

**Preliminary Grant
Opportunities
Under**

**The American Recovery and
Reinvestment Act**



**Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Edward G. Rendell, Governor**

As of March 27, 2009

Note: Details subject to change

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program

Funding Available:

\$225 million for 8 categories of initiatives, including crime prevention and reduction programs, civilian law enforcement assistance hiring, crime scene investigation enhancements (including positions)

Application Deadline:

April 27, 2009

Who is Eligible:

Applicants may be national, regional, state, or local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher education, tribal jurisdictions, and units of local government that support the functioning of the criminal justice system.

How to Apply:

Applicants must register with the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs Grants Management System (GMS) and obtain a DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System) number if they don't have one. Applications must be submitted to DOJ using the GMS. See Funding announcement at:

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryByrne.pdf

There will be two webinars that will provide information the Federal application process and what a competitive proposal should contain:

Monday, April 6, 2009	1:00PM-4:00PM
Wednesday, April 8, 2009	1:00PM-4:00PM

Technical assistance is available from OVS regarding data, statistics and other research materials by contacting Ray Moneta at 717-265-8728 or by email at rmoneta@state.pa.us.

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What: Water Infrastructure

Funding Available:

\$220 million for Pennsylvania for Drinking Water and Wastewater Funding

Application Deadline:

May 18, 2009

Who is Eligible:

Owners or operators of publicly or privately owned drinking water systems - for a definition of eligible systems "Public water systems", see:

<http://www.depweb.state.pa.us/watersupply/cwp/view.asp?a=1450&q=512599#PWS>

\$65 million available, at least 50 percent in grants. Examples of traditional projects are:

- Improved water filtering and treatment
- Water storage tank installation and repairs
- Water distribution line repairs and extensions

Owners or operators of public wastewater systems. \$155 million available, at least 50 percent in grants. Examples or traditional projects are:

- Elimination of malfunctioning septic systems and wildcat sewers
- Wastewater treatment plant upgrades
- Elimination of system overloads due to combined stormwater and sanitary sewer systems

"Green Infrastructure projects" – at least 20 percent of each fund
Drinking water:

Eligible applicants – same as above.

Eligible projects – include but not limited to:

- Installation of water meters
- Purchase of leak detection equipment
- Energy efficiency – retrofits and upgrades to pumps and treatment processes

- Installation of water efficient fixtures, fittings, equipment and appliances

Wastewater/Storm water (“Water Quality”):

Eligible applicants – same as above, plus public, private and non-profit entities, such as nature conservancies and conservation districts.

Eligible projects include but are not limited to:

- Installation of porous pavement, green roofs and other approaches to managing wet weather run-off
- Street tree and urban forestry programs
- Installation of riparian buffers and wetlands
- Downspout disconnection programs to eliminate stormwater from combined sewer systems
- Water reuse programs including the differential use of water
- Decentralized wastewater treatment solutions
- Energy efficiency – retrofits and upgrades to pumps and treatment process
- Producing clean energy on-site at treatment works

How to Apply:

All applications are submitted on-line at PENNVEST’s website (link below). To start on the application process, click on “My Account”, then create an account with PENNVEST if you do not already have one. This will get you into our system and start you on creating your on-line application. Also, see the map on the website homepage to contact regional Project Specialists (contact information presented by county) for information and application assistance.

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What:

Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs Program

Funding Available:

Minimum of \$50,000 per application. Funding available in 4 categories, including Prevention and Response to Rural Crime, Improving Rural Law Enforcement Investigations, Enhancing Rural Detention and Jail Operations, Facilitating Justice Information Sharing.

Application Deadline:

April 22, 2009

Who is Eligible:

Those eligible to apply are limited to local (including county) and tribal law enforcement agencies located in "rural areas," as that term is defined below. In addition, state law enforcement agencies that are from "rural states" or that provide assistance to one or more "rural areas" are eligible to apply.

