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### Center For Climate Strategies Adaptation Guidebook: Comprehensive Climate Action

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The Adaptation Guidebook contains a list of current adaptation options, state and local adaptation plan reviews, and guidance/metrics for adaptation planning. Each chapter can be used independently as a standalone resource, or the chapters can be used together as a sequential guidance detailing the process of completing a comprehensive adaptation plan. The Guidebook presents the many steps involved in building such a plan. For instance, it covers the identification and prioritization of major topic areas; the identification of potential adaptation options for each of these topic areas; the development of optimization approaches for evaluating the different adaptation options (e.g. benefit-cost, cost-effectiveness, and multicriteria analyses); other methodologies to evaluate the different adaptation options (e.g. externalities, distributional impacts, equity, and other feasibility issues); and, finally, the development of an aggregate economic, environmental, and social impact of all options in the adaptation plan. Lastly, the guidebook offers government perspectives on adaptation and insights into the implementation of a final strategy.

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### Center for Natural Resource Economics & Policy (CNREP)

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The Center for Natural Resource Economics & Policy (CNREP) was established in January 2003 by the LSU AgCenter to coordinate the activities of resource economists and policy professionals at LSU and other institutions in the southeastern U.S. The center functions as a research and extension cooperative, providing a focal point for social scientists by organizing and marketing their efforts to those agencies seeking the socioeconomic information required to fully evaluate new environmental programs and projects. The mission of CNREP is to foster the interaction of economic, social and policy professionals to address natural resource and environmental problems.

Projects are maintained on a variety of topics related to natural resources; however, the primary research areas of CNREP center on fisheries management and the economics of coastal ecosystem restoration. CNREP members provide a wide range of technical expertise. These include cost-benefit analysis, bioeconomics, decision support systems, ecocertification, econometrics, economic development, economic impact analysis, environmental policy analysis, and input-output analysis, as well as legal and regulatory analysis, market and non-market valuation, technology transfer and adoption, multicriteria analysis, project feasibility, and quantitative modeling.

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The overall scope of the initiative is to improve the efficiency through which limited restoration funding is applied towards ecosystem restoration and management initiatives. The specific objectives of individual projects under this initiative vary. Researchers utilize such research methods as benefit-cost analyses, ecosystem service valuations and econometric analyses in these projects.

CNREP works with many partners to design and implement their Economic Assessments of Coastal Restoration in Louisiana. Much of the research under this initiative focuses on projects being carried out under the Coastal Wetland Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act (CWPPRA) and the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA); therefore, CNREP cooperators work closely with these organizations. The Louisiana Sea Grant Marine Extension Project is a vital partner for communicating CNREP’s research with stakeholders and the general public. Other partners include the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and U.S. Geological Survey’s National Wetland Research Center.

Initial assessments made under this initiative examined the various factors that drive project selection under the CWPPRA program. Results indicated that participating federal agencies had begun to abandon traditional economic metrics (e.g. cost-efficiency) in favor of more subjective, political criteria for project selection. The net result of this trend was an increasing loss of program efficiency in the allocation of nearly $100 million annually since 1997. Extension of these findings during the years 2004-2007 eventually prompted an internal re-evaluation of the program’s restoration expenditures. Beginning in 2008, the efficiency of project selection under CWPPRA began to greatly improve, with more than $130 million in state and federal restoration funds being redirected to more cost-effective projects. More recently between 2008 and 2011, CNREP worked with CPRA to develop a more refined decision-support model to examine the comparative efficiency of coastal land-building methods. With the first phase of this research now completed, results are being extended to state and federal restoration agencies in an attempt to help guide the allocation of any additional funding that might be forthcoming through the RESTORE Act.

CNREP presents its research findings through participation in state and regional forums, workshops and symposia. When communicating with the public, CNREP utilizes mass media outlets, printed and electronic fact sheets, workshops with stakeholders, dynamic visualization, and social media. All research and outreach content is archived on the websites of CNREP or its partners.

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**Description:** Hurricane Katrina demonstrated the need for a comprehensive risk reduction system for the greater New Orleans area. Following Katrina, Congress authorized and funded the construction of the 100-year level risk reduction system, known as the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System (HSDRRS). The HSDRRS includes five parishes (Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, St. Charles, and Plaquemines) and consists of 350 miles of levees and floodwalls; 73 non-Federal pumping stations; 3 canal closure structures with pumps; and 4 gated outlets.

The Greater New Orleans HSDRRS provides the 100-year level of risk reduction against tropical events and related rainfall and storm surges. The $14 billion system includes the construction or improvement of 133 miles of perimeter risk reduction features, such as levees, floodwalls, floodgates and pump stations. HSDRRS was designed for a 50-year project life and the design accounted for sea level rise, subsidence and increased storm frequency throughout that time frame. Construction of the system also included resiliency features, such as the arming of the backside of levees and floodwalls to prevent scour in the event of wave overtopping.

The hurricane protection system built through the Greater New Orleans HSDRRS is stronger and more resilient than it has ever been in the area’s history, and the new system is capable of defending against a tropical event that has a 1% chance of occurring any given year.

The Corps also supports the multiple lines of defense strategy for reducing risk, which includes the restoration of Louisiana’s coastal areas. Coastal habitats provide an important buffer between open water and structural protection like the HSDRRS.

### Gulf Of Mexico Alliance

**Description:** The Gulf of Mexico Alliance (GOMA) provides technical assistance and outreach and education mini-grants to Gulf Coast communities, schools, and non-profits.

Established in 2004, GOMA is a partnership between the five Gulf States of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas whose mission is to promote the ecological and economic health of the Gulf of Mexico by significantly increasing collaboration among governmental agencies, businesses, education providers and non-governmental organizations. GOMA promotes comprehensive ecosystem management and collaboration at local, state and federal levels to sustain the economic contribution of the Gulf region. Leadership from each of the five Gulf States forms the foundation of the Alliance, yet the day-to-day work is accomplished with the support of a small, expert staff of professionals and scientists.

GOMA is additionally supported by the Gulf of Mexico Regional Partnership Federal Workgroup, comprised of representatives from thirteen federal agencies led by the Environmental Protection Agency, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Department of Interior. This structure provides a venue for collaboration and integration of federal efforts to address regional issues identified by the Alliance. It also allows its partners to focus funding priorities according to the needs of the Gulf, as well as a forum to share knowledge, expertise and reduce duplicative efforts. In addition to the Gulf States and Federal Workgroup, the Alliance relies heavily on non-governmental partners, including academic organizations, non-profit organizations and businesses, to provide expertise, resources and help implement projects. Acknowledging that the environmental and economic health of the Gulf of Mexico is contingent upon responsible management by the United States and Mexico, the Alliance actively works with the six Mexican Gulf States through several ongoing activities in Mexico. Through such initiatives, the Alliance aims to become a model for regional and international collaboration.

GOMA’s six priority issues are: 1) water quality for healthy beaches and seafood, 2) habitat conservation and restoration, 3) ecosystems integration and assessment, 4) nutrients and nutrient impacts, 5) coastal community resilience, and 6) environmental education. These priority issues are addressed through several local and regional initiatives. The successes of its initiatives have noticeably affected change in the Gulf. For instance, work by the Alliance has contributed toward controlling the size of the dead zone in the Gulf, improved forecasting for the occurrence of harmful algal blooms and increased community resilience to natural hazards.

### Louisiana Community Education & Outreach Program

**Description:** The University of New Orleans’ Center for Hazard Assessment, Response, and Technology (UNO-CHART), in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Governors’ Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP), is implementing mitigation outreach and education projects intended to inform citizens, business owners, non-profit organizations and local officials about the risks to which they are vulnerable and ways in which those risks can be reduced through multiple mitigation methods. The education and outreach components for these projects reach across a variety of stakeholders, from decision makers to the most vulnerable populations. Each of the following five projects works toward increasing our ability to address potential disasters before they happen.

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<td>University Of New Orleans' Center For Hazard Assessment, Response And Technology</td>
<td>The University of New Orleans' Center for Hazard Assessment, Response and Technology (UNO-CHART) is an academic research center assisting local governments and organizations with technical assistance, community planning, and outreach and education. The University of New Orleans' Center for Hazard Assessment, Response and Technology (UNO-CHART) is an applied social science research center that partners with and supports Louisiana communities in efforts to achieve disaster resilience. The objectives of UNO-CHART projects are to assist residents, local officials and state officials in reducing risk to natural hazards, especially hurricane and climate hazards, help them gain a better understanding of their risk, and identify actions they can take to protect themselves from these hazards. UNO-CHART was founded in 2001 as a Louisiana Board of Regents Approved Research Center. The center is comprised of a multi-disciplinary group of faculty, staff and graduate research assistants representing various academic backgrounds including sociology, political science, public administration, planning, urban studies, engineering and geography. Hazard mitigation is the center's primary focus and applied research projects have addressed such topics as repetitive flooding, executive risk management, disaster mitigation planning, community resilience assessments, coastal storm mitigation efforts, coastal restoration planning, community continuity, risk management, and hurricane evacuation of vulnerable populations. The center's approach to sustainability and resilience is based on building community and university partnerships grounded on the principals of: (1) community/organizational/engaged citizen collaborations and (2) building on community and scientific knowledge for both basic and applied research. Consequently, outreach is a major component of all UNO-CHART projects. Education and outreach initiatives include workshops, meeting facilitation, curriculum development, planning, flood loss analyses, risk assessments, and policy/program evaluation. The center's projects also focus on partnership development with stakeholders. The outcomes of the center's projects include ensuring that stakeholders have the information they need to make informed decisions for their homes, businesses, communities, etc. and to participate effectively in planning efforts for their communities. PARTNERS UNO-CHART's researchers collaborate with similar organizations locally and across the country to promote sustainable and resilient strategies for risk reduction. Recent partners have included the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP), Louisiana Coastal Protection &amp; Restoration Authority (CPRA), LA DOTD, LSU AgCenter, Loyola University Literacy Center, FEMA, NOAA, University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR), National Science Foundation (NSF), Greater New Orleans Foundation, multiple parish governments, and community groups. With some projects, primary schools, faith-based organizations, and private businesses are also key partners for implementing programs.</td>
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| US Army Corps Of Engineers New Orleans District | The United States Army Corps of Engineers is a federal agency that provides technical assistance to state and local governments for flood protection and navigation projects. The United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is a federal agency under the Department of Defense and a major Army command made up of some 37,000 civilians and soldiers, delivering engineering services in more than 90 countries around the world. USACE has 8 regional divisions with 42 offices in the United States. Its Civil Works division programs include many water resource development activities, such as flood control, navigation, recreation, infrastructure and environmental stewardship. The New Orleans District provides comprehensive water resources management that includes navigation, hurricane and storm damage risk reduction and environmental stewardship for south Louisiana. | Partnership is key in the successful delivery of USACE’s programs in Louisiana. The USACE New Orleans District partners with several entities that include the Federal Resource Agencies, State of Louisiana, Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority East and West, Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, and parish government leaders, among others. Stakeholder and public engagement are also very important for the success of programs in Louisiana. In fact, the New Orleans District has hosted more than 400 public meetings since Hurricane Katrina to engage stakeholders, partners and the public in the planning and construction of the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System and the Louisiana Coastal Area program. The Corps also works with groups from the navigation industry, port complex industry, non-governmental organizations, fishing and oyster industry, recreation and tourism industry, academic associations and the general public. USACE further participates in academic and community forums, conferences, festivals, local government meetings and educational programs. | www.mvn.usace.army.mil  
| USDA Rural Development | USDA Rural Development is a federal agency that provides funding assistance to local governments, tribes, organizations, businesses, and citizens to promote economic development. The overall mission of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for all rural Americans. Rural Development has three program areas – Housing, Community and Business. The agency’s housing loans and grants make a significant difference in the lives of many people across the country. These investments also boost rural economies and create and save jobs. Since the agency’s founding in 1990, Rural Development continues to provide services to make rural communities healthy and prosperous places to live and work. | Louisiana’s Rural Development regional offices:  
Monroe (318) 343-4467  
Natchitoches (318) 352-7100  
Lafayette (337) 262-6601  
Amite (985) 748-8751 | www.rurdev.usda.gov  
http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rsuccessstories.html  
The The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) National Wetlands Research Center provides technical assistance to state and local governments, institutions, and non-profits.

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), an agency of the U.S. Department of the Interior, provides a broad range of national expertise in geography, geology, hydrology and biology. The mission of the USGS is to provide reliable scientific information to describe and understand the Earth; minimize loss of life and property from natural disasters; assist others in managing water, biological, and mineral resources; and enhance and protect quality of life. The USGS National Wetlands Research Center (NWRC) is headquartered in Lafayette, Louisiana, and operates a restoration research branch in Baton Rouge. NWRC's mission is to develop and disseminate scientific information needed for understanding the ecology and values of wetlands and for managing and restoring wetlands, coastal habitats, and associated plant and animal communities throughout the world.

NWRC's programs focus on four major areas of research. Watershed Science for Management and Restoration programs seek to encourage discovery and understanding by providing biological information needed for sustainable management of watersheds at a landscape scale under dynamic influences related to anthropogenic activities and changing environmental conditions. Watershed researchers also develop scientific information that quantifies the complex processes that drive the health and viability of plant and animal communities and their habitats. The second area of focus is Science for Coastal Environments. These programs provide the scientific information required for sustainable management of freshwater, wetland and coastal environments, including relationships to the human dimension and footprint. It supports freshwater, wetland and coastal restoration projects, and it further develops science and technology programs to determine ecological consequences related to natural hazards. NWRC staff involved with modeling and spatial analysis focus on improving prediction and forecasting by developing conceptual models of large systems, both geographically and ecologically based, that guide adaptive management/adaptive science approaches to complex biological problems (especially restoration). Modeling and Spatial Analysis programs include the development and implementation of quantitative and predictive models to assist resource management decisions that link management actions to ecological outcomes. The last major area is Science Impact. This research uses innovative approaches to enhance the fusion of biological, hydrological, geological, and geographic information. Researchers ensure the appropriate understanding and use of information and tools by policy and decision makers, resource managers, and regulatory agencies. They develop biological and wetland-focused information tools and products critical to Federal and State stakeholders and the public, supporting their use through training, education, and outreach.

The main public outreach goal of NWRC is to provide education about wetland issues and other areas of research to students and adults through presentations, center tours, conferences and other events. Learning materials and events are tailored to meet the needs and interests of the specific target audience. When developing programs for elementary school teachers, NWRC reaches out to school boards to tailor materials to specific grade-level curriculums. For adults with interests in sciences and environmental topics, NWRC holds seminars on topics of interest and advertises in local media or to targeted audiences. When reaching out to the local public who may not know about NWRC, events are developed to draw atypical groups to their facility.

