

REP. MARIE GLUESENKAMP PEREZ'S GRANTS NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to my Grants Newsletter! My 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 reinforce 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 tools and funding to support their work to make their communities better. 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 [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).

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 OPPORTUNITIES

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.



NOFO: Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program, Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program, and the Homeless Women Veterans' and Homeless Veterans' with Children Reintegration Grant Program [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Labor

Description:

- The intent of Home Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP), an employment-focused competitive grant program, aims to support America's veterans in achieving their full employment potential and securing high-quality career outcomes for veterans experiencing and at risk of homelessness. The Department encourages applicants to propose strategies that promote economic prosperity, including appropriate participant support measures to help veterans find meaningful employment and overcome barriers to a successful transition into the workforce.

Who can apply?

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

- Special district governments
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- State governments
- Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities

Deadline:

- **March 17, 2026**

Grants for Adaptive Sports Programs for Disabled Veterans and Disabled Members of the Armed Forces (Equine Therapy Grants) [[Link](#)]

Department of Veterans Affairs

Description:

- VA will award grants to qualifying organizations to plan, develop, manage, and implement programs to provide adaptive sports, training, and other opportunities for Veterans and members of the Armed Forces with disabilities.

Who can apply?

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

Deadline:

- **May 11, 2026**

Grants for Adaptive Sports Programs for Disabled Veterans and Disabled Members of the Armed Forces (Adaptive Sports Grants) [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Veterans Affairs

Description:

- VA will award grants to qualifying organizations to plan, develop, manage, and implement programs to provide adaptive sports, training, and other opportunities for Veterans and members of the Armed Forces with disabilities.

Who can apply?

- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Individuals
- Private institutions of higher education
- State governments
- Independent school districts
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- County governments
- Small businesses
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- City or township governments
- Special district governments
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Deadline:

- **May 11, 2026**



Fiscal Year 2024 Flood Mitigation Assistance Swift Current [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Homeland Security

Description:

- The purpose of FMA Swift Current is to reduce or eliminate the flood risk to NFIP-participating communities and repetitive flood damage to structures and buildings insured by the NFIP following a flood-related disaster event, and to enhance community flood resilience within NFIP-participating communities. It does so by providing funding

for mitigation opportunities immediately after a flood disaster event with the aim of delivering mitigation outcomes.

Who can apply?

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Local governments
- States

Deadline:

- **January 15, 2026**

2026 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Transportation

Description:

- TTPSF emphasizes the development of strategic transportation safety plans using a data-driven process as a means for Tribes to identify transportation safety needs and determine how those needs will be addressed in Tribal communities. Eligible projects described are strategies, activities, and projects on a public road that are consistent with a transportation safety plan and that
 - (i) correct or improve a hazardous road location or feature or
 - (ii) address a highway safety problem.

Who can apply?

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline:

- **January 15, 2026**



Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Program for FY2025 [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Description:

- The Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Program (IHBG-COMP) provides competitive grant opportunities to eligible IHBG formula recipients under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) to carry out eligible affordable housing activities for the benefit of low-income Tribal families.

Who can apply?

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Deadline:

- **January 15, 2026**



FY 2026 National Infrastructure Investments [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Transportation

Description:

- The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for the fiscal year (FY) 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant program. The goal of the program is to fund projects that will have a significant local or regional impact and improve transportation infrastructure. BUILD grants will be awarded on a competitive basis, per statute, for planning or constructing surface transportation infrastructure projects that will improve safety; environmental sustainability; quality of life; mobility and community connectivity; economic competitiveness and opportunity including tourism; state of good repair; partnership and collaboration; and innovation.

Who can apply?

- States Governments
- A unit of local government
- A public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States
- A special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function (including a port authority)
- A Federally recognized Indian Tribe
- A consortium of such Indian Tribe
- A transit agency
- A multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities that are separately eligible.

Deadline:

- **February 24, 2026**



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2026 America First Trade Promotion Programs [[Link](#)]

Department of Agriculture

Description:

- The USDA/FAS will enter into agreements with Participants to share the cost of certain marketing and promotion activities to expand exports of U.S. agricultural commodities. Financial assistance under the AFTPP is made available on a competitive basis, and USDA/FAS endeavors to enter into agreements with eligible Participants to cover as broad an array of agricultural commodities as possible. All U.S. agricultural commodities, except tobacco, are eligible for consideration.

Who can apply?

- Nonprofit U.S. agricultural trade organization
- U.S. agricultural cooperative
- State agency

Deadline:

- **January 23, 2026**



ENERGY + ENVIRONMENT

National Fish Passage Program FY25 [[Link](#)]

Department of the Interior

Description:

- The National Fish Passage Program (NFPP) provides technical and financial assistance to partners to remove instream barriers and restore aquatic connectivity, improve community safety, and support local economies. Fish passage projects benefit communities by reducing flood risk, improving recreational opportunities, and improving roads while supporting native fish populations and aquatic ecosystems. NFPP project examples include dam removals, culvert replacements, floodplain restoration, and the installation of fishways.

Who can apply?

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

- County governments
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Individuals
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
- Private institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Small businesses
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
- Special district governments
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Independent school districts
- State governments

Deadline:

- **December 31, 2025**



Community Facilities Program Disaster Repair Grants [[Link](#)]

Department of Agriculture

Description:

- Grants will be provided to eligible applicants to repair eligible essential community facilities damaged by Presidentially Declared Disasters that occurred in CY 2022 .

Who can apply?

- City or township governments
- County governments
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline: Rolling

Home Improvements/Structural Alterations (HISA) [[Link](#)]

Department of Veterans Affairs

Description:

- This benefit provides medically necessary improvements and structural alterations to Veterans and 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
- 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**

EDA FY25 Disaster Supplemental [[Link](#)]

Department of Commerce

Description:

- Through this Disaster NOFO, EDA will award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress or other economic harm resulting from hurricanes, wildfires, tornadoes, floods, and other natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2023 and 2024. EDA's goal under this NOFO is to assist communities recovering from a disaster by realizing opportunities to recover and change the economic trajectory of the community for the better. EDA funding seeks to help communities recover and set them on a path to exceed their previous pre-disaster baseline. EDA seeks projects that are responsive to community needs post-disaster by engaging all aspects of the community, with special focus on private industry partners. Funding will be provided through three pathways:
 - Readiness Path
 - Implementation Path
 - Industry Transformation Path

Who can apply?

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

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- City or township governments
- Independent school districts
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Deadline:

- **Rolling**

FY 2025 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Commerce

Description:

- EDA has authority to provide grants to meet the full range of communities' and regions' economic development needs from planning and technical assistance to construction of infrastructure. These grants are designed to support the economic development activities most useful to a community based on its needs and circumstances. EDA funds community or regionally generated ideas and assists communities to advance to the next level of economic development. EDA supports bottom-up strategies that build on regional assets to spur economic growth and resiliency. EDA encourages its grantees throughout the country to develop initiatives that present new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.

Who can apply?

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

Deadline:

- **Rolling**

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**

OTHER RESOURCES

- [DOT Competitive Grant Funding Matrix](#): Look through program descriptions on the chart to identify programs for which you have relevant projects
- [Grants.gov](#): Searchable by many different criteria, this is the most complete list of federal grant opportunities and is updated frequently.
- [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.
- [Department of Labor Grants](#): 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.
- [Better Grants Better Service](#): 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.