

**Preliminary Grant
Opportunities
Under**

**The American Recovery and
Reinvestment Act**



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

April 27, 2009

Note: Details subject to change

Transportation Infrastructure

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Transportation Electrification

Funding Available: **\$378 million (nationally)**

Application Deadline: **May 13, 2009**

Who is Eligible: Unrestricted

How to Apply: Apply directly to the U.S.
Department of Energy

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Transportation Infrastructure

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

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

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

Application Deadline:
TBD

Who is Eligible:

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

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

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

How to Apply:
TBD

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Weatherization Assistance Program

Funding Available:

\$250 million to be distributed by DCED

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

Application Deadline:

PA must file a State Plan with the U.S. Department of Energy by May 12, 2009.

Who is Eligible:

States, which in turn make grants to public and private nonprofit entities.

How to Apply:

TBD

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Water Infrastructure

Funding Available:

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

Application Deadline:

May 18, 2009

Who is Eligible:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Eligible applicants – same as above.

Eligible projects – include but not limited to:

- Installation of water meters
- Purchase of leak detection equipment

- Energy efficiency – retrofits and upgrades to pumps and treatment processes
- Installation of water efficient fixtures, fittings, equipment and appliances

Wastewater/Storm water (“Water Quality”):

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

Eligible projects include but are not limited to:

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

How to Apply:

All applications are submitted on-line at PENNVEST’s website www.pennvest.state.pa.us To start on the application process, click on “What’s Hot”, then review the information provided for eligibility and application directions. Click on the hyperlink to the Online Funding Request and create an account with PENNVEST if you do not already have one. This will get you into our system and start you on creating your on-line application.

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Funding Available:

Estimated \$58.8 million to Pennsylvania; \$12.4 million of which goes to DCED. (\$10,569,320 of which is distributed to "state entitlement communities" on a formula basis under state Act 179; \$1,616,903 of which is available on a competitive basis to other communities). For ready-to-go regular program activities including infrastructure (water/sewer/storm water/roads), community facilities and housing. \$46.4 million will be awarded by HUD directly to "federal entitlement communities" and will not be administered by DCED.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Local governments

Funds Distribution: DCED will award funds according to state Act 179 which requires that \$10,569,320 will be distributed to "state entitlement communities;" \$1,616,903 of which is available on a competitive basis to other communities; and \$248,698 will be used by DCED for administrative costs.

Projects that can have competitively-bid contracts awarded within 120 days from the date funds are made available will have priority. DCED also gives priority for the \$1,616,903 in the competitive process to serious water and sewer problems. Additional criteria may be forthcoming from HUD.

Applicable Federal Agency: HUD – Community Planning and Development

How to Apply:

Application from eligible local governments will be accepted by DCED once HUD announces program criteria.

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Broadband Programs

Distance Learning, Telemedicine and Broadband Program

Funding Available: \$2.5 billion nationwide

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

Funding priorities include:

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

Application Deadline:

Three funding rounds expected:

Round 1: June 2009

Round 2: 3-4 months following Round 1

Round 3: 3-4 months following Round 2

Who is Eligible:

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

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

How to Apply:
TBD

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What:

Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP) grants
All grants are competitive and controlled by Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

Funding Available:

\$4.7 billion (nationally) to establish a Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) for awards to eligible entities to develop and expand broadband services to unserved and underserved areas and improve access to broadband by public safety agencies. Of these funds:

- \$250 million will be available for innovative programs that encourage sustainable adoption of broadband services;
- at least \$200 million will be available to upgrade technology and capacity at public computing centers, including community colleges and public libraries;
- up to \$350 million of the BTOP funding is designated for the development and maintenance of statewide broadband inventory maps.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

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

How to Apply:

Awaiting guidance from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), expected late May 2009

Contact:

The grant requirements will be announced through Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandgrants/>

Other Infrastructure and Housing

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Distance Learning, Telemedicine and Broadband Grant and Loan Program

All loans, loan guarantees, and grants are competitive and controlled by Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

Funding Available:

\$2.5 billion (nationally) for the cost of broadband loans and loan guarantees, as authorized by the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) and for grants (including for technical assistance)

Application Deadline:

TBD – Unknown at this time. We are awaiting publication of Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and release of guidelines and application

Who is Eligible:

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

How to Apply:

We are awaiting guidance from the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), expected late May 2009

Contact:

The grant requirements will be announced through Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/arra/recovery-program.htm>

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What:

Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

Funding Available:

\$4.7 billion nationwide, at least one award per state.