PARTNERSHIPS

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<td>Alex C. Walker Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The foundation funds market approaches for addressing economic imbalances and promoting a sustainable economy. Grants are awarded to:</td>
<td>Barrett P. Walker&lt;br&gt;Alex C. Walker Foundation&lt;br&gt;1729 Coventry Place&lt;br&gt;Decatur, GA 30030&lt;br&gt;404-378-2752</td>
<td><a href="http://walker-foundation.org/Walker/">http://walker-foundation.org/Walker/</a></td>
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<td>• Investigate the causes of economic imbalances – particularly in relation to ecosystem services, climate change, energy security, food production, and other environmental matters;</td>
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<td>• Investigate the effects of the global financial system and monetary policy in fostering a sustainable economy;</td>
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<td>• Investigate causes tending to destroy or impair the free enterprise system;</td>
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<td>• Disseminate information on the results and findings.</td>
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<td>The trustees seek projects that promote greater knowledge of economic, scientific, and environmental issues and their possible relationship to coastal zone management and the free enterprise system. They also support investigations on the effect of legislation and international agreement on the foregoing subjects.</td>
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<td>Allstate Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Grant making priorities fall into three categories:</td>
<td>Jan Epstein, Executive Director&lt;br&gt;The Allstate Foundation&lt;br&gt;2775 Sanders Road, F4&lt;br&gt;Northbrook, IL 60062&lt;br&gt;847-402-2794</td>
<td><a href="http://www.allstatefoundation.org/">http://www.allstatefoundation.org/</a></td>
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<td>• Safe and Vital Communities (including catastrophe response and neighborhood revitalization);</td>
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<td>• Economic Empowerment (including financial/economic literacy); and</td>
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<td>• Economic Empowerment for Domestic Violence Survivors.</td>
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<td>Angel Investor Tax Credit Program</td>
<td>Louisiana’s Angel Investor Tax Credit encourages accredited investors to invest in early stage, small wealth-creating Louisiana businesses that seek startup and expansion capital.</td>
<td>Angel Investor Tax Credit Program&lt;br&gt;Louisiana Economic Development&lt;br&gt;1051 North Third Street&lt;br&gt;Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5239&lt;br&gt;225-342-1840</td>
<td><a href="http://opportunitylouisiana.com/page/angel-investor-tax-credit">http://opportunitylouisiana.com/page/angel-investor-tax-credit</a></td>
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<td>Coastal Zone Management Administration Awards</td>
<td>To assist states in implementing and enhancing Coastal Zone Management Programs that have been approved by the Secretary of Commerce. Funds may be used for coastal wetlands management and protection; natural hazards management (including potential sea and Great Lakes level rise); public access improvements; reduction of marine debris; assessment of cumulative and secondary impacts of coastal growth and development; special area management planning; and ocean resource planning, as authorized; as well as technical assistance and to address coastal issues such as Coastal Nonpoint Source Pollution Program implementation and coral reef conservation activities.</td>
<td>Joelle Gore, Acting Division Chief&lt;br&gt;Coastal Programs Division&lt;br&gt;Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management&lt;br&gt;National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration&lt;br&gt;1305 East West Highway, 11th Floor&lt;br&gt;Silver Spring, MD 20910&lt;br&gt;301-713-3155, ext. 177</td>
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<td>Community Development Block Grants / Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Passage of supplemental appropriations legislation by Congress and allocation of grant funding by the Secretary of HUD.</td>
<td>Scott G. Davis&lt;br&gt;U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development&lt;br&gt;CPD&lt;br&gt;451 Seventh Street SW&lt;br&gt;Washington, DC 20410-7000&lt;br&gt;202-402-4343</td>
<td><a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program/offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program/offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs</a></td>
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<td>Community Development Block Grants / Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program</td>
<td>To provide communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large scale physical development projects. As with the CDBG program, all projects and activities must either principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination or prevention of slums and blight, or meet urgent needs of the community. Proposed activities must be consistent with a unit of local government’s Consolidated Plan submitted for HUD’s Community Planning and Development Programs.</td>
<td>Paul D. Webster&lt;br&gt;Financial Management Division&lt;br&gt;Office of Block Grant Assistance&lt;br&gt;Department of Housing and Urban Development / CPD&lt;br&gt;451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7180&lt;br&gt;Washington, DC 20410-7000&lt;br&gt;202-708-1871</td>
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<td>Community Development Block Grants / Entitlement Grants</td>
<td>To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities – principally for low- to moderate-income persons.</td>
<td>Otis D. Collins&lt;br&gt;Office of Block Grant Assistance&lt;br&gt;Department of Housing and Urban Development&lt;br&gt;451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7282&lt;br&gt;Washington, DC 20410-7000&lt;br&gt;202-402-3416</td>
<td><a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program/offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program/offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs</a></td>
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<td>Community Development Block Grants / States Program</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: None disaster-related formula program under which waivers may be provided to jurisdictions that have received a Presidential declaration of a major disaster under the Stafford Act. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities – principally for low- to moderate-income persons.</td>
<td>Stephen M. Rhodeside&lt;br&gt;Office of Block Grant Assistance&lt;br&gt;Department of Housing and Urban Development / CPD&lt;br&gt;451 Seventh Street SW&lt;br&gt;Washington, DC 20410-7000&lt;br&gt;202-402-7375</td>
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<td>Community Disaster Loan Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide loans subject to Congressional loan authority, to any local government that has suffered substantial loss of revenues in an area in which the President designates a major disaster exists. The funds can only be used to maintain existing functions of a municipal operating character and the local government must demonstrate a need for financial assistance. The funds cannot be used to meet the non federal share of any Federal program, finance capital improvements, or repair or restore public facilities.</td>
<td>Victor Kurs&lt;br&gt;Public Assistance Branch / Recovery Division&lt;br&gt;DHS / FEMA&lt;br&gt;500 C Street SW&lt;br&gt;Washington, DC 2042&lt;br&gt;202-646-7947</td>
<td><a href="https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for&amp;programid=14">https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for&amp;programid=14</a></td>
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<td>Community Services Block Grant</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide assistance to states and local communities working through a network of community action agencies and other eligible local-based organizations for the reduction of poverty, the revitalization of low-income communities, and the empowerment of low-income families and individuals in rural and urban areas to become fully self-sufficient. Funds are available to provide activities designed to assist low-income persons to: • Secure and retain meaningful employment; • Attain an adequate education; • Make better use of available income; • Obtain and maintain adequate housing and a suitable living environment; • Obtain emergency assistance through loans or grants to meet immediate and urgent individual and family needs – including health services, nutritious food, housing, and employment-related assistance; • Remove obstacles and solve problems that block the achievement of self-sufficiency; • Achieve greater participation in the affairs of the community; and • Make more effective use of other related programs. The program also: • Provides emergency supplies and services, nutritious foodstuffs, and other services as may be necessary to counteract conditions of starvation and malnutrition among the poor; • Coordinates and establishes linkages between governmental and other social services programs to ensure the effective delivery of such services to low income individuals; and • Encourages private-sector efforts to ameliorate poverty in the community.</td>
<td>Seth Hassett Department of Health and Human Services / ACF Division of State Assistance, Office of Community Services 901 D Street SW, Room 5A165 Washington, DC 20447 202-401-2333 <a href="mailto:Seth.Hassett@acf.hhs.gov">Seth.Hassett@acf.hhs.gov</a></td>
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<td>Community Services Block Grant Discretionary Awards</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To support program activities to alleviate the causes of poverty in distressed communities which: 1) assist businesses in creating jobs for low-income individuals – i.e. develop employment and business development opportunities for low-income individuals; and 2) a better standard of living for rural low-income individuals in terms of water and waste water treatment. Community Economic Development (CED) grants are awarded to cover project costs for: (1) startup or expansion of business, physical improvements, or commercial activities; (2) capital expenditures such as the purchase of equipment or real property; (3) allowable operating expenses; and (4) loans or equity investments. Expenditures must result in the creation of employment or business opportunities for low-income individuals. Generally, the project must be completed within 36 months for non-construction projects and 60 months for construction projects. Projects must document public/private partnership mobilizing cash and/or in-kind contributions; and be located in areas characterized by poverty and other indicators of socioeconomic distress – such as high levels of unemployment; or high levels of violence, gang activity, crime, drug-use, and/or low-income individuals; or designation as an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community (EZ/EC). Rural Community Development (RCD) grants are awarded to provide training and technical assistance to small, rural communities concerning their water and waste water treatment needs. RF grants focus on the development and upgrading of small water and wastewater systems in low-income areas. Types of services provided included training of persons responsible for community water and wastewater facilities; assisting communities with problem-solving and planning for facilities; producing and disseminating publications, newsletters, videos, and training manuals about rural waste and wastewater systems; and assisting rural communities in leveraging federal, state, local, and private sector financing for facilities.</td>
<td>Lynda Perez Office of Community Services Division of Community Discretionary Programs Department of Health and Human Services / ACF 370 L’Enfant Promenade SW, Fifth Floor West Washington, DC 20447 202-401-9365 <a href="mailto:Lynda.Perpez@acf.hhs.gov">Lynda.Perpez@acf.hhs.gov</a></td>
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<td>Conservation Activities by Youth Service Organizations</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To utilize qualified youth or conservation corps to carry out appropriate conservation projects which the Secretary is authorized to approve under other authority of law on public lands. To work cooperatively with the NPS on cultural and natural resource related conservation projects such as trail development and maintenance, historic, cultural, forest and timber management, minor construction work, archaeological conservation, and native plant habitat restoration and rehabilitation. To promote and stimulate public purposes such as education, job training, development of responsible citizenship, productive community involvement, and further the understanding and appreciation of natural and cultural resources through the involvement of youth and young adults in care and enhancement of public resources. To continue the longstanding efforts of the NPS to provide opportunities for public service, youth employment; minority youth development and training, and participation of young adults in accomplishing conservation-related work. Funding is to be used by organizations to support youth career training and development in the areas of resource management, conservation, and cultural resources while working with the NPS to accomplish particular projects.</td>
<td>George McDonald, Youth Programs Manager Office of the Director National Park Service 1201 I Street NW, 11th Floor Washington, DC 20005 202-515-7146 / 202-371-2263 <a href="mailto:George.McDonald@nps.gov">George.McDonald@nps.gov</a> v Southeast Region Stan Austin, Regional Director National Park Service 100 Alabama Street, SW 1924 Building Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 507-5600</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nps.gov/gettinginvolved/youthprogram/s/index.htm">http://www.nps.gov/gettinginvolved/youthprogram/s/index.htm</a></td>
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<td><strong>Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations — with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status— with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include: • Undeveloped land; • Office buildings; • Warehouses; • Commercial and industrial facilities; • Military holdings; and • Single- and multi-family residences. Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and hospital use.</td>
<td>David R. Stinson, Realty Specialist Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration 1800 F Street NW room 7300 Washington, DC 20405-0001 202-208-0324 / 202-501-0084 <a href="mailto:David.Stinson@gsa.gov">David.Stinson@gsa.gov</a></td>
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<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To respond to the short- and long-term effects of severe economic dislocation events on communities. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: Categorical project economic adjustment grants (usually funded from supplemental appropriations) for planning, technical assistance, revolving loan funds, and infrastructure construction to assist affected communities in accelerating economic recovery and implementing strategic actions to reduce the risk of economic damage and loss in commercial and industrial areas from future disasters. Economic Adjustment Assistance grants are intended to enhance a distressed community’s ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas. Current investment priorities include proposals that: a) enhance the competitiveness of regions in the global economy by supporting existing industry clusters, developing emerging new clusters, or attracting new regional economic drivers; b) support technology-based economic development and identify the economic importance of higher education and industry and technology transfers; and c) advance community- and faith-based social entrepreneurship in redevelopment strategies for regions of chronic economic distress. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Applicable cost-share requirements for economic adjustment assistance are set forth in current EDA regulations for grant rate eligibility (13 CFR 301.4). Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project. Project may receive an additional amount that shall not exceed 30 percent, however – up to a total of 80 percent of total project cost – based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located, as determined by EDA. In the case of EDA investment to an Indian tribe, state (or political subdivision of a state), or nonprofit organization that the Assistant Secretary determines has exhausted its effective borrowing capacity, the Assistant Secretary has the discretion to establish a maximum EDA investment rate of up to 100 percent of the total project cost.</td>
<td>Headquarters Office: Kerstin Millius 1401 Constitution Ave, N.W. Room 73030, Washington, District of Columbia 20230 202-482-3280 <a href="mailto:kmillius@eda.gov">kmillius@eda.gov</a> Regional Office: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers 500 Poydras Street, Room 1025 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-589-4179 504-589-4178 <a href="mailto:pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov">pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>Economic Development Support for Planning Organizations</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Economic Development Administration provides planning assistance to support planning organizations for the development, implementation, revision, or replacement of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), short-term planning efforts, and state plans designed to create and retain higher-skill, higher-wage jobs — particularly for the unemployed and underemployed in the nation’s most economically distressed regions. Planning activities supported by these investments must be part of a continuous process involving the active participation of private sector representatives, public officials, and private citizens, and include: • Analyzing local economies; • Defining economic development goals; • Determining project opportunities; and • Formulating and implementing an economic development program that includes systematic efforts to reduce unemployment and increase incomes.</td>
<td>Headquarters Office: David Ives 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW Room 73030 Washington, District of Columbia 20230 202-482-0529 <a href="mailto:dive@eda.gov">dive@eda.gov</a> Regional Office: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers 500 Poydras Street, Room 1025 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-589-4179 504-589-4178 <a href="mailto:pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov">pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>Economic Development Technical Assistance</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: EDA oversees three technical assistance programs (National, Local, and University Center) that promote economic development and alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and out-migration in distressed regions. These programs provide grants or cooperative agreements to: (1) assist in training institutions of higher education to establish and operate University Centers to provide technical assistance to public and private sector organizations with the goal of enhancing local economic development; (2) support innovative approaches to stimulate economic development in distressed regions; (3) disseminate information and studies of economic development issues of national significance; and (4) finance feasibility studies and other projects leading to local economic development.</td>
<td>Headquarters Office: Philip Saputo 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW Room 73030 Washington, District of Columbia 20230 (202) 400-0662 <a href="mailto:psaputo@eda.gov">psaputo@eda.gov</a> Regional Office: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers 500 Poydras Street, Room 1025 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-589-4179 504-589-4178 <a href="mailto:pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov">pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov</a></td>
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<td>Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (ECWAG)</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: A major disaster or emergency, such as— but not limited to—a drought, an earthquake, a flood, a tornado, a hurricane, disease outbreak, or chemical spill, leakage, or seepage. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The objective of the ECWAG program is to assist the residents of rural areas that have experienced a significant decline in quantity or quality of water (or in which such a decline is considered imminent) to obtain or maintain adequate quantities of water that meet the standards set by the Safe Drinking Water Act. Grant funds may be used to extend waterlines on existing systems; to construct new water lines; to repair existing systems; to perform significant maintenance on existing systems; to construct new wells, reservoirs, transmission lines, treatment plants, storage tanks, etc.; to replace equipment; to provide connection and/or tap fees; to pay costs incurred within six months of the date an application was filed with USDA to correct an emergency situation that would have been eligible for funding under this program; to provide funds for any other appropriate related purposes—such as legal fees; engineering fees; recording costs; environmental impact analyses; archaeological surveys; possible salvage or other mitigation measures; planning, establishing, or acquiring rights associated with developing sources of treating, storing, or distributing water; and to assist rural water systems in complying with the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or the Safe Drinking Water Act, when failure to comply is directly related to a recent decline in quality of potable water.</td>
<td>Jaqueline M. Ponti-Lazaruk, Assistant Administrator</td>
<td><a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-ecwag.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-ecwag.htm</a></td>
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<td>Extension Service Post-Crisis Education and Assistance</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide post-crisis education and assistance to individuals, families, farm operators, small businesses, rural communities, and local leadership in the immediate aftermath of a disaster. The Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service (CSREES), through the land grant universities, also provides educational programs useful in preparing for impending crisis; these programs are the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN). EDEN is part of a national effort through the Cooperative Extension System to reduce the impact of natural and human-made disasters. EDEN links all Land-Grant Universities and county Cooperative Extension Educators so they may share resources to help individuals and communities prepare for and recover from disasters. The EDEN website is a portal to information on preparing for and recovering from disasters and emergencies that are relevant to residents of all fifty states and U.S. territories. EDEN is supported by a grant from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) to Purdue University. Purdue subcontracts management and hosting of the website to the LSU AgCenter. Principally supported by NIFA funds, EDEN takes a collaborative approach to produce educational materials, learning modules, workshops, and information campaigns.</td>
<td>Pat Skinner, Disaster Recovery/Mitigation Specialist Louisiana State University 104 E.B. Doran, Bio/Ag Engineering LSU AgCenter – Louisiana Cooperative Extension Baton Rouge, LA 70803 225-578-2910 <a href="mailto:P5skinner@agcenter.lsu.edu">P5skinner@agcenter.lsu.edu</a></td>
<td><a href="http://eden.lsu.edu/Pages/default.aspx">http://eden.lsu.edu/Pages/default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Fisheries Disaster Relief</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: A request for a fishery disaster determination is generally made by the Governor of a state, or by a fishing community, although the Secretary of Commerce may also initiate a review at his/her own discretion. The Secretary determines whether the circumstances are consistent with relevant statutes and warrants a fishery disaster determination. If the Secretary determines that a fishery disaster has occurred, Congress may appropriate funds for disaster assistance, which are administered by the Secretary. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To deal with commercial fishery failures due to fishery resource disasters. Disaster causes may be: a) natural; b) man-made (&quot;beyond the control of fisheries managers to mitigate through conservation and management measures&quot;); or c) undetermined. Funds may be used for assessing the effects of commercial fishery failures, restoring fisheries or preventing future failures, or assisting fishing communities affected by the failures. However, the Secretary of Commerce must first determine that the activity will not expand the commercial fishery failure in that fishery or into other fisheries or geographical regions. In the Southeast this program has been used to fund the restoration of brown shrimp habitat in Lake Pontchartrain, Louisiana, and to study the effects of changing hydrological conditions on brown shrimp survival in Mississippi. Most recently this program has reimbursed Florida Keys spiny lobster and stone crab trap fishermen for uninsured gear losses caused by Hurricane Georges and Tropical Storm Mitch.</td>
<td>Jeffrey E. Brown Fisheries-Grants Specialist NOAA Fisheries Service Southeast Regional Office 727-826-5324 <a href="mailto:Jeff.Brown@noaa.gov">Jeff.Brown@noaa.gov</a> Chris Wright Domestic Fisheries Division (F/SF3) National Marine Fisheries Service 1315 East West Highway Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301) 427-8504 <a href="mailto:Chris.Wright@noaa.gov">Chris.Wright@noaa.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/lfs/f3/disaster.htm">http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/lfs/f3/disaster.htm</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Community Development Authority</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Community Development Authority (LCDA) is a group of local governments, created for the purpose of assisting local governments with their financial needs.</td>
<td>Ty Carlos, Executive Director Louisiana Community Development Authority 8712 Jefferson Highway, Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70809-2233 225-924-6150 <a href="mailto:ty.carlos@louisianacda.com">ty.carlos@louisianacda.com</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Municipal Association</td>
<td>This association is over 80 years old, serves the association districts in Louisiana, and provides multiple training and technical assistance efforts. Although the association has no direct funding, it does provide: Help in identifying potential grants, training in grant writing skills, and has a list of grant writers at <a href="http://www.lma.org/LMA/ProgramService/Grant_Information/Grant_Writ">http://www.lma.org/LMA/ProgramService/Grant_Information/Grant_Writ</a> er.aspx.</td>
<td>Ronnie Harris, Executive Director Louisiana Municipal Association 700 North Tenth Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802 225-344-5001 <a href="mailto:rharris@lma.org">rharris@lma.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.lma.org/LMA/Home/LMA/Default.aspx?hkey=1a30068-bff5-4d19-9dd3-3de747999add">http://www.lma.org/LMA/Home/LMA/Default.aspx?hkey=1a30068-bff5-4d19-9dd3-3de747999add</a></td>
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| Louisiana Public Facilities Authority        | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority is a financing authority created as a public trust and public corporation by the Public Facilities Corporation pursuant to an indenture of trust. The State of Louisiana is the beneficiary of that trust. The LPFA has the ability to issue both taxable and tax-exempt bonds to finance everything from educational facilities to hospitals, student loans, industrial and economic development projects and essential programs for state and local governmental units.  
• Private Activity/Industrial Development Bonds: Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds may be issued for companies or projects within the parameters of current Federal law, mainly companies building or acquiring facilities used to manufacture tangible personal property and other related facilities, and for exempt facilities and nonprofit 501(c)(3) entities. No more than 25 percent of the tax-exempt bond can be used for the purchase of land.  
• Zero Interest Local Government Bond Bank Program: Local government officials work with local banks to obtain the most favorable loan rates. The LPFA provides 15 percent of the total borrowing at zero interest.  
• Rural Development Zero Interest Loan Program: In many cases, community projects slated for Rural Development financing, such as sewer systems, water treatment plants and other construction projects, need interim financing before receiving permanent financing from USDA Rural Development. LPFA provides up to 20 percent of those interim funds at zero percent interest, in partnership with local financial institutions which provide the remainder of the financing.  
• Economic and Capital Facilities Pooled Loans: Entitlements are joined together in one shared borrowing and the individual entities benefit through lower costs of issuance and lower interest rates. This is available for both public and nonprofit institutions under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal tax code. | Martin Walke, Vice President of Economic Development  
LPFA, 2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 650  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
| Marine Fisheries Initiative (MARFIN)         | To provide financial assistance for research and development projects that will provide information for the full and wise use/enhancement of fishery resources. Funds can be used to develop harvest methods, economic analyses of fisheries, processing methods, fish stock assessment, and fish stock enhancement. | Robert A. Sadler, Federal Program Officer  
State/Federal Liaison Branch  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
263 13th Avenue South  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701  
727-824-5324  
Robert.Sadler@noaa.gov | [http://www.noaa.gov/operations_management_information_services/state_federal_liaison_branch/marfin/index.html](http://www.noaa.gov/operations_management_information_services/state_federal_liaison_branch/marfin/index.html) |
| Minority Business Enterprise Centers         | To provide electronic and one-on-one business development services for a nominal fee to minority firms and individuals interested in entering, expanding, or improving their efforts in the marketplace. MBDA’s funded Minority Business Enterprise Center operators provide a wide range of services to clients that include:  
• Preparing financial packages;  
• Business planning and counseling;  
• Business information and management assistance;  
• Accounting;  
• Marketing;  
• Business/industrial site analysis;  
• Production, engineering, construction assistance;  
• Procurement; and  
• Identification of potential business opportunities. | Rita Gonzales, Program Manager  
Office of Business Development  
Minority Business Development Agency  
1401 Constitution Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20230  
202-482-1940  
RGonzalez@mbda.gov | [http://www.mbda.gov/main/programs](http://www.mbda.gov/main/programs) |
| Minority Business Opportunity Center (MBOC)  | To promote access to key decision-makers in the public and private sectors, facilitate the brokering of contracts and financial transactions, and identify and coordinate local business resources to benefit minority business entrepreneurs. The program facilitates business opportunities for minority businesses through the utilization of public and private sector organizations that provide minority business owners/individuals with enhanced access to the marketplace by:  
• Identifying and brokering procurement and contract awards, marketing and sales opportunities, financing transactions and potential joint ventures, or merger and acquisitions;  
• Promoting relationship building and sharing of business information between organizations in a geographic service area;  
• Conducting media outreach; disseminating economic data; and sponsoring workshops, conferences, and seminars within service area; and  
• Maintaining inventories of resources such as bid opportunities; sources of debt and equity funds; business ownership possibilities, such as franchises; and prospective joint venture partners. | Rita Gonzales, Program Manager  
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Minority Business Development Agency  
1401 Constitution Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20230  
202-482-1940  
RGonzalez@mbda.gov | [http://www.mbda.gov/main/programs](http://www.mbda.gov/main/programs) |
| National Flood Insurance Program             | To enable personal and business property owners and renters to purchase flood insurance coverage for buildings and/or contents in low-to-moderate flood risk areas, as well as in high-risk flood zones, to reduce taxpayer provided federal disaster assistance and to promote wise floodplain management practices in the nation’s high-risk flood zones. | Cindy O’Neal  
NFIP State Coordinator  
LA DOTD  
P.O. Box 94245  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804  
225-379-3005  
cindy.onnela@la.gov | [http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program](http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program) |
| Native American Business Enterprise Centers (NABEC) | To provide electronic and one-on-one business development service to Native Americans interested in entering, expanding, or improving their efforts in the marketplace. MBDA’s funded Native American Business Enterprise Center operators provide a wide range of services to clients, including:  
• Preparing financial packages;  
• Business planning and counseling;  
• Business information and management assistance;  
• Accounting guidance;  
• Marketing;  
• Business/industrial site analysis;  
• Production, engineering, and construction assistance;  
• Procurement; and  
• Identification of potential business opportunities. | Rita Gonzales, Program Manager  
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Minority Business Development Agency  
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RGonzalez@mbda.gov | [http://www.mbda.gov/main/programs](http://www.mbda.gov/main/programs) |
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| Smart Growth: Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities | The Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities program seeks to provide technical assistance to communities on the use of a standardized set of tools, used for the implementation of smart growth and sustainable community development approaches to protect the environment, improve public health, create jobs, expand economic opportunity, and improve overall quality of life. The Building Blocks program supports the priorities of the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, a collaborative effort among the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and EPA. The Partnership agencies coordinate federal investments in transportation, and environmental protection to help communities become prosperous, healthy, environmentally sustainable, and rich in opportunities. | Kevin Nelson  
Office of Sustainable Communities  
Environmental Protection Agency  
202-566-2835  
nelson.kevin@epa.gov | http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/buildingblocks.htm                                                                                           |
| States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDA) | The main investment tool used by the Delta Regional Authority is the States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDA). The goal of the SEDA program is to create a competitive, productive workforce; improve physical and digital connections; and create sustainable communities. DRA’s four funding categories are: Basic Public Infrastructure, Transportation Infrastructure, Workforce Development and Business Development (emphasizing entrepreneurship). | Kemp Morgan, Director  
Project Development and Management  
Delta Regional Authority  
236 Sharkey Avenue, Suite 400  
Clarksdale, MS 38614  
662-483-8210  
kemp@dra.gov | http://www.dra.gov/econ-devel/default.aspx  
http://grants.dra.gov/                                                                                                                                       |
| Surplus Federal Personal Property | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully recouping the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes – such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs). | Michael Ristroph  
Manager  
Louisiana Federal Property Assistance Agency  
1635 Foss Drive  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802  
(225) 342-7860  
michael.ristroph@la.gov  
http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/lfpaa/home.htm | http://www.gsa.gov/portal/content/104591  
http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/lfpaa/home.htm                                                                                                           |
| Sustainable Communities Challenge  
Grant Program | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program supports metropolitan and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact. The Community Challenge Planning Grant Program focuses on individual jurisdictions and more localized planning. The program places a priority on investing in partnerships, including nontraditional partnerships (e.g., arts and culture, recreation, public health, food systems, regional planning agencies and public education entities) that:  
a. Translate the Federal Livability Principles into strategies that direct long-term development and reinvestment.  
b. Demonstrate a commitment to addressing issues of regional significance.  
c. Use data to set and monitor progress toward performance goals.  
d. Engage stakeholders and residents in meaningful decision-making roles.  
e. Foster reform and reduce barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital, and sustainable communities. Such efforts may include amending or replacing local master plans, zoning codes, and building codes – either on a jurisdiction-wide basis or in a specific neighborhood, district, corridor, or sector – to promote mixed-use development, affordable housing, the reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes, and similar activities with the goal of promoting sustainability at the local or neighborhood level.  
f. Support the development of affordable housing through the development and adoption of inclusionary zoning ordinances and other activities to support plan implementation. | Sunaree K. Marshall  
Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Grant Program  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
451 7th Street SW, Room 10180  
Washington, DC 20410  
202-402-6011  
sunaree.k.marshall@hud.gov | https://www.cfpda.gov/index.js?program&mode=for
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<td>Community Facilities Direct and Guaranteed Loan and Grant Programs</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural and/or underserved residents. Community facilities include (but are not limited to) those providing or supporting overall community development – such as hospitals, fire stations, child care facilities, food recovery and distribution centers; assisted living facilities; group homes; mental health clinics; and shelters; and education facilities. Projects comprise community, social, health care, education, cultural, transportation, industrial park sites, fire and rescue services, access ways, and utility extensions. All facilities financed in whole or in part with RHS funds shall be for public use.</td>
<td>Clarence Hawkins State Director USDA-RD STATE OFFICE 3737 GOVERNMENT ST ALEXANDRIA, LA 71302-3327 (318) 473-7921 (318) 473-7661 fax <a href="mailto:clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov">clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov</a></td>
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<td>Community Services Block Grant</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide assistance to states and local communities working through a network of community action agencies and other neighborhood-based organizations for the reduction of poverty, the revitalization of low-income communities, and the empowerment of low-income families and individuals in rural and urban areas to become fully self-sufficient. Funds are available to provide activities designed to assist low-income persons to: • Secure and retain meaningful employment; • Attain an adequate education; • Make better use of available income; • Obtain and maintain adequate housing and a suitable living environment; • Obtain emergency assistance through loans or grants to meet immediate and urgent individual and family needs – including health services, nutritious food, housing, and employment-related assistance; • Remove obstacles and solve problems that block the achievement of self-sufficiency; • Achieve greater participation in the affairs of the community; and • Make more effective use of other related programs. The program also: • Provides emergency supplies and services, nutritious foodstuffs, and other services as may be necessary to counteract conditions of starvation and malnutrition among the poor; • Coordinates and establishes linkages between governmental and other social services programs to ensure the effective delivery of such services to low income individuals; and • Encourages private-sector efforts to ameliorate poverty in the community.</td>
<td>Seth Hassett Division of State Assistance, Office of Community Services Department of Health and Human Services / ACF 901 D Street SW, Room 5A165 Washington, DC 20447 202-401-2333 <a href="mailto:Seth.Hassett@acf.hhs.gov">Seth.Hassett@acf.hhs.gov</a> / <a href="mailto:csbg@acf.hhs.gov">csbg@acf.hhs.gov</a></td>
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<td>Citi Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Citi Foundation provides grant support for programs that are aligned with our priority focus areas, promote collaboration and effective use of philanthropic resources, engage our employees, and demonstrate impact and positive outcomes. We are particularly interested in supporting program innovations in the following priority focus areas: • Microfinance and Microenterprise: To help individuals and families improve their lives through economic self-sufficiency and reduce financial vulnerability. • Small and Growing Business: To create employment opportunities and support broad economic growth. • College and Careers: To increase the number of low-income students who enroll in post secondary education and earn a degree. • Financial Capability and Asset Building: To help individuals and families gain the knowledge and ongoing support they need to achieve financial stability. • Neighborhood Revitalization: To help in physically revitalizing neighborhoods and creating economically vibrant communities by increasing the number of small businesses, affordable housing units, or community facilities to contribute to the economic and/or environmental sustainability of low- to moderate-income communities. • Disaster Response: To support preparedness, immediate response, and rebuilding efforts that all contribute to the long-term economic recovery of communities. In each focus area, the Citi Foundation makes three types of investments: Direct Service, Capacity Building &amp; Planning, and Systems Change. • Direct Service: Programs include those that work directly with individual participants to achieve a specific result. • Capacity Building &amp; Planning: Programs include efforts that increase or improve existing capacity to achieve results for those served. • Systems Change: Programs include applied research and public policy efforts that lead to positive change in our priority focus areas.</td>
<td>Citi Foundation 850 Third Avenue, 13th Floor New York, NY 10022-6211 212-559-9163 <a href="mailto:citigroupfoundation@citigroup.com">citigroupfoundation@citigroup.com</a></td>
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| Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)                  | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency, formed to engage Americans of all ages and backgrounds in service to meet community needs. Each year, more than 1.5 million individuals help meet local needs through a wide array of service opportunities. These include projects in education, the environment, public safety, homeland security, and other critical areas – including disaster services – through the Corporation’s programs, including:  
  • Senior Corps: Offers a network of programs that tap the rich experience, skills, and talents of older citizens to meet community needs.  
  • AmeriCorps (including AmeriCorps*State and National; AmeriCorps*VISTA; and AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps): Provides opportunities for Americans to make an ongoing, intensive commitment to service.  
  • Social Innovation Fund: The Social Innovation Fund (SIF) is a new way of doing business for the federal government that stands to yield greater impact on urgent national challenges. The Social Innovation Fund targets millions in public-private funds to expand effective solutions across three issue areas: economic opportunity, healthy futures, and youth development and school support. This work will directly impact thousands of low-income families and create a catalog of proven approaches that can be replicated in communities across the country.  
  • Special Initiatives include: United We Serve/Serve.gov; Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service; President’s Volunteer Service Award; etc.  
| State Service Commission                                               | Judd Jeansonne  
Louisiana Serve Commission  
701 N. 4th Street, 4th Floor  
Baton Rouge, LA 70801–1306  
Phone: 225-342-2038  
Fax: 225-342-0106  
Email: jeansonne@crt.la.gov  
Website: http://www.volunteerlouisiana.gov  
| Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property                              | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations – with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status – with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include:  
  • Undeveloped land;  
  • Office buildings;  
  • Warehouses;  
  • Commercial and industrial facilities;  
  • Military holdings; and  
  • Single- and multi-family residences.  
Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use.  
| David R. Stinson  
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Washington, DC. 20405-0001  
202-208-0324 / 202-501-0084  
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Region 7 – Greater Southwest (includes Louisiana)  
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Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration  
819 Taylor Street, Room 11409  
Fort Worth, TX 76102  
817-978-3856  
Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov  
| http://gsa.gov/portal/content/102015                                  |
| Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program                             | • Acquisition of eligible equipment, including: computer hardware and software, audio and video equipment, computer network components, terminal equipment, data terminal equipment, inside wiring, interactive video equipment, and other facilities that further DLT services;  
• Acquisition of instructional programming; and  
• Acquisition of technical assistance and/or instruction for using eligible equipment.  
| Sam Morgan  
(202) 720-0665  
sam.morgan@wdc.usda.gov  
dltinfo@wdc.usda.gov  
| http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/utp_dlt.html                              |
| Donation of Federal Surplus Personal Property                         | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully utilizing the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes – such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes; (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs).  
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Louisiana Federal Property Assistance Agency  
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<td>Economic Adjustment Assistance Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To respond to the short- and long-term effects of severe economic dislocation events on communities. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: Categorical project economic adjustment grants (usually funded from supplemental appropriations) for planning, technical assistance, revolving loan funds, and infrastructure construction to assist affected communities in accelerating economic recovery and implementing strategic actions to reduce the risk of economic damage and loss in commercial and industrial areas from future disasters. Economic Adjustment Assistance grants are intended to enhance a distressed community’s ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas. Current investment priorities include proposals that: (a) enhance the competitiveness of regions in the global economy by supporting existing industry clusters, developing emerging new clusters, or attracting new regional economic drivers; (b) support technology-led economic development and reflect the important role of linking universities and industry and technology transfers; and (c) advance community- and faith-based social entrepreneurship in redevelopment strategies for regions of chronic economic distress. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Applicable cost-share requirements for economic adjustment assistance are set forth in current EDA regulations for grant rate eligibility (13 CFR 301.4). Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project. Project may receive an additional amount that shall not exceed 30 percent, however – up to a total of 80 percent of total project cost – based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located, as determined by EDA. In the case of EDA investment to an Indian tribe, state (or political subdivision of a state), or nonprofit organization that the Assistant Secretary determines has exhausted its effective borrowing capacity, the Assistant Secretary has the discretion to establish a maximum EDA investment rate of up to 100 percent of the total project cost.</td>
<td>Headquarters Office: Kerstin Millius 1401 Constitution Ave, N.W. Room 71030, Washington, District of Columbia 20230 202-482-3280 <a href="mailto:kmillius@eda.gov">kmillius@eda.gov</a> Regional Office: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers 500 Poydras Street, Room 1025 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-589-4179 504-589-4178 <a href="mailto:pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov">pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov</a></td>
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<td>Economic Development Technical Assistance</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: EDA oversees three technical assistance programs (National, Local, and University Center) that promote economic development and alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and out-migration in distressed regions. These programs provide grants or cooperative agreements to: (1) invest in institutions of higher education to establish and operate University Centers to provide technical assistance to public and private sector organizations with the goal of enhancing local economic development; (2) support innovative approaches to stimulate economic development in distressed regions; (3) disseminate information and studies of economic development issues of national significance; and (4) finance feasibility studies and other projects leading to local economic development.</td>
<td>Headquarters Office: Philip Saputo 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 71030 Washington, District of Columbia 20230 (202) 482-0662 <a href="mailto:psaputo@eda.gov">psaputo@eda.gov</a> Regional Office: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers 500 Poydras Street, Room 1025 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-589-4179 504-589-4178 <a href="mailto:pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov">pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov</a></td>
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<td>Entergy Charitable Foundation (ECF)</td>
<td>The goal of the Entergy Charitable Foundation (ECF) is to support initiatives that help create and sustain thriving communities. ECF has a special focus on low-income initiatives, as well as educational and literary programs. Funding is provided in two areas: • Low-income Initiatives and Solutions: Seeks programs that provide for innovative and measurable ways to positively impact families and their ability to support those most vulnerable – the children and the elderly. Such programs may include, but are not limited to: o Sustaining families and self-sufficiency; o Technical assistance and training for nonprofits; o Housing; o Energy management and awareness; and o Innovative use and promotion of alternative sources of energy. • Education and Literacy: Seeks to create an environment where every individual has basic reading and writing skills.</td>
<td>Entergy Louisiana (excluding New Orleans) Nicole Griffe Post Office Box 61000 639 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, LA 70161 225-381-5854 <a href="mailto:NGRILLE@entergy.com">NGRILLE@entergy.com</a></td>
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<td>Entergy Corporation</td>
<td>Entergy’s Corporate Giving programs include cash as well as in-kind contributions that address myriad community needs: arts and culture; community improvement and enrichment; education and literacy; the environment; and healthy families. • Open Grants: Focus on improving communities as a whole with grants in the areas of arts and culture; community improvement/enrichment; education and literacy; the environment; and healthy families. • Micro Grants: Provide up to $1,000 in the areas of arts and culture; community improvement/enrichment; economic development; education/literacy; environment; and healthy families. • Matching Educational Gifts: Offers Entergy full-time employees and retirees the opportunity to assist the accredited universities, colleges, or secondary schools of their choice. Entergy will match employee contributions from $25 to $3,000 annually for high schools, colleges, and universities. • The Power to Care: Makes it possible for local nonprofit agencies to provide emergency bill payment assistance to seniors and disabled individuals in crisis. • Economic Development: Works with local governments, nonprofits, and businesses to provide access to physical facility data to assist in recruiting new businesses and future development</td>
<td>Entergy Corporation Post Office Box 61000 New Orleans, LA 70161 504-576-6980</td>
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<td>Environmental Research and Education Foundation (EREF)</td>
<td>The EREF is the only private, grant making institution with a national and international scope whose sole mission is to support solid waste research and education initiatives. Our research grants program is led by our Research Council, a body of volunteers consisting of technical experts in industry, academia, and consulting. The work of the Council is guided by a long range strategic plan with the goal to achieve greater sustainability, good environmental stewardship, higher process efficiency, and increased knowledge. Council recommended projects are then screened by our Board’s Projects Committee for a final review and funding allocation. Non-research oriented projects are reviewed and recommended to the Projects Committee by technical staff. Annually, the foundation develops an Annual Research Agenda. Based on this agenda, they will request proposals.</td>
<td>Bryan F. Staley, Ph.D., P.E. President and Chief Executive Officer Environmental Research and Education Foundation 3301 Benson Drive, Suite 301 Raleigh, NC 27609 919-861-6876, ext. 102 <a href="mailto:proposals@erefdn.org">proposals@erefdn.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.erefdn.org">http://www.erefdn.org</a>.</td>
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<td>Intercultural Center for Research in Education</td>
<td>The Intercultural Center for Research in Education (ICRE) is dedicated to research, development, and technical assistance with the purpose of promoting quality and equity of education in the United States and internationally through projects that integrate humanitarian education, science, technology, and education for the preservation of life on our planet. Specialized curriculum and publications are available through the website.</td>
<td>The Intercultural Center for Research in Education 366 Massachusetts Avenue, 2ND Floor Arlington, MA 02474 781-645-2142 <a href="mailto:mail@incre.org">mail@incre.org</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Community Development Authority</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Community Development Authority (LCDA) is a group of local governments, created for the purpose of assisting local governments with their financial needs.</td>
<td>Ty Carlos, Executive Director Louisiana Community Development Authority 8712 Jefferson Highway, Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70809-2233 225-924-6150 <a href="mailto:ty.carlos@louisianacda.com">ty.carlos@louisianacda.com</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide assistance for the development of viable communities by providing a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. OCD administers four program areas for distribution of these funds:  • Public Facilities: This is the largest area of funding with its own annual set of priorities. See individual profile in this Resource Guide.  • Economic Development: To provide grants to local governments to make loans to businesses for job creation or retention projects and/or to provide grants to local governments for infrastructure improvements which will facilitate the location of a particular business.  • Demonstrated Needs: To alleviate critical/urgent needs involving improvements to existing water, wastewater, and gas systems.  • LaSTEP: To fund one or more water and/or wastewater projects utilizing CDBG funds for materials, engineering, and administrative costs in conjunction with local resources.</td>
<td>Carol M. Newton Louisiana Office of Community Development Post Office Box 94095 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095 225-342-7412 <a href="mailto:Carol.Newton@lla.gov">Carol.Newton@lla.gov</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Public Facilities Authority</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority is a financing authority created as a public trust and public corporation by the Public Facilities Corporation pursuant to an indenture of trust. The State of Louisiana is the beneficiary of that trust. The LPFA has the ability to issue both taxable and tax-exempt bonds to finance everything from educational facilities to hospital, student loans, industrial and economic development projects and essential programs for state and local governmental units.  • Private Activity/Industrial Development Bonds: Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds may be issued for companies or projects within the parameters of current Federal law, mainly companies building or acquiring facilities used to manufacture tangible personal property and other related facilities, and for exempt facilities and nonprofit 501(c)(3) entities. No more than 25 percent of the tax-exempt bond can be used for the purchase of land.  • Zero Interest Local Government Bond Bank Program: Local government officials work with local banks to obtain the most favorable loan rates. The LPFA provides 15 percent of the total borrowing at zero interest.  • Rural Development Zero Interest Loan Program: In many cases, community projects slated for Rural Development financing, such as sewer systems, water treatment plants and other construction projects, need interim financing before receiving permanent financing from USDA Rural Development. LPFA provides up to 20 percent of those interim funds at zero percent interest, in partnership with local financial institutions which provide the remainder of the financing.  • Economic and Capital Facilities Pooled Loans: Entities are joined together in one shared borrowing and the individual entities benefit through lower costs of issuance and lower interest rates. This is available for both public and nonprofit institutions under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal tax code.</td>
<td>Martin Walke, Vice President of Economic Development Louisiana Public Facilities Authority 2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 650 Baton Rouge, LA 70808 225-923-0020</td>
<td><a href="http://www.lpfia.com/">http://www.lpfia.com/</a></td>
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<td>Plum Creek Foundation</td>
<td>The Plum Creek Foundation supports organizations that improve the quality of life and provide services to residents in the communities where Plum Creek operates. The foundation focuses on four areas or types of organizations when considering grant requests:  • Community: Organizations that improve the quality of life and provide services that might not otherwise be available to residents in the communities where the company operates.  • Education: Educational programs and organizations that enhance learning experiences for students of all ages and help kids become self-sufficient and productive within their communities.  • Environment: Organizations that promote environmental stewardship and awareness, as well as those that teach environmental education.  • Arts: Organizations that creatively deliver quality arts and performance programs.</td>
<td>Corporate Headquarters Plum Creek 601 Union Street, Suite 3100 Seattle, WA 98101 Phone: (206) 467-3600 or (800) 858-5347 Fax: (206) 467-3795 <a href="mailto:info@plumcreek.com">info@plumcreek.com</a></td>
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| **USDA Food Distribution Programs** | To improve the diets of school and preschool children, the elderly, needy persons in charitable institutions, and other individuals in need of food assistance, to increase the market for domestically produced foods acquired under surplus removal or price-support operations. Emergency distribution is authorized by the Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (P.L. 98-8). USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) administers the following programs:  
  • Commodity Processing;  
  • Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP);  
  • Department of Defense (DoD) Fresh Produce Program;  
  • Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR);  
  • Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP);  
  • Schools and Child Nutrition Commodity Programs (Schools/CNPs); and the  
  • Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). | NSLP, SFSP, TEFAP Contact:  
Mack Williams, Food Distribution Administrator  
Department of Agriculture & Forestry  
PO Box 3481  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3481  
Tel: (225) 922-1319  
Fax: (225) 237-5819  
Email: mwilliams@ldaf.state.la.us  
CSFP Contact:  
Tamara Dangerfield, CSFP Manager  
Office of Public Health/Nutrition Services  
628 North 4th Street, Bin #4  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802  
Tel: 225-342-8254  
| **Verizon Foundation** | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Core initiatives of the Verizon Foundation include:  
  • Education and Literacy – Innovative programs to improve literacy and strengthen educational achievement for children and adults.  
  • Safety and Health – Initiatives that help prevent domestic violence and improve access to healthcare information and services.  
  • Sustainability: Seek to educate communities about smarter energy management and carbon footprint reduction practices.  
The Verizon Disaster Relief Incentive Program (DRIP) provides eligible employees with the opportunity to earn up to a maximum of $1,000 per year in matching funds, matched 1:1, to qualifying disaster relief organizations for natural disasters that include floods, hurricanes, fires, and other extraordinary human disaster events. | Regional Contact  
Robin Hamilton  
Community Relations  
Verizon Foundation  
106 East College Avenue, Suite 710  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
| **Vulcan Materials Company Foundation** | The foundation supports many types of worthwhile organizations – such as United Way – that enhance the quality of life in Vulcan’s communities. Additionally, the Foundation has defined its vision and identified three distinct focus areas:  
  • Working with schools;  
  • Supporting environmental stewardship; and  
  • Encouraging employee involvement.  
A major focus of the foundation is to play a part in maintaining or improving the quality of life and standard of living through the support of education. The foundation also supports the philosophy that economic development and environmental stewardship have common goals. Responsible economic growth provides the resources necessary to be a good steward of the environment, while this stewardship helps to sustain growth. Special consideration will be given to proposals that integrate two or more of the three focus areas. | Vulcan Materials Company Foundation  
P.O. Box 385014  
Birmingham, AL 35238-5014  
| **Wal-Mart Foundation** | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Wal-Mart Foundation strives to provide opportunities that improve the lives of individuals in our communities including our customers and associates. Through financial contributions, in-kind donations, and volunteering, the Wal-Mart Foundation supports initiatives focused on enhancing opportunities in our four main focus areas:  
  • Hunger relief and healthy eating;  
  • Sustainability;  
  • Women’s Economic Empowerment; and  
  • Career opportunity.  
Current Focus on Hunger Relief: Wal-Mart and the Wal-Mart Foundation made a $2 billion commitment through 2015 to hunger relief efforts in the U.S. in order to support the record 1 in 6 Americans who do not know where their next meal is coming from. As hunger relief is now an integral part of the foundation’s work, the foundation seeks to fund initiatives that integrate hunger relief into the main focus areas listed above.  
The Wal-Mart Foundation has a particular interest in supporting the following populations: veterans and military families, traditionally underserved groups, the disability community and people impacted by natural disasters. When disasters strike, they can have a tremendous impact on a community. Fast, reliable access to vital supplies can make all the difference in areas that are facing overwhelming damage and destruction. Wal-Mart has the unique ability to draw from both its resources and its logistics network to distribute relief supplies to communities in need immediately after a disaster takes place. | Wal-Mart Foundation  
702 SW 8th Street  
Bentonville, AR 72716  
800-530-9925  
chairrec@wal-mart.com | [http://foundation.walmart.com/](http://foundation.walmart.com/) |
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| Wild Ones: Seeds for Education | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Gives small monetary grants to schools, nature centers, or other nonprofit educational organizations for the purpose of establishing outdoor learning centers and/or community nature areas. The use of, and teaching about, native plants and the native-plant community is mandatory, and the native plants must be appropriate to the local eco-region and the site conditions (soil, water, sunlight). Examples of appropriate projects are:  
- Design, establishment and maintenance of a native plant community such as prairie, woodland, wetland, etc., in an educational setting such as an outdoor classroom.  
- Developing and maintaining an interpretive trail landscaped with native plant communities.  
- Developing a wetland area to study the effect of native vegetation on water quality improvement. | Mark Charles, Grants Coordinator  
Wild Ones SPE  
Post Office Box 1274  
Appleton, Wisconsin  
54912  
920-730-3986 / 877-394-9453  
sfedirector@for-wild.org | http://www.wildones.org/seedmoney.html |
| Environmental | Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Foundational Program | Elfre Baldwin  
Title: Management and Policy Officer  
Unit: Institute of Food Production and Sustainability  
Location: 3444 Waterfront Centre  
Full Address and Directions  
Phone: (202) 401 - 4891  
Fax: (202) 401 - 1782  
Email: ebaldwin@nifa.usda.gov  
Related Funding Opportunities: Foundational Program, AFRI | http://www.nifa.usda.gov/fo/foundationalprogramafr.cfm |
| Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Water for Agriculture Challenge Area | Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Foundation Program  
The AFRI Foundational Program is designed to support research grants in the six AFRI priority areas to continue building a foundation of knowledge critical for solving current and future societal challenges. The six priority areas are:  
- Plant Health and Production and Plant Products;  
- Animal Health and Production and Animal Products;  
- Food Safety, Nutrition, and Health;  
- Renewable Energy, Natural Resources, and Environment;  
- Agriculture Systems and Technology;  
- Agriculture Economics and Rural Communities.  
Single-function Research Projects, multi-function Integrated Projects and Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement (FASE) Grants are expected to address one of the Program Area Priorities (see Foundational Program RFA for details) | James P Dobrowolski  
Title: National Program Leader  
Unit: Division of Environmental Systems  
Location: 3130 Waterfront Centre  
Full Address and Directions  
Phone: (202) 401 - 5016  
Fax: (202) 401 - 1706  
Email: jpdbrowolski@nifa.usda.gov | http://www.nifa.usda.gov/fo/waterforagricultureafri.cfm |
| Beach Erosion Control Projects | Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Water for Agriculture  
NIFA initiates a new challenge area to address critical water resources issues such as drought, excess soil moisture, flooding, quality and others in an agricultural context. Funding will be used to develop management practices, technologies, and tools for farmers, ranchers, forest owners and managers, public decision makers, public and private administrators, and citizens to improve water resource quantity and quality. NIFA’s approach will address research needs in economic, economic, and behavioral sciences with traditional biophysical sciences and engineering to address regional-scale issues with shared hydrological processes and meteorological and basin characteristics. Special Notation | Lee Tew  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
441 G. Street NW  
Washington, DC 20314-1000  
202-761-1504  
Donnie.L.Tew@usace.army.mil  
hq-publicaffairs@usace.army.mil | http://www.cfsda.gov/index?view=program&mode=form&tab=core&id=6228e90d599c802d52480e6b1d55e31b0 |
| Climate and Large-Scale Dynamics | To control beach and shore erosion to public shores through projects not specifically authorized by Congress. Project planning is accomplished through a feasibility study or under the Continuing Authorities Program (CAP). Under the feasibility study, the first $100,000 of the study is federally funded by USACE. The remainder of the study’s costs is shared 50/50 between USACE and the non-federal sponsor. Local costs for projects authorized using the feasibility process are based on the public use and ownership of the beach protected. Local cost participation requirements for CAP projects are similar to those tailored through the feasibility study except that federal participation cannot exceed $2 million. | Anjuli S. Bamzai  
abamzai@nsf.gov  