- (A)** "Rural areas"— The term "rural area" means either:
- (I) a jurisdiction that is not located in a metropolitan statistical area (MSA), as defined by the Office of Management and Budget (www.whitehouse.gov/omb/bulletins/fy2009/09-01.pdf);
 - or (II) any jurisdiction located in an MSA, but in a county or tribal jurisdiction that has a population less than 50,000.

NOTE: Priority consideration will be given to local law enforcement agencies in rural areas where the unit of local government is not eligible to receive a direct allocation from the Recovery Act Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program OR received a direct allocation that was \$50,000 or less.

Use of funds for overtime and hiring personnel is allowable to meet the specific categorical requirements outlined in this solicitation.

How to Apply:

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See funding Announcement at:

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryRuralLE.pdf

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What:

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

Funding Available:

For Pennsylvania to reduce total energy use, reduce fossil fuel emission, and improve energy efficiency in transportation and building sectors to be awarded as follows:

- \$78.9 million will go directly to cities and large counties
- \$10.1 million will be allocated to State Energy
- \$13.4 million will be distributed to the State Energy Office to award to small cities with populations under 35,000 and counties with populations under 200,000 for energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy projects (\$17 million)

Application Deadline:

June 25, 2009 for large cities and counties; small cities and counties TBD

Who is Eligible:

- EE retrofits
- Implementation of EE and conservation programs
- Implementation of energy distribution technologies
- Installation of renewable energy generation technologies
- Develop building codes that stimulate Green Building projects
- Increase source reduction and recycling programs
- Development of renewable energy
- Any other appropriate activity

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Firefighter Assistance Grants

All grants are competitive and controlled by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Funding Available:

\$210,000,000 for firefighter assistance grants provided for modifying, upgrading or constructing non-federal fire stations. No grant shall exceed \$15,000,000.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Individual fire companies and municipalities.

How to Apply:

The application process will be announced and controlled through the FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

Contact:

The grant requirements will be announced through:

Federal Emergency Management Agency

www.firegrantsupport.com

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What: Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service and Capital Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation

Funding Available: \$9.3 billion nationwide - (\$1.3 billion to Amtrak)

Application Deadline:
TBD

Who is Eligible:

Administered by the US Secretary of Transportation, Capital Assistance High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service funding will be allocated through a competitive discretionary grant process.

The US Secretary of Transportation has 60 days from the enactment of the ARRA to develop a strategic plan outlining how the funding is to be distributed Within 120 days of enactment of the ARRA the US Secretary of Transportation will issue interim guidance covering:

- High speed rail corridor program
- Capital assistance for intercity passenger rail service grants
- Congestion grants

How to Apply:
TBD

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What:

State Energy Programs (SEPs)

Funding Available:

Estimated \$99.6 million for Pennsylvania

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

- Energy Harvest or PEDA grants
- Residential and Small Business Solar grants
- EE Small Business grants
- Residential EE loans and rebates
- Energy Efficiency in established construction projects for Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA)

Funding will move through existing state grant programs.

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

High Growth and Emerging Industry Sectors: Green Jobs

Funding Available:

\$500 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

Unknown at this time

Who is Eligible?

State labor agencies and for nonprofit workforce training partnerships

How to Apply:

We are awaiting guidance from the US Department of Labor on how to apply for funds.

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What: High Growth and Workforce Innovation Grants

Funding Available:

\$250 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

Unknown at this time

Who is Eligible:

State labor agencies or local workforce investment boards

How to Apply:

We are awaiting guidance from the US Department of Labor on how to apply for funds.

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What:

National Emergency Grants (NEG)

Funding Available:

\$200 million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

N/A. This is an ongoing program that requires a mass economic dislocation in order to apply for funds.

Who is Eligible?

State labor agencies or local workforce investment boards

How to Apply:

This continues an existing grant program through the US Department of Labor that allows state agencies to apply for funds if there is a mass economic dislocation that involves several plant or facility closures. The PA Department of Labor & Industry has an ongoing effort to identify eligible situations through the Rapid Response program, where employers are required to notify us of upcoming mass lay-offs or closures.

