

Dear Community Members,

Thank you for your interest in information on federal grants from Congresswoman Suzan DelBene's office. We send regular updates throughout the year, and below and [linked here](#) you will find federal grant opportunities available to organizations and local governments in Washington's First Congressional District. ***Please note that this list is not comprehensive of all grant opportunities available.***

Other ways that the Congresswoman's office can help:

- Answering questions about federal grants
- Connecting directly with federal agencies
- Letters of support for program and project applications
- Grants workshops*

Reach out to Rachel.Alger@mail.house.gov for more information regarding federal grants.

*[Federal Grants 101 Presentation with Grants.gov](#) (March 2022)

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The Congresswoman's office holds regular grants workshops. Linked above is a virtual workshop with [Grants.gov](#) covering how to navigate and apply for federal funding. This is an excellent 101 to review if your organization is *ever* considering applying for federal funding.

Funding Spotlight: Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure

Earlier this month, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) opened applications for the [Charging and Fueling Infrastructure \(CFI\) Discretionary Program](#) to fund electric vehicle (EV) charging and alternative-fueling infrastructure in communities and along designated highways, interstates, and other major roadways across the country. The CFI program was established in the 2021 Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act and splits the program into the 1) Community Program and the 2) Corridor Programs, each funded at \$1.25 billion. The agency seeks to fund projects that address environmental justice, especially in communities disproportionately experiencing the effects of pollution and/or climate change.

This builds upon the already existing \$5 billion National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program. While the NEVI program sends money to U.S. states and territories to build EV charging infrastructure, the CFI program will award competitive grants to projects serving a wide range of applicants in urban, suburban, and rural communities. Both programs put the United States on a path of establishing 500,000 EV chargers nationwide by 2023. [Upcoming webinars can be found here](#), and applications close on **May 20, 2023**. Technical assistance information [can be found here](#).

Funding Spotlight: CHIPS for America

Last year, Congress passed the [CHIPS and Science Act](#) to strengthen the American semiconductor industry and supply chains while providing family wage jobs. In February 2023, the CHIPS Program Office within the U.S. Dept. of Commerce releases its [first funding opportunity aimed at boosting American semiconductor manufacturing](#). The federal government is now seeking applications for the construction, expansion, and/or modernization of commercial

semiconductor facilities. This includes both front-end wafer fabrication and back-end assembly, testing, and packaging. **Pre-applications (optional) and full applications for leading-edge facilities will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning March 31, 2023. Pre-applications (recommended) for current-generation, mature-node, and back-end production facilities will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning May 1, 2023, and full applications for these categories will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning June 26, 2023.**

Additionally, the CHIPS Program Office expects to release two additional funding opportunities: one for semiconductor materials and manufacturing equipment facilities in late spring 2023, and one for R&D facilities in fall 2023. **All potential applicants are encouraged to submit statements of interest as soon as possible so that agency staff may gauge interest in the program and prepare for application review.**

[View More Grant Opportunities Here](#)

Climate, Conservation & Environment

[Bycatch Reduction Engineering Program](#) (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)

Info: The mission of the National Bycatch Reduction Engineering Program (BREP) is to support the development of technological solutions and changes in fishing practices designed to minimize bycatch of fish and protected species and to reduce impacts to invertebrates.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, nonprofits, small businesses and other for profit organizations, institutions of higher education, individuals, nonprofits

Closing: April 3, 2023

[Environmental Justice Collaborative Agreement Program](#) (Environmental Protection Agency)

Info: Program seeks to support community-based organizations in collaborating and partnering with other stakeholders to develop solutions that will significantly address environmental and/or public health issue(s) in communities disproportionately burdened by environmental harms and risks.

Applicants: Nonprofit organizations

Closing: April 10, 2023

[ORWA Plant Conservation & Restoration Management](#) (Bureau of Land Management - BLM)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: Program activities include but are not limited to supporting habitat management to restore keystone pollinators and rare wildlife, development of genetically appropriate native plant material, pollinator research, increasing understanding of rare plant biology, and more.

