

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 [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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MGP', written in a cursive style.

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 cameron.kockritz@mail.house.gov.



AGRICULTURE + NUTRITION

Value-Added Producer Grant [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Agriculture

Description:

- The objective of this grant program is to assist viable Agricultural Producers, Agricultural Producer Groups, Farmer and Rancher Cooperatives, and Majority-Controlled Producer-Based Businesses in starting or expanding value-added activities related to the processing and/or marketing of Value-Added Agricultural Products. Grants will be awarded competitively for either planning or working capital projects directly related to the processing and/or marketing of value-added products. Generating new products, creating and expanding marketing opportunities, and increasing producer income are the end goals of the program. All proposals must demonstrate economic viability and sustainability to compete for funding.

Who can apply?

- Agricultural Producers
- Agricultural Producer Groups
- Farmer or Rancher Cooperatives
- Majority-Controlled Producer-Based Business

Deadline:

- **April 22, 2026**

FORECASTED: Maternal Produce Prescription Program (MP3) [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Description:

- The Maternal Produce Prescription Program (MP3) will provide grants to develop and implement community-based produce prescription programs and related nutrition

education for maternal populations at risk of poor health outcomes due to nutrition insecurity and other health-related factors.

Who can apply?

- State governments
- Special district governments
- 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)
- City or township governments
- Independent school districts
- Small businesses
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- County governments

Estimated Deadline:

- **June 1, 2026**



Media Projects [\[Link\]](#)

National Endowment for the Humanities

Description:

- The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Lifelong Learning is accepting applications for the Media Projects program. The purpose of this program is to support the development, production, and distribution of radio programs, podcasts, and documentary films that engage general audiences with humanities ideas in creative and appealing ways. NEH makes Media Projects awards at two levels: Development and Production.

Who can apply?

- County governments
- City or township governments
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments
- Special district governments

- State governments
- Public and state institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits non-higher education with 501(c)(3)

Deadline:

- **June 25, 2026**



Opportunity Zone 2.0 [[Link](#)]

Washington State Department of Commerce

Description:

- Opportunity Zones (OZs) are federally designated tracts meant to spur investment in undercapitalized communities. The program encourages long-term (five-, seven- and 10-year) private investment in housing and businesses in historically underserved, low-income communities, giving investors tax benefits for investing in real estate projects and operating businesses.

Who can apply?

- Associate Development Organization (ADO)
- Economic Development District
- Other Economic Development Organization
- City or Town Government
- County Government
- Federally Recognized Tribe
- Housing Authority
- Port District
- Public Development Authority (PDA)
- Qualified Opportunity Fund (QOF) Administrator

Deadline:

- **May 28, 2026**



ENERGY + ENVIRONMENT

Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization (NGDISM) Grant Program [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Transportation - Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Admin

Description:

- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law on November 15, 2021. The law created the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration's (PHMSA) first ever infrastructure grant program. The Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization (NGDISM) grant program is designated \$200 million a year in grant funding with a total of \$1 billion in grant funding over five years. The grant funding is to be made available to a municipality or community owned utility (not including for-profit entities) to repair, rehabilitate, or replace its natural gas distribution pipeline systems or portions thereof, or to acquire equipment to (1) reduce incidents and fatalities and (2) to avoid economic losses.

Who can apply?

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- County governments
- Special district governments
- City or township governments
- Municipality or community owned utilities (not including for-profit entities or any pipeline asset(s) owned by a for-profit entity.)

Deadline:

- **May 22, 2026**

Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects [\[Link\]](#)

Department of the Interior

Description:

- The goal of the WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects NOFO is to invite eligible entities to apply for funding to implement projects that conserve water and enhance water supply reliability in water delivery systems. It encourages the implementation of small-scale projects identified through prior planning efforts, such as canal lining, water delivery automation, flow measurement, and other projects that increase water efficiency.

Who can apply?

- Category A Applicants:
 - States, Tribes, irrigation districts, and water districts
 - State, regional, or local authorities, the members of which include one or more organizations with water or power delivery authority
 - Other organizations with water or power delivery authority
- Category B Applicants:
 - Nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership with, and with the agreement of an entity described in Category A

Deadline:

- **June 2, 2026**

WaterSMART Drought Response Program [[Link](#)]

Department of the Interior

Description:

- The WaterSMART Drought Response Program NOFO invites eligible applicants to submit proposals for projects designed to improve drought resilience by developing effective water management strategies and drought contingency plans. Funding under the Drought Response Program supports a range of initiatives including infrastructure improvements for increased water storage and distribution capabilities, water source diversification, decision-making tools for water management, and comprehensive planning to prepare for and respond to drought conditions.

Who can apply?

- Category A Applicants:
 - States, Tribes, irrigation districts, and water districts
 - State, regional, or local authorities, the members of which include one or more organizations with water or power delivery authority
 - Other organizations with water or power delivery authority
- Category B Applicants:
 - Nonprofit conservation organizations that are acting in partnership with, and with the agreement of an entity described in Category A

Deadline:

- **July 28, 2026**

Small Community Air Service Development Program [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Transportation

Description:

- The SCASDP program is designed to provide financial assistance to small communities, on a competitive basis, to help them enhance their air service. Grant monies are disbursed to grantees on a reimbursable basis.
- The program seeks to improve air service to underserved communities, including connectivity to the national air transportation system, consistent with statutory requirements and the Department's strategic goals.