The goals of the Program are to: (i) advance knowledge about the processes that force and regulate the atmosphere’s synoptic and planetary circulation, weather and climate, and (ii) sustain the pool of human resources required for excellence in synoptic and global atmospheric dynamics and climate research.  
Research topics include theoretical, observational and modeling studies of the general circulation of the stratosphere and troposphere; synoptic scale weather phenomena; processes that govern climate; the causes of climate variability and change; methods to predict climate variations; extended weather and climate predictability; development and testing of parameterization of physical processes; numerical methods for use in large-scale weather and climate models; the assembly and analysis of instrumental and/or modeled weather and climate data; data assimilation studies; development and use of climate models to diagnose and simulate climate and its variations and change.  
Some Climate and Large Scale Dynamics (CLD) proposals address multidisciplinary problems and are often co-reviewed with other NSF programs, some of which, unlike CLD, use panels in addition to mail reviewers, and thus have target dates or deadlines. Proposed research that spans in substantive ways topics appropriate to programs in other divisions at NSF, e.g., ocean sciences, ecological sciences, hydrological sciences, geography and regional sciences, applied math and statistics, etc., must be submitted at times consistent with target dates or deadlines established by those programs. If it’s not clear whether your proposed research is appropriate for co-review, please contact CLD staff (listed above) or the potential co-reviewing program staff (including but not limited to)
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Sustainability Science and Engineering

Cyber-Innovation for Sustainability Science and Engineering

Decision, Risk and Management Sciences

Division of Environmental Biology (DEB) Core Programs

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activities include biodiversity, phylogenetic systematics, molecular evolution, life history evolution, natural selection, ecology, biogeography, ecosystem structure, function and services, conservation biology, global change, and biogeochmical cycles. Research on organismal origins, functions, relationships, interactions, and evolutionary history may incorporate field, laboratory, or collection-based approaches; observational or manipulative experiments; synthesis activities; as well as theoretical approaches involving analytical, statistical, or computational modeling.
Donation of Federal Surplus Personal Property

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully reutilizing the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes—such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs).

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Emergency Watershed Protection Program

ACTIVATING MECHANISM: An emergency is considered to exist when a watershed is suddenly impaired by floods, fire, drought, or other natural causes that result in the endangerment of life and property from flood, erosion, or sediment discharge.

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist sponsors in implementing emergency recovery measures for run-off retardation and erosion prevention. To relieve imminent hazards to life and property created by a natural disaster that causes a sudden impairment of a watershed. To provide technical and financial assistance in carrying out recovery works of improvement. Technical assistance is provided in designing and installing watershed recovery measures. Financial assistance is provided for sharing costs of recovery measures.

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Environmental Health Sciences Core Centers

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications from qualified institutions for support of Environmental Health Sciences Core Centers (EHS CC). An EHS CC is designed to establish leadership and support for programs of excellence in environmental health sciences by providing scientific guidance, technology, and career development opportunities for promising investigators. A Core Center Grant is an institutional award to support centralized scientific resources and facilities shared by investigators with existing research projects. By providing structure and resources, this support is intended to enhance the ability of scientists working in the field of environmental health sciences to identify and capitalize on emerging opportunities that will translate into advances improving the understanding of the relationships among environmental exposures, human biology, and disease.

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Environmental Research and Education Foundation (EREF)

The EREF is the only private, grant making institution with a national and international scope whose sole mission is to support solid waste research and education initiatives. Our research grants program is led by our Research Council, a body of volunteers consisting of technical experts in industry, academia, and consulting. The work of the Council is guided by a long range strategic plan with the goal to achieve greater sustainability, good environmental stewardship, higher process efficiency, and increased knowledge. Council recommended projects are then screened by our Board's Projects Committee for a final review and funding allocation. Non-research oriented projects are reviewed and recommended to the Projects Committee by technical staff. Annually, the foundation develops an Annual Research Agenda. Based on this agenda, they will request proposals.

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Expeditions in Computing

The far-reaching impact and rate of innovation in the computing and information disciplines has been remarkable, generating economic prosperity and enhancing the quality of life for people throughout the world.

The Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) has created the Expeditions in Computing (Expeditions) program to provide the CISE research and education community with the opportunity to pursue ambitious, fundamental research agendas that promise to define the future of computing and information.

In planning Expeditions projects, investigators are encouraged to come together within or across departments or institutions to combine their creative talents in the identification of compelling, transformative research agendas that promise disruptive innovations in computing and information for many years to come.

Funded at levels up to $2,000,000 per year for five years, Expeditions represent some of the largest single investments currently made by the directorate. Together with the Science and Technology Centers CISE supports, Expeditions form the centerpiece of the directorate’s center-scale award portfolio. With awards funded at levels that promote the formation of research teams, CISE recognizes that concurrent research advances in multiple fields or sub-fields are often necessary to stimulate deep and enduring outcomes. The awards made in this program will complement research areas supported by other CISE programs, which target particular computing or information disciplines or fields.

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<td>Extension Service Post-Crisis Education and Assistance</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide post-crisis education and assistance to individuals, families, farm operators, small businesses, rural communities, and local leadership in the immediate aftermath of a disaster. The Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service (CSREES), through the land grant universities, also provides educational programs useful in preparing for impending crisis; these programs are the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN). EDEN is part of a national effort through the Cooperative Extension System to reduce the impact of natural and human-made disasters. EDEN links all Land-Grant Universities and county Cooperative Extension Educators so they may share resources to help individuals and communities prepare for and recover from disasters. The EDEN website is a portal to information on preparing for and recovering from disasters and emergencies that are relevant to residents of all fifty states and U.S. territories. EDEN is supported by a grant from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) to Purdue University. Purdue subcontracts management and hosting of the website to the LSU AgCenter. Principally supported by NIFA funds, EDEN takes a collaborative approach to produce educational materials, learning modules, workshops, and information campaigns.</td>
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<td>Fish and Wildlife Service Research Grants (Generic)</td>
<td>To assist in the conservation of the nation's natural resources by providing financial assistance for land management, research, and data collection/analysis to further the preservation of natural resources. Research grants will be used for improving scientific support for natural resource management, to enhance public awareness and understanding of natural resource conservation and preservation. Projects may include land management practices; literature research, data/information analysis and dissemination improving scientific support for natural resource management.</td>
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<td>Flood Mitigation Assistance Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant program provides funding so that cost-effective measures are taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insured under the NFIP. The long-term goal of FMA is to reduce or eliminate claims under the NFIP through mitigation activities. Three types of FMA grants are available to states and communities: • Planning Grants to prepare Flood Mitigation Plans. Only NFIP-participating communities with approved Flood Mitigation Plans can apply for FMA Planning Grants. • Project Grants to implement measures to reduce flood losses – such as elevation, acquisition, or relocation of NFIP-insured structures. States are encouraged to prioritize FMA funds for applications that include repetitive loss properties; these include structures with two or more losses each with a claim of at least $1,000 within any ten-year period since 1978. • Management Cost Grants for the state to help administer the FMA program and activities. Up to ten percent (10%) of project grants may be awarded to states for Management Cost Grants. Eligible activities under this program include: acquisition and relocation of at-risk structures and the conversion of property to open space; elevation of existing structures to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) or an ABFE Advisory Base Flood Elevation (ABFE) or higher; minor physical localized flood control projects; and dry floodproofing (historic properties only).</td>
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<td>Gap Analysis Program (GAP)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Gap Analysis Program (GAP) is an element of the U.S. Geological Survey. It is used to implement the Department of Interior’s goals of inventory, monitoring, research, and information transfer. GAP has three primary goals: • To identify conservation gaps that help keep common species common; • To provide conservation information to the public so that informed resource management decisions can be made; and • To facilitate the application of GAP data and analysis to specific resource management activities. To implement these goals, GAP carries out the following objectives: • Map the land cover of the United States; • Map predicted distributions of vertebrate species for the U.S.; • Map the location, ownership and stewardship of protected areas; • Document the representation of vertebrate species and land cover types in areas managed for the long-term maintenance of biodiversity; • Provide this information to the public and those entities charged with land use research, policy, planning, and management; and • Build institutional cooperation in the application of this information to state and regional management activities. GAP conducts national as well as regional and state projects, utilizing cooperative efforts among federal, state, and regional agencies, and private organizations.</td>
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<td>Habitat Conservation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide grants and cooperative agreements for habitat conservation activities including coastal and marine habitat restoration and protection. Funds can be used by recipients to support a wide variety of habitat restoration, coral reef conservation, construction, management, public education activities, and research for marine and estuarine habitats – especially for species currently under, or proposed for, federal or inter-jurisdictional management. Restoration includes, but is not limited to, activities that contribute to the return of degraded or altered marine, estuarine, coastal, and freshwater (diadromous fish) habitats to a close approximation of their function prior to disturbance. Habitat restoration activities that produce significant ecological habitat features to create buffers or “green infrastructure” that serve to protect coastal communities from sea level rise, coastal storms and flooding, or that provide adaption to climate change are also included.</td>
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<td>Hydrologic Sciences</td>
<td>The Hydrologic Sciences Program focuses on the fluxes of water in the environment that constitute the water cycle as well as the mass and energy transport function of the water cycle in the environment. The Program supports studying processes from rainfall to runoff to infiltration and streamflow; evaporation and transpiration; as well as the flow of water in soils and aquifers and the transport of suspended, dissolved and colloidal components. Water is seen as the mode of coupling among various components of the environment and emphasis is placed on how the coupling is enabled by the water cycle and how it functions as a process. The Hydrologic Sciences Program retains a strong focus on linking the fluxes of water and the components carried by water across the boundaries between various interacting components of the terrestrial system and the mechanisms by which these fluxes co-organize over a variety of timescales and/or alter the fundamentals of the interacting components. The Program is also interested in how water interacts with the solid phase, the landscape and the ecosystem as well as how such interactions and couplings are altered by land use and climate change. Studies may address aqueous geochemistry and solid phase interactions as well as physical, chemical, and biological processes as coupled to water transport. These studies commonly involve expertise from basic sciences and mathematics, and proposals may require joint review with related programs. The Hydrologic Sciences Program will also consider some synthesis activities.</td>
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<td>Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers Program (I/UCRC)</td>
<td>The Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers (I/UCRC) program develops long-term partnerships among industry, academic, and government. The centers are catalyzed by a small investment from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and are primarily supported by industry center members, with NSF taking a supporting role in the development and evolution of the center. Each center is established to conduct research that is of interest to both the industry members and the center faculty. An I/UCRC contributes to the nation’s research infrastructure base and enhances the intellectual capacity of the engineering and science workforce through the integration of research and education. As appropriate, an I/UCRC uses international collaborations to advance these goals within the global context.</td>
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<td>Land and Water Conservation Fund State Grant Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Program provides matching grants to states and local governments for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. The program is intended to create and maintain a nationwide legacy of high quality recreation areas and facilities and to stimulate non-federal investments in the protection and maintenance of recreation resources across the United States. LWCF has two components: a federal program that funds the purchase of land and water areas for conservation and recreation purposes; and a state matching grants program that provides funds to states for planning, developing, and acquiring land and water areas for state and local open space and natural resource protection, and recreation enhancement. The state-side 50/50 match program has been used by state and local governments to build and repair parks, hiking and riding trails, camping and picnic areas, ball fields, and to preserve priceless natural treasures and important historic sites.</td>
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<td>Long Term Research in Environmental Biology</td>
<td>The Long Term Research in Environmental Biology (LTREB) Program supports the generation of extended time series of data to address important questions in evolutionary biology, ecology, and ecosystem science. Research areas include, but are not limited to, the effects of natural selection or other evolutionary processes on populations, communities, or ecosystems; the effects of interspecific interactions that vary over time and space; population or community dynamics for organisms that have extended life spans and long turnover times; feedbacks between ecological and evolutionary processes; pools of materials such as nutrients in soils that turn over at intermediate to longer time scales; and external forcing functions such as climatic cycles that operate over long return intervals. The Program intends to support decadal projects. Funding for an initial, 5-year period requires submission of a preliminary proposal and, if invited, submission of a full proposal that includes a 15-page project description. Proposals for the second five years of support (renewal proposals) are limited to an eight-page project description and do not require a preliminary proposal. Continuation of an LTREB project beyond an initial ten year award will require submission of a new preliminary proposal that presents a new decadal research plan.</td>
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<td>MacroSystems Biology</td>
<td>The MacroSystems Biology: Research on Biological Systems at Regional to Continental Scales will support quantitative, interdisciplinary, systems-oriented research on biophysical processes and their complex interactions with climate, land use, and invasive species at regional to continental scales as well as planning, training, and development activities to enable groups to conduct MacroSystems Biology Research.</td>
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<td>National Cooperative Soil Survey</td>
<td>The National Cooperative Soil Survey (NCSS) is an effort of Federal and State agencies, universities, and professional societies to deliver science-based soil information. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) provides access to the largest natural resource information system in the world. NRCS has soil maps and data available online for more than 95 percent of the nation's counties. Web Soil Survey (<a href="http://wsoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov">http://wsoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov</a>) provides a single authoritative source of soil survey information and data. A soil survey is a detailed report on the soils of an area. The soil survey has maps with soil boundaries and photos, descriptions, and tables of soil properties and features. The purpose of the NCSS is to maintain up-to-date, published soil surveys (and soil survey data in other formats) of counties or other areas of comparable size for use by interested agencies, organizations, and individuals; and to assist in the use of this information to make land use and management decisions. The information for many regions is now available online.</td>
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<td>National Fish and Wildlife Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation supports hundreds of projects across the country – in grasslands, estuaries, mountain meadows, coral reefs, high desert, and coastal lalkepian – to protect and restore our nation's lands and waters. NFWF provides funding on a competitive basis to projects that sustain, restore, and enhance our nation's fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitats. Foundation grants address challenges facing key endangered, threatened, or declining species that are indicators for overall ecosystem health. These grants target birds, freshwater fish, wildlife and habitat, and marine and coastal ecosystems. Success in restoring these at-risk populations will demonstrate measurable progress in protecting crucial landscapes and watersheds. The foundation also targets specific conservation needs in restricted geographic areas through partnerships with federal agencies, corporations and others. Another important component of the foundation's approach to conservation investment is the Impact-Directed Environmental Account (IDEA) program. The IDEA program receives, manages, and disburses funds that originate from court orders, settlements of legal cases, regulatory permits, licenses, and restoration and mitigation plans. Through the IDEA program, the foundation acts as a neutral third-party fiduciary to manage funds for the benefit of government and private-sector stakeholders. The foundation works collaboratively with these partners to invest and grow designated monies while at the same time helping to ensure that the funds are applied to the most effective conservation and restoration projects.</td>
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<td>National Geospatial Program: Building the National Map</td>
<td>To organize, maintain, publish, and disseminate the geospatial baseline of the nation’s topography, natural landscape, and built environment through The National Map – a set of basic geospatial information provided as a variety of products and services; to foster a general understanding of broad geographic patterns, trends, and conditions through The National Atlas of the United States of America; and to increase the efficiency of the nation’s geospatial community by improving communications about geospatial data, products, services, projects, needs, standards, and best practices. Applications must be for data collection and research projects which are consistent with the objectives of the National Geospatial Program. The majority of funds are used to support new data collections that will enhance The National Map and The National Atlas of the United States of America, and to research new methods to use that data.</td>
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<td>National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council Challenge Cost-Share Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council works to improve America’s communities by recommending policies which: • Cultivate a public understanding and appreciation of the values and benefits derived from high quality tree plantings and the necessity for the proper techniques to maintain, conserve, and manage urban trees, community forests, and related resources; • Foster effective, self-sustaining municipal and volunteer community forestry programs; • Emphasize development of educational systems for competent training of people working in all aspects of community forestry; • Stimulate increased funding from traditional and non-traditional sources for planning and planting of high quality new trees, and care of our existing community trees and forests; • Encourage greatly expanded research into the problems of urban trees, forests, and the environment, and assure widespread distribution of results of research in useful and relevant formats; and • Promote private enterprise and homeowners as valuable partners in the preservation and management of urban trees and forests. By administering an annual program of cash grants to local organizations, NUCFAC helps local individuals and organizations implement urban forestry initiatives. Funding supports research and technology development; education, communication, and outreach; and creative/innovative projects.</td>
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<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: ONRR shares 37.5 percent of selected revenue with Gulf producing states and political subdivisions; payable annually during the year after receipt in accordance with federal and state laws. Funds may only be used for one or more of the following purposes: • Projects and activities for the purposes of coastal protection – including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetland losses; • Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources; • Implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan; • Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects; and/or • Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section. Limitation: Not more than 3 percent of amount received may be spent on planning assistance and compliance administrative costs.</td>
<td>Gregory J. Gould, Director Office of Natural Resources Revenue U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW, Mall Stop 4211 Washington, DC 20240 202-513-0600 <a href="mailto:Gregory.Gould@onrr.gov">Gregory.Gould@onrr.gov</a> Gulf of Mexico OCS Region &amp; Atlantic Activities 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd New Orleans, LA 70123-2394 Phone: 1-800-200-4853</td>
<td><a href="http://www.ONRR.gov">http://www.ONRR.gov</a> <a href="http://www.boem.gov/Revenue-Sharing/">http://www.boem.gov/Revenue-Sharing/</a></td>
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<td>Partners for Fish and Wildlife</td>
<td>To provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners and Native American Tribes interested in voluntarily restoring or otherwise improving native habitats for fish and wildlife on their lands. All projects must benefit federal trust species, involve on-the-ground habitat restoration, and be cost-effective. Specific criteria for reviewing and ranking projects were established in the national Partners policy, at <a href="http://www.fws.gov/policy/640fw1.html">http://www.fws.gov/policy/640fw1.html</a>. The program gives high priority to proposed projects that benefit the National Wildlife Refuge System, species at risk, conserve globally or nationally imperiled habitats; and reduce habitat fragmentation.</td>
<td>Southeast Region Dr. Ronnie J. Haynes Southeast Coordinator U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1875 GA 30345 404-679-7138 <a href="mailto:Ronnie_Haynes@fws.gov">Ronnie_Haynes@fws.gov</a> Louisiana Andy Decam U.S. Fish &amp; Wildlife Service 646 Cajundome Blvd., Suite 400 Lafayette, LA 70506 337-291-3119 FAX: 337-291-3139 <a href="mailto:Andrew_Decam@fws.gov">Andrew_Decam@fws.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fws.gov/partners/">http://www.fws.gov/partners/</a></td>
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<td>Partnership for Sustainable Communities</td>
<td>Sustainable communities are places that have a variety of housing and transportation choices, with destinations close to home. As a result, they tend to have lower transportation costs, reduce air pollution and storm water runoff, decrease infrastructure costs, preserve historic properties and sensitive lands, save people time in traffic, are more economically resilient, and meet market demand for different types of housing at different price points. Rural, suburban, and urban communities can all use sustainable community strategies and techniques to invest in healthy, safe, and walkable neighborhoods. These strategies will look different in each place depending on the community’s character, context, and needs, however. The partnership agencies periodically offer funding opportunities. When these grants are offered, they will be announced on <a href="http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov">www.sustainablecommunities.gov</a> and on <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>.</td>
<td>Office of Sustainable Communities U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20460 202-566-2878 <a href="mailto:smartgovern@epa.gov">smartgovern@epa.gov</a> <a href="mailto:sustainability@doj.gov">sustainability@doj.gov</a></td>
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<td>Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program Competitive Grants</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide funding support to states, tribes, territories, communities, and public colleges/universities for pre-disaster mitigation planning and projects – primarily addressing natural hazards. This program promotes implementation of activities designed to reduce injuries, loss of life, and damage/destruction to property from natural hazards. Hazard mitigation planning activities must primarily focus on natural hazards, but may also address hazards caused by manmade events. Either single or multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plans may be submitted for funding. Examples of eligible mitigation projects include: voluntary acquisition of real property for conversion to open space in perpetuity; relocation of public or private structure; elevation of existing public or private structures to avoid coastal or riverine flooding; structural and nonstructural retrofitting (e.g., storm shutters, hurricane clips, bracing systems) of existing public or private structures; construction of safe room (tornado and severe wind) for public and private structures that meet the FEMA construction criteria; vegetation management for natural dune restoration, wildfire, or snow avalanche; protective measures for utilities, water, and sanitary sewer systems and/or infrastructure; storm water management projects and localized flood control projects – such as certain ring levees, bank stabilization, and floodwall systems that are designed specifically to protect facilities that do not constitute a section of a larger flood control system.</td>
<td>Jeffrey Gering Louisana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 267-2516 Email: <a href="mailto:jeffrey.gering@la.gov">jeffrey.gering@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program">http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program</a></td>
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<td>Quiksilver Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Committed to benefiting and enhancing the quality of life for communities of people who reside in coastal communities by supporting environmental, educational, health, and youth-related projects. The Quiksilver Foundation provides funding to organizations and groups that have clearly defined their special need for our support.</td>
<td>Kathie Armstrong, Executive Director The Quiksilver Foundation 15202 Graham Street Huntington Beach, CA. 92649 714-889-7198 <a href="mailto:foundation@quiksilver.com">foundation@quiksilver.com</a></td>
<td><a href="http://the-quiksilver-initiative.com/Foundation">http://the-quiksilver-initiative.com/Foundation</a></td>
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<td>Science, Technology, and Society</td>
<td>STS considers proposals for scientific research into the interface between science (including engineering) or technology, and society. STS researchers use diverse methods including social science, historical, and philosophical methods. Successful proposals will be transferrable (i.e., generate results that provide insights for other scientific contexts that are similarly similar). They will produce outcomes that address pertinent problems and issues at the interface of science, technology and society, such as those having to do with practices and assumptions, ethics, values, governance, and policy. The STS review process is approximately six months. It includes appraisal of proposals by ad hoc reviewers selected for their expertise and by an advisory panel that meets twice a year. The deadlines for the submission of proposals are February 1st for proposals to be funded as early as July, and August 1st for proposals to be funded in or after January.</td>
<td>Frederick Kronz Program Director <a href="mailto:fkronz@nsf.gov">fkronz@nsf.gov</a> (703) 292-7283</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5324">http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5324</a></td>
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<td>Smart Growth: Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities</td>
<td>The Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities program seeks to provide technical assistance to communities on the use of a standardized set of tools used for the implementation of smart growth and sustainable community development approaches to protect the environment, improve public health, create jobs, expand economic opportunity, and improve overall quality of life. The Building Blocks program supports the priorities of the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, a collaborative effort among the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and EPA. The Partnership agencies coordinate federal investments in housing, transportation, and environmental protection to help communities become prosperous, healthy, environmentally sustainable, and rich in opportunities.</td>
<td>Kevin Nelson Office of Sustainable Communities Environmental Protection Agency 202-566-2835 <a href="mailto:Nelson.Kevin@epa.gov">Nelson.Kevin@epa.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/buildingblocks.htm">http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/buildingblocks.htm</a></td>
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<td>Specialty Crop Block Grant Program</td>
<td>Program is designed to establish new, and strengthen existing community forestry programs in Louisiana. The program strives to increase the number and diversity of individuals informed and involved in community forestry endeavors.</td>
<td>Michell Estay Director 47076 N. Morrison Blvd. Hammond, LA. 70401 985-345-9483 <a href="mailto:MEstay@lfdaf.state.la.us">MEstay@lfdaf.state.la.us</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.lfdaf.state.la.us/portal/Offices/AgricultureServices/CommodityPromotionAndResearch/SpecialtyCropsProgram/tabid/512/Default.aspx">http://www.lfdaf.state.la.us/portal/Offices/AgricultureServices/CommodityPromotionAndResearch/SpecialtyCropsProgram/tabid/512/Default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Support for the Scientific Research Activities for the DOI Climate Science Centers</td>
<td>The mission of the DOI Climate Science Centers is to provide natural and cultural resource managers with the tools and information they need to develop and execute management strategies that address the impacts of climate change on a broad range of natural and cultural resources. The Climate Science Centers (CSCs) provide scientific information, tools, and techniques that land, water, wildlife, and cultural resource managers and other interested parties can apply to anticipate, monitor, and adapt to climate change impacts. Much of the information and tools provided by the CSCs, including physical and biological research, ecological forecasting, and multi-scale modeling, will be in response to the landscape-level priority needs identified by the Landscape Conservation Cooperatives, as well as the cross-sector needs of other agencies and communities in the region. The managing entity for the DOI CSCs is the U.S. Geological Survey’s National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center (NCCWSC). The NCCWSC and CSCs are envisioned as integral parts of a climate science planning enterprise (NCCWSC-CSC enterprise). Together, the NCCWSC-CSC enterprise, Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (LCCs) and other management partners make up a broader climate science and conservation planning initiative. CSCs are located at partner universities and are often comprised of multi-institution consortia, including other universities, Tribal partners, and federal research labs.</td>
<td>Richard Heilemann, Procurement Analyst, 703-648-7304 <a href="mailto:rheilemann@usgs.gov">rheilemann@usgs.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppid=249321">http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppid=249321</a></td>
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<td><strong>U.S. Geological Survey – Research and Data Collection</strong></td>
<td>To support research complementary to USGS program efforts in classification of the public lands and examination of the geological structure, water, mineral, and biological resources, and products of the national domain. This entry covers a variety of USGS assistance awards not covered by any other CFDA program entries. Awards are typically supported by funding from external projects and programs, and funds are not separately budgeted or reserved for external projects or proposals under this entry. Applications must be for scientific research projects which are within the Survey’s area of responsibility. The majority of funds are used to support research that will enhance existing, long-term collaborative projects. Funds can be used for attendance at national conferences for the dissemination of project results. Further, conferences and symposia will be supported only if it is clear that equivalent results cannot be obtained at regular meetings of professional societies. Office furniture, office equipment, and foreign travel are not normally considered for support. Funds are set aside for discretionary activities.</td>
<td>Region (includes Louisiana) Office of Acquisitions and Grants U.S. Geological Survey Denver Federal Center Denver, CO 80225 303-236-9315</td>
<td><a href="http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/grants/">http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/grants/</a></td>
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<td><strong>Urban &amp; Community Forestry Grant Program</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Program is designed to establish new, and strengthen existing community forestry programs in Louisiana. The program strives to increase the number and diversity of individuals informed and involved in community forestry endeavors. Specific community forestry capacity building activities are being promoted nationwide. These include: • Employment of professional urban forestry staff at the community level, • Development of community forestry management plans based on resource assessments/inventories, • Development or strengthening of community forestry ordinances and policy, • Development or enhancement of local advocacy/advisory organizations. The Forest Service has also placed an emphasis on the five national Urban &amp; Community Forest program goals: • Minimize the impact on land use change and urbanization on forests, • Minimize the risk and impact of catastrophic events, • Protect and improve air and water quality, • Mitigate climate change, • Energy Conservation.</td>
<td>Whitney Wallace, Urban Forestry Program Director Louisiana Department of Agriculture &amp; Forestry Office of Forestry P.O. Box 1628 Baton Rouge, LA 70821 225-925-4500 <a href="mailto:wwallace@laf.state.la.us">wwallace@laf.state.la.us</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.ldaf.state.la.us/portal.Office/Forestry/InformationEducation/urbanForestry/UrbanCommunityForestGrantProgram/tabid/425/Default.aspx">http://www.ldaf.state.la.us/portal.Office/Forestry/InformationEducation/urbanForestry/UrbanCommunityForestGrantProgram/tabid/425/Default.aspx</a></td>
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<td><strong>Visitor Facility Enhancements – Refuges and Wildlife</strong></td>
<td>To provide technical and financial assistance to identify, protect, conserve, manage, enhance, or restore the ecological condition of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS) trust resources through work on and off NWRS lands. Funds may be used for approved activities that support the objectives of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS) including – but not limited to – performance of conservation work at landscape scales, both on and off Refuge System lands; and improvement of wildlife-dependent recreation for Refuge System visitors.</td>
<td>Assistant Director National Wildlife Refuge System U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 670 Arlington, VA 22203 703-358-1744 / 703-358-2517</td>
<td><a href="https://www.fws.gov/index3+program&amp;mode=for">https://www.fws.gov/index3+program&amp;mode=for</a> &amp;tab-core id=465830f304f248311b3a295a 14</td>
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<td><strong>Vulcan Materials Company Foundation</strong></td>
<td>The foundation supports many types of worthwhile organizations such as United Way – that enhance the quality of life in Vulcan’s communities. Additionally, the Foundation has defined its vision and identified three distinct focus areas: • Working with schools; • Supporting environmental stewardship; and • Encouraging employee involvement. A major focus of the foundation is to play a part in maintaining or improving the quality of life and standard of living through the support of education. The foundation also supports the philosophy that economic development and environmental stewardship have common goals. Responsible economic growth provides the resources necessary to be a good steward of the environment, while this stewardship helps to sustain growth. Special consideration will be given to proposals that integrate two or more of the three focus areas.</td>
<td>Vulcan Materials Company Foundation P.O. Box 385014 Birmingham, AL 35238-5014 <a href="mailto:giving@vmcmail.com">giving@vmcmail.com</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.vulcanmaterials.com/social-responsibility/community/vulcan-foundation">http://www.vulcanmaterials.com/social-responsibility/community/vulcan-foundation</a></td>
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<td><strong>Water Pollution Control Program Grants (Section 106)</strong></td>
<td>To assist states – including territories, the District of Columbia, and Indian tribes – and interstate agencies in establishing and maintaining adequate measures for prevention and control of surface and ground water pollution from both point and nonpoint sources. Water pollution control grants are intended to provide continuing support for the prevention and abatement of surface and ground water pollution from point and nonpoint sources. Continuing and recurrent water quality management program activities funded include water quality planning and standards; monitoring and assessments; inspections and enforcement; permitting; training; advice and assistance to local agencies; and public information. Funds cannot be used for construction, operation, or maintenance of waste treatment plants, nor can they be used for costs financed by other federal grants.</td>
<td>Robyn Delahanty Municipal Support Division Office of Wastewater Management (4201M) Environmental Protection Agency EPA East Building 1201 Constitution Avenue NW Washington, DC 20460 202-564-3880 / 202-564-0748 <a href="mailto:Delehanty.Robyn@epa.gov">Delehanty.Robyn@epa.gov</a> / <a href="mailto:OWM.Comments@epa.gov">OWM.Comments@epa.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/car/pollutionc">http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/car/pollutionc</a> ontrol.cfm</td>
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**Conservation Activities by Youth Service Organizations**

