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CONSENT CALENDAR
July 27, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Sophie Hahn (Author) [and Councilmembers Bartlett and Harrison (Co-Sponsors)]

Subject: Moving Forward to Contract for Municipal Grant-Writing Services

RECOMMENDATION

Direct the City Manager to move forward to establish needs and select a firm or firms to supplement the City's grant writing capacity, and provide a budget referral in time to be considered for the November 2021 AAO Update, such that a new firm or firms can be in place by January of 2022.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time to facilitate requests for proposals and vetting processes. Compensation to grant-writing firms contracted. Expenses to be offset by the value of grants successfully awarded.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

As our Nation and State recover from the COVID-19 crisis, there are a record number of grants available to cities from Federal, State, County, Regional, and private sources. An unexpected surplus in the California budget will result in further unprecedented opportunities to obtain funding for a wide range of City of Berkeley priorities. To access these rapidly-developing, highly competitive funds, Berkeley needs to supplement its ability to write timely, successful grants by bringing in professional grant writing services.

BACKGROUND

Berkeley is an innovative City, pursuing ambitious programs and initiatives with the vigor and vision of a much larger jurisdiction. Innovation requires a significant investment of City resources and staff time. In addition, the City has aging infrastructure and longstanding initiatives that require additional funding to achieve success. To support these efforts and increase revenues, the City has access to Federal, State, County, Regional, and, in some instances, private funds.

In the wake of the COVID-19 crisis, and to support economic recovery, the Federal Government is providing relief through the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan. What's more, Congress is on the verge of passing the largest infrastructure investment legislation in a generation. In addition, due to significantly stronger income than predicted for California residents, the State budget has a \$75.7 billion windfall surplus that is being directed to support many vital programs, including \$12 billion in funding for homelessness services, \$1 billion of which is earmarked for local agencies.

The funds being made available at every level of government are unprecedented, and will likely be available for only a short period of time. Berkeley must have the capacity and expertise to seize every opportunity and apply for and potentially be awarded these funds - which represent tax dollars provided by Berkeley residents and businesses.

Currently, grant-writing and application responsibilities are distributed across City departments, which independently seek new grant opportunities and submit applications. While the City does receive awards, the application process can be time consuming for Staff, who are already stretched thin due to the pandemic response and limited ability to hire new staff for vacant positions.

For Berkeley to maximize its potential to gain resources from every possible source, it is imperative that the City apply for as many funding opportunities as possible. Increased revenue obtained through successful grant applications will allow the City to pilot new ideas, serve the community in a more robust fashion, and demonstrate fiscal responsibility.

The City Council adopted a request on October 3, 2017 for the City Manager to conduct such a request for information (RFI) process to determine fee structures and availability of qualified applicants. After the RFI process was conducted, the City Manager returned a report to the City Council on May 14, 2019 outlining the responses received.

Respondents were asked to provide information to demonstrate their ability to provide the following services: Funding Needs Analysis Legislative Advocacy Grant Funding Research Presentations and Meeting Attendance On-Call Grant Research Monthly Reporting Grant Proposal Development. The RFI requested each respondent to submit standard and preferred fee structures to provide the City with insight into compensation options available in the market. 12 of 14 firms to whom outreach was made responded, suggesting a high level of interest in working with the City of Berkeley.

This item follows up on the "Possible Future Action" section of the City Manager's May 14, 2019 report, which stated that the RFI responses "may be used to inform the scope

of work, evaluation criteria and pricing arrangement, as well as outreach efforts for a future request for proposals for comprehensive grant research services.” It directs the City Manager to move forward to contract for grant writing services from a firm or firms specializing in municipal grants, and to submit a funding request to the budget process for consideration in the November 2021 AAO Update, such that a firm or firms can be in place to support the City by January of 2022.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

This recommendation supports capacity to obtain funding for projects which could support Berkeley’s environmental sustainability and GHG emissions reduction goals.

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Attachments:

- 1: Request for Information Regarding Grant Writing Services from Specialized Grant Writing Firms, October 3, 2017
- 2: Referral Response: Issue a Request for Information to Explore Grant Writing Services from Specialized Municipal Grant-Writing Firms, and Report Back to COuncil.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

October 3, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Sophie Hahn, Kate Harrison, Cheryl Davila, and Ben Bartlett

Subject: Request for Information Regarding Grant Writing Services from Specialized Grant Writing Firms

RECOMMENDATION

Refer to the City Manager to issue a request for information to explore grant writing services from specialized municipal grant-writing firms, and report back to Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time to issue the request, review responses, and report to Council.

BACKGROUND

Berkeley is an innovative City, pursuing ambitious programs and initiatives with the vigor and vision of a much larger City. Implementing innovative initiatives requires a significant investment of City resources and staff time. To support these efforts and increase revenues, the City currently applies for private, federal, state, and county grants.