Applicants: Local, state and Tribal governments, public and Tribal housing agencies, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, independent school districts

Closing: April 14

[Oregon/Washington Forest & Woodlands Resource Management](#) (Bureau of Land Management - BLM)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: A primary activity of the program is to maintain and improve the resilience of forest and woodland ecosystems to wildfire, insects, disease, and drought through density management using timber sales, Stewardship agreements, and other agreements. Funded projects under this program will focus on high priority work such as activities that promote forest and woodland health, sustainable forest management, fire resiliency, biomass utilization for bioenergy, habitat conservation needs, and insect, disease and fire recovery. These activities could include, but are not limited to: planting trees, pre-commercial and commercial thinning, salvage/sanitation forest treatments, control of competing vegetation, fuels reduction, riparian or upland restoration, project development and layout, planning analysis and document preparation needed in concert with or to carry out Land Use Planning Decisions, Endangered Species Act or cultural clearances, data collection, and monitoring.

Applicants: Local, state and Tribal governments, public and Tribal housing agencies, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education in Oregon or Washington state

Closing: April 14, 2023

[Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreement \(EJCPS\) Program \(Environmental Protection Agency\)](#)

Info: Provides financial assistance to eligible organizations working to address local environmental or public health issues in their communities. The program assists recipients in building collaborative partnerships with other stakeholders to develop solutions to environmental or public health issue(s) at the community level. Eligible entities include community-based nonprofit organizations and partnerships of community-based nonprofit organizations. View past webinar recordings and materials [here](#).

Applicants: Community based organizations

Closing: April 14, 2023

[Environmental Justice Government-to-Government \(EJG2G\) Program \(Environmental Protection Agency\)](#)

Info: Provides funding to support government activities that lead to measurable environmental or public health impacts in communities disproportionately burdened by environmental harms. View past webinar recordings and materials [here](#).

Applicants: Partnerships between a state, local, or Tribal government and community based organization.

Closing: April 14, 2023

[Oregon/Washington Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Management \(Bureau of Land Management - BLM\)](#)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: Program conserves and restores riparian, fisheries, and water resources to provide resource values and ecosystem services necessary to achieve the BLM's multiple use mandate. Priority areas include decision support, conservation, restoration, sustainability, and collaboration.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, public and Tribal housing agencies, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education in Oregon and Washington state

Closing: April 19, 2023

**[Oregon/Washington Recreation & Visitor Services](#) (Bureau of Land Management - BLM)
Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act**

Info: Program provides a wide variety of recreational opportunities that benefit the public and local communities, including but limited to enhancing access to BLM public lands and waters and recreations opportunities, enrichment of visitor services, expanding access for people with disabilities, improving community-based partnerships for tourism and conservation, messaging development, and more.

Applicants: Local, state and Tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, public and Tribal housing agencies, independent school districts in Oregon or Washington state

Closing: April 21, 2023

**[Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking \(EJ TCGM\) Program](#)
(Environmental Protection Agency)**

Info: EPA will fund up to 11 Grantmakers from around the nation to reduce barriers to the Federal grants application process and increase the efficiency of the awards process for environmental justice grants. Grantmakers will design competitive application and submission processes, award environmental justice subgrants, implement a tracking and reporting system, and provide resources and support to communities.