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To utilize qualified youth or conservation corps to carry out appropriate conservation projects which the Secretary is authorized to approve under other authority of law and federal grants. To work cooperatively with the NPS on cultural and natural resource related conservation projects such as trail development and maintenance, historic, cultural, forest and timber management, minor construction work, archaeological conservation, and native plant habitat restoration and rehabilitation. To promote and stimulate public purposes such as education, job training, development of responsible citizenship, productive community involvement, and further the understanding and appreciation of natural and cultural resources through the involvement of youth and young adults in care and enhancement of public resources. To continue the longstanding efforts of the NPS to provide opportunities for public service, youth employment, minority youth development and training, and participation of young adults in accomplishing conservation-related work. Funding is to be used by organizations to support youth career training and development in the areas of resource management, conservation, and cultural resources while working with the NPS to accomplish particular projects.

George McDonald, Youth Programs Manager Office of the Director National Park Service 12011 Street NW, 11th Floor Washington, DC 20220-513-7146 / 202-371-2263 George_McDonald@nps.gov v Southeast Region Stan Austin, Regional Director National Park Service 100 Alabama Street, SW 1924 Building Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 507-5600

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<td>Conservation Technical Assistance</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: NRCS and its partners deliver technical assistance through the voluntary Conservation Technical Assistance Program (CTA). CTA helps land users address opportunities, concerns, and problems related to the use of natural resources and to help land users make sound natural resource management decisions on private, Tribal, and other non-federal lands. The assistance may be in the form of resource assessment, conservation planning, practice design, resource monitoring, or follow-up of installed practices. Through its objectives and priorities, CTA aims to: • Reduce soil loss from erosion; • Solve soil, water quality, water conservation, air quality, and agricultural waste management problems; • Reduce potential damage caused by excess water and sedimentation or drought; • Enhance the quality of fish and wildlife habitat; • Improve the long term sustainability of all lands – including cropland, forestland, grazing lands, coastal lands, and developed and/or developing lands; and • Assist others in facilitating changes in land use as needed for natural resource protection and sustainability. Technical assistance is the help provided by NRCS, employees of other entities or agencies under the technical supervision of NRCS, to clients to address opportunities, concerns, and problems related to the use of natural resources. The CTA program does not include financial or cost-share assistance. Clients may develop conservation plans which may serve as a springboard for those interested in participating in USDA financial assistance programs. CTA planning can also serve as a door to financial assistance and easement conservation programs provided by other federal, state, and local programs. CTA is available to any group or individual interested in conserving natural resources and sustaining agricultural production in this country.</td>
<td>Dan D. Lawson National CTA &amp; Planning Team Leader U.S. Department of Agriculture / NRCS Post Office Box 2980 Washington, DC 20013 202-720-5322 <a href="mailto:Dan.Lawson@wdc.usda.gov">Dan.Lawson@wdc.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/technical/cta/">http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/technical/cta/</a></td>
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<td>Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations – with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status – with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include: • Undeveloped land; • Office buildings; • Warehouses; • Commercial and industrial facilities; • Military holdings; and • Single- and multi-family residences. Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use.</td>
<td>David R. Stinson Realty Specialist Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration 1800 F Street NW room 7300 Washington, DC. 20405-0001 202-208-0324 / 202-501-0884 <a href="mailto:David.Stinson@gsa.gov">David.Stinson@gsa.gov</a> Region 7 – Greater Southwest (includes Louisiana) Melvin Freeman, Director Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration 819 Taylor Street, Room 11409 Fort Worth, TX 76102 817-978-3856 <a href="mailto:Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov">Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://gsa.gov/portal/content/102015">http://gsa.gov/portal/content/102015</a></td>
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<td>Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property for Historic Monument Purposes (Historic Surplus Property Program)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To transfer Federal historic surplus properties – such as courthouses, office buildings and military structures – to state and local governments for historic preservation purposes. To be classified as “historic,” the properties must be listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places, which is maintained by the National Park Service. Properties transferred under the Historic Surplus Property Program may be adapted for new uses, but the associated rehabilitation work must meet the Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. The properties are conveyed at no cost, and recipients of these properties must commit the funds necessary to preserve and maintain them in perpetuity. The National Park Service is responsible for monitoring the properties to ensure that they are maintained and protected.</td>
<td>Gary Sachau Historic Surplus Property Program Technical Preservation Services National Park Service 1201 Eye Street, NW, 6th Floor Washington, DC 20005 202-354-2044 <a href="mailto:Gary_Sachau@nps.govY">Gary_Sachau@nps.govY</a> Southeast Region (includes Louisiana) Brian Coffey National Park Service Atlanta Federal Center 1924 Building100-Alabama Street SW Atlanta, GA 30303 404-507-5776 <a href="mailto:Brian_Coffey@nps.gov">Brian_Coffey@nps.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.nps.gov/tps/Historic-surplus.htm">http://www.nps.gov/tps/Historic-surplus.htm</a></td>
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<td>Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The goals of the program are: • To meet state and locally identified public outdoor recreation resource needs to strengthen the health and vitality of the people; • To increase the number of protected state and local outdoor recreation resources and to ensure their availability for public use in perpetuity. • To encourage sound planning and long-term partnerships to expand the quantity and to ensure the quality of needed state and local outdoor recreation resources. Projects should further a recreational goal identified by the most recent Louisiana Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCDORP) or in a local/regional comprehensive plan.</td>
<td>Division of Outdoor Recreation Office of State Parks Post Office Box 44426 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4426 225-342-8111</td>
<td><a href="http://www.crt.state.la.us/parks/outdoorsnoer.aspx">http://www.crt.state.la.us/parks/outdoorsnoer.aspx</a></td>
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<td>National Center for Preservation Technology and Training</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To develop and distribute preservation technologies and conservation skills for the identification, evaluation, conservation, and interpretation of prehistoric and historic resources; to develop and facilitate training for federal, state, and local resource preservation professionals, cultural resource managers, maintenance personnel, and others working in the preservation field; to apply preservation technology benefits from ongoing research by other agencies and institutions; to facilitate the transfer of preservation technology among federal agencies, state and local governments, universities, international organizations, and the private sector; and to cooperate with related international organizations for the benefit of cultural resource conservation in the United States and worldwide. Support for work in archeology, historic architecture, historic landscapes, objects and materials conservation is provided through cooperative agreements and the Preservation Technology and Training (PTT) Grants program. The grants program funds innovative projects that advance the application of science and technology to historic preservation. Projects that develop new technologies or adapt existing technologies to preserve cultural resources will also be considered for funding. Projects may include, but are not limited to: • Laboratory or field research that explores or assesses novel or adaptive methods; • Training activities, including workshops, and course or curriculum development that promote the use of new or adaptive technologies; • Documentation using new methods; • Manuscript, website, or social media development that disseminates innovative preservation technologies; and • Meetings that convene experts to discuss the use of technologies to address preservation problems. Disaster Recovery: Please reference the website (<a href="https://ncppt.nps.gov/articles/disasters/">https://ncppt.nps.gov/articles/disasters/</a>) for a list of resources, assembled to help people mitigate risks to cultural resources when faced with a disaster. Whether one needs to prepare for a disaster, mitigate damage after a disaster, or seeks the assistance of a conservator, these resources can help institutions with preparation and recovery efforts.</td>
<td>Hampton Tucker, Chief Heritage Preservation Grants Division National Park Service 1201 &quot;Eye&quot; Street NW (2256) Washington DC 20005 202-354-2020 / 202-354-2067 <a href="mailto:Hampton_Tucker@nps.gov">Hampton_Tucker@nps.gov</a> Dr. Mary F. Striegel, Chief Materials Conservation National Center for Preservation Technology and Training 645 University Parkway, Natchitoches, LA 71457 318-356-7444 <a href="mailto:Mary_Striegel@nps.gov">Mary_Striegel@nps.gov</a></td>
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<td>National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Created in 1965, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is an independent grant-making agency of the United States government, dedicated to supporting research, education, preservation, and public programs in the humanities. It is the largest funder of humanities programs in the United States. Agency Divisions include: • Bridging Cultures: A special endowment-wide initiative that highlights the role of the humanities in enhancing understanding and respect for diverse cultures and subcultures within America’s borders and around the globe. • Challenge Grants: Specializes in matching grants intended to inspire and augment fundraising by humanities institutions for the sake of their long-term stability. • Digital Humanities: Promotes the use of technology to ask new questions and sponsors efforts to show how new media and technology are reshaping traditional disciplines in the humanities. • Education: Works to support and strengthen teaching of the humanities by providing continuing studies opportunities to schoolteachers and college faculty, and promoting the development of coursework and curricula in the humanities. • Federal/State Partnership: Collaborates with fifty-six state and jurisdictional humanities councils to support local programs – including literacy campaigns, teacher development, cultural tourism, humanities publications, performances, speakers’ bureaus, films, and exhibitions. • Preservation and Access: Awards grants to help maintain cultural and historical collections, and supports efforts at archives, libraries, and museums to protect, catalog, and make available manuscripts, books, art, still and moving images, audio, material objects, and digital collections. • Public Programs: Supports projects that bring the humanities to large audiences through libraries and museums, television and radio, historic sites, and digital media. • Research: Makes awards to support original scholarship in all areas of the humanities, funding individuals as well as teams of researchers and institutions engaged in research, writing, editing projects, and publishing materials of historical or literary significance.</td>
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<td>National Heritage Area Federal Financial Assistance</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The purpose of designation as a National Heritage Area (NHA) is to preserve and interpret – for the educational and inspirational benefit of present and future generations – the unique and significant contributions to our national heritage of certain historic and cultural lands, waterways, and structures; to encourage a broad range of economic opportunities enhancing the quality of life within the designated area; and to provide a management framework to assist state/local government entities, nonprofits, and others in developing policies and programs that will preserve, enhance, and interpret the cultural, historical, natural, recreational, and scenic resources of the heritage area. NHAs are a grassroots, community-driven approach to heritage conservation and economic development. Through public-private partnerships, NHA entities support historic preservation, natural resource conservation, recreation, heritage tourism, and educational projects. NHAs are not national park units. Rather, NPS partners with, provides technical assistance, and distributes matching federal funds from Congress to NHA entities. NPS does not assume ownership of land inside heritage areas or impose land use controls.</td>
<td>Martha Raymond National Coordinator National Heritage Areas Program Office National Park Service 1201 &quot;Eye&quot; Street NW 6th Floor Washington DC 20005 202-354-2222 <a href="mailto:Martha_Raymond@nps.gov">Martha_Raymond@nps.gov</a> Southeast Region K. Lynn Berry, Coordinator National Heritage Areas Program National Park Service 100 Alabama Street SW 1924 Building Atlanta, GA 30303 404-507-5694 <a href="mailto:K_Lynn_Berry@nps.gov">K_Lynn_Berry@nps.gov</a></td>
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<td>National Trails System Projects</td>
<td>To preserve, protect, and develop the components of the National Trails System – with a strong emphasis on volunteer involvement – the Secretary of the Interior may enter into written cooperative agreements to operate, develop, and maintain any portion of such a trail either within or outside a federally administered area. The Secretary may provide financial assistance to encourage participation in the acquisition, protection, operation, development, or maintenance of such trails. The availability of discretionary funding is determined by individual trail offices each fiscal year.</td>
<td>Steve Ellinton National Trails Program Leader National Park Service 1849 C Street NW (Org. Code 2220) Washington, DC 20240 202-354-6938 / 202-354-6900 <a href="mailto:Steve_Ellinton@nps.gov">Steve_Ellinton@nps.gov</a></td>
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<td>ONRR GaMESA</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: ONRR shares 37.5 percent of selected revenue with Gulf producing states and political subdivisions; payable annually during the year after receipt in accordance with federal and state laws. Funds may only be used for one or more of the following purposes: a. Projects and activities for the purposes of coastal protection – including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetlands loss; b. Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources; c. Implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan; d. Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects; and/or e. Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section. Limitation: Not more than 3 percent of amount received may be spent on planning assistance and compliance administrative costs.</td>
<td>Gregory J. Gould, Director Office of Natural Resources Revenue U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop 4211 Washington, DC 20240 202-513-0600 <a href="mailto:Gregory.Gould@onrr.gov">Gregory.Gould@onrr.gov</a> Gulf of Mexico OCS Region &amp; Atlantic Activities 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70122-2394 Phone: 1-800-200-4853</td>
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<td>Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Planning Grant Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program supports metropolitan and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact. The Community Challenge Planning Grant Program focuses on individual jurisdictions and more localized planning. The program places a priority on investing in partnerships, including nontraditional partnerships (e.g., arts and culture, recreation, public health, food systems, regional planning agencies and public education entities) that: a. Translate the Federal Livability Principles into strategies that direct long-term development and reinvestment. b. Demonstrate a commitment to addressing issues of regional significance. c. Use data to set and monitor progress toward performance goals. d. Engage stakeholders and residents in meaningful decision-making roles. e. Foster reform and reduce barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital, and sustainable communities. Such efforts may include amending or replacing local master plans, zoning codes, and building codes – either on a jurisdiction-wide basis or in a specific neighborhood, district, corridor, or sector – to promote mixed-use development, affordable housing, the reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes, and similar activities with the goal of promoting sustainability at the local or neighborhood level. Support the development of affordable housing through the development and adoption of inclusionary zoning ordinances and other activities to support plan implementation.</td>
<td>Sunaree K. Marshall Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Grant Program U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street SW, Room 10180 Washington, DC 20410 202-402-6011 <a href="mailto:Sunaree.K.Marshall@hud.gov">Sunaree.K.Marshall@hud.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communityplanning/communitychallenge/program.htm?mode=for">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communityplanning/communitychallenge/program.htm?mode=for</a> mb&amp;tab=step1&amp;did=c58b048e5e8bc71e7b04ed21522125e20</td>
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<td>Visitor Facility Enhancements – Refuges and Wildlife</td>
<td>To provide technical and financial assistance to identify, protect, conserve, manage, enhance, or restore the ecological condition of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS) trust resources through work on and off NWRS lands. Funds may be used for approved activities that support the objectives of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS) including – but not limited to – performance of conservation work at landscape scales, both on and off Refuge System lands; and improvement of wildlife-dependent recreation for Refuge System visitors.</td>
<td>Assistant Director National Wildlife Refuge System U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 670 Arlington, VA 22203 703-358-1744 / 703-358-2517</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nps.gov/nt/docs/">http://www.nps.gov/nt/docs/</a></td>
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<td>Floodplain Mgmt</td>
<td>To control beach and shore erosion to public shores through projects not specifically authorized by Congress. Project planning is accomplished through a feasibility study or under the Continuing Authorities Program (CAP). Under the feasibility study, the first $100,000 of the study is federally funded by USACE. The remainder of the study's costs is shared 50/50 between USACE and the non-federal sponsor. Local costs for projects authorized using the feasibility process are based on the public use and ownership of the beach protected. Local cost participation requirements for CAP projects are similar to those authorized via the feasibility study except that federal participation cannot exceed 52 million.</td>
<td>Lee Tew U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 441 G. Street NW Washington, DC 20314-1000 202-761-1504 <a href="mailto:Donnie.L.Tew@usace.army.mil">Donnie.L.Tew@usace.army.mil</a> / <a href="mailto:hq_publicaffairs@usace.army.mil">hq_publicaffairs@usace.army.mil</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.usace.army.mil/infrastructure/infrastructureshare/100750072665.html">http://www.usace.army.mil/infrastructure/infrastructureshare/100750072665.html</a></td>
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| **Community Development Block Grants / States Program** | ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Non disaster-related formula program under which waivers may be provided to jurisdictions that have received a Presidential declaration of a major disaster under the Stafford Act. **PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities – principally for low- to moderate-income persons. | Stephen M. Rhodeside  
Office of Block Grant Assistance  
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202-402-7375  
| **Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property** | **PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations – with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status – with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include:  
• Undeveloped land;  
• Office buildings;  
• Warehouses;  
• Commercial and industrial facilities;  
• Military holdings; and  
• Single- and multi-family residences.  
Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use, public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use. | David R. Stinson  
Realty Specialist Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration  
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202-208-0324 / 202-501-0084  
David.Stinson@gsa.gov  
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Melvin Freeman, Director  
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Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov | http://gsa.gov/portal/content/102015 |
| **Donation of Federal Surplus Personal Property** | **PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully reutilizing the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes – such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs). | Sara Woods  
Joyce Spalding  
Property Disposal Specialist  
Utilization and Donation Program.Woods@gsa.gov  
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John Medica  
Assistant Director  
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| **Emergency Watershed Protection Program** | ACTIVATING MECHANISM: An emergency is considered to exist when a watershed is suddenly impaired by floods, fire, drought, or other natural causes that result in the endangerment of life and property from flood, erosion, or sediment discharge. **PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** To assist sponsors in implementing emergency recovery measures for run-off retardation and erosion prevention. To relieve imminent hazards to life and property created by a natural disaster that causes a sudden impairment of a watershed. To provide technical and financial assistance in carrying out recovery works of improvement. Technical assistance is provided in designing and installing watershed recovery measures. Financial assistance is provided for sharing costs of recovery measures. **COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS:** Sponsors must provide local match (25 percent, or 10 percent within limited resource areas) as cash or in-kind donations. Up to 75 percent of the construction costs of emergency measures may be paid for projects; 90 percent of the construction costs may be paid within limited resource areas. | Britt Paul  
Assistant State Conservationist for Water Resources  
U.S. Department of Agriculture / NRCS  
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Post Office Box 2880  
Alexandria, LA 71302  
Britt.Paul@la.usda.gov  
| **Flood Mitigation Assistance Program** | **PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant program provides funding so that cost-effective measures are taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insured under the NFIP. The long-term goal of FMA is to reduce or eliminate claims under the NFIP through mitigation activities. Three types of FMA grants are available to states and communities:  
• Planning Grants to prepare Flood Mitigation Plans. Only NFIP-participating communities with approved Flood Mitigation Plans can apply for FMA Planning Grants;  
• Project Grants to implement measures to reduce flood losses – such as elevation, acquisition, or relocation of NFIP-insured structures. States are encouraged to prioritize FMA funds for applications that include repetitive loss properties; these include structures with two or more losses each with a claim of at least $1,000 within any ten-year period since 1978.  
• Management Cost Grants for the state to help administer the FMA program and activities. Up to ten percent (10%) of project grants may be awarded to states for Management Cost Grants.  
Eligible activities under this program include: acquisition and relocation of at-risk structures and the conversion of property to open space; elevation of existing structures to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) or an ABE Advisory Base Flood Elevation (ABE) or higher; minor physical localized flood control projects; and dry floodproofing (historic properties only). | Jeffrey Giering  
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7667 Independence Blvd.  
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National Flood Insurance Program

To enable personal and business property owners and renters to purchase flood insurance coverage for buildings and/or contents in low-to-moderate flood risk areas, as well as in high-risk flood zones, to reduce taxpayer provided federal disaster assistance and to promote wise floodplain management practices in the nation’s high-risk flood zones.

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Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs (HMGP)

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide states and local governments financial assistance to implement measures that will permanently reduce or eliminate future damages and losses from natural hazards through safer building practices and improving existing structures and supporting infrastructure. Assistance can be used for the acquisition of real property, relocation, demolition of structures, seismic rehabilitation, or retrofitting of existing structures; strengthening of existing structures; initial implementation of vegetation management programs; initial training of architects, engineers, building officials, and other professionals to facilitate the implementation of newly adopted state or local mitigation standards and codes; elevation of residential structures; elevation or dry flood-proofing of non-residential structures; and other activities that bring a structure in compliance with the floodplain management requirements.

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Repellent Flood Claim (RFC)

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Provides funds on an annual basis for mitigation activities to reduce or eliminate the risk of flood damage to individual properties insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) that have one or more claim payments for flood damages. RFC provides up to 100 percent federal funding for projects in communities that meet the reduced capacity requirements.

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PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: ONRR shares 37.5 percent of selected revenue with Gulf producing states and political subdivisions; payable annually during the year after receipt in accordance with federal and state laws. Funds may only be used for one or more of the following purposes:

- Projects and activities for the purposes of coastal protection – including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetland losses;
- Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources;
- Implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan;
- Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects; and/or
- Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section.

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National Geospatial Program: Building the National Map

To organize, maintain, publish, and disseminate the geospatial baseline of the nation’s topography, natural landscape, and built environment through The National Map – a set of basic geospatial information provided as a variety of products and services; to foster a general understanding of broad geographic patterns, trends, and conditions through The National Atlas of the United States of America; and to increase the efficiency of the nation’s geospatial community by improving communications about geospatial data, products, services, projects, needs, standards, and best practices.