Application Deadline:

Three funding rounds expected:

Round 1: April-June 2009

Round 2: October-December 2009

Round 3: April-June 2010

Who is Eligible:

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

Activities

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

order to provide educational and employment opportunities to members of such populations

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

Projects

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

Eligible beneficiaries include schools; libraries; healthcare providers; institutions of higher education; community support organizations that provide outreach, access, services, equipment to facilitate broadband use by low-income, unemployed and other vulnerable populations; job creation facilities in state-designated economic zones; DoC EDDs; HUD renewal or empowerment zones; and DoA enterprise communities.

How to Apply:

TBD

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

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What:

Tax Credit Assistance Program

Funding Available:

Approximately \$95 million

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

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

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

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

How to Apply:

TBD

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

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What:

Low Income Housing Tax Credit Exchange Program

Funding Available:

Approximately \$197 million

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

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

- New construction
- Substantial rehabilitation of existing structures
- Historic rehabilitation
- Preservation of existing housing
- Contain significant "green" and/or energy efficient components
- Contain units accessible for person with mobility or hearing/vision impairment
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What:

Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP)

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

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

Funding Available:

Estimated \$90.0 million to Pennsylvania, \$24,411,484 of which goes to DCED.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Local Governments and nonprofit organizations

How to Apply:

TBD

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

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What:

Neighborhood Stabilization (NSP)

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

Funding Available:

TBD

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Local governments and nonprofit organizations

How to Apply:

Applications from eligible local governments and nonprofits will be accepted by DCED once HUD announces program criteria.

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Other Infrastructure and Housing

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What:

Firefighter Assistance Grants

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

Funding Available:

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

Application Deadline:

FEMA plans to issue grant guidance in June/July 2009; receive and review grant applications July/August 2009; and award grants September – December 2009.

Who is Eligible:

Individual fire companies and municipalities.

How to Apply:

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

Contact:

The grant requirements will be announced through:

Federal Emergency Management Agency

www.firegrantsupport.com

Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

- What:** National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program
- Funding Available:** **\$30 million (nationally)**
- Application Deadline:** **April 28, 2009**
- Who is Eligible:** Regional, state, local tribal or port agencies with transportation or air quality jurisdiction; non-profit organizations or institutions; and entities that promote transportation or air quality
- How to Apply:** Apply directly to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

- What:** Advanced Batter Loans and Grants
- Funding Available:** **\$2 billion (nationally)**
- Application Deadline:** **May 19, 2009**
- Who is Eligible:** Unrestricted
- How to Apply:** Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy
- Contact:** Kelly Heffner
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Director of Policy
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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

- What:** Alternative Fueled Vehicles
- Funding Available:** **\$300 million (nationally)**
- Application Deadline:** **May 29, 2009 (First round)**
September 30, 2009 (Second round)
- Who is Eligible:** State and local governments and metropolitan transportation agencies
- How to Apply:** Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy
- Contact:** Kelly Heffner
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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Clean Renewable Energy Bonds

Funding Available: TBD

Application Deadline: **December 31, 2010**

Who is Eligible: State and local governments and electric cooperatives

How to Apply: Apply directly to the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury

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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds

Funding Available: TBD

Application Deadline: **December 31, 2010**

Who is Eligible: State and local governments

How to Apply: Apply directly to the Secretary of the Treasury

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Director of Policy
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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:	Fossil Energy Research and Development
Funding Available:	TBD
Application Deadline:	TBD
Who is Eligible:	TBD
How to Apply:	Apply directly to U.S. Department of Energy/National Energy Technology Laboratory
Contact:	Kelly Heffner Department of Environmental Protection Director of Policy 717-772-3612 E-mail: kheffner@state.pa.us

Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:	Innovative Energy Technology Loans
Funding Available:	\$6 billion to underwrite up to \$60 billion in loans (nationally)
Application Deadline:	TBD
Who is Eligible:	Manufacturing companies and project developers who deploy renewable energy systems
How to Apply:	Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy
Contact:	Kelly Heffner Department of Environmental Protection Director of Policy 717-772-3612 E-mail: kheffner@state.pa.us

Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:	Smart Electric Grid Investment
Funding Available:	\$4.5 billion
Application Deadline:	TBD
Who is Eligible:	Electric utilities and other parties involved in smart grid development
How to Apply:	Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy
Contact:	Kelly Heffner Department of Environmental Protection Director of Policy 717-772-3612 E-mail: kheffner@state.pa.us

Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Energy Research Development Design and Deployment