Applicants: Community based organizations, institutions of higher education

Closing: May 31, 2023

[Refuges Enhancement/Infrastructure](#) (Dept. of the Interior)

Info: The goals of the initiative are to enable local communities to play a more active role in increasing outdoor recreation opportunities on refuge lands and waters, to be more focused and deliberate in using partnerships to help FWS address infrastructure repair and improvement needs such as proactive maintenance and the maintenance backlog, and to enhance wildlife habitat. Successful projects will be related to identified FWS priorities or infrastructure projects at national wildlife refuges that enhance the visitor experience, promote wildlife-dependent outdoor recreation, provide sustainable wildlife habitat, provide career training and mentoring opportunities, and engage the community in opportunities to participate in wildlife-dependent outdoor recreation on FWS lands and waters.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, institutions of higher education, small businesses, nonprofit organizations

Closing: September 10, 2023

[Refuges Enhancement/Non-Infrastructure](#) (Dept. of Interior)

Info: The program encourages National Wildlife Refuge System field stations to partner with local, regional, and national nonprofit organizations, other land management groups, state and tribal partners, and others to accomplish projects that promote the stewardship of resources of the refuge through habitat maintenance, restoration, and improvement, biological monitoring, or research; increase awareness and understanding of the refuge and the National Wildlife Refuge System through the development, publication, or distribution of educational materials and products; advance education concerning the purposes of the refuge and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System through the use of the refuge as an outdoor classroom to combine educational curricula with the personal experiences of students relating to fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitat and to the cultural and historical resources of the refuges and development of other educational programs; promote the understanding of, education relating

to, and the conservation of the fish, wildlife, plants, and cultural and historical resources; improve scientific literacy.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, institutions of higher education, small businesses, nonprofit organizations

Closing: September 10, 2023

Candidate Species Conservation Fund (U.S. Fish & Wildlife)

Info: Program provides Federal financial assistance on a competitive basis to states, landowners, educators, non-profit organizations, researchers and other potential partners to secure information about candidate and other at-risk species to avert listing of species pursuant to the Endangered Species Act, and to help conserve the ecosystems upon which these species depend. Species eligible for this funding opportunity include both candidate and at-risk species. Priority will be given to projects that aid in improving the conservation status of a species so as to preclude the need to list. These projects could include, but are not limited to, activities that will secure scientific information about candidate or at-risk species and their habitat, implement restoration actions that will lead to removing threats to the species, or help prevent extinction of a species.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, housing authorities, independent school districts, institutions of higher education, small businesses and other for profit institutions, individuals

Closing: September 30, 2023

Education, Humanities & Arts

Native American Library Services Enhancement Grants (Institute of Museum & Library Services)

Info: Program is designed to assist Native American Tribes in improving core library services to their communities, including 1) Improving digital services to support needs for education, workforce development, economic and business development, health information, critical thinking skills, and digital literacy skills; 2) Improving educational programs related to specific topics and content areas of interest to library patrons and community-based users; and/or 3) enhancing the preservation and revitalization of Native American cultures and languages.

Applicants: Tribes

Closing: April 3, 2023

Challenge America (National Endowment for the Arts)

Info: Challenge America offers support primarily to small organizations for projects in all artistic disciplines that extend the reach of the arts to groups/communities with rich and dynamic artistic and cultural contributions to share that are underserved. Challenge America seeks to address these potential barriers for organizations seeking funding. The program features an abbreviated application, a standardized \$10,000 grant amount, and a robust structure of technical assistance to facilitate entry to NEA funding opportunities. This category may be a good entry point for organizations that are new to applying for federal funding.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, independent school districts

Closing: April 27, 2023

2024 Moon to Mars eXploration Systems and Habitation Academic Innovation Challenge (National Aerospace and Space Administration)

Info: In collaboration with the National Space Grant Foundation, NASA is challenging university teams to develop innovative design ideas related to space habitats and deep space exploration missions. Challenge teams take part in real-world, hands-on design, research and development opportunities. Select teams will receive \$20,000 to \$50,000 awards to design and produce studies or functional products that bridge strategic knowledge gaps, increase capabilities, and lower technology risks related to NASA's Moon to Mars space exploration missions. Awardees will follow a tailored systems-engineering process with projects to be completed in the May 2024 time frame.