Applications must be for data collection and research projects which are consistent with the objectives of the National Geospatial Program. The majority of funds are used to support new data collections that will enhance The National Map and The National Atlas of the United States of America, and to research new methods to use that data.

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Reston, VA 20192
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http://nationalmap.gov/geom_Partnerships.html

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Gregory Gould

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http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program

http://www.boem.gov/Revenue-Sharing/

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| Severe Repetitive Loss Pilot Program        | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist states and local governments in supporting actions that reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to residential properties insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which meet the requirements for classification as a severe repetitive loss (SRL) property. An SRL property is defined as a residential property that is covered under an NFIP flood policy and:  
• That has at least four NFIP claim payments (including building and contents) over $5,000 each, and the cumulative amount of such claim payments exceeds $20,000; or  
• For which at least two separate claim payments (building payments only) have been made with the cumulative amount of the building portion of such claims exceeding the market value of the building.  
At least two of the referenced claims must have occurred within any ten-year period, and must be greater than 10 days apart. Eligible activities under this program include: acquisition and relocation of at-risk structures and the conversion of property to open space; elevation of existing structures to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) or an Advisory Base Flood Elevation (ABFE) or higher – for the SRL program, mitigation reconstruction is only permitted when traditional elevation cannot be implemented; minor physical localized flood control projects; and dry-flood proofing (historic properties only). Projects must meet all eligibility criteria including cost-effectiveness, compliance with environmental and historic preservation laws and regulations, and other program requirements. | Jeffrey Giering  
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Phone: (225) 287-2516  
Email: jeffrey.giering@la.gov | http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/ort/index.shtm |
| Statewide Flood Control Program              | Funds construction for projects that reduce existing flood damages, do not encourage additional development in flood-prone areas, do not increase upstream or downstream flooding and have a total construction cost of $100,000 or more. Typical projects include: Channel Enlargement, Levees, Pump Stations, Relocation of Dwellings & Business Structures, Reservoirs, and other Flood Damage Reduction Measures. | Skylar Waaso  
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1201 Capital Access Rd.  
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skylar.waaso@la.gov | http://www.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Public_Works/Flood_Control/Pages/default.aspx |
| Coastal Zone Management Administration Awards | To assist states in implementing and enhancing Coastal Zone Management Programs that have been approved by the Secretary of Commerce. Funds may be used for coastal wetlands management and protection; natural hazards management (including potential sea and Great Lakes level rise); public access improvements; reduction of marine debris; assessment of cumulative and secondary impacts of coastal growth and development; special area management planning; and ocean resource planning, as authorized, as well as technical assistance and to address coastal issues such as Coastal Nonpoint Source Pollution Program implementation and coral reef conservation activities. | Joelle Gore, Acting Division Chief  
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| Community Development Block Grants Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program | ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Passage of supplemental appropriations legislation by Congress and allocation of grant funding by the Secretary of HUD.  
PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist localities and states recover from Presidential declared disasters, especially in low-income areas. | Scott G. Davis  
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| Community Development Block Grants / Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program | To provide communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large scale physical development projects. As with the CDBG program, all projects and activities must either principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination or prevention of slums and blight, or meet urgent needs of the community. Proposed activities must be consistent with a unit of local government’s Consolidated Plan submitted for HUD’s Community Planning and Development Programs. | Paul D. Webster  
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Office of Block Grant Assistance  
Department of Housing and Urban Development / CPD  
451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7180  
Washington, DC 20410-7000  
202-708-1871  
| Community Development Block Grants / States Program | ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Non disaster-related formula program under which waivers may be provided to jurisdictions that have received a Presidential declaration of a major disaster under the Stafford Act.  
PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities – principally for low to moderate-income persons. | Stephen M. Rhodeside  
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<td>Community Development Capital</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Community Development Capital is a nonprofit [501(c)(3)] certified Community Development Finance Institution (CDFI). Our mission is to transform low wealth communities by developing and utilizing innovative financing products to bring affordable and accessible capital, technical assistance, and construction management to developers and entrepreneurs. Our loan products provide financing for the acquisition, pre-development, and development of affordable housing, commercial, and mixed-use properties throughout Louisiana. We utilize a data-driven framework to restore and build wealth in distressed communities, yielding financial, social and environmental returns. We accept investments from public and private sources in the form of grants, senior debt, and subordinated debt, and then provide financial assistance in the form of loans and equity to organizations either lacking access to or unable to afford the cost of capital from conventional sources. CD Capital makes four types of loans: acquisition, construction lines of credit, pre-development loans, and micro lending. We make loans that support projects involving the redevelopment of distressed, abandoned and blighted properties, and vacant land. About half of our loans support projects with 20 or more units with many of the larger projects involving the Low Income Housing Tax Credit. While nonprofits, for-profits, and quasi public community development organizations are eligible to borrow, all approved projects are targeted to low to moderate income home buyers or renters.</td>
<td>Community Development Capital 228 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 1404 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-524-1414 <a href="mailto:info@cdcapital.org">info@cdcapital.org</a></td>
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<td>Community Disaster Loan Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide loans subject to Congressional loan authority, to any local government that has suffered substantial loss of revenues in an area in which the President designates a major disaster exists. The funds can only be used to maintain existing functions of a municipal operating character and the local government must demonstrate a need for financial assistance. The funds cannot be used to meet the non federal share of any Federal program, finance capital improvements, or repair or restore public facilities.</td>
<td>Victor Kurz Public Assistance Branch / Recovery Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20422 202-646-7947 <a href="mailto:Victor.Kurz@dhs.gov">Victor.Kurz@dhs.gov</a></td>
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<td>Community Facilities Direct and Guaranteed Loan and Grant Programs</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural residents. Community facilities include (but are not limited to) those providing or supporting overall community development – such as hospitals, fire stations, child care facilities, food recovery and distribution centers; assisted living facilities; group homes, mental health clinics, and shelters; and education facilities. Projects comprise community, social, health care, education, cultural, transportation, industrial park sites, fire and rescue services, access ways, and utility extensions. All facilities financed in whole or in part with RHS funds shall be for public use.</td>
<td>Clarence Hawkins State Director USDA-RO STATE OFFICE 3737 GOVERNMENT ST ALEXANDRIA, LA 71302-3327 (318) 473-7921 (318) 473-7661 fax <a href="mailto:clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov">clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HAD_CF_Grants.html">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HAD_CF_Grants.html</a></td>
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<td>Community Services Block Grant</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide assistance to states and local communities working through a network of community action agencies and other neighborhood-based organizations for the reduction of poverty, the revitalization of low-income communities, and the empowerment of low-income families and individuals in rural and urban areas to become fully self-sufficient. Funds are available to provide activities designed to assist low-income persons to: - Secure and retain meaningful employment; - Attain an adequate education; - Make better use of available income; - Obtain and maintain adequate housing and a suitable living environment; - Obtain emergency assistance through loans or grants to meet immediate and urgent individual and family needs – including health services, nutritious food, housing, and employment-related assistance; - Remove obstacles and solve problems that block the achievement of self-sufficiency; - Achieve greater participation in the affairs of the community; and - Make more effective use of other related programs. The program also: - Provides emergency supplies and services, nutritious foodstuffs, and other services as may be necessary to counteract conditions of starvation and malnutrition among the poor; - Coordinates and establishes linkages between governmental and other social services programs to ensure the effective delivery of such services to low income individuals; and - Encourages private-sector efforts to ameliorate poverty in the community.</td>
<td>Seth Hassett Division of State Assistance, Office of Community Services Department of Health and Human Services / ACF 901 D Street SW, Room SA165 Washington, DC 20447 202-401-2333 <a href="mailto:Seth.Hassett@acf.hhs.gov">Seth.Hassett@acf.hhs.gov</a></td>
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### Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)

**Purpose/Funding Priorities:** The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency, formed to engage Americans of all ages and backgrounds in service to meet community needs. Each year, more than 1.5 million individuals help meet local needs through a wide array of service opportunities. These include projects in education, the environment, public safety, homeland security, and other critical areas – including disaster services – through the Corporation’s programs, including:

- **Senior Corps:** Offers a network of programs that tap the rich experience, skills, and talents of older citizens to meet community needs.
- **AmeriCorps (including AmeriCorps*State and National; AmeriCorps*VISTA; and AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps):** Provides opportunities for Americans to make an ongoing, intensive commitment to service.
- **Social Innovation Fund:** The Social Innovation Fund (SIF) is a new way of doing business for the federal government that stands to yield greater impact on urgent national challenges. The Social Innovation Fund targets millions in public-private funds to expand effective solutions across three issue areas: economic opportunity, healthy futures, and youth development and school support. This work will directly impact thousands of low-income families and create a catalog of proven approaches that can be replicated in communities across the country.
- **Special Initiatives include:** United We Serve/Serve.gov; Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service; President’s Volunteer Service Award; etc.

### Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property

**Purpose/Funding Priorities:** To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations – with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status – with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include:

- Undeveloped land,
- Office buildings,
- Warehouses,
- Commercial and industrial facilities,
- Military holdings; and
- Single- and multi-family residences.

Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use.

### Donation of Federal Surplus Personal Property

**Purpose/Funding Priorities:** To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully reutilizing the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes – such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs).

### Flood Mitigation Assistance Program

**Purpose/Funding Priorities:** The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant program provides funding so that cost-effective measures are taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insured under the NFIP. The long-term goal of FMA is to reduce or eliminate claims under the NFIP through mitigation activities. Three types of FMA grants are available to states and communities:

- Planning Grants to prepare Flood Mitigation Plans. Only NFIP-participating communities with approved Flood Mitigation Plans can apply for FMA Planning Grants.
- Project Grants to implement measures to reduce flood losses – such as elevation, acquisition, or relocation of NFIP-insured structures. States are encouraged to prioritize FMA funds for applications that include repetitive loss properties; these include structures with two or more loss each with a claim of at least $1,000 within any ten-year period since 1978.
- Management Cost Grants for the state to help administer the FMA program and activities. Up to ten percent (10%) of project grants may be awarded to states for Management Cost Grants.

Eligible activities under this program include: acquisition and relocation of at-risk structures and the conversion of property to open space; elevation of existing structures to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) or an ABFE Advisory Base Flood Elevation (ABFE) or higher; minor physical localized flood control projects; and dry flood proofing (historic properties only).
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<td><strong>Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide states and local governments financial assistance to implement measures that will permanently reduce or eliminate future damages and losses from natural hazards through safer building practices and improving existing structures and supporting infrastructure. Assistance can be used for the acquisition of real property, relocation, demolition of structures, seismic rehabilitation, or retrofitting of existing structures; strengthening of existing structures; initial implementation of vegetation management programs; initial training of architects, engineers, building officials, and other professionals to facilitate the implementation of newly adopted state or local mitigation standards and codes; elevation of residential structures; elevation or dry flood-proofing of non-residential structures; and other activities that bring a structure in compliance with the floodplain management requirements.</td>
<td>Jeffrey Giering Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 267-2516 Email: <a href="mailto:jeffrey.giering@la.gov">jeffrey.giering@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program">http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program</a></td>
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<td><strong>Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)</strong></td>
<td>Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): Provides funding for safe, decent, and, affordable housing and housing opportunities for low and very low-income households. See full description of programs on the website provided.</td>
<td>Louisiana Housing Corporation 2415 Quail Drive Baton Rouge, LA 70808 225-763-8700</td>
<td><a href="http://www.lhfa.state.la.us/">http://www.lhfa.state.la.us/</a></td>
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<td><strong>Louisiana Housing Corporation</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: • Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): Provides funding for safe, decent, and, affordable housing and housing opportunities for low and very low-income households. • Emergency Shelter Grants Program: Provides funding for one or more of the following activities relating to emergency shelter for the homeless: o Renovation, major rehabilitation, or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelter/transitional housing for the homeless; o Provision of essential services to the homeless; o Payment for shelter maintenance, operation (including shelter administration, rent, repairs, fuel, equipment, utilities, food, and furnishings); o Developing and implementing homeless prevention activities. • Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA): Provides resources for medical and supportive social services to low income individuals living with HIV disease.</td>
<td>Don J. Hutchinson, Interim Executive Director Louisiana Housing Corporation 2415 Quail Drive Baton Rouge, LA 70808 225-763-8700 <a href="mailto:executiveviewinfo@lhfc.la.gov">executiveviewinfo@lhfc.la.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property (NASASP)</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: NASASP works to improve the distribution of federal property and to increase communication between its member states and the legislature. Municipalities, schools, and other nonprofit organizations receive millions of dollars’ worth of equipment, computers, office furniture, office equipment, and vehicles through the Federal Surplus Property Program, each year.</td>
<td>Scott Pepperman (718) 389-5100 <a href="mailto:ExecutiveDirector@nasasp.org">ExecutiveDirector@nasasp.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://nasasp.org/site/pages/organization.htm">http://nasasp.org/site/pages/organization.htm</a></td>
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<td><strong>Open Society Foundations</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Open Society Foundations work to build vibrant and tolerant democracies whose governments are accountable to their citizens. The foundations seek to shape public policies that assure greater fairness in political, legal, and economic systems and safeguard fundamental rights. On a local level, the foundations implement a range of initiatives to advance justice, education, public health, and independent media. A high priority is placed on protecting and improving the lives of people in marginalized communities. U.S. initiatives include: • Education: Students in Baltimore, New Orleans, and New York City are reaping the benefits of a longer school day and a range of new learning opportunities through this national initiative. • Leadership Development: The Open Society Foundations and Echoing Green have established a fellowship program for individuals dedicated to improving the life outcomes of black men and boys. A second ongoing program recognizes and supports black male activists in Detroit and Philadelphia who step up to lead their communities. A new initiative addresses the broad disparities facing black and Latino boys and men in New York City. • Black Achievement: A long-term program targeting cities in the Midwest, Gulf Region, and Mid-Atlantic regions, the Campaign for Black Achievement awards grants to organizations that support human rights and empowerment while addressing social inequities in the African-American community. Support is given to organizations that ensure educational equity for black boys; strengthen black families; promote economic opportunity for black boys and men; promote positive messages about black males; and empower black youth and men to lead their communities and apply their skills to the wider society. • Addiction Treatment: This national program is designed to create awareness of – and increase resources to close – a gap in the availability of drug and alcohol addiction treatment for Americans who need it. • Migration: The International Migration Initiative seeks to address the inequality, exclusion, and discrimination faced by migrants and create greater accountability in the way states manage the movement of people across their borders. • Fostering an Open Society: Areas of focus include increasingly punitive national security policies, decreasing government transparency, entrenched structural racism, and growing incarceration rates.</td>
<td>U.S. Programs The Open Society Foundations 400 West 59th Street New York, NY 10019 212-548-0600 <a href="http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants">http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants</a></td>
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<td><strong>Partnership for Sustainable Communities</strong></td>
<td>Sustainable communities are places that have a variety of housing and transportation choices, with destinations close to home. As a result, they tend to have lower transportation costs, reduce air pollution and storm water runoff, decrease infrastructure costs, preserve historic properties and sensitive lands, save people time in traffic, are more economically resilient, and meet market demand for different types of housing at different price points. Rural, suburban, and urban communities can all use sustainable community strategies and techniques to invest in healthy, safe, and walkable neighborhoods. These strategies will look different in each place depending on the community’s character, context, and needs, however. The partnership agencies periodically offer funding opportunities. When these grants are offered, they will be announced on <a href="http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov">www.sustainablecommunities.gov</a> and on <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>.</td>
<td>Office of Sustainable Communities U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20460 202-564-6500 <a href="mailto:sustainability@epa.gov">sustainability@epa.gov</a> <a href="mailto:livability@dot.gov">livability@dot.gov</a></td>
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<td>Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program</td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> To provide funding support to states, tribes, territories, communities, and public colleges/universities for pre-disaster mitigation planning and projects – primarily addressing natural hazards. This program promotes implementation of activities designed to reduce injuries, loss of life, and damage/destruction to property from natural hazards. Hazard mitigation planning activities must primarily focus on natural hazards, but may also address hazards caused by manmade events. Either single or multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plans may be submitted for funding. Examples of eligible mitigation projects include: voluntary acquisition of real property for open space in perpetuity; relocation of public or private structure; elevation of existing public or private structures to avoid coastal or riverine flooding; structural and nonstructural retrofitting (e.g., storm shutters, hurricane clips, bracing systems) of existing public or private structures; construction of safe room (tornado and severe wind) for public and private structures that meet the FEMA construction criteria; vegetation management for natural dune restoration, wildfire, or snow avalanche; protective measures for utilities, water, and sanitary sewer systems and/or infrastructure; storm water management projects and localized flood control projects – such as cattailing levees, bank stabilization, and floodwall systems that are designed specifically to protect facilities that do not constitute a section of a larger flood control system.</td>
<td>Jeffrey Giering Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 267-2516 Email: <a href="mailto:jeffrey.giering@la.gov">jeffrey.giering@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program">http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program</a></td>
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<td>Public Assistance (PA) Program</td>
<td><strong>ACTIVATING MECHANISM:</strong> Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act, designated for public assistance.</td>
<td>William W. Roche Public Assistance Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20472 800-621-3363 / 202-646-4136 <a href="mailto:William.Roche@fema.dhs.gov">William.Roche@fema.dhs.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit">http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit</a></td>
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<td>Repetitive Flood Claims (RFC)</td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> To assist state and local governments in responding to and recovering from the devastating effects of disasters by providing assistance for debris removal, emergency protective measures, and the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of public facilities or infrastructure damaged or destroyed.</td>
<td>Jeffrey Giering Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 267-2516 Email: <a href="mailto:jeffrey.giering@la.gov">jeffrey.giering@la.gov</a></td>
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<td>Severe Repetitive Loss Pilot Program</td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> To assist states and local governments in supporting actions that reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to residential properties insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which meet the requirements for classification as a severe repetitive loss (SRL) property. An SRL property is defined as a residential property that is covered under an NFIP flood policy and: • That has at least four NFIP claim payments (including building and contents) over $5,000 each, and the cumulative amount of such claim payments exceeds $20,000; or • For which at least two separate claim payments (building payments only) have been made with the cumulative amount of the building portion of such claims exceeding the market value of the building. At least two of the referenced claims must have occurred within any ten-year period, and must be greater than 10 days apart. Eligible activities under this program include: acquisition and relocation of at-risk structures and the conversion of property to open space; elevation of existing structures to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) or an Advisory Base Flood Elevation (ABFE) or higher – for the SRL program, mitigation reconstruction is only permitted when traditional elevation cannot be implemented; minor physical localized flood control projects; and dry flood proofing (historic properties only). Projects must meet all eligibility criteria including cost-effectiveness, compliance with environmental and historic preservation laws and regulations, and other program requirements. Mitigation must provide the greatest savings to the NFIP in the shortest period of time.</td>
<td>Jeffrey Giering Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 267-2516 Email: <a href="mailto:jeffrey.giering@la.gov">jeffrey.giering@la.gov</a></td>
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<td>Smart Growth America</td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> Smart Growth America advocates for people who want to live and work in great neighborhoods. We believe smart growth solutions support businesses and jobs, provide more options for how people get around, and make it more affordable to live near work and the grocery store. Our coalition works with communities to fight sprawl and save money. Smart Growth America is dedicated to researching, advocating for, and leading coalitions to bring smart growth practices to more communities nationwide. From providing more sidewalks so people can walk to their town center to ensuring that more homes are built near public transit, or productive farms remain a part of our communities, smart growth helps make sure that people across the nation can live in great neighborhoods. Our solutions include: • Coalition Building: Governors, business owners, bicycle activists, parents, and organizations across the country are all part of growing communities that can be even greater. Smart growth is about making neighborhoods work for everyone, and the more people involved in that process the better. • Policy Development: From using federal stimulus dollars to repair roads and create low-cost options for transportation, to adopting local water policies that work for developers and homebuyers alike, we are a policy resource on all things smart growth. We work with leaders at all levels of government to show which policy options are best for different communities and can help communities go from idea to implementation. • Research: We make sure the smart growth policies we promote are not just good theory, but proven ideas. Research, on topics from urban development to transportation to the cost of vacant properties in your community, inform our work and are available online. New research is posted regularly, giving policymakers, businesses, and community groups the tools they need to make sure growth is smartly done.</td>
<td>Smart Growth America 1707 L Street NW, Suite 250 Washington, DC 20036 202-207-3355 <a href="mailto:info@smartgrowthamerica.org">info@smartgrowthamerica.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>Smart Growth: Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities</strong></td>
<td>The Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities program seeks to provide technical assistance to communities on the use of a standardized set of tools, used for the implementation of smart growth and sustainable community development approaches to protect the environment, improve public health, create jobs, expand economic opportunity, and improve overall quality of life. The Building Blocks program supports the priorities of the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, a collaborative effort among the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and EPA. The Partnership agencies coordinate federal investments in housing, transportation, and environmental protection to help communities become prosperous, healthy, environmentally sustainable, and rich in opportunities.</td>
<td>Kevin Nelson Office of Sustainable Communities Environmental Protection Agency 202-566-2835 <a href="mailto:Nelson.Kevin@epa.gov">Nelson.Kevin@epa.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/buildingblocks.htm">Smart Growth: Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities</a></td>
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<td><strong>Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Planning Grant Program</strong></td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program supports metropolitan and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact. The Community Challenge Planning Grant Program focuses on individual jurisdictions and more localized planning. The program places a priority on investing in partnerships, including nontraditional partnerships (e.g., arts and culture, recreation, public health, food systems, regional planning agencies and public education entities) that: a. Translate the Federal Livability Principles into strategies that direct long-term development and reinvestment. b. Demonstrate a commitment to addressing issues of regional significance. c. Use data to set and monitor progress toward performance goals. d. Engage stakeholders and residents in meaningful decision-making roles. e. Foster reform and reduce barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital, and sustainable communities. Such efforts may include amending or replacing local master plans, zoning codes, and building codes – either on a jurisdiction-wide basis or in a specific neighborhood, district, corridor, or sector – to promote mixed-use development, affordable housing, the reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes, and similar activities with the goal of promoting sustainability at the local or neighborhood level. f. Support the development of affordable housing through the development and adoption of inclusionary zoning ordinances and other activities to support plan implementation.</td>
<td>Sunaree K. Marshall Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Grant Program U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street SW, Room 101B Washington, DC 20410 202-402-6011 <a href="mailto:Sunaree.K.Marshall@hud.gov">Sunaree.K.Marshall@hud.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="https://www.cfdla.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for&amp;tab=step1&amp;id=c5bbd48e5e8bf77e7b84ed2152125620">Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Planning Grant Program</a></td>
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<td><strong>Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP)</strong></td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> The goal is to work toward building a more balanced transportation system that includes pedestrians and bicyclists as well as the motorizing public. Projects are not limited to sidewalks and bike paths. They can include safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists, landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites, preservation of abandoned railroad corridors, scenic or historic highway programs including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities, archaeological planning and research, control and removal of outdoor advertising, environmental mitigation and establishment of transportation museums.</td>
<td>Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Post Office Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9425 1-877-452-3083 (1-877-4LA-DOTD) <a href="mailto:dotdcs@la.gov">dotdcs@la.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>Use of Surplus Property for Public Health and Homeless Purposes</strong></td>
<td>To convey or lease all surplus federal real properties, made available by the disposal agency, which are needed and usable by eligible organizations and institutions to carry out health programs – including homeless assistance programs. Examples of potentially eligible use programs are hospitals, public health clinics, water and sewer systems, institutions for the rehabilitation of mentally or physically handicapped, health research institutions, homeless assistance facilities, and other institutions with basic health programs.</td>
<td>Property Disposal Division General Services Administration 819 Taylor Street Fort Worth, TX 76102 Phone: (817) 978-2331 Fax: (817) 978-2063 Chief, Real Property Branch Program Support Center 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857 Phone: (301) 443-2265 Fax: (301) 443-0084 <a href="mailto:rpd@psc.gov">rpd@psc.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants</strong></td>
<td>To provide basic human amenities, alleviate health hazards, and promote the orderly growth of the rural areas of the nation by meeting the need for new and improved rural water and waste disposal facilities. Funds may be used for the installation, repair, improvement, or expansion of a rural water facility including distribution lines; well pumping facilities and costs related thereto; and the installation, repair, improvement, or expansion of a rural water disposal facility including the collection and treatment of sanitary, storm, and solid wastes. Grant funds may not be used to pay interest on loans, operation and maintenance costs, or acquisition or refinancing of an existing system. This is an ongoing program.</td>
<td>Richard Hoffpaur, Director Community Facilities Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture 5727 Government Street Alexandria, LA 71302 318-473-7940 <a href="mailto:Richard.Hoffpaur@usda.gov">Richard.Hoffpaur@usda.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>Health</strong></td>
<td><strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> Grant making priorities fall into three categories: a. Safe and Vital Communities (including catastrophe response and neighborhood revitalization); b. Economic Empowerment (including financial/economic literacy); and c. Tolerance, Inclusion, and Diversity. Signature programs include: • Teen Safe Driving; and Economic Empowerment for Domestic Violence Survivors.</td>
<td>Jan Epstein, Executive Director The Allstate Foundation 2775 Sanders Road, F4 Northbrook, IL 60062 847-402-2794 <a href="mailto:Grants@Allstate.com">Grants@Allstate.com</a></td>
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Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations—with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status—with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include:

- Undeveloped land;
- Office buildings;
- Warehouses;
- Commercial and industrial facilities;
- Military holdings; and
- Single- and multi-family residences.

Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use.

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Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund (DWRIF)

To provide low-interest loans and technical assistance to public water systems in the state to assist them in complying with Federal and State drinking water regulations and to ensure that their customers are being provided with safe drinking water in order to protect the public health.

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Economic Adjustment Assistance Program

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To respond to the short- and long-term effects of severe economic dislocation events on communities.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: Categorical project economic adjustment grants (usually funded from supplemental appropriations) for planning, technical assistance, revolving loan funds, and infrastructure construction to assist affected communities in accelerating economic recovery and implementing strategic actions to reduce the risk of economic damage and loss in commercial and industrial areas from future disasters. Economic Adjustment Assistance grants are intended to enhance a distressed community’s ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas. Current investment priorities include proposals that: a) enhance the competitiveness of regions in the global economy by supporting existing industry clusters, developing emerging new clusters, or attracting new regional economic drivers; b) support technology-led economic development and reflect the important role of linking universities and industry and technology transfers; and c) advance community- and faith-based social entrepreneurship in redevelopment strategies for regions of chronic economic distress.

COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Applicable cost-share requirements for economic adjustment assistance are set forth in current EDA regulations for grant rate eligibility (13 CFR 301.4). Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project. Project may receive an additional amount that shall not exceed 30 percent, however – up to a total of 80 percent of total project cost – based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located, as determined by EDA. In the case of EDA investment to an Indian tribe, state (or political subdivision of a state), or nonprofit organization that the Assistant Secretary determines has exhausted its effective borrowing capacity, the Assistant Secretary has the discretion to establish a maximum EDA investment rate of up to 100 percent of the total project cost.

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Extension Service Post-Crisis Education and Assistance

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide post-crisis education and assistance to individuals, families, farm operators, small businesses, rural communities, and local leadership in the immediate aftermath of a disaster. The Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service (CSREES), through the land grant universities, also provides educational programs useful in preparing for impending crisis; these programs are the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN).

EDEN is part of a national effort through the Cooperative Extension System to reduce the impact of natural and human-made disasters. EDEN links all Land-Grant Universities and county Cooperative Extension Educators so they may share resources to help individuals and communities prepare for and recover from disasters. The EDEN website is a portal to information on preparing for and recovering from disasters and emergencies that are relevant to residents of all fifty states and U.S. territories.

EDEN is supported by a grant from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) to Purdue University. Purdue subcontracts management and hosting of the website to the LSU AgCenter. Principally supported by NIFA funds, EDEN takes a collaborative approach to produce educational materials, learning modules, workshops, and information campaigns.

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Louisiana Community Development Authority

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Community Development Authority (LCDA) is a group of local governments, created for the purpose of assisting local governments with their financial needs.