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What:

Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Community Colleges and Career Training Grant Program

Funding Available:

\$50 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

Unknown at this time

Who is Eligible?

Institutions of higher education

How to Apply:

We are awaiting guidance from the US Department of Labor on how to apply for funds. Also, funds for Trade Adjustment Act grant programs have been authorized by the Recovery Act but have not been appropriated yet, so there are currently no funds available for this program.

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What: Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Industry or Sector Partnership Grant Program

Funding Available:
\$50 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:
Unknown at this time

Who is Eligible?

Industry or sector within an community, including industry association, local county or state government, multiple firms in the industry or sector, local workforce investment boards, labor organizations, educational institutions

How to Apply:

We are awaiting guidance from the US Department of Labor on how to apply for funds. Also, funds for Trade Adjustment Act grant programs have been authorized by the Recovery Act but have not been appropriated yet, so there are currently no funds available for this program.

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What:

Other Energy Funding Areas of Interest in ARRA

Funding Available:

Innovative Technology Loan Guarantees - \$6 billion nationwide in loan guarantee programs, for renewables, transmission, pollution reduction, etc.

- Construction must begin by September 30, 2011.
- No more than \$500 million can be spent on biofuels projects

Smart Grid - \$4.5 billion nationwide for R&D and pilot projects for the Smart Grid Investment Program.

- DOE may coordinate that with the State Energy Offices and the Public Utility Commissions.
- For research, development, demonstration and deployment
- For demand response equipment, storage, security and reliability
- Up to 50% of the cost of utility (or other) advanced grid technology investments
- DOE's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability will use provided \$80,000,000 within the available funds to conduct a resource assessment and an analysis of future demand and transmission requirements

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Research Development Demonstration and Deployment

- \$2 billion nationwide for energy efficiency and renewable energy research including
- \$800 million for biomass projects and
- \$400 million for geothermal projects

Science and Research

- \$1.6 billion nationwide for science and to fund research to reduce imports of energy from foreign countries and energy related GHG emissions.
- Improve EE across all economic sectors.

Advanced battery loans and grants

- \$2 billion nationwide for grants for the manufacturing of advanced batteries and components.
- Grants for manufacturers of US-manufactured advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries

Fossil energy

- \$3.4 billion nationwide for Fossil Energy Research and Development including \$1.5 billion for a competitive grant program for industrial carbon capture and energy efficiency projects.
- Electric Transportation \$400 million for state and local governments to encourage the use of Plug-In Electric Vehicles.
- Alternative Fueled Buses and Trucks: \$300 million to state and local governments to assist them in acquiring alternative fueled vehicles.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

TBD

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Programs
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Funding Available:

Estimated \$60.3 million to Pennsylvania; \$12,700,000 of which goes to DCED. For ready-to-go regular program activities including infrastructure (water/sewer/storm water/roads), community facilities and housing.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

- Job training and placement
- Housing counseling including budgeting, first time homebuyer programs etc
- Food pantries
- Meals-on-wheels
- Nutrition education

Funds Distribution: DCED will award funds competitively to any eligible local government based on the following priorities:

- Ready to go
- Infrastructure
- Community Facilities

Local Governments

Applicable Federal Agency: HUD – Community Planning and Development

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Neighborhood Stabilization (NSP)

Financing mechanisms for purchase and redevelopment of foreclosed upon homes and residential properties; purchase and rehabilitate homes and residential properties that have been abandoned or foreclosed upon, in order to sell, rent, or redevelop such homes and properties; land banks for homes and residential properties that have been foreclosed upon; demolition of blighted structures; redevelopment of demolished or vacant properties for housing.

Funding Available:

TBD

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Most applicants are proposing multiple activities and/or sites within their applications for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds. DCED anticipates funding those applicants which demonstrate that their efforts will effectively target a neighborhood which has been impacted by foreclosure and which will provide adequate funds to address the foreclosure problems in that location.

