REP. MARIE GLUESENKAMP PEREZ'S GRANTS NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to my Grants Newsletter! Our goal with this newsletter is to help you stay up to date on some of the federal funding opportunities available to our district so that you can get the dollars you need to support the important work you do.

As an independent voice for Southwest Washington in Congress, part of my role is to ensure our local leaders have the tools and the funding necessary to be successful. Grants and federally backed loans can be a valuable source of funding for a variety of initiatives, including economic development, education, healthcare, and infrastructure.

In this newsletter, we'll provide you with a brief overview of some of the funding opportunities available to governments and organizations in our district. We'll also share resources to help you navigate the grant application process and increase your chances of securing funding. While the newsletter covers many opportunities, a full, comprehensive list of active federal grant options can be found at <u>grants.gov</u>.

If you would like a letter of support for a completed grant application from my office, please fill out our form here. And if you successfully received a grant you learned about through this newsletter or with the help of my team, please let us know!

Whether you're a local government, tribe, nonprofit organization, or small business, we hope that this newsletter will help you find the funding you need to make a positive impact in our community. My team and I look forward to helping you access the resources you need to succeed.

Sincerely,

Marie Gluesenkamp Perez Member of Congress

ACTIVE FUNDING OPPORTUNITES

The following grants and funding opportunities are active and available as of the publication of this newsletter.

For more information on a particular program, or if you would like an update on the status of an application, please contact erin.masterson@mail.house.gov.



FY25 Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Technical Assistance Grant Program [Link]

Department of Labor - Women's Bureau

Description:

- This program aims to provide technical assistance to employers (which may include public sector entities) and labor unions in the United States and its territories to encourage employment of women in both apprenticeable occupations and nontraditional occupations (A/NTO), specifically in the following ways: 1.) Developing (establishing, expanding, and/or enhancing) pre-apprenticeship, youth apprenticeship, Registered Apprenticeship (as defined in Appendix B "Acronyms and Definitions"), or other nontraditional skills training programs designed to prepare women for careers in A/NTO; 2.) Providing ongoing orientations or other resources for employers, unions, and workers on creating a successful environment for women in A/NTO; and/or 3.) Setting up support groups, facilitating networks, and/or providing supportive services (as defined in section IV.E.3) for women in A/NTO to improve their retention.

Who can Apply:

- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Deadline:

- August 8, 2025



FY25 Bureau of Land Management Fuels Management and Community Fire Assistance [Link]

Department of the Interior - Bureau of Land Management

Description:

- Wildland Fire Fuels Management and Community Assistance Program activities represent strategic investments in managing vegetation by reducing the intensity, severity, or negative effects of wildfire. Program activities include developing local capacities through assessment and planning, community and homeowner mitigation efforts, and implementation of fuels management treatments and activities. This involves training, monitoring, or implementing/maintaining fuels management on federal land or adjacent non-federal land to benefit federal resources, as well as assisting with wildfire prevention to mitigate risks to communities and their values.

Who can Apply?

- State governments
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Deadline:

- July 23, 2025

FY25 Bureau of Land Management Forest and Woodlands Resource Management [Link]

Department of the Interior - Bureau of Land Management

Description:

- Funded projects under this program will focus on high priority work such as activities that promote forest and woodland health, sustainable forest management, fire resiliency, biomass utilization for bioenergy, habitat conservation needs, and insect,

disease and fire recovery on public lands. These activities could include, but are not limited to: planting trees, pre-commercial and commercial thinning, salvage/sanitation forest treatments, control of competing vegetation, fuels reduction, riparian or upland restoration, project development and layout, planning analysis and document preparation needed in concert with or to carry out NEPA, Endangered Species Act or cultural clearances, data collection, and monitoring. Priority activities under this announcement include projects that support Executive Order 14225 Immediate Expansion of American Timber Production.

Who can Apply?

- State governments
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Deadline:

- July 23, 2025

FY25 Bureau of Land Management Invasive and Noxious Plant Management [Link]

Department of the Interior - Bureau of Land Management

Description:

- BLM Invasive and Noxious Plant Management Programs work to prevent, detect, inventory, control, and monitor weed populations on public lands. Invasive species cost the public millions of dollars in control and management each year and many invasive plants and noxious weeds are highly competitive and have the ability to permanently degrade our public lands. Invasive species and noxious weeds adversely affect overall recreational opportunities on public land i.e., hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, watershed health and ecosystem function which result in economic losses in rural and urban communities. Invasive species and noxious weeds affect adjacent private lands, both rural and urban, causing widespread economic losses to the agricultural industry as well as to other resources.