Who can apply?

- Public entities only (individually or as a part of a consortium)

Deadline:

- **May 4, 2026**

Safe Streets and Roads for All Funding Opportunity [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Transportation

Description:

- The Safe Streets for All program funds regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries. Funds for the fiscal year (FY) 2026 SS4A grant program are to be awarded on a competitive basis to support planning and demonstration activities, as well as projects and strategies to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets for all users.

Who can apply?

- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Metropolitan planning organization (MPO)
- Political subdivision of a State or territory
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Independent school districts
- Special district governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education

Deadline:

- **May 26, 2026**

Fiscal Year 2024 & 2025 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) [[Link](#)]

Department of Homeland Security

Description:

- The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program makes federal funds available to states, U.S. territories, federally recognized tribal governments, and local governments for hazard mitigation activities. It does so by recognizing the need to upgrade and modernize the nation's infrastructure against the growing risks to communities and the need for natural hazard risk mitigation activities that promote resilience with respect to natural hazards.

Who can apply?

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

Deadline:

- **July 23, 2026**



FY25 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – Local Formula [[Link](#)]

Department of Justice

Description:

- OJP provides federal leadership, funding, and other critical resources to directly support law enforcement, combat violent crime, protect American children, provide services to American crime victims, and address public safety challenges, including human trafficking and the opioid crisis. With this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), BJA seeks to award Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funds to eligible units of local government and tribal governments

Who can apply?

- County governments
- City or township governments
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments

- Special district governments

Deadline:

- **April 21, 2026**

Nonprofit Security Grant Program [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Homeland Security - Federal Emergency Management Agency

Description:

- The Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) provides funding support for target hardening and other physical security enhancements and activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack. The intent is to integrate nonprofit preparedness activities with broader state and local preparedness efforts. It is also designed to promote coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives, as well as state and local government agencies.

Who can apply?

- Organizations registered as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or otherwise described under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) and tax-exempt under section 501(a) of the IRC

Deadline:

- **April 30, 2026**

***FORECASTED:* Rural Emergency Medical Services Training [\[Link\]](#)**

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Description:

- This program recruits and trains EMS personnel to provide immediate emergency care and rapid hospital transport in rural communities. As first responders, EMS personnel deliver life-saving interventions—such as opioid overdose reversal, buprenorphine initiation, CPR, and oxygen administration—helping reduce strain on local hospital resources.

Who can apply?

- Eligibility is statutorily limited to emergency medical services agencies operated by local or Tribal government (including fire-based and non-fire based) or an emergency medical services agency that is described in section 501(c) of title 26 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of title 26

Estimated Post Date:

- **May 15, 2026**



FORECASTED: Behavioral Health Mobile Crisis Team Partnerships [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Description:

- The purpose of this program is to establish new, or enhance existing, mobile crisis teams that serve children, youth, and adults experiencing mental health or substance use crises. Its focus is the expansion of behavioral health crisis response capacity and the development of structured partnerships that reduce reliance on law enforcement and emergency departments for behavioral health crises.

Who can apply?

- States
- Political subdivisions of States
- Territories
- Indian tribes
- Tribal organizations

Estimated Post Date:

- **May 1, 2026**

FORECASTED: Treatment, Recovery, and Workforce Support [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Description:

- The purpose of the Treatment, Recovery and Workforce Support program is to support individuals in substance use disorder or co-occurring disorder treatment and recovery to live independently and participate in the workforce.

Who can apply?

- Domestic public and private non-profit entities that provide treatment and recovery services for individuals with substance use disorders and partner with one or more local or state stakeholders

Estimated Post Date:

- **May 1, 2026**

FORECASTED: Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Description:

- The purpose of the program is to establish and implement comprehensive treatment and recovery centers that provide a full continuum of evidence-based treatment and recovery services to address the opioid epidemic, substance misuse, and substance use disorders, including alcohol use disorder.

Who can apply?

- Eligibility is statutorily limited to public and private nonprofit entities which provide treatment and other services for individuals with substance use disorders

Estimated Post Date:

- **May 15, 2026**

FORECASTED: Preventing Drug Overdoses: Community Prevention and Response [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Description:

- The purpose of this program is to develop and implement a community-wide prevention program of drug overdose deaths by expanding access to FDA-approved opioid overdose reversal medications.

Who can apply?

- Domestic public and private nonprofit entities, including faith-based organizations

Estimated Post Date:

- **May 15, 2026**

**Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants (Round 6)** [\[Link\]](#)

Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration

Description:

- Round 6 of the Strengthening Community Colleges (SCC or SCC6) grants will fund community colleges, with a singular focus on building program and system capacity for implementing and scaling access to short-term training opportunities through Workforce Pell Grants—i.e., promoting industry-driven strategies, worker mobility, and integration with the larger state workforce system (e.g., Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) partners) for statewide impact.

Who can apply?

- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education

Deadline:

- **May 20, 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?

- 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 13, 2026**



ROLLING GRANTS

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

- [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. Grant.gov also has a [Grants Learning Center](#).
- [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.