For example, one county proposed using NSP funds to acquire 12 foreclosed residential properties and provide an additional 26 unites of residential housing to be constructed in one community. portion of these properties will be rented to low-income households (below 50% of median income). All homebuyers assisted with NSP funds will also receive 8 hours of homebuyer counseling to assure the sustainability and self-sufficiency of that household.

Additionally, some applicants are seeking funds to address foreclosure problems at a major site. One city is seeking to

acquire a privately-owned building operating as a single-room occupancy residence for the homeless which has fallen into mortgage foreclosure. nother applicant is seeking to resolve financial problems encountered by a nonprofit developer of privately-owned housing that was to replace an outdated public housing tower structure.

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Homeless Prevention Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)

Short-term or medium-term rental assistance; housing relocation, housing search, mediation or outreach to property owners, credit repair, security or utility deposits, utility payments, rental assistance for a final month at a location, moving cost assistance, and case management; other appropriate activities for homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing of persons who have become homeless.

Grantees must expend at least 60 percent of funds within two years, and 100 percent within three years

Funding Available:

Estimated \$90.4 million to Pennsylvania, \$30,450,000 of which goes to DCED.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Local Governments

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Center for Community Empowerment Programs
Weatherization Assistance Program

Funding Available:

\$250,000,000 to be distributed by DCED

- Allowable Cost per Unit: \$6,500
- Low income participants up to 200% of the Federal poverty level
- Training and technical assistance
- Revised the dates for which units can be re-weatherized from 9/30/79 to 9/30/94, thereby increasing the pool of eligible units
- Building shell retrofits (air sealing)
- Insulation
- Baseload measures
- Repair and replacement of heating systems

Funds must be expended within two (fiscal) years (FFY2009 and 2010)

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Existing Weatherization network with the potential for adding private non-profits and local governments.

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Community Services Block Grant Program

Funding Available:

\$42,000,000 to be distributed through DCED

Supports employment, food, housing and healthcare efforts for low income participants up to 200% of the federal poverty level

- Directly to Community Action Agencies
- Job training and placement
- Housing counseling - including budgeting
- First time homebuyer program
- Food pantries
- Meals on wheels
- Nutrition education

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Existing Community Action Agencies

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Broadband Programs

Distance Learning, Telemedicine and Broadband Program

Funding Available: TBD

Loans, loan guarantees and grants for broadband infrastructure deployment and technical assistance.

Funding priorities include:

- Broadband systems that will deliver end users a choice of more than one service provider
- Projects that provide service to the highest proportion of rural residents that do not have access to broadband service
- Applications from borrowers or former borrowers under title II of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and for project applications that include such borrowers or former borrowers
- Project applications that demonstrate that, if the application is approved, all project elements will be fully funded
- Activities that can be completed if the requested funds are provided
- Activities that can commence promptly following approval

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Any area of the United States where at least 75 percent of the area served is a rural area without sufficient access to high speed broadband service to facilitate rural economic development, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

No area of a project funded with amounts made available under this program may receive funding to provide broadband service under the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

Applicable Federal Agency: Department of Agriculture (USDA) – Rural Utilities Services (RUS)

How to Apply:
TBD

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What:

Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

Funding Available:

TBD

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

State or political subdivision, Nonprofit foundation, corporation, institution, or association. Any other entity, including a broadband service or infrastructure provider that the Assistant Secretary finds by rule to be in the public interest.

