccr/programs/rtca/contactus/cu_apply.html
RTCA provides guidance to communities so they can conserve waterways, preserve open space, and develop trails and greenways.
Jun 30: Application deadline, contact NPS prior to submission

More funding resources are available on the GHCOG web site:
http://www.ghcog.org/fundingresources.html

Grays Harbor Council of Governments - Founded in 1960
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(360) 537-4386 ♦ www.ghcog.org

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### Historic & Cultural Programs

**Humanities Washington**  
http://www.humanities.org/programs/grants  

Humanities Washington’s grants program provides the financial resources for people to come together to talk, discuss, debate, feel, think, and tell stories through the lens of the humanities.

Opportunity Grants: year-round to small or rural organizations for program planning or implementation, up to $1,000.  
June 10: WA Stories Fund grants letter of intent due

**Main Street Program**, Dept. of Archaeology & Historic Preservation  
https://dahp.wa.gov/local-preservation/main-street-program  

The Main Street program helps communities develop strategies to stimulate long term economic growth and pride in the heart of the community - downtown by providing access to information, guidance and support to individuals and organizations interested in downtown revitalization.

**Art Works & Challenge America & Our Town & Research: Art Works Program**, National Endowment for the Arts  
https://www.arts.gov/grants/apply-grant/grants-organizations  

$10,000 to $100,000 matching grants that strengthen communities through the arts.

Submittal Dates:  
July 11 - Art Works  Second Aug 8 - Our Town  
Oct 9 - Research: Art Works

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**Plan ahead - the earlier the better!**  
Funding agencies want to finance projects that are well thought out, support area-wide strategic plans, will be completed in a timely manner, and will be adequately maintained into the future.

**Disclaimer**: program availability and deadlines were collected from information available as of April 16, 2019

### Helpful Resources

**Municipal Research and Services Center of Washington (MRSC)**  
http://www.mrsc.org/  

**Department of Commerce**  
http://www.commerce.wa.gov/  
Local Government Portal  
http://www.commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/local-government/

### Infrastructure Assistance

**Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)**  
http://www.rcac.org/  
http://www.rcac.org/lending/environmental-loans/  

RCAC is nonprofit organization that provides training, technical and financial resources to rural communities. Loan program for feasibility, pre-development, and construction of water & waste projects.

**Rural Water Loan Fund**  
http://nrwa.org/initiatives/revolving-loan-fund/  

The RWLF provides low-cost loans for short-term repair costs, small capital projects, or pre-development costs associated with larger projects to small water and wastewater utilities.

**Evergreen Rural Water of Washington**  
http://www.erwow.org/Home.aspx  

Provides training and technical assistance to water and wastewater systems. The staff works directly with systems to solve operational, regulatory, administrative and financial challenges faced by water systems.

**USDA Rural Development**  
http://www.rd.usda.gov/wa  

Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program  
https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/wa  

Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program  
http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program/wa  

Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities, population under 2,500, water & waste disposal projects.  

**Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants**  

**Washington State Contacts**  
https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices/wa

### Energy Programs

**RELIGHT WASHINGTON, TIB**  
http://www.tib.wa.gov/grants/grants.cfm  

The goal of the Relight WA Program is to lower city street light costs by helping cities convert to more energy efficient LED streetlights. Cities should work with their public utility district to ensure concurrence and confirm that reasonable savings will accrue to the city.

**Application open continuously**