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<td>Louisiana Office of Community Development</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: This division of the Louisiana Office of Community Development administers two programs:</td>
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<td>• Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF): Assists units of local government with funding for needed potable water infrastructure and long-term capital potable water improvements in rural areas. The CWEF Program is designed to fill the gaps where there are no federal or other state funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority potable water need.</td>
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<td>• Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP): Assists units of local government with funding for needed infrastructure and long-term capital improvements in rural areas. It is designed to fill the gaps where there are no federal or other state funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority need.</td>
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<td>Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, fire protection, sewer, water, renovations to essential government buildings, police protection, land acquisition, demolition, equipment, roads, drainage, and reasonable engineering costs if associated with construction.</td>
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<td>Louisiana Public Facilities Authority</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority is a financing authority created as a public trust and public corporation by the Public Facilities Corporation pursuant to an Indenture of Trust. The State of Louisiana is the beneficiary of that trust. The LPFA has the ability to issue both taxable and tax-exempt bonds to finance everything from educational facilities to hospitals, student loans, industrial and economic development projects and essential programs for state and local governmental units.</td>
<td>Martin Wake, Vice President of Economic Development Louisiana Public Facilities Authority 2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 650 Baton Rouge, LA 70808 225-923-0020</td>
<td><a href="http://www.lpfa.com/">http://www.lpfa.com/</a></td>
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<td>• Private Activity/Industrial Development Bonds: Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds may be issued for companies or projects within the parameters of current Federal law, mainly companies building or acquiring facilities used to manufacture tangible personal property and other related facilities, and for exempt facilities and nonprofit 501(c)(3) entities. No more than 25 percent of the tax-exempt bond can be used for the purchase of land.</td>
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<td>• Zero Interest Local Government Bond Fund Program: Local government officials work with local banks to obtain the most favorable loan rates. The LPFA provides 15 percent of the total borrowing at zero interest.</td>
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<td>• Rural Development Zero Interest Loan Program: In many cases, community projects slated for Rural Development financing, such as sewer systems, water treatment plants and other construction projects, need interim financing before receiving permanent financing from USDA Rural Development. LPFA provides up to 20 percent of those interim funds at zero percent interest, in partnership with local financial institutions which provide the remainder of the financing.</td>
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<td>• Economic and Capital Facilities Pooled Loans: Entities are joined together in one shared borrowing and the individual entities benefit through lower costs of issuance and lower interest rates. This is available for both public and nonprofit institutions under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal tax code.</td>
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<td>Maddie’s Fund</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Maddie’s Fund grants are designed to help build a no-kill nation so that all shelter dogs and cats can be guaranteed a loving home. Maddie’s Fund currently offers fourteen different kinds of grants, ranging in size from $500 marketing awards to community collaborative grants worth millions of dollars. Funding is for cats and dogs only and strictly for projects in the United States. Current funding opportunities fall into five categories:</td>
<td>Maddie’s Fund 6160 Stoneridge Mall Road Suite 120 Pleasanton, CA 94588 925-332-5450 <a href="mailto:info@maddiesfund.org">info@maddiesfund.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.maddiesfund.org/">http://www.maddiesfund.org/</a></td>
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<td>• Starter Grants: Supports coalitions that collect and report shelter data, create a Pet Evaluation Matrix, and develop a one-year business plan and a ten-year strategic plan to save the lives of more dogs and cats.</td>
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<td>• Community Collaborative Grants: Supports collaboration between animal welfare organizations and veterinarians aiming to achieve a no-kill community for shelter dogs and cats.</td>
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<td>• Lifesaving Award: Recognizes communities that have achieved an adoption guarantee for all healthy shelter dogs and cats, or that have achieved no-kill for shelter dogs and cats.</td>
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<td>• Colleges of Veterinary Medicine Grants: Supports U.S. Colleges of Veterinary Medicine developing shelter medicine programs. There are six different funding opportunities in this program.</td>
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<td>• Medical Equipment Grants: Provides medical equipment funds for adoption guarantee shelters that employ at least one full-time veterinarian.</td>
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<td>National Flood Insurance Program</td>
<td>To enable personal and business property owners and renters to purchase flood insurance coverage for buildings and/or contents in low-to-moderate flood risk areas, as well as in high-risk flood zones, to reduce taxpayer provided federal disaster assistance and to promote wise floodplain management practices in the nation’s high-risk flood zones.</td>
<td>Cindy O’Neal Louisiana NFIP State Coordinator LA DOTT P.O. Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804 225-379-3005 <a href="mailto:cindy.onale@la.gov">cindy.onale@la.gov</a></td>
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<td>Quiksilver Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Committed to benefiting and enhancing the quality of life for communities of people who reside in coastal communities by supporting environmental, educational, health, and youth-related projects. The Quiksilver Foundation provides funding to organizations and groups that have clearly defined their special need for our support.</td>
<td>Kathie Armstrong, Executive Director The Quiksilver Foundation 15202 Graham Street Huntington Beach, CA 92649 714-889-7198 <a href="mailto:foundation@quiksilver.com">foundation@quiksilver.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>USDA Food Distribution Programs</strong></td>
<td>To improve the diets of school and preschool children, the elderly, needy persons in charitable institutions, and other individuals in need of food assistance; to increase the market for domestically produced foods acquired under surplus removal or price-support operations. Emergency distribution is authorized by the Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (P.L. 98-8). USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) administers the following programs:</td>
<td>NSLP, SFSP, TEFAP Contact: Mack Williams, Food Distribution Administrator Department of Agriculture &amp; Forestry PO Box 3481 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3481 Tel: (225) 922-1319 Fax: (225) 237-5819 Email: <a href="mailto:mwilliams@fdaf.state.la.us">mwilliams@fdaf.state.la.us</a> CSFP Contact: Tamara Dangerfield, CSFP Manager Office of Public Health/Nutrition Services 628 North 4th Street, Bin #4 Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Tel: 225-342-8254 Email: <a href="mailto:tamara.dangerfield@la.gov">tamara.dangerfield@la.gov</a></td>
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<td><strong>Use of Surplus Property for Public Health and Homeless Purposes</strong></td>
<td>To convey or lease all surplus federal real properties, made available by the physical agencies, which are needed and usable by eligible organizations and institutions to carry out health programs – including homeless assistance programs. Examples of potentially eligible use programs are hospitals, public health clinics, water and sewer systems, institutions for the rehabilitation of mentally or physically handicapped, health research institutions, homeless assistance facilities, and other institutions with basic health programs.</td>
<td>Property Disposal Division General Services Administration 819 Taylor Street Fort Worth, TX 76102 Phone: (817) 978-2331 Fax: (817) 978-2063 Chief, Real Property Branch Program Support Center 5600 Fishers Lane Room 5B-17, Rockville, MD 20857 Phone: (301) 443-2265 Fax: (301) 443-0084 <a href="mailto:rob@psc.gov">rob@psc.gov</a></td>
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### Infrastructure