Who can Apply:

- State governments
- County governments

- City or township governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

- July 23, 2025



Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) [Link]

Department of Agriculture - Rural Housing Service

Description:

- Qualified private, nonprofit and public (including tribal) intermediary organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs will be eligible to receive the funding. The RCDI structure requires the intermediary (grantee) to provide a program of financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development. The recipients will, in turn, provide programs that will support their communities (beneficiaries). The Intermediary will be required to provide matching funds in an amount at least equal to the RCDI grant.

Who can Apply?

- State governments
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Special district governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Independent school districts
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
- Small businesses
- For profit organizations other than small businesses

- August 7, 2025

Revolving Fund Program - Grant Program to Establish a Fund for Financing Water and Wastewater Projects [Link]

Department of Agriculture - Rural Utilities Service

Description:

This program provides grants to qualified private, non-profit entities to capitalize revolving funds for the purpose of providing financing to eligible entities for predevelopment costs associated with proposed water and wastewater projects or with existing water and wastewater systems, and short-term costs incurred for replacement equipment, small-scale extension of services, or other small capital projects that are not part of the regular operations and maintenance activities of existing water and wastewater systems.

Who can Apply?

- Nonprofits that have:
 - Legal authority to operate a revolving loan fund.
 - Financial, technical and managerial capacity to comply with relevant state/federal laws and regulations.

Deadline:

- August 7, 2025

Historic Preservation Fund- Annual State Historic Preservation Office Grants [Link]

Department of the Interior - National Park Service

Description:

The purposes of this program are to provide matching grants to States for the identification, evaluation, and protection of historic properties by such means as: survey, planning, technical assistance, physical preservation, Federal tax incentives available for historic properties, nominations to the National Register of Historic Places, distribution of funding to Certified Local Governments, and to assist Federal, State, and Local Government agencies, nonprofit organizations and private individuals in carrying out historic preservation activities.

Who can Apply:

- State governments
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

- August 29, 2025

Historic Preservation Fund- Annual Tribal Historic Preservation Office Grants [Link]

Department of the Interior - National Park Service

Description:

- The purpose of this program is to provide grants to THPOs for the identification, evaluation, and protection of historic properties as outlined in the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) by such means as: survey, planning, technical assistance, physical preservation, review of Federal undertakings, education, listing in the National Register of Historic Places and Tribal Registers. These grants assist THPOs in carrying out the NHPA historic preservation activities that a Tribe agreed to assume from the State Historic Preservation Office, on tribal lands, under their Partnership agreement with the National Park Service.

Who can Apply:

Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline:

- August 29, 2025



National Outreach and Communications Program [Link]

Department of the Interior - Fish and Wildlife Service

Description:

- The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is seeking applications from eligible entities to implement the National Outreach and Communications Program (NOCP) through innovative programs that may be conducted at various geographic scales, ranging from local or state to regional or national levels. Funded efforts are expected to support at least one of the following key outcomes: increased participation in fishing and boating; enhanced public awareness and education about how and where to engage in these activities; targeted outreach using research-driven messaging; strengthened capacity among stakeholders to deliver effective outreach; and improved awareness of access to

fishing and boating opportunities. Expected outputs will vary by project but may include the creation and dissemination of outreach materials; digital and in-person engagement; participation in stakeholder training or technical assistance events; and findings from research or campaign evaluations. Funded efforts should build on existing knowledge, test new models, and contribute to the long-term sustainability of fishing and boating participation and aquatic resource stewardship.

Who can Apply?

- State governments
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Special district governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Independent school districts
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
- Small businesses
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
- Unrestricted (i.e., open to any type of entity above), subject to any clarification in text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility"

Deadline:

- August 17, 2025

Fiscal Year 2025 Grants to Enhance Community-based Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program [Link]

Department of Justice - Office on Violence Against Women

Description:

- The Grants to Enhance Community-based Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program (CSSP) supports (1) the maintenance and replication of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking services in community-based programs that offer culturally specific services and other resources; and (2) the development of innovative community-based programming that improves access to services and resources for victims who face obstacles to using traditional services.

Who can Apply:

- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

Deadline:

- August 1, 2025

Fiscal Year 2025 Sexual Assault Services Community-Based Services Program [Link]

Department of Justice - Office on Violence Against Women

Description:

The Sexual Assault Services – Community-based Services Program (SAS CSP) supports nonprofit organizations that aim to enhance access to services for all survivors by providing community-based services in culturally specific communities. Applicants must have documented organizational experience in the area of sexual assault intervention or partner with an organization having such expertise. The goal of SAS-CSP is to establish, maintain, and expand sustainable, culturally specific intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault.