Funding Available: **\$2 billion for energy efficiency and renewable energy research, including \$800 million for biomass**

Application Deadline: **TBD**

Who is Eligible: Universities, companies and laboratories

How to Apply: Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy

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Director of Policy
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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) – (formula)

Funding Available:

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

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

Application Deadline:

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

Who is Eligible:

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

How to Apply:

Large cities and counties apply directly to U.S. Department of Energy

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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

State Energy Programs (SEPs)

Funding Available:

Estimated \$99.6 million for Pennsylvania

Application Deadline:

- **First Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority Round Opened April 13, 2009**
- **Other programs TBD**

Who is Eligible:

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

Funding will move through existing state grant programs.

How to Apply:

- **First Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority Round closes May 29, 2009 –**
<http://www.depweb.state.pa.us/enintech/cwp/view.asp?a=1415&q=504241>
- **Other programs TBD**

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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Other Energy Funding Areas of Interest in ARRA

Funding Available:

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

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

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

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

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Research Development Demonstration and Deployment

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

Science and Research

- \$1.6 billion nationwide for science and to fund research to reduce imports of energy from foreign countries and energy related GHG emissions.

- Improve EE across all economic sectors.

Advanced battery loans and grants

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

Fossil energy

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

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

TBD

How to Apply:

TBD

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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:	Energy Science and Research
Funding Available:	\$1.6 billion (nationally)
Application Deadline:	TBD
Who is Eligible:	Universities, researcher and laboratories
How to Apply:	Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy
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Energy Independence

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) – (competitive)
Funding Available:	\$455 million (nationally)
Application Deadline:	TBD
Who is Eligible:	State and local governments
How to Apply:	Apply directly to the U.S. Department of Energy
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Education

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

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

Funding Available:

\$50 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

Unknown at this time

Who is Eligible?

Institutions of higher education

How to Apply:

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

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Health Care

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Disparities in Adolescent Obesity – National Institutes of Health (NIH) Challenge Grants in Health and Science Research (RC1)

Funding Available: \$200 million available federally. \$1 million for Pennsylvania paid out \$500,000 per year for two years.

Application Deadline: April 27, 2009

Who is Eligible: Applicants may be state, city, township or municipal governments, institutions of higher education, non-profits, for-profit businesses, and others.

How to Apply: Applicants must download the SF424 (R&R) application forms and SF424 (R&R) Application Guide for this opportunity through Grants.gov/Apply.

For further assistance contact GrantsInfo@nih.gov or contact Dr. Regina James, 301-435-2692, rjames@mail.nih.gov.

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Health Care

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Expanding implementation of current chronic care initiative through evidence and community-based prevention and wellness programs

Funding Available:

\$650 million nationwide

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

States apply for funds to continue implementation of community-based chronic disease prevention and health promotion initiatives designed to reduce the burden of chronic diseases such as diabetes, asthma and obesity/overweight.

Funds are also available to improve healthful eating and physical activity to prevent and control obesity and other chronic diseases by building and sustaining statewide capacity and implementing Population-based strategies and interventions.

How to Apply:

Awaiting federal guidance

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Health Care

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Planning and Implementation for Expanded Use of Health Information Technology

Funding Available:

Some portion (yet to be announced) through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of National Coordinator for numerous initiatives including competitive matching grants to states, competitive grants to states for loans, grants issued through other governmental agencies afor health information exchanges.

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

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

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

How to Apply:

TBD

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Health Care

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Health Care—State Loan Repayment Program

Funding Available:

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

\$500 million to address Health Professions Workforce

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

Application Deadline:

Deadlines will be determined once the federal guidance is released.

Who is Eligible:

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

How to Apply:

TBD

Contact:

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Relief for Pennsylvanians

Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs

Funding Available: Funding requests must be for a minimum of \$50,000. In categories I through IV, funding is available to help law enforcement in rural states and rural areas prevent and combat crime, especially drug-related crime. Category V funding is for national training and technical assistance programs targeted to address rural needs. Complete program guidance is available at:

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

Application Deadline: April 22, 2009

Who is Eligible: For Categories I through IV, those eligible to apply are limited to local (including county) and tribal law enforcement agencies located in "rural areas," as that term is defined below. In addition, state law enforcement agencies that are from "rural states" or that provide assistance to one or more "rural areas" are eligible to apply. For purposes of this solicitation, state and local law enforcement agencies include state and local prosecutors, parole, probation, and community corrections agencies.