Applicants: Higher education faculty and students

Closing: April 28, 2023

[Minority University Research and Education Project Curriculum Awards \(MUREP MCA\)](#) (National Aerospace and Space Administration)

Info: NASA's Office of STEM Engagement's Minority University Research and Education Project (MUREP) is seeking proposals from Minority Serving Institutions to strengthen the research capacity of MSIs and enable students' capacity for research in areas of priority to NASA. The MCA opportunity seeks to engage diverse students in authentic learning experiences through curriculum improvement and development, and culturally relevant and responsive teaching, learning, and support

Applicants: Institutions of higher education

Closing: May 1, 2023

[NASA L'SPACE Program, Summer 2023](#) (National Aerospace and Space Administration)

Info: The NASA Lucy Student Pathway Accelerator and Competency Enabler (L'SPACE) Program is a free, online, interactive program for students interested in pursuing a career with NASA or other space organizations. L'SPACE consists of two academies: the Mission Concept Academy and the NASA Proposal Writing and Evaluation Experience Academy. Students may participate in one academy per semester. Each 12-week academy is designed to provide unique, hands-on learning and insight into the dynamic world of the space industry. Students can expect to learn NASA mission procedures and protocols from industry professionals as they collaborate with fellow team members to complete mission-related team projects

Applicants: Undergraduate and graduate STEM students

Closing: May 7, 2023

[NASA Next Gen STEM In-Flight Education Downlink Expedition](#) (National Aerospace and Space Administration)

Info: NASA Next Gen STEM is currently accepting proposals for U.S.-based education organizations to host a downlink during International Space Station Expedition 70, which runs from September 2023 to March 2024. In-flight education downlinks are 20-minute live video Q&A opportunities for students and educators to interact with astronauts aboard the station.

Applicants: Educators and students

Closing: May 15, 2023

[Ethnic Community Self-Help Program](#) (Dept. of Health and Human Services)

Info: The goal of this program is to support refugee populations in better assimilating into American society and culture by 1) strengthening culturally and linguistically appropriate services to refugees within five years after initial resettlement 2) supporting organizational development and engagement in capacity building by encouraging collaboration with established refugee service providers and mainstream organizations and 3) to supporting

promotion of community building and civic participation by refugee individuals and refugee community members.

Applicants: Local, state, and Tribal governments, public housing agencies, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, independent school districts

Closing: May 21, 2023

Energy

[Building Codes Implementation for Efficiency & Resilience Program \(Dept. Of Energy\)](#) *Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act*

Info: \$45 million in competitive grants to help states and partnering organizations implement updated building energy codes and lower energy bills for American families and businesses.

Applicants: State and local governments

Closing: Available until account is expended

[Carbon Capture Large-Scale Pilots \(Dept. of Energy\)](#)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: This funding opportunity includes up to \$820 million for up to 10 projects focused on de-risking transformational carbon capture technologies and catalyzing significant follow-on investments for commercial-scale demonstrations on carbon emission sources across the power and industrial sectors. New carbon capture technologies are emerging from the past two decades of research and development and the next step is testing them at larger scales to help attract the capital necessary for their demonstration and deployment. Funding for this program will provide the support needed to test these novel technologies under relevant conditions in both the power and industrial sectors.

Applicants: Technology Developers, Industry, Utilities, Universities, National Laboratories, Engineering and Construction firms, State and Local Governments, Tribal, Environmental Groups, and Community Based Organizations.

Closing: Available until account is expended

[Carbon Capture Demonstration Projects Program \(Dept. of Energy\)](#)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: This funding opportunity includes up to \$1.7 billion for approximately six projects to demonstrate commercial-scale carbon capture technologies integrated with CO₂ transportation and geologic storage infrastructure. This program focuses on funding demonstration projects that can be readily replicated and deployed at power plants and major industrial sources of carbon emissions, such as cement, pulp and paper, iron, and steel.