<p>| Community Development Block Grants / Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program | ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Passage of supplemental appropriations legislation by Congress and allocation of grant funding by the Secretary of HUD. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist localities and states recover from Presidentially declared disasters, especially in low-income areas. | Scott G. Davis Office of Block Grant Assistance U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CPD 451 Seventh Street SW Washington, DC 20410-7000 202-402-4343 <a href="mailto:scott.g.davis@hud.gov">scott.g.davis@hud.gov</a> | <a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprograms/section108">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprograms/section108</a> |
| Community Development Block Grants / Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program | To provide communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large scale physical development projects. As with the CDBG program, all projects and activities must either principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination or prevention of slums and blight, or meet urgent needs of the community. Proposed activities must be consistent with a unit of local government’s Consolidated Plan submitted for HUD’s Community Planning and Development Programs. | Paul D. Webster Financial Management Division Office of Block Grant Assistance Department of Housing and Urban Development / CPD 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7180 Washington, DC 20410-7000 202-708-1871 <a href="mailto:paul.webster@hud.gov">paul.webster@hud.gov</a> | <a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprogram/section108">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprogram/section108</a> |
| Community Development Block Grants / States Program | ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Non disaster-related formula program under which waivers may be provided to jurisdictions that have received a Presidential declaration of a major disaster under the Stafford Act. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities – principally for low- to moderate-income persons. | Stephen M. Rhodeside Office of Block Grant Assistance Department of Housing and Urban Development CPD 451 Seventh Street SW Washington, DC 20410-7000 202-402-7375 <a href="mailto:stephen.m.rhodeside@hud.gov">stephen.m.rhodeside@hud.gov</a> | <a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD</a> |
| Community Disaster Loan Program | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide loans subject to Congressional loan authority, to any local government that has suffered substantial loss of revenues in an area in which the President designates a major disaster exists. The funds can only be used to maintain existing functions of a municipal operating character and the local government must demonstrate a need for financial assistance. The funds cannot be used to meet the non federal share of any Federal program, finance capital improvements, or repair or restore public facilities. | Victor Kurz Public Assistance Branch / Recovery Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20742 202-646-7947 <a href="mailto:victor.kurz@fema.dhs.gov">victor.kurz@fema.dhs.gov</a> | <a href="https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for">https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for</a> m&amp;tab=core&amp;ld=263563533c18280504364874389700352 |</p>
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<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To support program activities to alleviate the causes of poverty in distressed communities which: 1) assist businesses in creating jobs for low-income individuals – i.e., develop employment and business development opportunities for low-income individuals; and 2) a better standard of living for rural low-income individuals in terms of water and waste water treatment. Community Economic Development (CED) grants are awarded to cover project costs for: (1) startup or expansion of business, physical improvements, or commercial activities; (2) capital expenditures such as the purchase of equipment or real property; (3) allowable operating expenses; and (4) loans or equity investments. Expenditures must result in the creation of employment or business opportunities for low-income individuals. Generally, the project must be completed within 36 months for non-construction projects and 60 months for construction projects. Projects must document public/private partnership mobilizing cash and/or in-kind contributions; and be located in areas characterized by poverty and other indicators of socioeconomic distress – such as high levels of unemployment; or high levels of violence, gang activity, crime, drug use, and/or low-income individuals; or designation as an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community (EZ/EC). Rural Community Development (RCD) grants are awarded to provide training and technical assistance to small, rural communities concerning their water and waste water treatment needs. RF grants focus on the development and upgrading of small water and wastewater systems in low-income areas. Types of services provided included training of persons responsible for community water and wastewater facilities; assisting communities with problem-solving and planning for facilities; producing and disseminating publications, newsletters, videos, and training manuals about rural waste and wastewater systems; and assisting rural communities in leveraging federal, state, local, and private sector financing for facilities.</td>
<td>Lynda Perez&lt;br&gt;Division of Community Discretionary Programs&lt;br&gt;Office of Community Services</td>
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<td>Donation of Federal Surplus Personal Property</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully reutilizing the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes – such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs).</td>
<td>Sara Woods&lt;br&gt;Property Disposal Specialist&lt;br&gt;Utilization and Donation&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:Programma.Woods@gsa.gov">Programma.Woods@gsa.gov</a>&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:Joyce.Spalding@gsa.gov">Joyce.Spalding@gsa.gov</a>&lt;br&gt;Louisiana&lt;br&gt;John Medica&lt;br&gt;Assistant Director&lt;br&gt;Louisiana Federal Property Assistance Agency&lt;br&gt;1635 Foss Street&lt;br&gt;Baton Rouge, LA 70802&lt;br&gt;225-342-860&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:John.Medica@la.gov">John.Medica@la.gov</a></td>
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<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To respond to the short- and long-term effects of severe economic dislocation events on communities. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: Categorical project economic adjustment grants (usually funded from supplemental appropriations) for planning, technical assistance, revolving loan funds, and infrastructure construction to assist affected communities in accelerating economic recovery and implementing strategic actions to reduce the risk of economic damage and loss in commercial and industrial areas from future disasters. Economic Adjustment Assistance grants are intended to enhance a distressed community’s ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas. Current investment priorities include proposals that: (a) enhance the competitiveness of regions in the global economy by supporting existing industry clusters, developing emerging new clusters, or attracting new regional economic drivers; (b) support technology-led economic development and reflect the important role of linking universities and industry and technology transfers; and (c) advance community- and faith-based social entrepreneurship in redevelopment strategies for regions of chronic economic distress. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Applicable cost-share requirements for economic adjustment assistance are set forth in current EDA regulations for grant rate eligibility (13 CFR 301.4). Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project. Project may receive an additional amount that shall not exceed 35 percent, however – up to a total of 80 percent of total project cost – based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located, as determined by EDA. In the case of EDA investment to an Indian tribe, state (or political subdivision thereof), or nonprofit organization that the Assistant Secretary determines has exhausted its effective borrowing capacity, the Assistant Secretary has the discretion to establish a maximum EDA investment rate of up to 100 percent of the total project cost.</td>
<td>Headquarters Office: Kerstin Millius 1401 Constitution Ave, N.W. Room 73030, Washington, District of Columbia 20230 202-482-3280 <a href="mailto:kmillius@eda.gov">kmillius@eda.gov</a> Regional Office: Pamela Davidson-Ehlers 500 Poydra Street, Room 1025 New Orleans, LA 70130 504-589-4178 <a href="mailto:pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov">pdavidson-ehlers@eda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.eda.gov">http://www.eda.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (ECWAG)</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: A major disaster or emergency, such as – but not limited to – a drought, an earthquake, a flood, a tornado, a hurricane, disease outbreak, or chemical spill, leakage, or seepage. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The objective of the ECWAG program is to assist the residents of rural areas that have experienced a significant decline in quantity or quality of water (or in which a decline is considered imminent) to obtain or maintain adequate quantities of water that meet the standards set by the Safe Drinking Water Act. Grant funds may be used to extend waterlines to existing systems; to construct new water lines; to repair existing systems; to perform significant maintenance on existing systems; to construct new wells, reservoirs, transmission lines, treatment plants, storage tanks, etc.; to replace equipment; to provide connection and/or tap fees; to pay costs incurred within six months of the date an application was filed with USDA to correct an emergency situation that would have been eligible for funding under this program; or to provide funds for any other appropriate related purposes – such as legal fees; engineering fees; recording costs; environmental impact analyses; archaeological surveys; possible salvage or other mitigation measures; planning, establishing, or acquiring rights associated with developing sources of treating, storing, or distributing water; and to assist rural water systems in complying with the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or the Safe Drinking Water Act, when failure to comply is directly related to a recent decline in quality of potable water.</td>
<td>Jacqueline M. Ponti-Lazaruk, Assistant Administrator Water and Environmental Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture / RUS 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 5145 (Stop 5148) Washington, DC 20250-1548 202-690-2670 <a href="mailto:Jacki.Ponti@wdc.usda.gov">Jacki.Ponti@wdc.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ctWP-ecwag.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ctWP-ecwag.htm</a></td>
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<td>Emergency Watershed Protection Program</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: An emergency is considered to exist when a watershed is suddenly impaired by floods, fire, drought, or other natural causes that result in the endangerment of life and property from flood, erosion, or sediment discharge. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist sponsors in implementing emergency recovery measures for run-off retardation and erosion prevention. To relieve imminent hazards to life and property created by a natural disaster that causes a sudden impairment of a watershed. To provide technical and financial assistance in carrying out recovery works of improvement. Technical assistance is provided in designing and installing watershed recovery measures. Financial assistance is provided for sharing costs of recovery measures. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Sponsors must provide local match (25 percent, or 10 percent within limited resource areas) as cash or in-kind donations. Up to 75 percent of the construction costs of emergency measures may be paid for projects; 90 percent of the construction costs may be paid within limited resource areas.</td>
<td>Britt Paul Assistant State Conservationist for Water Resources U.S. Department of Agriculture / NRCS 3737 Government Street Post Office Box 2880 Alexandria, LA 71302 <a href="mailto:Britt.Paul@la.usda.gov">Britt.Paul@la.usda.gov</a> 318-473-7756</td>
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<td>Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide states and local governments financial assistance to implement measures that will permanently reduce or eliminate future damages and losses from natural hazards through safer building practices and improving existing structures and supporting infrastructure. Assistance can be used for the acquisition of real property, relocation, demolition of structures, seismic rehabilitation, or retrofitting of existing structures; strengthening of existing structures; initial implementation of vegetation management programs; initial training of architects, engineers, building officials, and other professionals to facilitate the implementation of newly adopted state or local mitigation standards and codes; elevation of residential structures; elevation or dry flood-proofing of non-residential structures; and other activities that bring a structure in compliance with the floodplain management requirements.</td>
<td>Jeffrey Giering Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7657 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 267-2516 Email: <a href="mailto:jeffrey.giering@la.gov">jeffrey.giering@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program">http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Community Development Authority</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Community Development Authority (LCDATA) is a group of local governments, created for the purpose of assisting local governments with their financial needs.</td>
<td>Ty Carlos, Executive Director Louisiana Community Development Authority 8712 Jefferson Highway, Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70809-2333 225-924-6150 <a href="mailto:ty.carlos@lousianacda.com">ty.carlos@lousianacda.com</a></td>
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| **Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide assistance for the development of viable communities by providing a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. OCD administers four program areas for distribution of these funds:  
- Public Facilities: This is the largest area of funding with its own annual set of priorities. See individual profile in this Resource Guide.  
- Economic Development: To provide grants to local governments to make loans to businesses for job creation or retention projects and/or to provide grants to local governments for infrastructure improvements which will facilitate the location of a particular business.  
- Demonstrated Needs: To alleviate critical/urgent needs involving improvements to existing water, wastewater, and gas systems.  
- LUSTEP: To fund one or more water and/or wastewater projects utilizing CDBG funds for materials, engineering, and administrative costs in conjunction with local resources. | Carol M. Newton  
Louisiana Office of Community Development  
Post Office Box 94095  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095  
225-342-7412  
| **Louisiana Office of Community Development** | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: This division of the Louisiana Office of Community Development administers two programs:  
- Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF): Assists units of local government with funding for needed potable water infrastructure and long-term capital potable water improvements in rural areas. The CWEF Program is designed to fill the gaps where there are no federal or other state funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority potable water need.  
- Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP): Assists units of local government with funding for needed infrastructure and long-term capital improvements in rural areas. It is designed to fill the gaps where there are no federal or other state funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority need. Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, fire protection, sewer, water, renovations to essential government buildings, police protection, land acquisition, demolition, equipment, roads, drainage, and reasonable engineering costs if associated with construction. | Marc Parenti, Manager  
Office of Community Development  
State of Louisiana  
Post Office Box 94095  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095  
225-342-7412  
| **Louisiana Public Facilities Authority** | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority is a financing authority created as a public trust and public corporation by the Public Facilities Corporation pursuant to an indenteure of trust. The State of Louisiana is the beneficiary of that trust. The LPFA has the ability to issue both taxable and tax-exempt bonds to finance everything from educational facilities to hospitals, student loans, industrial and economic development projects and essential programs for state and local governmental units.  
- Private Activity/Industrial Development Bonds: Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds may be issued for companies or projects within the parameters of current Federal law, mainly companies building or acquiring facilities used to manufacture tangible personal property and other related facilities, and for exempt facilities and nonprofit 501(c)(3) entities. No more than 25 percent of the tax-exempt bond can be used for the purchase of land.  
- Zero Interest Local Government Bond Fund Program: Local government officials work with local banks to obtain the most favorable loan rates. The LPFA provides 15 percent of the total borrowing at zero interest.  
- Rural Development Zero Interest Loan Program: In many cases, community projects slated for Rural Development financing, such as sewer systems, water treatment plants and other construction projects, need interim financing before receiving permanent financing from USDA Rural Development. LPFA provides up to 20 percent of those interim funds at zero percent interest, in partnership with local financial institutions which provide the remainder of the financing.  
- Economic and Capital Facilities Pooled Loans: Entities are joined together in one shared borrowing and the individual entities benefit through lower costs of issuance and lower interest rates. This is available for both public and nonprofit institutions under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal tax code. | Martin Walke, Vice President of Economic Development  
Louisiana Public Facilities Authority  
2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 650  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
| **ONRR GoMESA** | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: ONRR shares 37.5 percent of selected revenue with Gulf producing states and political subdivisions; payable annually during the year after receipt in accordance with federal and state laws. Funds may only be used for one or more of the following purposes:  
- Projects and activities for the purposes of coastal protection—including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directedly affected by coastal wetland losses;  
- Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources;  
- Implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan;  
- Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects; and/or  
- Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section. Limitation: Not more than 3 percent of amount received may be spent on planning assistance and compliance administrative costs. | Gregory J. Gould, Director  
Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop 4211  
Washington, DC 20240  
202-513-0600  
Gregory.Gould@onrr.gov  
Gulf of Mexico OCS Region & Atlantic Activities  
1201 Elmwood Park Blvd  
New Orleans, LA 70123-2194  
Phone: 1-800-200-4853 | [http://www.ONRR.gov](http://www.ONRR.gov)  
| **Partnership for Sustainable Communities** | Sustainable communities are places that have a variety of housing and transportation choices, with destinations close to home. As a result, they tend to have lower transportation costs, reduce air pollution and storm water runoff, decrease infrastructure costs, preserve historic properties and sensitive lands, save people time in traffic, are more economically resilient, and meet market demand for different types of housing at different price points. Rural, suburban, and urban communities can all use sustainable community strategies and techniques to invest in healthy, safe, and walkable neighborhoods. These strategies will look different in each place depending on the community’s character, context, and needs, however. The partnership agencies periodically offer funding opportunities. When these grants are offered, they will be announced on www.sustainablecommunities.gov and on www.grants.gov. | Office of Sustainable Communities  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20460  
202-566-2878  
smartgrowth@epa.gov  
livable@dot.gov | [http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov/](http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov/)  
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<td><strong>Public Assistance (PA) Program</strong></td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act, designated for public assistance. <strong>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:</strong> To assist state and local governments in responding to and recovering from the devastating effects of disasters by providing assistance for debris removal; emergency protective measures; and the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of public facilities or infrastructure damaged or destroyed.</td>
<td>William W. Roche Public Assistance Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20472 800-621-3363 / 202-646-4136 William.Rochefema.dhs.gov</td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit">http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit</a></td>
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<td><strong>Rural Business Enterprise Grant</strong></td>
<td>To facilitate the development of small and emerging private business, industry, and related employment for improving the economy in rural communities. Funds may be used to create, expand, or operate rural distance learning networks or programs that provide educational or job training instruction related to potential employment or job advancement for adult students; to develop, construct, or acquire land, buildings, plants, equipment, access streets and roads, parking areas, utility extensions, necessary water supply and waste disposal facilities; refinancing; services and fees; and to establish a revolving loan fund. All uses must assist a small and emerging private business enterprise.</td>
<td>Director, Specialty Programs Division Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Avenue SW Room, 6870 Washington ISO 20290-3222 202-720-1400 Mack McCraney Area Director Rural Development U.S. Department of Agriculture 805 West Oak Street, Suite 3 Amite, LA 70422 985-748-8751 <a href="mailto:Mack.McCraney@la.usda.gov">Mack.McCraney@la.usda.gov</a></td>
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| **Smart Growth America** | **PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** Smart Growth America advocates for people who want to live and work in great neighborhoods. We believe smart growth solutions support businesses and jobs, provide more options for how people get around, and make it more affordable to live near work and the grocery store. Our coalition works with communities to fight sprawl and save money. Smart Growth America is dedicated to researching, advocating for, and leading coalitions to bring smart growth practices to more communities nationwide. From providing more sidewalks so people can walk to their town center to ensuring that more homes are built near public transit, or productive farms remain a part of our communities, smart growth helps make sure that people across the nation can live in great neighborhoods. Our solutions include:  
• Coalition Building: Governors, business owners, bicycle activists, parents, and organizations across the country are all part of growing communities that can be even greater. Smart growth is about making neighborhoods work for everyone, and the more people involved in that process the better.  
• Policy Development: From using federal stimulus dollars to repair roads and create low-cost options for transportation, to adopting local water policies that work for developers and homebuyers alike, we are a policy resource on all things smart growth. We work with leaders at all levels of government to show which policy options are best for different communities and can help communities go from idea to implementation.  
• Research: We make sure the smart growth policies we promote are not just good theory, but proven ideas. Research, on topics from urban development to transportation to the cost of vacant properties in your community, inform our work and are available online. New research is posted regularly, giving policymakers, businesses, and community groups the tools they need to make sure growth is smartly done | Smart Growth America 17071 Street NW, Suite 350 Washington, DC 20036 202-207-3355 info@smartgrowthamerica.org | http://www.smartgrowthamerica.org/about/ |
<p>| <strong>States’ Economic Development Assistance Program (SEADAP)</strong> | The main investment tool used by the Delta Regional Authority is the States’ Economic Development Assistance Program (SEADAP). The goal of the SEADAP funding program is to create a competitive, productive workforce; improve physical and digital connections; and create sustainable communities. DRA’s four funding categories are: Basic Public Infrastructure, Transportation Infrastructure, Workforce Development and Business Development (emphasizing entrepreneurship). | Kemp Morgan, Director Project Development and Management Delta Regional Authority 236 Sharkey Avenue, Suite 400 Clarksdale, MS 38614 662-483-8210 <a href="mailto:kmorgan@dra.gov">kmorgan@dra.gov</a> <a href="mailto:reply@dra.gov">reply@dra.gov</a> | <a href="http://www.dra.gov/econ-dev/default.aspx">http://www.dra.gov/econ-dev/default.aspx</a> <a href="http://grants.dra.gov/">http://grants.dra.gov/</a> |
| <strong>Statewide Flood Control Program</strong> | Funds construction for projects that reduce existing flood damages, do not encourage additional development in flood-prone areas, do not increase upstream or downstream flooding and have a total construction cost of $100,000 or more. Typical projects include: Channel Enlargement, Levees, Pump Stations, Relocation of Dwellings &amp; Business Structures, Reservoirs, and other Flood Damage Reduction Measures. | Skyler Waasoe Public Works &amp; Water Resources Division 1201 Capital Access Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Mailing Address P.O. Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245 (225) 379-3000 (225) 379-3002 <a href="mailto:skyler.waasoe@la.gov">skyler.waasoe@la.gov</a> | <a href="http://www.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Public_Works/Flood_Control/Pages/d">http://www.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Public_Works/Flood_Control/Pages/d</a> efault.aspx |</p>
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<td>Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Planning Grant Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program supports metropolitan and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact. The Community Challenge Planning Grant Program focuses on individual jurisdictions and more localized planning. The program places a priority on investing in partnerships, including nontraditional partnerships (e.g., arts and culture, recreation, public health, food systems, regional planning agencies and public education entities) that: a. Translate the Federal Livability Principles into strategies that direct long-term development and reinvestment. b. Demonstrate a commitment to addressing issues of regional significance. c. Use data to set and monitor progress toward performance goals. d. Engage stakeholders and residents in meaningful decision-making roles. e. Foster reform and reduce barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital, and sustainable communities. Such efforts may include amending or replacing local master plans, zoning codes, and building codes – either on a jurisdiction-wide basis or in a specific neighborhood, district, corridor, or sector – to promote mixed-use development, affordable housing, the reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes, and similar activities with the goal of promoting sustainability at the local or neighborhood level. f. Support the development of affordable housing through the development and adoption of inclusionary zoning ordinances and other activities to support plan implementation.</td>
<td>Sunaree K. Marshall Sustainable Communities Community Challenge Grant Program U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street SW, Room 10180 Washington, DC 20410 202-402-6011 <a href="mailto:Sunaree.K.Marshall@hud.gov">Sunaree.K.Marshall@hud.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for">https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&amp;mode=for</a> m&amp;tab=step1&amp;id=c56dd48e5efbc71e7f04ed2f5212 Se30</td>
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<td>Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The goal is to work toward building a more balanced transportation system that includes pedestrians and bicyclists as well as the motoring public. Projects are not limited to sidewalks and bike paths. They can include safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists, landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites, preservation of abandoned railway corridors, scenic or historic highway programs including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities, archaeological planning and research, control and removal of outdoor advertising, environmental mitigation and establishment of transportation museums.</td>
<td>Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Post Office Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245 1-877-452-3683 (1-877-4LA-DOTD) <a href="mailto:dotdcs@la.gov">dotdcs@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.ep.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions">http://www.ep.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions</a> /Engineering/Project_Management/ITAP/Pages/defa ult.aspx</td>
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<td>Use of Surplus Property for Public Health and Homeless Purposes</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To convey or lease all surplus federal real properties, made available by the disposal agency, which are needed and usable by eligible organizations and institutions to carry out health programs – including homeless assistance programs. Examples of potentially eligible use programs are hospitals, public health clinics, water and sewer systems, institutions for the rehabilitation of mentally or physically handicapped, health research institutions, homeless assistance facilities, and other institutions with basic health programs.</td>
<td>Property Disposal Division General Services Administration 819 Taylor Street Fort Worth, TX 76102 Phone: (817) 978-2331 Fax: (877) 978-2063 Chief, Real Property Branch Program Support Center 5600 Fishers Lane Room 5B-17, Rockville, MD 20857 Phone: (301) 443-2265 Fax: (301) 443-0084 <a href="mailto:rph@psc.gov">rph@psc.gov</a></td>
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<td>Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide basic human amenities, alleviate health hazards, and promote the orderly growth of the rural areas of the nation by meeting the need for new and improved rural water and waste disposal facilities. Funds may be used for the installation, repair, expansion, repair, or expansion of a rural water facility including distribution lines; well pumping facilities and costs related thereto; and the installation, repair, improvement, or expansion of a rural water disposal facility including the collection and treatment of sanitary, storm, and solid wastes. Grant funds may not be used to pay: interest on loans, operation and maintenance costs, or acquisition or refinancing of an existing system. This is an ongoing program.</td>
<td>Richard Hoffpaur, Director Community Facilities Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture 3727 Government Street Alexandria La 71332 318-473-7940 <a href="mailto:Richard.Hoffpaur@la.usda.gov">Richard.Hoffpaur@la.usda.gov</a></td>
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<td>Allstate Foundation</td>
<td>Jan Epstein, Executive Director The Allstate Foundation 2775 Sanders Road, F4 Northbrook, IL 60062 847-402-2794 <a href="mailto:Grants@Allstate.com">Grants@Allstate.com</a></td>
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<td>Allstate Foundation</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Grant making priorities fall into three categories: • Safe and Vital Communities (including catastrophe response and neighborhood revitalization); • Economic Empowerment (including financial/economic literacy); and • Tolerance, Inclusion, and Diversity. Signature programs include: • Teen Safe Driving; and • Economic Empowerment for Domestic Violence Survivors.</td>
<td>Victor Kurz Public Assistance Branch / Recovery Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20274 202-646-7947 <a href="mailto:Victor.Kurz@fema.dhs.gov">Victor.Kurz@fema.dhs.gov</a></td>
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<td>Community Facilities Direct and Guaranteed Loan and Grant Programs</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural residents. Community facilities include (but are not limited to) those providing or supporting overall community development — such as hospitals, fire stations, child care facilities, food recovery and distribution centers; assisted living facilities; group homes, mental health clinics, and shelters; and education facilities. Projects comprise community, social, health care, education, cultural, transportation, industrial park sites, fire and rescue services, access ways, and utility extensions. All facilities financed in whole or in part with RHS funds shall be for public use.</td>
<td>Clarence Hawkins State Director USDA RD STATE OFFICE 3737 GOVERNMENT ST ALEXANDRIA, LA 71302-3137 (318) 473-7921 (318) 473-7661 fax <a href="mailto:clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov">clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HAD-CF_Grants.html">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HAD-CF_Grants.html</a></td>
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<td>Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt status nonprofit organizations — with S01(c)(3) tax exempt status — with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include: • Undeveloped land; • Office buildings; • Warehouses; • Commercial and industrial facilities; • Military holdings; and • Single- and multi-family residences. Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self help housing, port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use.</td>
<td>David R. Stinson Realty Specialist Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration 1800 F Street NW room 7300 Washington, DC 20405-0001 202-208-0324 / 202-501-0084 <a href="mailto:David.Stinson@gsa.gov">David.Stinson@gsa.gov</a> Region 7 – Greater Southwest (includes Louisiana) Melvin Freeman, Director Office of Real Property Utilization and Disposal General Services Administration 819 Taylor Street, Room 11A09 Fort Worth, TX 76102 817-978-3856 <a href="mailto:Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov">Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov</a></td>
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<td>Donation of Federal Surplus Personal Property</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To donate federal personal property no longer required for federal use to public agencies and qualifying nonprofit entities in order to reduce the operating costs of state and local government while fully reutilizing the property to the end of its useful life, thereby maximizing the tax dollars. Surplus items are used by state and local public agencies for carrying out or promoting one or more public purposes — such as conservation, parks and recreation, education, public health, public safety, economic development, and programs for older individuals; by certain nonprofit, tax-exempt activities for public health or educational purposes (including research for such purposes) and for use in programs for older individuals; or by public airports for airport development, operation, or maintenance. The program is administered at the state level by the respective State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs).</td>
<td>Sara Woods Joyce Spalding Property Disposal Specialist Utilization and Donation Program <a href="mailto:Woods@gsa.gov">Woods@gsa.gov</a> <a href="mailto:Joyce.Spalding@gsa.gov">Joyce.Spalding@gsa.gov</a> Louisiana John Medica Assistant Director Louisiana Federal Property Assistance Agency 1635 Foss Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802 225-342-860 <a href="mailto:John.Medica@la.gov">John.Medica@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.gsaxcess.gov">http://www.gsaxcess.gov</a></td>
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<td>Fire Management Assistance Grant Program</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Funds are allocated from the president’s Disaster Relief Fund and made available by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to assist in fighting wildfires that threaten to cause a major disaster. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Fire Management Assistance Grant Program (FMAGP) provides cost-sharing grants to states, local governments, and Indian tribal governments for the mitigation, management, and control of any fire burning on publicly (non-federal) or privately owned forest or grassland that threatens such destruction as would constitute a major disaster. Eligible firefighting costs may include expenses for field camps; equipment use, repair, and replacement; tools, materials, and supplies; and mobilization and demobilization activities.</td>
<td>Control Desk, Public Assistance Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW, Room 427 Washington, DC 20472 202-646-3814 / 800-621-3363</td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/fire-management-assistance-grant-program">http://www.fema.gov/fire-management-assistance-grant-program</a></td>
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<td><strong>Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs (HMGP)</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Governors’ Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness administers four grant programs available pre-disaster and one post-disaster: • Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM): Provides funds on an annual basis for hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster. The goal of the PDM program is to reduce overall risk to the population and structures as well as reducing reliance on Federal funding from actual disaster declarations. • Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA): Provides funds on an annual basis so that measures can be taken to reduce or eliminate risk of flood damage to buildings insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). • Repeat Flood Claims (RFC): Provides funds on an annual basis to reduce the risk of flood damage to individual properties insured under the NFIP that have had one or more claim payments for flood damages. RFC provides up to 100 percent federal funding for projects in communities that meet the reduced capacity requirements. • Severe Repetitive Loss Pilot Program (SRL): Provides funds on an annual basis to the risk of flood damage to residential structures insured under the NFIP that are qualified as severe repetitive loss structures. SRL provides up to 90 percent federal funding for eligible projects. • Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP): Assists in implementing long term hazard mitigation measures following Presidential disaster declarations. Funding is available to implement projects in accordance with State, Tribal, and local priorities.</td>
<td>Tonia Bergeron Traditional HMGP Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Boulevard Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225)267-2749 Email: <a href="mailto:tonia.bergeron@la.gov">tonia.bergeron@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://gohsep.la.gov/mitigationgrants.aspx">http://gohsep.la.gov/mitigationgrants.aspx</a></td>
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<td><strong>Public Assistance (PA) Program</strong></td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act, designated for public assistance. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments in responding to and recovering from the devastating effects of disasters by providing assistance for debris removal; emergency protective measures; and the repair, reconstruction, restoration, or replacement of public facilities or infrastructure damaged or destroyed.</td>
<td>William W. Roche Public Assistance Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20472 800-621-3363 / 202-646-4136 <a href="mailto:William.Roche@fema.dhs.gov">William.Roche@fema.dhs.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit">http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit</a></td>
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<td><strong>Beach Erosion Control Projects</strong></td>
<td>To control beach and shore erosion to public shores through projects not specifically authorized by Congress; Project planning is accomplished through a feasibility study or under the Continuing Authorities Program (CAP). Under the feasibility study, the first $100,000 of the study is federally funded by USACE. The remainder of the study's costs is shared 50/50 between USACE and the non-federal sponsor. Local costs for projects authorized using the feasibility process are based on the public use and ownership of the beach protected. Local cost participation requirements for CAP projects are similar to those authorized via the feasibility study except that federal participation cannot exceed 52 million.</td>
<td>Lee Tew U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 441 G. Street NW Washington, DC 20314-1000 202-761-1504 <a href="mailto:Donnie.L.Tew@usace.army.mil">Donnie.L.Tew@usace.army.mil</a> / <a href="mailto:hq-publicaffairs@usace.army.mil">hq-publicaffairs@usace.army.mil</a></td>
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<td><strong>Community Development Block Grants Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program</strong></td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Passage of supplemental appropriations legislation by Congress and allocation of grant funding by the Secretary of HUD. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist localities and states recover from Presidential declared disasters, especially in low-income areas.</td>
<td>Scott G. Davis Office of Block Grant Assistance U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CPD 451 Seventh Street SW Washington, DC 20410-7000 202-402-4343 <a href="mailto:Scott.G.Davis@hud.gov">Scott.G.Davis@hud.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/p">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/p</a> rograms</td>
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<td><strong>Community Development Block Grants / Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program</strong></td>
<td>To provide communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large scale physical development projects. As with the CDBG program, all projects and activities must either principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons, aid in the elimination or prevention of slums and blight, or meet urgent needs of the community. Proposed activities must be consistent with a unit of local government’s Consolidated Plan submitted for HUD’s Community Planning and Development Programs.</td>
<td>Paul D. Webster Financial Management Division Office of Block Grant Assistance Department of Housing and Urban Development / CPD 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7180 Washington, DC 20410-7000 202-708-1871 <a href="mailto:paul.webster@hud.gov">paul.webster@hud.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprog">http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprog</a> rams/section108</td>
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<td><strong>Community Disaster Loan Program</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide loans subject to Congressional loan authority, to any local government that has suffered substantial loss of revenues in an area in which the President designates a major disaster exists. The funds can only be used to maintain existing functions of a municipal operating character and the local government must demonstrate a need for financial assistance. The funds cannot be used to meet the non federal share of any Federal program, finance capital improvements, or repair or restore public facilities.</td>
<td>Victor Kurz Public Assistance Branch / Recovery Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20472 202-646-7847 <a href="mailto:Victor.Kurz@fema.dhs.gov">Victor.Kurz@fema.dhs.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/index.jsf?program&amp;mode=for">https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/index.jsf?program&amp;mode=for</a> m&amp;tab=core&amp;id=a2635633c31828504a3648743897 0592</td>
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<td><strong>Community Facilities Direct and Guaranteed Loan and Grant Programs</strong></td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural residents. Community facilities include (but are not limited to) those providing or supporting overall community development – such as hospitals, fire stations, child care facilities, food recovery and distribution centers; assisted living facilities; group homes, mental health clinics, and shelters; and public safety facilities. Projects comprise community, social, health care, education, cultural, transportation, industrial park sites, fire and rescue services, access ways, and utility extensions. All facilities financed in whole or in part with RHS funds shall be for public use.</td>
<td>Clarence Hawkins State Director USDA-RO STATE OFFICE 3737 GOVERNMENT ST ALEXANDRIA, LA 71302-3327 (318) 473-7921 (318) 473-7661 fax <a href="mailto:clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov">clarence.hawkins@la.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.rundev.usda.gov/HAD-CF_Grants.html">http://www.rundev.usda.gov/HAD-CF_Grants.html</a></td>
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<td>Community Services Block Grant Discretionary Awards</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To support program activities to alleviate the causes of poverty in distressed communities which: 1) assist businesses in creating jobs for low-income individuals – i.e., develop employment and business development opportunities for low-income individuals; and 2) a better standard of living for rural low-income individuals in terms of water and waste water treatment. Community Economic Development (CED) grants are awarded to cover project costs for: (1) startup or expansion of business, physical improvements, or commercial activities; (2) capital expenditures such as the purchase of equipment or real property; (3) allowable operating expenses; and (4) loans or equity investments. Expenditures must result in the creation of employment or business opportunities for low-income individuals. Generally, the project must be completed within 36 months for non-construction projects and 60 months for construction projects. Projects must document public/private partnership mobilizing cash and/or in-kind contributions; and be located in areas characterized by poverty and other indicators of socioeconomic distress – such as high levels of unemployment; or high levels of violence, gang activity, crime, drug use, and/or low-income individuals; or designation as an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community (EZ/EC). Rural Community Development (RCD) grants are awarded to provide training and technical assistance to small, rural communities concerning their water and waste water treatment needs. RF grants focus on the development and upgrading of small water and wastewater systems in low-income areas. Types of services provided included training of persons responsible for community water and wastewater facilities; assisting communities with problem-solving and planning for facilities; producing and disseminating publications, newsletters, videos, and training manuals about rural waste and wastewater systems; and assisting rural communities in leveraging federal, state, local, and private sector financing for facilities.</td>
<td>Lynda Perez Division of Community Discretionary Programs Office of Coal Services Department of Health and Human Services / ACF 370 L’Enfant Promenade SW, Fifth Floor West Washington, DC 20447 202-401-9365</td>
<td><a href="https://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/">https://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/</a></td>
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<td>Conservation Activities by Youth Service Organizations</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To utilize qualified youth or conservation corps to carry out appropriate conservation projects which the Secretary is authorized to approve under other authority of law on public lands. To work cooperatively with the NPS on cultural and natural resource related conservation projects such as trail development and maintenance, historic, cultural, forest and timber management, minor construction work, archaeological conservation, and native plant habitat restoration and rehabilitation. To promote and stimulate public purposes such as education, job training, development of responsible citizenship, productive community involvement, and further the understanding and appreciation of natural and cultural resources through the involvement of youth and young adults in care and enhancement of public resources. To continue the longstanding efforts of the NPS to provide opportunities for public service, youth employment, minority youth development and training, and participation of young adults in accomplishing conservation-related work. Funding is to be used by organizations to support youth career training and development in the areas of resource management, conservation, and cultural resources while working with the NPS to accomplish particular projects.</td>
<td>George McDonald, Youth Programs Manager Office of the Director National Park Service 12011 Street NW, 11th Floor Washington, DC 20005 202-513-7146 / 202-371-2263 <a href="mailto:George_McDonald@nps.gov">George_McDonald@nps.gov</a></td>
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<td>Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency, formed to engage Americans of all ages and backgrounds in service to meet community needs. Each year, more than 1.5 million individuals help meet local needs through a wide array of service opportunities. These include projects in education, the environment, public safety, homeland security, and other critical areas – including disaster services – through the Corporation’s programs, including: • Senior Corps: Offers a network of programs that tap the rich experience, skills, and talents of older citizens to meet community needs. • AmeriCorps (including AmeriCorps<em>State and National, AmeriCorps</em>VISTA; and AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps): Provides opportunities for Americans to make an ongoing, intensive commitment to service. • Social Innovation Fund: The Social Innovation Fund (SIF) is a new way of doing business for the federal government that stands to yield greater impact on urgent national challenges. The Social Innovation Fund targets millions in public-private funds to expand effective solutions across three issue areas: economic opportunity, healthy futures, and youth development and school support. This work will directly impact thousands of low-income families and create a catalog of proven approaches that can be replicated in communities across the country. • Special Initiatives include: United We Serve/Serve.gov; Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service; President’s Volunteer Service Award; etc.</td>
<td>State Service Commission Judd Jeansonne Executive Director Louisiana Serve Commission 701 N. 4th Street, 4th Floor Baton Rouge, LA 70801-1306 Phone: 225-342-2038 Fax: 225-342-0106 Email: <a href="mailto:jeansonne@crt.la.gov">jeansonne@crt.la.gov</a> Website: <a href="http://www.volunteerlouisiana.gov">http://www.volunteerlouisiana.gov</a> CNCS State Office Vickie Schenk Louisiana 707 Florida Street, Suite 316 Baton Rouge, LA 70801 Phone: 225-389-0471 Fax: 225-389-0510 Email: <a href="mailto:la@cnscs.gov">la@cnscs.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://nationalservice.gov">http://nationalservice.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>Disaster Assistance Tax Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide free tax information and assistance to taxpayers whose property has been damaged or lost in a federally declared disaster area. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: Advisory and counseling services. IRS employees are present at most disaster recovery centers to provide free tax information. Taxpayers are given information about casualty loss deductions and assisted in determining whether a claim for refund of taxes already paid can be filed. Individuals have an option to file an amended return for the prior year to obtain a refund of taxes already paid rather than wait to claim the disaster loss on the subsequent year’s return. IRS employees provide information to help taxpayers reconstruct destroyed financial records. Copies or transcripts of previously filed tax returns will be provided free of charge to taxpayers located in the federally declared disaster area. IRS may postpone tax deadlines to provide extra time to file and pay before assessing any penalty, additional amount, or addition to the tax.Interest may be abated for the period of time for which an extension of time to file tax returns and pay taxes is granted because the individual or business is located in a presidentially declared disaster area.</td>
<td>Internal Revenue Service Small Business / Self-Employed Division 1111 Constitution Avenue NW Washington, DC 20224 800-882-3277 / 800-829-1040 / 800-829-4059 (for hearing-impaired)</td>
<td><a href="http://www.irs.gov/Businesses/Small-Businesses-&amp;-Self-Employed/Disaster-Assistance-and-Emergency-Relief-for-Individuals-and-Businesses-1">http://www.irs.gov/Businesses/Small-Businesses-&amp;-Self-Employed/Disaster-Assistance-and-Emergency-Relief-for-Individuals-and-Businesses-1</a></td>
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| Disease Control and Prevention | To assist state and local health authorities and other health-related organizations in controlling communicable diseases, chronic diseases and disorders, and other preventable health conditions. Investigators and evaluation of all methods of controlling or preventing disease and disability are carried out by providing epidemic aid, surveillance, technical assistance, consultation, and program support; and by providing leadership and coordination of joint national, state, and local efforts. | Elyse Hill
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
Department of Health and Human Services
4770 Buford Highway
Atlanta, GA 30341
| Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments, and certain eligible tax-exempt nonprofit organizations (with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status – with acquiring surplus federal real property for various public uses that benefit communities. These conveyances are called Public Benefit Conveyances (PBC). Unneeded or underutilized federal property can vary widely in type and value, and may include: • Undeveloped land; • Office buildings; • Warehouses; • Commercial and industrial facilities; • Military buildings; and • Single- and multi-family residences. Surplus federal real property may be conveyed at a discount of up to 100 percent for homeless assistance use; public park or recreation use; public health or educational purposes; law enforcement; emergency management response use, including fire and rescue services; self-help housing; port facility use; and public highway use. Surplus federal real property may also be conveyed without monetary consideration for the following public uses: public airport use; wildlife conservation; correctional facility use; and historic monument use. | David R. Stinson
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Melvin.Freeman@gsa.gov | http://gsa.gov/portal/content/102015 |
| Disposal of Federal Surplus Real Property for Historic Monument Purposes (Historic Surplus Property Program) | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To transfer Federal historic surplus properties – such as courthouses, office buildings and military structures – to state and local governments for historic preservation purposes. To be classified as "historic," the properties must be listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places, which is maintained by the National Park Service. Properties transferred under the Historic Surplus Property Program may be adapted for new uses, but the associated rehabilitation work must meet the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. The properties are conveyed at no cost, and recipients of these properties must commit the funds necessary to preserve and maintain them in perpetuity. The National Park Service is responsible for monitoring the properties to ensure that they are maintained and protected. | Gary Sachau
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| Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program | • Acquisition of eligible equipment, including: computer hardware and software, audio and video equipment, computer network components, terminal equipment, data terminal equipment, inside wiring, interactive video equipment, and other facilities that further DLT services; • Acquisition of instructional programming; and • Acquisition of technical assistance and/or instruction for using eligible equipment. | Assistant Administrator
Utilities Programs
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 2845
Stop 1550
Washington, DC 20250-1550
| Economic Adjustment Assistance Program | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To respond to the short- and long-term effects of severe economic dislocation events on communities. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: Categorical project economic adjustment grants (usually funded from supplemental appropriations) for planning, technical assistance, revolving loan funds, and infrastructure construction to assist affected communities in accelerating economic recovery and implementing strategic actions to reduce the risk of economic damage and loss in commercial and industrial areas from future disasters. Economic Adjustment Assistance grants are intended to enhance a distressed community’s ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas. Current investment priorities include proposals that: a) enhance the competiveness of regions in the global economy by supporting existing industry clusters, developing emerging new clusters, or attracting new regional economic drivers; b) support technology-led economic development and reflect the important role of linking universities and industry and technology transfers; and c) advance community- and faith-based social entrepreneurship in redevelopment strategies for regions of chronic economic distress. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Applicable cost-share requirements for economic adjustment assistance are set forth in current EDA regulations for grant rate eligibility (13 CFR 301.4). Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project. Project may receive an additional amount that shall not exceed 30 percent, however – up to a total of 80 percent of total project cost – based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located, as determined by EDA. In the case of EDA investment to an Indian tribe, state (or political subdivision of a state), or nonprofit organization that the Assistant Secretary determines has exhausted its effective borrowing capacity, the Assistant Secretary has the discretion to establish a maximum EDA investment rate of up to 100 percent of the total project cost. | Kerstin Millius
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<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: An emergency is considered to exist when a watershed is suddenly impaired by floods, fire, drought, or other natural causes that result in the endangerment of life and property from flood, erosion, or sediment discharge. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist sponsors in implementing emergency recovery measures for run-off retardation and erosion prevention. To relieve imminent hazards to life and property created by a natural disaster that causes a sudden impairment of a watershed. To provide technical and financial assistance in carrying out recovery works of improvement. Technical assistance is provided in designing and installing watershed recovery measures. Financial assistance is provided for sharing costs of recovery measures. COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS: Sponsors must provide local match (25 percent, or 10 percent within limited resource areas) as cash or in-kind donations. Up to 75 percent of the construction costs of emergency measures may be paid for projects; 90 percent of the construction costs may be paid within limited resource areas.</td>
<td>Britt Paul Assistant State Conservationist for Water Resources U.S. Department of Agriculture / NRCS 3737 Government Street Post Office Box 2890 Alexandria, LA 71302 <a href="mailto:Britt.Paul@la.usda.gov">Britt.Paul@la.usda.gov</a> 318-473-7756</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov">http://www.nrcs.usda.gov</a></td>
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<td>Floodplain Easement Program</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Applications may be submitted during an announced sign-up period when funds are made available by Congress as a result of a disaster declared by the President or the NRCS State Conservationist (STC). PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To acquire an easement in lieu of EWP recovery efforts on eligible sites where landowners voluntarily agree to a perpetual easement. NRCS will restore, protect, manage, and enhance the functions and values of the floodplain. Structural and non-structural practices are used to restore flood storage and flow, erosion control, and improve the management of the easement. NRCS will maximize wildlife-habitat and wetland/floodplain functions and values.</td>
<td>Mike Perry, Abbeville Service Center, 3221 Veterans Memorial Dr, Ste H, Abbeville, LA 70510 (337) 893-5664 ext 3 (337) 893-9225 fax <a href="mailto:mike.perry@la.usda.gov">mike.perry@la.usda.gov</a></td>
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| Gap Analysis Program (GAP)    | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Gap Analysis Program (GAP) is an element of the U.S. Geological Survey. It is used to implement the Department of Interior's goals of inventory, monitoring, research, and information transfer. GAP has three primary goals:  
  - To identify conservation gaps that help keep common species common;  
  - To provide conservation information to the public so that informed resource management decisions can be made; and  
  - To facilitate the application of GAP data and analysis to specific resource management activities.  
  To implement these goals, GAP carries out the following objectives:  
  - Map the land cover of the United States;  
  - Map predicted distributions of vertebrate species for the U.S.;  
  - Map the location, ownership and stewardship of protected areas;  
  - Document the representation of vertebrate species and land cover types in areas managed for the long-term maintenance of biodiversity;  
  - Provide this information to the public and those entities charged with land use research, policy, planning, and management; and  
  - Build institutional cooperation in the application of this information to state and regional management activities.  
  GAP conducts national as well as regional and state projects, utilizing cooperative efforts among federal, state, and regional agencies, and private organizations. | Dr. Kevin Gergely, National GAP Program Manager, Forest and Rangeland Ecosystem Science Center, Snake River Field Station, 970 Lusk Street, Boise, ID 83706 208-426-5219 gergely@usgs.gov | http://gapanalysis.usgs.gov |
| Habitat Conservation Program   | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide grants and cooperative agreements for habitat conservation activities including coastal and marine habitat restoration and protection. Funds can be used by recipients to support a wide variety of habitat restoration, coastal resource conservation, construction, management, public education activities, and research for marine and estuarine habitats – especially for species currently under, or proposed for, federal or inter-jurisdictional management. Restoration includes, but is not limited to, activities that contribute to the return of degraded or altered marine, estuarine, coastal, and freshwater (diadromous fish) habitats to a close approximation of their function prior to disturbance. Habitat restoration activities that produce significant ecological habitat features to create buffers or “green infrastructure” that serve to protect coastal communities from sea level rise, coastal storms and flooding, or that provide adaption to climate change are also included. | Office of Habitat Conservation, 1315 East-West Highway, SSMS, 14th Floor, F/HC, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Main Phone: (301) 713-2325, Main Fax: (301)713-1043, Main Email: habitat.conservation@noaa.gov | http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/index.html |
| Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide states and local governments financial assistance to implement measures that will permanently reduce or eliminate future damages and losses from natural hazards through safer building practices and improving existing buildings and supporting infrastructure. Assistance can be used for the acquisition of real property, relocation, demolition of structures, seismic rehabilitation, or retrofitting of existing structures; strengthening of existing structures; initial implementation of vegetation management programs; initial training of architects, engineers, building officials, and other professionals to facilitate the implementation of newly adopted state or local mitigation standards and codes; elevation of residential structures; elevation or dry flood-proofing of non-residential structures; and other activities that bring a structure in compliance with the floodplain management requirements. | Jeffrey Giering, Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness, 7667 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806, Phone: (225)267-2916, Email: jeffrey.giering@la.gov | http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program |
| Hope VI Main Street Program   | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist small communities with populations of 50,000 or less and 100 public housing units or less in the rejuvenation of historic or traditional central business districts or “Main Street Areas” by replacing unused commercial space in buildings with affordable housing units. The objectives of the program are to: (1) Redevelop Main Street Areas; (2) Preserve historic or traditional architecture or design features in Main Street Areas; (3) Enhance economic development efforts in Main Street Areas; and (4) Provide affordable housing in Main Street Areas.  
  Main Street grant funds may be used to rehabilitate or develop new affordable housing that is included in a Main Street rejuvenation effort. Main Street housing units must be maintained as affordable for the initial residents only. Each resident (or family) must have an adjusted income of 80 percent or less of the area median income. Allowable activities that may be funded by a Main Street grant include: development of new housing units; rehabilitation of non-habitable existing housing units; acquisition activities; homeownership activities; necessary management improvement costs; relocation costs for affected residents; and community and supportive services. | Lawrence Gnessin, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 4130, Washington, DC 20410, (202)445-8812 Lawrence.Gnessin@hud.gov | http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/programs/offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/hopevi/grants/mainstreet |
Land and Water Conservation Fund State Grant Program

**PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) program provides matching grants to states and local governments for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. The program is intended to create and maintain a nationwide legacy of high quality recreation areas and facilities. It also seeks to stimulate non-federal investments in the protection and maintenance of recreation resources across the United States. LWCF has two components: a federal program that funds the purchase of land and water areas for conservation and recreation purposes; and a state matching grants program that provides funds to states for planning, developing, and acquiring land and water areas for state and local open space and natural resource protection, and recreation enhancement. The state-side 50/50 match program has been used by state and local governments to build and repair parks, hiking and riding trails, camping and picnic areas, ball fields, and to preserve priceless natural treasures and important historic sites.

**WEB ADDRESS**
http://www.nps.gov/lwcf

http://www.crt.state.la.us/louisiana-state-parks/grant-opportunities-for-recreation/land-water-conservation/index

Mental Health Disaster Assistance

**ACTIVATING MECHANISM:** Supplemental appropriation by Congress relating to presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act.

**PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** To provide supplemental emergency mental health counseling to individuals affected by major disasters, including the training of workers to provide such counseling.

**WEB ADDRESS**
http://www.samhsa.gov/

National Heritage Area Federal Financial Assistance

**PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** The purpose of designation as a National Heritage Area (NHA) is to preserve and interpret -- for the educational and inspirational benefit of present and future generations -- the unique and significant contributions to our national heritage of certain historic and cultural lands, waterways, and structures; to encourage a broad range of economic opportunities enhancing the quality of life within the designated area; and to provide a management framework to assist state/local government entities, nonprofits, and others in developing policies and programs that will preserve, enhance, and interpret the cultural, historical, natural, recreational, and scenic resources of the heritage area. NHAs are a grassroots, community-driven approach to heritage conservation and economic development. Through public-private partnerships, NHAs support heritage preservation, natural resource conservation, recreation, heritage tourism, and educational projects. NHAs are not national park units. Rather, NPS partners with, provides technical assistance, and distributes matching federal funds from Congress to NHA entities. NPS does not assume ownership of land inside heritage areas or impose land use controls.

**WEB ADDRESS**
http://www.nps.gov/history/heritageareas/

Investments for Public Works and Economic Development Facilities

**PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:** Public Works grants support the construction or rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and facilities necessary to generate or retain private sector jobs and investments; attract private sector capital; and promote regional competitiveness, innovation, and entrepreneurship -- including investments that expand and upgrade infrastructure to attract new industry, support technology-led development, accelerate new business development, and enhance the ability of regions to capitalize on opportunities presented by free trade. Characteristic projects include investments in facilities such as:

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- Industrial access roads;
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**Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program**

Provides financial assistance to producers of non-insurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory, or prevented planting occur due to natural disasters. To be eligible for Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP), crops must be non-insurable and commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available, and must be any of the following:

- Crops grown for food;
- Crops planted and grown for livestock consumption, including – but not limited to – grain and forage crops, native forage;
- Crops grown for fiber – such as cotton and flax (except for trees);
- Crops grown in a controlled environment – such as mushrooms and floriculture;
- Specialty crops – such as honey and maple sap;
- Value loss crops – such as aquaculture, Christmas trees, gingang, ornamental nursery, and turfgrass sod;
- Sea oats and sea grass; and
- Seed crops where the propagation stock is produced for sale as seed stock for other eligible NAP crop production.

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**North American Wetlands Conservation Fund**

To provide grant funds for wetlands conservation projects in the U.S., Canada, or Mexico. Funds may be used to acquire real property interest in lands or waters – including water rights. Funds may also be used to restore, manage, and/or enhance wetland ecosystems and other habitat for migratory birds and other fish/wildlife. Projects must provide long-term conservation for wetlands-associated migratory birds and other wetlands-associated wildlife. Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act-derived funds eligible for NAWCA projects may be used only in U.S. coastal wetlands ecosystems.

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**Ocean Research Environmental Studies Program**

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Division of Environmental Sciences manages the Environmental Studies Program (ESP) for the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM). ESP develops, conducts, and oversees world-class scientific research specifically to inform policy decisions regarding development of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) energy and mineral resources. Research covers physical oceanography, atmospheric sciences, biology, protected species, social sciences and economics, submerged cultural resources, and environmental fate and effects. Three general goals for the program include:

1. To establish the information needed for assessment and management of environmental impacts on the human, marine, and coastal environments of the OCS and the potentially affected coastal areas;
2. To predict impacts on the marine biota which may result from chronic, low-level pollution or large spills associated with OCS production, from drilling fluids and cuttings discharges, pipeline emplacement, or onshore facilities; and
3. To monitor human, marine, and coastal environments to provide time series and data trend information for identification of significant changes in the quality and productivity of these environments, and to identify the causes of these changes.