Activities

- Provide access to broadband service to consumers residing in unserved areas of the United States
- Provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in underserved areas of the
- United States
- Provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to Eligible Beneficiaries
- Improve access to, and use of, broadband service by public safety agencies
- Stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.
- Acquire equipment, instrumentation, networking capability, hardware and software, digital network
- technology, and infrastructure for broadband services
- Construct and deploy broadband service related infrastructure
- Ensure access to broadband service by community anchor institutions
- Facilitate access to broadband service by low-income, unemployed, aged, and otherwise vulnerable populations in order to provide educational and employment opportunities to members of such populations

- Construct and deploy broadband facilities that improve public safety broadband communications services
- Other projects and activities consistent with the purposes for which the program is established.
- Developing and maintaining a broadband inventory map
- Competitive grants for innovative programs to encourage sustainable adoption of broadband service
- Not more than 3 percent of funds provided under this heading may be used for administrative costs

Projects

- Enhancements to state mapping to inventory and document the availability of broadband services
- Construction of broadband infrastructure (shovel-ready projects)
- Outreach, education, and training on the benefits, use, and availability of broadband
- Efforts to aggregate and match consumer demand with broadband supply
- Operation of computer labs and facilities to expand access to computer equipment and connectivity
- One-on-one technical assistance to businesses to take full advantage of e-commerce to improve competitiveness

How to Apply:
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What:

Tax Credit Assistance Program

Funding Available:

Approximately \$95 million to Pennsylvania

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Funds will be distributed through a competitive process to project owners who received (or will receive) an allocation of federal low income housing tax credits in federal fiscal years 2007, 2008 and 2009. Priority will be given to those projects that can be completed within three years of the ARRA enactment. Project owners must expend 75% of the committed funds within two years of ARRA enactment and 100% of the funds within three years of ARRA enactment

How to Apply:

TBD

Contact:

TBD

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What:

Low Income Housing Tax Credit Exchange Program

Funding Available:

Approximately \$197 million to Pennsylvania

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

General, senior or special needs occupancy properties for persons at or below 60% of median income, with at least half of the units available to persons at or below 50% of median income

- New construction
- Substantial rehabilitation of existing structures
- Historic rehabilitation
- Preservation of existing housing
- Contain significant "green" and/or energy efficient components
- Contain units accessible for person with mobility or hearing/vision impairment
- Housing types include townhouse, multiple story, garden style walk-ups and single family detached rental
- Properties are located throughout the Commonwealth with funds to be allocated based on regional distribution.

Project owners who received (or will receive) an allocation of federal low income housing tax credits in federal fiscal years 2007, 2008 and 2009.

How to Apply:

Funds will fill equity gaps in multifamily development awarded federal low income housing tax credits in 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Funds will be distributed to project owners who received (or will receive) an allocation of federal low income housing tax credits in 2007, 2008 or 2009. Priority will be given to those projects that can commence construction by January 1, 2011.

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What:

PA Department of Agriculture Commodity Assistance/ Emergency Food Assistance Program

Funding Available:

Approximately \$4.03 million

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

The Department of Agriculture anticipates additional dollars for Commodity Assistance/The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) which is administered by the Bureau of Food Distribution. The Department will work directly with USDA to provide feedback on what food products are preferred for Pennsylvania food warehouses. The USDA will purchase appropriate foods based on the Department's recommendations.

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Planning and Implementation of Expanded Health Information Technology

Funding Available:

\$2 billion nationwide – competitive matching grants to states

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

States apply for funds and make grants to entities committed to adopting or expanding use of health information technology. Funds may also be used to enhance existing state Department of Health public health IT systems.

Examples of entities that may be eligible include: physicians, hospitals and regional and statewide health information exchanges.

How to Apply:

TBD

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What:

Health Care—State Loan Repayment Program

Funding Available:

Amounts listed are at federal level. No state allocations have been disclosed to date.

\$500 million to address Health Professions Workforce

- \$20 million of that to State Loan Repayment Programs for Primary Care Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Dentists serving in federally underserved areas.
 - Increase the number of Primary Care Physicians participating in the already existing Loan Repayment Program.

Application Deadline:

Deadlines will be determined once the federal guidance is released.

Who is Eligible:

Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Dentists serving in federally underserved areas.

How to Apply:

TBD

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