Applicants: Technology Developers, Industry, Utilities, Universities, National Laboratories, Engineering and Construction firms, State and Local Governments, Tribal, Environmental Groups, and Community Based Organizations.

Closing: Available until account is expended

[Renewable Energy Systems & Energy Efficiency Improvement Guaranteed Loans & Grants Program \(Dept. of Agriculture\)](#)

Info: The program provides guaranteed loan financing and grant funding to agricultural producers and rural small businesses for renewable energy systems or to make energy efficiency improvements. Agricultural producers may also apply for new energy efficient

equipment and new system loans for agricultural production and processing. This includes projects such as biomass, geothermal electric generation or direct use, hydropower below 30 megawatts, hydrogen, small and large wind generation, small and large solar generation, ocean generation, and purchasing, installation, and construction of energy efficiency improvements, including HVAC, insulation, lighting, cooling/refrigeration units, doors/windows, electric/solar/gravity pumps, switching from diesel to electric irrigation, replacement of energy-inefficient equipment.

Applicants: Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations and eligible small businesses in rural areas

Closing: April 1, 2023

[Energy Improvements at Public K-12 Schools](#) (Dept. of Energy)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act – Renew America’s Schools

Info: This program support projects that enable replicable and scalable impacts, create innovative, sustaining partnerships, leverage funding and economies of scale, focus on disadvantaged communities, improve student, teacher, and occupant health, enrich learning and growth, assist schools that serve as community assets and are crafted thoughtfully within the context of public school facilities. Topic areas include: 1) High-impact energy efficient and health improvements and 2) innovative energy technology packages.

Closing: April 21, 2023

[Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant Program](#) (Dept. of Energy)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: Program makes \$430 million in formula grants available for clean energy projects and programs in local communities.

Applicants: Local, state and Tribal governments

Closing: April 28, 2023

[Conversion Research and Development](#) (Dept. of Energy)

Info: Program will accelerate the growth of the bioeconomy by supporting the development of high-impact technologies that convert domestic biomass and waste resources into affordable biofuels and bioproducts through two topic areas: Topic 1: Overcoming Barriers to Syngas Conversion, and Topic 2: Strategic Opportunities for Decarbonization of the Chemicals Industry Through Biocatalysts.

Closing: June 16, 2023

[Industrial Demonstrations Program](#) (Dept. of Energy)

Investment in Infrastructure & Jobs Act

Info: Program will fund projects that focus on the highest emitting and hardest to abate industries where decarbonization technologies can have the greatest impact: iron and steel, cement and concrete, chemicals and refining, food and beverage, paper and forest products, aluminum, other energy-intensive manufacturing industries and cross-cutting technologies.

Applicants: State and local governments, technology developers, industry manufacturers, universities, national laboratories, engineering and construction firms, environmental groups, and community based organizations

Closing: Open until funding is expended

Healthier Communities

[Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals](#) (Dept. of Health & Human Services)

Info: The purpose of this program is to provide comprehensive, coordinated, and evidence-based treatment and services for individuals, including youth, and families struggling with substance use disorders (SUDs) and/ or co-occurring mental health conditions who are experiencing homelessness.

Applicants: Nonprofit organizations

Closing: April 18, 2023

[Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Mental Health](#) (Dept. of Health & Human Services)

Info: The purpose of this program is to promote the wellness of young children, from birth to 8 years of age, by addressing the social, emotional, cognitive, physical, and behavioral aspects of their development, as well as prepare them to thrive in school and beyond. The awards will also provide local communities or Tribes resources to disseminate effective and innovative early childhood mental health practices and services.

Applicants: State and Tribal governments, health care facilities contracting with the Indian Health Service, nonprofit organizations

Closing: April 19, 2023

Housing Affordability

[Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals](#) (Dept. of Health & Human Services)

Info: The purpose of this program is to provide comprehensive, coordinated, and evidence-based treatment and services for individuals, including youth, and families struggling with substance use disorders (SUDs) and/ or co-occurring mental health conditions who are experiencing homelessness.