The Environmental Studies Program Information Systems (ESPIS) makes all completed ESP reports available online as full electronic pdf documents, including images and graphics. The information is grouped geographically to locate the most useful documents. Geographic locations for the research include the Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic, Pacific, and Alaska.

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**ONRR GoMESA**

PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: ONRR awards 37.5 percent of selected revenue with Gulf producing states and political subdivisions, payable annually during the year after receipt in accordance with federal and state laws. Funds may only be used for one or more of the following purposes:

- Projects and activities for the purposes of coastal protection – including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetland losses;
- Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources;
- Implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan;
- Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects; and/or
- Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section.

Limitation: Not more than 3 percent of amount received may be spent on planning assistance and compliance administrative costs.

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**Partners for Fish and Wildlife**

To provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners and Native American Tribes interested in voluntarily restoring or otherwise improving native habitats for fish and wildlife on their lands. All projects must benefit federal trust species, involve on-the-ground habitat restoration, and be cost-effective. Specific criteria for reviewing and ranking projects were established in the national Partners policy, at http://www.fws.gov/policy/640fw1.html. The program gives high priority to proposed projects that benefit the National Wildlife Refuge System, species at risk, conserve globally or nationally imperiled habitats, and reduce habitat fragmentation.

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<td>Sustainable communities are places that have a variety of housing and transportation choices, with destinations close to home. As a result, they tend to have lower transportation costs, reduce air pollution and storm water runoff, decrease infrastructure costs, preserve historic properties and sensitive lands, save people time in traffic, are more economically resilient, and meet market demand for different types of housing at different price points. Rural, suburban, and urban communities can all use sustainable community strategies and techniques to invest in healthy, safe, and walkable neighborhoods. These strategies will look different in each place depending on the community’s character, context, and needs, however. The partnership agencies periodically offer funding opportunities. When these grants are offered, they will be announced on <a href="http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov">www.sustainablecommunities.gov</a> and on <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>.</td>
<td>Office of Sustainable Communities U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20460 202-566-2878 <a href="mailto:smartgrowth@epa.gov">smartgrowth@epa.gov</a> <a href="mailto:sbpability@ctct.gov">sbpability@ctct.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov/">http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov/</a></td>
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<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act, designated for public assistance. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To assist state and local governments in responding to and recovering from the devastating effects of disasters by providing assistance for debris removal; emergency protective measures; and the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of public facilities or infrastructure damaged or destroyed.</td>
<td>William W. Roche Public Assistance Division DHS / FEMA 500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20472 800-621-3363 / 202-646-4136 <a href="mailto:William.Roche@fema.dhs.gov">William.Roche@fema.dhs.gov</a></td>
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| Renewable Energy Research and Development | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To conduct balanced research and development efforts in the following energy technologies:  
- Solar energy technologies;  
- Biomass;  
- Hydrogen;  
- Fuel cells and infrastructure;  
- Wind and hydropower;  
- Hydrogen; and  
- Geothermal technologies.  
Grants will be offered to develop and transfer to the nonfederal sector various renewable energy technologies on a competitive basis. Assistance may be used to develop and transfer renewable energy technologies to the scientific and industrial communities, state, and local governments. | James Cash Department of Energy 1617 Cole Boulevard Golden, CO 80401 720-336-1456 / 720-336-1800 James.Cash@go.doe.gov | http://www1.eere.energy.gov/financing/ |
| Rural Business Enterprise Grant | To facilitate the development of small and emerging private business, industry, and related employment for improving the economy in rural communities. Funds may be used to create, expand, or operate rural distance learning networks or programs that provide educational or job training instruction related to potential employment or job advancement for adult students; to develop, construct, or acquire land, buildings, plants, equipment, access streets and roads, parking areas, utility extensions, necessary water supply and waste disposal facilities; refinancing; services and fees; and to establish a revolving loan fund. All uses must assist a small and emerging private business enterprise. | Director, Specialty Programs Division Rural Business-Cooperative Service U.S. Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Avenue SW Room, 6870 Washington DC 20250-3222 202-720-1400 Mack McCraney Area Director Rural Development U.S. Department of Agriculture 805 West Oak Street, Suite 3 Amite, LA 70422 985-748-8751 Mack.Mccraney@la.usda.gov | http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/8CP_rbeg.html |
| Smart Growth: Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities | The Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities program seeks to provide technical assistance to communities on the use of a standardized set of tools, used for the implementation of smart growth and sustainable community development approaches to protect the environment, improve public health, create jobs, expand economic opportunity, and improve overall quality of life. The Building Blocks program supports the priorities of the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, a collaborative effort among the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and EPA. The Partnership agencies coordinate federal investments in housing, transportation, and environmental protection to help communities become prosperous, healthy, environmentally sustainable, and rich in opportunities. | Kevin Nelson Office of Sustainable Communities Environmental Protection Agency 202-566-2835 Nelson.Kevinn@epa.gov | http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/buildingblocks.htm |
| Solid Waste Management Grant Program | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To reduce or eliminate pollution of water resources and improve planning and management of solid waste disposal facilities in rural areas. Funds may be used to:  
- Evaluate current landfill conditions to determine threats to water resources in rural areas;  
- Provide technical assistance and/or training to enhance operator skills in maintenance and operation of active landfills in rural areas;  
- Provide technical assistance and/or training to help associations reduce the solid waste stream through reduction, recycling, and reuse; and  
- Provide technical assistance and/or training for operators of landfills in rural areas which are closed or will be closed in the near future with the development/implementation of closure plans, future land use plans, safety and maintenance planning, and closure scheduling within permit requirements. | Richard Hofpauer, Director Community Facilities Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture 3727 Government Street Alexandria, LA 71302 318-473-7940 Richard.Hofpauer@la.usda.gov | http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-solidwastemanagement.htm |
<p>| State Wildlife Grants | Funds the development and implementation of projects for the benefit of fish and wildlife and their habitats, including species that are not hunted or fished. Priority is placed on projects that benefit species of greatest conservation concern. | Mike Piccilli, Chief Wild Life and Sport Fish Restoration Program U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1875 Century Blvd., Suite 240 Atlanta, GA 30345 404-679-4159 / 404-679-4159 <a href="mailto:Mike_Piccilli@fws.gov">Mike_Piccilli@fws.gov</a> | <a href="http://wdfwprograms.fws.gov/">http://wdfwprograms.fws.gov/</a> |</p>
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<td>To support research complementary to USGS program efforts in classification of the public lands and examination of the geological structure, water, mineral, and biological resources, and products of the national domain. This entry covers a variety of USGS assistance awards not covered by any other CFDA program entries. Awards are typically supported by funding from internal projects and programs, and funds are not separately budgeted or reserved for external projects or proposals under this entry. Applications must be for scientific research projects which are within the USGS' areas of responsibility. The majority of funds are used to support research that will enhance existing, long-term collaborative projects. Funds can be used for attendance at national conferences for the dissemination of project results. Further, conferences and symposia will be supported only if it is clear that equivalent results cannot be obtained at regular meetings of professional societies. Office, furniture, office equipment, and foreign travel are not normally considered for support. Funds are set aside for discretionary activities.</td>
<td>Region (includes Louisiana) Office of Acquisitions and Grants U.S. Geological Survey Denver Federal Center Denver, CO 80225 303-236-9315</td>
<td><a href="http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/grants/">http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/grants/</a></td>
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<td>Use of Surplus Property for Public Health and Homeless Purposes</td>
<td>To convey or lease all surplus federal real properties, made available by the disposal agency, which are needed and usable by eligible organizations and institutions to carry out health programs – including homeless assistance programs. Examples of potentially eligible use programs are hospitals, public health clinics, water and sewer systems, institutions for the rehabilitation of mentally or physically handicapped, health research institutions, homeless assistance facilities, and other institutions with basic health programs.</td>
<td>Property Disposal Division General Services Administration 819 Taylor Street Fort Worth, TX 76102 Phone: (817) 978-2331 Fax: (817) 978-2063 Chief, Real Property Branch Program Support Center 5600 Fisheries Lane Room SB-17, Rockville, MD 20857 Phone: (301) 443-2265 Fax: (301) 443-0084 <a href="mailto:rpb@psc.gov">rpb@psc.gov</a></td>
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<td>Assistant Director National Wildlife Refuge System U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 670 Arlington, VA 22203 703-358-1744 / 703-358-2517</td>
<td><a href="https://www.cdf.ca.gov/index/3/program&amp;mode=for">https://www.cdf.ca.gov/index/3/program&amp;mode=for</a> &amp;etabcore&amp;id=46c81e9f31d4ff248d41183a295aa 14 <a href="http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=10.901">http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=10.901</a></td>
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<td>To provide basic human amenities, alleviate health hazards, and promote the orderly growth of the rural areas of the nation by meeting the need for new and improved rural water and waste disposal facilities. Funds may be used for the installation, repair, improvement, or expansion of a rural water facility including distribution lines; well pumping facilities and costs related thereto; and the installation, repair, improvement, or expansion of a rural waste disposal facility including the collection and treatment of sanitary, storm, and solid wastes. Grant funds may not be used to pay: interest on loans; operation and maintenance costs, or acquisition or refinancing of an existing system. This is an ongoing program.</td>
<td>Richard Hoppaier, Director Community Facilities Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture 3727 Government Street Alexandria LA 71302 318-473-7940 <a href="mailto:Richard.Hoppaier@la.usda.gov">Richard.Hoppaier@la.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/cwp-disguaranteed_loan.htm">http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/cwp-disguaranteed_loan.htm</a></td>
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<td>Water Pollution Control Program Grants (Section 106)</td>
<td>To assist states – including territories, the District of Columbia, and Indian tribes – and interstate agencies in establishing and maintaining adequate measures for prevention and control of surface and ground water pollution from both point and nonpoint sources. Water pollution control grants are intended to provide continuing support for the prevention and abatement of surface and ground water pollution from point and nonpoint sources. Continuing and recurrent water quality management program activities funded include water quality planning and standards; monitoring and assessments; inspections and enforcement; permitting; training; advice and assistance to local agencies; and public information. Funds cannot be used for construction, operation, or maintenance of waste treatment plants, nor can they be used for costs financed by other federal grants.</td>
<td>Robyn Delahanty Municipal Support Division Office of Wastewater Management (4201M) Environmental Protection Agency EPA East Building 1201 Constitution Avenue NW Washington, DC 20460 202-564-3880 / 202-564-0748 <a href="mailto:Delahanty.Robyn@epa.gov">Delahanty.Robyn@epa.gov</a> / <a href="mailto:OWM.Comments@epa.gov">OWM.Comments@epa.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/cw/pollutioncon">http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/cw/pollutioncon</a> trol.cfms</td>
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<td>Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP)</td>
<td>The Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) is a voluntary program that provides financial and technical assistance to help participants protect, restore, develop, or enhance habitat for upland wildlife, wetland wildlife, threatened and endangered species, fisherys, and other types of wildlife on private agricultural land, non-industrial private forest land, and Indian land. WHIP in New York will have two focus areas: 1) enhancing early successional wildlife habitat with shrubland; and 2) establishing and enhancing grassland habitat for declining bird species, pollinators, and other grassland wildlife species. Examples of eligible practices include planting of new wildlife seedings, management activities like mowing and fertilizing, prescribed burning, and early successional clearings to enhance shrubland habitat.</td>
<td>Albert Cerne, Director Financial Assistance Programs Division Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture / NRCS Post Office Box 2890 Washington, DC 20213 202-720-9358 <a href="mailto:Albert.Cerne@wdc.usda.gov">Albert.Cerne@wdc.usda.gov</a> Louisiana Steve Cruse Acting Assistant State Conservationist for Programs U.S. Department of Agriculture / NRCS 3737 Government Street Alexandria, LA 71302 318-473-7755 / 318-473-7680 <a href="mailto:Steve.Cruse@la.usda.gov">Steve.Cruse@la.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/na">http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/na</a> tional/programs/financial/whip/</td>
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<td>Workforce Investment Act, Title I National Emergency Grants (NEGs)</td>
<td>ACTIVATING MECHANISM: Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act. PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Impacted states can apply for NEg funds that can be used to temporarily employ dislocated workers. These funds can be used to employ workers on projects that provide food, clothing, shelter, and other humanitarian assistance for disaster victims. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: • Individual: Temporary jobs and/or employment assistance. Workers employed in disaster recovery are enabled to pursue their regular employment, or, if they are permanently displaced by the disaster and unable to find employment, offered retraining and job-search assistance. • State: Grants. Dislocated workers can include some long-term “unemployed workers” (for 15 of the past 26 weeks) and individuals unemployeed as a result of plant closings and mass layoffs.</td>
<td>Administrator, Office of National Response U.S. Department of Labor / ETA Frances Perkins Building 200 Constitution Avenue NW Washington, DC 20210 866-487-2365 / 202-693-3500</td>
<td><a href="http://www.doleta.gov/opa/flood_recovery.htm">http://www.doleta.gov/opa/flood_recovery.htm</a></td>
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<td>Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP II)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: LA CREP II seeks to enroll 15,050 acres located in the watersheds of the Mermentau River Basin area into the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). Landowners can voluntarily offer eligible cropland in the seven different parcels within the watershed for a contract period lasting between 14 to 15 years. By doing so, the state seeks to improve water quality and establish, preserve and/or enhance wildlife habitat leading to an increased population and diversity of birds, mammals and aquatic organisms.</td>
<td>Larry Tribidoux County Executive Director Vermilion County Farm Service Agency 3221 Veterans Memorial Dr Ste H Abbeville, LA 70510 (337) 893-5781 Ext 2 <a href="mailto:larry.thibodaux@la.usda.gov">larry.thibodaux@la.usda.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.fsa.usda.gov/PSA/webapp/area-home">http://www.fsa.usda.gov/PSA/webapp/area-home</a> &amp;subject=crep&amp;topic=cep</td>
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<td>Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund (DWRLF)</td>
<td>To provide low-interest loans and technical assistance to public water systems in the state to assist them in complying with Federal and State drinking water regulations and to ensure their customers are being provided with safe drinking water in order to protect the public health.</td>
<td>Jennifer Meyer Department of Health &amp; Hospitals Post Office Box 629 Baton Rouge, LA 70802 225-342-7499 <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Wilson@la.gov">Jennifer.Wilson@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://new.dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/431/n/285">http://new.dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/431/n/285</a></td>
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<td>Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs (HMGP)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Governors’ Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness administers four grant programs available pre-disaster and one post-disaster: • Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM): Provides funds on an annual basis for hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster. The goal of the PDM program is to reduce overall risk to the population and structures as well as reducing reliance on Federal funding from actual disaster declarations. • Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA): Provides funds on an annual basis so that measures can be taken to reduce or eliminate risk of flood damage to buildings insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). • Repetitive Flood Claims (RFC): Provides funds on an annual basis to reduce the risk of flood damage to individual properties insured under the NFIP that have had one or more claim payments for flood damages. RFC provides up to 100 percent federal funding for projects in communities that meet the reduced capacity requirements. • Severe Repetitive Loss Pilot Program (SRL): Provides funds on an annual basis to reduce the risk of flood damage to residential structures insured under the NFIP that are qualified as severe repetitive loss structures. SRL provides up to 90 percent federal funding for eligible projects. • Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP): Assists in implementing long term hazard mitigation measures following Presidential disaster declarations. Funding is available to implement projects in accordance with State, Tribal, and local priorities.</td>
<td>Tonia Bergeron Traditional HMGP Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Boulevard Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225)267-1749 Email: <a href="mailto:tonia.bergeron@la.gov">tonia.bergeron@la.gov</a> Kim Rodrigue PDM, FMA, RFC Governor’s Office of Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Preparedness 7667 Independence Boulevard Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225)267-2620 Email: <a href="mailto:kim.rodrigue@la.gov">kim.rodrigue@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://gohsep.la.gov/mitigationgrants.aspx">http://gohsep.la.gov/mitigationgrants.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)</td>
<td>Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): Provides funding for safe, decent, and, affordable housing and housing opportunities for low and very low-income households. See full description of programs on the website provided.</td>
<td>Louisiana Housing Corporation 2415 Quail Drive Baton Rouge, LA 70808 225-763-8700</td>
<td><a href="http://www.hfa.state.la.us/">http://www.hfa.state.la.us/</a></td>
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<td>Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The goals of the program are: • To meet state and locally identified public outdoor recreation resource needs to strengthen the health and vitality of the people. • To increase the number of protected state and local outdoor recreation resources and to ensure their availability for public use in perpetuity. • To encourage sound planning and long-term partnerships to expand the quantity and to ensure the quality of needed state and local outdoor recreation resources. Projects should further a recreational goal identified by the most recent Louisiana Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) or in a local/regional comprehensive plan.</td>
<td>Division of Outdoor Recreation Office of State Parks Post Office Box 44426 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4426 225-342-8111</td>
<td><a href="http://www.crt.state.la.us/parks/outdoorrec.aspx">http://www.crt.state.la.us/parks/outdoorrec.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Community Development Authority (LCDA)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Community Development Authority (LCDA) is a group of local governments, created for the purpose of assisting local governments with their financial needs.</td>
<td>Ty Carlos, Executive Director Louisiana Community Development Authority 8712 Jefferson Highway, Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70809-2333 225-924-6150 <a href="mailto:ty.carlos@louisianacda.com">ty.carlos@louisianacda.com</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.louisianacda.com/">http://www.louisianacda.com/</a></td>
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<td>Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: To provide assistance for the development of viable communities by providing a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. OCD administers four program areas for distribution of these funds: • Public Facilities: This is the largest area of funding with its own annual set of priorities. See individual profile in this Resource Guide. • Economic Development: To provide grants to local governments to make loans to businesses for job creation or retention projects and/or to provide grants to local governments for infrastructure improvements which will facilitate the location of a particular business. • Demonstrated Needs: To alleviate critical/urgent needs involving improvements to existing water, wastewater, and gas systems. • LASTP: To fund one or more water and/or wastewater projects utilizing LCDBG funds for materials, engineering, and administrative costs in conjunction with local resources.</td>
<td>Carol M. Newton Louisiana Office of Community Development Post Office Box 94095 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095 225-342-7412 <a href="mailto:Carol.Newton@la.gov">Carol.Newton@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/LCDBG/lcdbcghome.htm">http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/LCDBG/lcdbcghome.htm</a></td>
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| Specialty Crops Program                     | Program is designed to establish new, and strengthen existing community forestry programs in Louisiana. The program strives to increase the number and diversity of individuals informed and involved in community forestry endeavors. | Michell Estay, Director  
47076 N. Morrison Blvd.  
Houma, LA 70360  
985-345-9483  
SCBGP@ldaf.la.gov | http://www.ldaf.state.la.us/portal/Offices/AgronConsumerServices/CommodityPromotionandResearch/SpecialtyCropsProgram/tabid/512/Default.aspx |
| Louisiana Housing Corporation                | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES:  
- Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): Provides funding for safe, decent, and, affordable housing and housing opportunities for low and very low-income households.  
- Emergency Shelter Grants Program: Provides funding for one or more of the following activities relating to emergency shelter for the homeless:  
  - Renovation, major rehabilitation, or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelter/transitional housing for the homeless;  
  - Provision of essential services to the homeless;  
  - Payment for shelter maintenance, operation (including shelter administration, rent, repairs, fuel, equipment, utilities, food, and furnishings);  
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA): Provides resources for medical and supportive social services to low income individuals living with HIV disease.  
Although this association has no direct funding, it does provide help in identifying potential grants, training in grant writing skills, and has a list of grant writers at http://www.ldaf.state.la.us/PurposeFundingPriorities/tabid/512/Default.aspx. | Don J. Hutchinson, Interim Executive Director  
Louisiana Housing Corporation  
2415 Quail Drive  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
225-763-8700  
executivewebinfo@fhc.la.gov | http://www.hfa.state.la.us/                                          |
| Louisiana Municipal Association              | This association is over 80 years old, serves the association districts in Louisiana, and provides multiple training and technical assistance efforts. Although this association has no direct funding, it does provide help in identifying potential grants, training in grant writing skills, and has a list of grant writers at http://www.ldaf.state.la.us/PurposeFundingPriorities/tabid/512/Default.aspx. | Ronnie Harris, Executive Director  
Louisiana Municipal Association  
700 North Tenth Street  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802  
225-344-5001  
rharris@lma.org | http://www.lma.org/                                                   |
| Louisiana Office of Community Development    | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: This division of the Louisiana Office of Community Development administers two programs:  
- Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF): Assists units of local government with funding for needed potable water infrastructure and long-term capital potable water improvements in rural areas. The CWEF Program is designed to fill the gaps where there are no federal or other state funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority potable water need.  
- Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP): Assists units of local government with funding for needed infrastructure and long-term capital improvements in rural areas. It is designed to fill the gaps where there are no federal or other state funds available to assist a unit of local government with an identified high priority need.  
- Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, fire protection, sewer, water, renovations to essential government buildings, police protection, land acquisition, demolition, equipment, roads, drainage, and reasonable engineering costs if associated with construction. | Marc Parenti, Manager  
Office of Community Development  
State of Louisiana  
Post Office Box 94095  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095  
225-342-7412  
Marc.Parenti@la.gov | http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/CDBG/LGAPHighlight.s.htm                 |
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Post Office Box 94095  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095  
225-342-7412  
Marc.Parenti@la.gov | http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/CDBG/LGAPHighlight.s.htm                 |
| Louisiana Public Facilities Authority        | PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority is a financing authority created as a public trust and public corporation by the Public Facilities Corporation pursuant to an indenture of trust. The State of Louisiana is the beneficiary of that trust. The LPFA has the ability to issue both taxable and tax-exempt bonds to finance everything from educational facilities to hospitals, student loans, industrial and economic development projects and essential programs for state and local governmental units.  
- Private Activity/Industrial Development Bonds: Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds may be issued for companies or projects within the parameters of current Federal law, mainly companies building or acquiring facilities used to manufacture tangible personal property and other related facilities, and for exempt facilities and nonprofit 501(c)(3) entities. No more than 25 percent of the tax-exempt bond can be used for the purchase of land.  
- Zero Interest Local Government Bond Bank Program: Local government officials work with local banks to obtain the most favorable loan rates. The LPFA provides 15 percent of the total borrowing at zero interest.  
- Rural Development Zero Interest Loan Program: In many cases, community projects slated for Rural Development financing, such as sewer systems, water treatment plants and other construction projects, need interim financing before receiving permanent financing from USDA Rural Development. LPFA provides up to 20 percent of those interim funds at zero percent interest. In partnership with local financial institutions which provide the remainder of the financing.  
- Economic and Capital Facilities Pooled Loans: Entities are joined together in one shared borrowing and the individual entities benefit through lower costs of issuance and lower interest rates. This is available for both public and nonprofit institutions under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal tax code. | Martin Walke, Vice President of Economic Development  
Louisiana Public Facilities Authority  
2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 650  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
225-923-0020 | http://www.lpfa.com/                                                 |
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<td>Statewide Flood Control Program</td>
<td>Funds construction for projects that reduce existing flood damages, do not encourage additional development in flood-prone areas, do not increase upstream or downstream flooding and have a total construction cost of $100,000 or more. Typical projects include: Channel Enlargement, Levees, Pump Stations, Relocation of Dwellings &amp; Business Structures, Reservoirs, and other Flood Damage Reduction Measures.</td>
<td>Skyler Waaso Public Works &amp; Water Resources Division 1201 Capital Access Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Mailing Address P.O. Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245 (225) 379-3000 (225) 379-3002 <a href="mailto:skylerwaaso@la.gov">skylerwaaso@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Public_Work/Flood_Control/Pages/default.aspx">http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Public_Work/Flood_Control/Pages/default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP)</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: The goal is to work toward building a more balanced transportation system that includes pedestrians and bicyclists as well as the motorized public. Projects are not limited to sidewalks and bike paths. They can include safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists, landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, acquisition of scenic easements or scenic or historic sites, preservation of abandoned railway corridors, scenic or historic highway programs including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities, archaeological planning and research, control and removal of outdoor advertising, environmental mitigation and establishment of transportation museums.</td>
<td>Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Post Office Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245 1-877-452-3863 (1-877-4LA-DOTD) <a href="mailto:dotdcs@la.gov">dotdcs@la.gov</a></td>
<td><a href="http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Project_Management/TEP/Pages/default.aspx">http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Project_Management/TEP/Pages/default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Urban &amp; Community Forestry Grant Program</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Program is designed to establish new, and strengthen existing community forestry programs in Louisiana. The program strives to increase the number and diversity of individuals informed and involved in community forestry endeavors. Specific community forestry capacity building activities are being promoted nationwide. These include: • Employment of professional urban forestry staff at the community level, • Development of community forestry management plans based on resource assessments/inventories, • Development or strengthening of community forestry ordinances and policy, • Development or enhancement of local advocacy/advisory organizations. The Forest Service has also placed an emphasis on the five national Urban &amp; Community Forest program goals: • Minimize the impact on land use change and urbanization on forests, • Minimize the risk and impact of catastrophic events, • Protect and improve air and water quality, • Mitigate climate change, • Energy Conservation.</td>
<td>Whitney Wallace, Urban Forestry Program Director Louisiana Department of Agriculture &amp; Forestry Office of Forestry P.O. Box 1628 Baton Rouge, LA 70821 225-925-4500 <a href="mailto:wwallace@ldaf.state.la.us">wwallace@ldaf.state.la.us</a></td>
<td><a href="http://wwwsp.ldaf.state.la.us/portals/Offices/Forestry/InformationEducationUrbanForestry/UrbanCommunityForestGrantProgram/tabid/425/Default.aspx">http://wwwsp.ldaf.state.la.us/portals/Offices/Forestry/InformationEducationUrbanForestry/UrbanCommunityForestGrantProgram/tabid/425/Default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Charitable</td>
<td>Allstate Foundation PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Grant making priorities fall into three categories: • Safe and Vital Communities (including catastrophe response and neighborhood revitalization), • Economic Empowerment (including financial/economic literacy); and • Tolerance, Inclusion, and Diversity. Signature programs include: • Teen Safe Driving; and • Economic Empowerment for Domestic Violence Survivors.</td>
<td>Jan Epstein, Executive Director The Allstate Foundation 2375 Sanders Road, F4 Northbrook, IL 60062 847-402-2794 <a href="mailto:Grants@Allstate.com">Grants@Allstate.com</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.allstatefoundation.org/">http://www.allstatefoundation.org/</a></td>
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<td>Intercultural Center for Research in Education</td>
<td>The Intercultural Center for Research in Education (INCRE) is dedicated to research, development, and technical assistance with the purpose of promoting quality and equity of education in the United States and internationally through projects that integrate humanistic education, science, technology, and education for the preservation of life on our planet. Specialized curriculum and publications are available through the website.</td>
<td>The Intercultural Center for Research in Education 366 Massachusetts Avenue, 2ND Floor Arlington, MA 02474 781-443-2142 <a href="mailto:mail@incres.org">mail@incres.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://wwwincres.org/index.htm">http://wwwincres.org/index.htm</a></td>
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<td>Smart Growth America</td>
<td>PURPOSE / FUNDING PRIORITIES: Smart Growth America advocates for people who want to live and work in great neighborhoods. We believe smart growth solutions support businesses and jobs, provide more options for how people get around, and make it more affordable to live near work and the grocery store. Our coalition works with communities to fight sprawl and save money. Smart Growth America is dedicated to researching, advocating for, and leading coalitions to bring smart growth practices to more communities nationwide. From providing more sidewalks so people can walk to their town center to ensuring that more homes are built near public transit, or productive farms remain a part of our communities, smart growth helps make sure that people across the nation can live in great neighborhoods. Our solutions include: • Coalition Building: Governors, business owners, bicycle activists, parents, and organizations across the country are all part of growing communities that can be even greater. Smart growth is about making neighborhoods work for everyone, and the more people involved in that process the better. • Policy Development: From using federal stimulus dollars to repair roads and create low-cost options for transportation, to adopting local water policies that work for developers and homebuyers alike, we are a policy resource on all things smart growth. We work with leaders at all levels of government to show which policy options are best for different communities and can help communities go from idea to implementation. • Research: We make sure the smart growth policies we promote are not just good theory, but proven ideas. Research, on topics from urban development to transportation to the cost of vacant properties in your community, inform our work and are available online. New research is posted regularly, giving policymakers, businesses, and community groups the tools they need to make sure growth is smartly done.</td>
<td>Smart Growth America 1707 L Street NW, Suite 250 Washington, DC 20036 202-207-3355 <a href="mailto:info@smartgrowthamerica.org">info@smartgrowthamerica.org</a></td>
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| Community Disaster Loan Program | To provide loans subject to Congressional loan authority, to any local government that has suffered substantial loss of revenues in an area in which the President designates a major disaster exists. The funds can only be used to maintain existing functions of a municipal operating character and the local government must demonstrate a need for financial assistance. The funds cannot be used to meet the non federal share of any Federal program, finance capital improvements, or repair or restore public facilities. | Victor Kurz  
Public Assistance Branch / Recovery Division  
DHS / FEMA  
500 C Street SW  
Washington, DC 20742  
202-646-7947  
Victor.Kurz@fema.dhs.gov | https://www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&mode=form&tab=core&id=a263563e3c1828504a3648748748970592 |
The Vermilion Parish Comprehensive Resiliency Plan is made possible through a grant provided through the State of Louisiana Office of Community Development (OCD) – Disaster Recovery Unit (DRU) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Building safer, stronger and more resilient physical and human systems so that communities are better able to withstand future disasters.