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

NOTE: Priority consideration will be given to local law enforcement agencies in rural areas where the unit of local government is not eligible to receive a direct allocation from the Recovery Act Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

(JAG) Program OR received a direct allocation that was \$50,000 or less.

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

For Category V only, applications are solicited from national, regional, state, and local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, faith-based and community organizations, tribal jurisdictions, and units of local government to provide nationwide training and technical assistance to qualifying rural areas and rural states as defined above.

How to Apply: Register and apply through the Department of Justice Grants Management System at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>.

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Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program

Funding Available: \$225 million for reducing violent crime; probation and parole officers; reducing mortgage fraud; hiring civilian support to law enforcement; forensic and crime scene investigations; resources and services for victims of crime; problem-solving courts; and national training and technical assistance. Program guidance is available at: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryByrne.pdf.

Application Deadline: April 27, 2009

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

How to Apply: Register and apply through the Department of Justice Grants Management System at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>.

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

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What: OJJDP FY 09 Recovery Act Local Youth Mentoring Initiative

Funding Available: Up to \$500,000 to reduce juvenile delinquency and gang participation, improve academic performance, and reduce school drop-out rates by enhancing the capacity of local efforts to develop or expand community partnerships, integrate best practices into mentoring service models, develop strategies to recruit and maintain mentors serving hard-to-reach populations, while ensuring the program's financial sustainability. Complete program guidance is available at:

<http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2009/ARRALocalYouthMentoring.pdf>

Application Deadline: April 20, 2009

Who is Eligible: Public agencies (including state agencies, units of local government, public universities and colleges, and federally-recognized Indian tribal governments) and private organizations (including faith-based and community organizations). OJJDP will accept only applications that demonstrate that the applicant has entered into a partnership with one or more public or private entities to form a "community partnership."

How to Apply: Applications must be submitted through OJP's online Grants Management System (GMS) at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>. The registration process includes: (1) obtaining a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; (2) registering your organization with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database; and (3) registering with GMS prior to applying.

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What: Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs

Funding Available: Funding requests must be for a minimum of \$50,000. Funding is for initiatives which help law enforcement in rural states and rural areas to prevent and combat crime, especially drug-related crime. Funding is also provided for national training and technical assistance programs targeted to address rural needs. Complete program guidance is available at: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryRuralLE.pdf.

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How to Apply: Applicants must register with the Department of Justice Grants Management System (GMS) and obtain a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. Applications must be submitted at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov> using the GMS.

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Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

High Growth and Emerging Industry Sectors: Green Jobs

Funding Available:

\$500 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible?

State labor agencies and for nonprofit workforce training partnerships

How to Apply:

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

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Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What: High Growth and Workforce Innovation Grants

Funding Available:
\$250 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:
TBD

Who is Eligible:
State labor agencies or local workforce investment boards

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

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Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

National Emergency Grants (NEG)

Funding Available:

\$200 million (nationally)

Application Deadline:

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

Who is Eligible?

State labor agencies or local workforce investment boards

How to Apply:

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

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

Funding Available:
\$50 Million (nationally)

Application Deadline:
TBD

Who is Eligible?

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

How to Apply:

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

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Grant Opportunity | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

What:

Community Services Block Grant Program

Funding Available:

\$42 million to be distributed through DCED

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

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

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

Existing Community Action Agencies

How to Apply:

CAAs will submit work plans to DCED once DCED receives guidance from HHS.

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What:

PA Department of Agriculture Commodity Assistance/ Emergency Food Assistance Program

Funding Available:

Approximately \$4.03 million

Application Deadline:

TBD

Who is Eligible:

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

How to Apply:

TBD

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What: Emergency Food and Shelter

Funding Available: \$100,000,000

Application Deadline: None

Who is Eligible: Nonprofit and faith-based organizations at the local level.

How to Apply: These funds pass through the traditional channels of allocation to local boards in funded jurisdictions supplemented by the set-aside process, which allows the Commonwealth's set-aside committee to disburse funds to jurisdictions not included as a funded jurisdiction. Helping agencies in jurisdictions other than those above should contact the chair of the set-aside committee, Tony Ross of the United Way of Pennsylvania (717-238-7365). Additional information about this program may be found at:

<http://www.efsp.unitedway.org>.

The ARRA monies for this category have been apportioned and Pennsylvania has received a total of \$3,777,611. The distribution of that money by county is available at:

<http://www.efsp.unitedway.org/EFSP/wc.dll?EFSP~AllocationCounties~42~AR>

Contact: <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/efs.shtm>