Applicants: Nonprofit organizations

Closing: April 18, 2023

Justice & Public Safety

[Grants to Expand Substance Use Disorder Treatment Capacity in Adult & Family Drug Courts](#) (Dept. of Health & Human Services)

Info: The purpose of this program is to expand substance use disorder (SUD) treatment and recovery support services in existing drug courts. The program recognizes the need for treatment instead of incarceration for individuals with SUDs. These awards provide a continuum of care, including prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services, for individuals with SUD involved with the courts.

Applicants: Local, state and Tribal governments, health care facilities or nonprofit programs contracted with the Indian Health Service

Closing: April 5, 2023

[Targeted Violence & Terrorism Prevention](#) (Dept. of Homeland Security)

Info: Provides financial assistance to eligible applicants to develop sustainable, multidisciplinary targeted violence and terrorism prevention capabilities in local communities, to pilot innovative prevention approaches, and to identify prevention best practices that can be replicated in communities across the country.

Applicants: Local, state and Tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, higher education

institutions

Closing: April 25, 2023

Supporting Small Businesses & Economic Development

[Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance](#) (Economic Development Administration)

Info: The Public Works program provides resources to meet the construction and/or infrastructure design needs of communities to enable them to become more economically competitive. Supported activities under EDA's EAA program include construction and non-construction such as construction or upgrading of public infrastructure, sectoral partnerships for workforce training, design and engineering, technical assistance, economic recovery strategies, and capitalization or re-capitalization of Revolving Loan Funds (RLF).

Applicants: State, local, and Tribal governments, Institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations

Closing: No deadline, accepted on a rolling basis

Transportation & Infrastructure

[Port Infrastructure Development Program Grants](#) (Dept. of Transportation)

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

Info: These grants provide planning, operational and capital financing, and project management assistance to improve port capacity and operations.

Closing: April 28, 2023

[Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program](#) (Dept. of Transportation)

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

Info: State, local, and Tribal governments, metropolitan planning organizations,

Applicants: Program will strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and alternative fueling infrastructure in the places people live and work – urban and rural areas alike – in addition to along designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs). CFI Program investments will make modern and sustainable infrastructure accessible to all drivers of electric, hydrogen, propane, and natural gas vehicles. This program provides two funding categories of grants: (1) Community Charging and Fueling Grants (Community Program); and (2) Alternative Fuel Corridor Grants (Corridor Program).

Closing: May 30, 2023

[Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation \(SMART\) Grants Program](#) (Dept. of Transportation)

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

Info: Provides state, local, and Tribal governments funding to leverage technology to create safer, more equitable, efficient, and innovative transportation systems.

Applicants: State, local, and Tribal governments

Closing: Fall 2023

Workforce Development & Education

[Building Pathways to Infrastructure Jobs Grant Program](#) (Dept. Of Labor)

Info: This program seeks to fund public-private partnerships to develop, strengthen, and scale promising and evidence-based training models in H-1B industries and occupations critical to meeting the goals of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and to maximize the impact of

these investments. Applicants must choose one of the following tracks for this grant program: 1) Development Track: Developing and Implementing Local/Regional Worker-Centered Sector Strategy Programs; or 2) Scaling Track: Scaling Effective Worker-Centered Sector Strategy Programs.

Applicants: Institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations,

Closing: April 23, 2023

[Public Land Corps \(PLC\) Program](#) (Dept. of the Interior)

Info: The purpose of this program is to provide work and education opportunities for youth (ages 16-30 inclusive, and up to age 35 for veterans) participants in the areas of natural and cultural resource conservation, development, and scientific research. Participants perform work on our nation's public lands by providing additional, unique capacity designed to boost the impact of the Service for the conservation and management of fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the American people.

Applicants: State, local, and Tribal governments, nonprofits, institutions of higher education

Closing: September 10, 2023