Who can Apply:

- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

Deadline:

- July 25, 2025



Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis Research Grant Program [Link]

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Description:

- HUD/PD&R's funding opportunity titled Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis Research Grant Program will provide competitive awards to: (1) fund quality research that contributes to knowledge about the housing affordability crisis in the United States; and (2) generate actionable insights and evidence that can inform policy decisions to address the housing affordability crisis in the short-term. Through this funding opportunity, PD&R will fund research projects that contribute to one of the five eligible research categories, including: 1) Government-induced Demand and Housing Affordability, 2) Immigration and Housing Affordability, 3) The Financialization of Housing and Housing Affordability, 4) Economic Opportunity Cost and Housing Affordability, and 5) Opportunity Zones identified in Section III.G.

Who can Apply:

- Small businesses
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Deadline:

- July 24, 2025



Addressing Dementia in Tribal and Urban Indian Communities: Enhancing Sustainable Models of Care [Link]

Department of Health and Human Services - Indian Health Service

Description:

This program is intended to support the following improvements to care for people living with dementia and their caregivers, families, and communities: Expansion and increased local capacity to provide culturally relevant, comprehensive care and services. New opportunities and additional services to enhance and strengthen existing care approaches in clinical settings.Long-term sustainability planning for and evaluation of Tribal and Urban Indian Health clinical programs, services, and systems.
Documentation and dissemination of locally developed Tribal and Urban Indian Health emerging practices and models of comprehensive care.

Who can Apply:

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

- August 1, 2025



Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) [Link]

Environmental Protection Agency

Description:

- The WIFIA program aims to accelerate investment in the nation's water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental credit assistance for regionally and nationally significant projects. The WIFIA program has an active pipeline of pending applications for projects that will result in billions of dollars in water infrastructure investment and thousands of jobs. EPA accepts requests for WIFIA financing on an ongoing basis.

Who can apply?

- Corporations, partnerships, and joint ventures, and trusts
- State governments
- Local governments
- Tribal government
- Consortium of Tribal governments

Deadline:

- Rolling

Home Improvements/Structural Alterations (HISA) [Link]

Department of Veterans Affairs

Description:

- This benefit provides medically necessary improvements and structural alterations to Veterans/Servicemembers' primary residence for the following purposes:
 - Allowing entrance to or exit from the primary residence
 - Use of essential lavatory and sanitary facilities (e.g. roll in showers)
 - Allowing accessibility to kitchen or bathroom sinks or counters (e.g. lowering counters/sinks)

- Improving entrance paths or driveways in immediate area of the home to facilitate access to the home through construction of permanent ramping
- Improving plumbing or electrical systems made necessary due to installation of home medical equipment

Who can apply?

- Service Members with:
 - A prescription written or approved by a VA physician which includes
 - (a) The beneficiary's name, address and telephone number
 - (b) A description of the prescribed project, including the area of the home to be improved or structurally altered; type of modification and all alternatives to the modifications; and items requiring installation
 - (c) The diagnosis and medical justification for the prescribed improvement or structural alteration. The medical justification should demonstrate the project's clinical appropriateness, that is, the beneficiary's clinical needs should support the type of home improvement or structural alterations being prescribed.

Deadline:

Rolling

OTHER RESOURCES

- IRA Guidebook for Tribes: The Inflation Reduction Act directs over \$722 million specifically to Tribal and Indigenous communities. The guidebook provides an overview of Tribal specific clean energy, climate mitigation and resilience, and conservationrelated tax incentives and investment programs in President Biden's Inflation Reduction Act, including who is eligible to apply for funding and for what activities.
- <u>DOT Competitive Grant Funding Matrix</u>: Look through program descriptions on the chart to identify programs for which you have relevant projects
- <u>BIL Program Guide</u>: Search keywords to identify relevant programs which will open throughout the next five years.
- IRA Program Guide: Search keywords to identify relevant programs and tax credits
- <u>Grants.gov</u>: Searchable by many different criteria, this is the most complete list of federal grant opportunities and is updated frequently. Grant.gov also has a <u>Grants</u> <u>Learning Center</u>.

- Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations Funding Opportunity Exchange: OCED has a number of funding opportunities for clean energy projects through the IRA and BIL. The page is similar to the DOT funding matrix with grant info.
- <u>Department of Labor Grants</u>: DOL has been working to publish their new and upcoming grant programs which aim to connect, protect, train, support, and empower workers and job seekers.
- <u>Better Grants Better Service</u>: USDA seeks to simplify the navigation and completion of their grant programs. They are making changes that will ameliorate grant applications, as well as improve customer service experiences.