Currently, grant writing and application responsibilities are distributed across departments, which independently seek new grant opportunities and submit applications. While the City does receive awards, the application process can be time consuming for Staff. For Berkeley to maximize its potential to gain resources from every possible source, it is imperative that the City apply for as many funding opportunities as possible. Increased revenue obtained through successful grant applications would allow the City to pilot new ideas, serve the community in a more robust fashion, and demonstrate to Berkeley residents the City's commitment to seeking public and private funding that may be available.

To help accomplish this goal, this item recommends that the City Manager issue a Request for Information to explore opportunities to obtain grant writing services from a grant-writing firm specializing in municipal grants. A number of specialized firms exist that consolidate information about grant opportunities and can support the writing of grants. An example is included as Attachment 1. Engaging a firm focused on identifying and applying for grant opportunities may yield a higher success rate than the City currently obtains. The purpose of this request for information would be to explore many different firms and gain information about expertise, services, pricing, and other details,

allowing the City Manager and Council to assess the feasibility and utility of contracting for such services.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

This recommendation supports Berkeley's environmental sustainability goals.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Collection of Municipal Grant information, Winter 2017

MUNICIPAL GRANTS (Current as of January 27, 2017)

Please note that this document contains a selection of federal, state, and private grant and loan funding opportunities organized by funding topic. Funding topic sections are listed in the order as follows:

- Infrastructure Funding
- Water & Energy Funding
- Transportation Funding
- Parks & Recreation Funding
- Housing & Community Development Funding
- Law Enforcement Funding
- Fire Department Funding
- Health & Wellness Funding
- Miscellaneous Funding
- Upcoming Funding (for all categories)

Within each topic section, grants are listed in order by those with hard deadlines, quarterly deadlines, and those which are due continuously. If there are no current opportunities for a given category, it will be indicated. Some funding opportunities are only available in certain geographic regions and these are indicated in their respective sections.

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank): Infrastructure State Revolving Fund (ISRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$50,000 to \$25 million or more (with IBank Board approval)

Financing Terms:

The interest rate benchmark is Thompson's Municipal Market Data Index. Staff may adjust the interest rate based upon factors that include: Unemployment, Medium Household Income, Environmental, and Other special circumstances. The IBank Board has final approval of the interest rate. Maximum 30 year term Open application process

Eligibility: Any subdivision of a local or state government. Applicant may also be a company, corporation, association, partnership, firm, or other entity or group of entities organized as a public benefit not-for-profit entity engaged in business or operations within the state

http://ibank.ca.gov/infrastructure_loans.htm

The ISRF Program provides financing for public infrastructure projects such as: environmental mitigation; port facilities; power and communications transmission or distribution facilities; public transit; solid waste collection and disposal; defense conversion; as well as military infrastructure. A project must promote economic development and attracts, creates, and sustains long-term employment opportunities. Eligible uses include, but are not limited to, construction or modification of the following:

- educational, cultural, and social facilities;

- public infrastructure, purchase and install pollution control or noise abatement equipment;
- parks and recreation facilities;
- docks, harbors, piers, marinas;
- facilities for and/or transmission or distribution of electrical energy, natural gas, and telecommunication;
- air and rail transport of goods, including parking facilities;
- transfer stations, recycling centers, sanitary landfills, waste conversion and recycling facilities;
- facilities for successfully converting military bases;
- facilities on or near a military installation that enhance military operations acquire land in conjunction with such project

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (SCIP)

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Financing is for low interest, tax-exempt bonds.

Eligibility: Public agencies

<http://cscda.org/Apply-Online/Statewide-Community-Infrastructure-Program>

In response to the increasing local agency staff time and budget pressures caused by new commercial, industrial or residential development, CSCDA offers the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (“SCIP”).

USDA Rural Development: Community Facilities Grants & Loans

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies by population & income (typically no larger than \$30,000)

Match: Varies by population & income (60% - 80%)

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/CA-CFPrograms.html>

Community Facilities Programs provides grants to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural areas and towns of up to 20,000 in population. Grants are authorized on a graduated scale. Applicants located in small communities with low populations and low incomes will receive a higher percentage of grants. Grants are available to public entities such as municipalities, counties, parishes, boroughs, and special-purpose districts, as well as non-profit corporations and tribal governments.

WATER & ENERGY FUNDING

DWR/CFDA: Agricultural Water Use Efficiency & State Efficiency and Enhancement Program

Deadline: April 21, 2017

Amount: \$200,000 maximum award

Match: 50% match of the total project cost

Eligibility: Public agencies, public utilities, federally recognized or state Indian tribes, nonprofit organizations, mutual water companies, and investor-owned utilities regulated by the California PUC.

<http://www.water.ca.gov/wuegrants/AgWUEPilot.cfm>

Through this competitive grant program, DWR and CDFA intend to demonstrate the potential multiple benefits of conveyance enhancements combined with on-farm agricultural water use efficiency improvements and greenhouse gas reductions. The grant funding provided in this joint program is intended to address multiple goals including: 1) water use efficiency, conservation and reduction, 2) greenhouse gas emission reductions, 3) groundwater protection, and 4) sustainability of agricultural operations and food production. It is also anticipated that there will be benefits to water and air quality, groundwater security, surface water conservation, and improved nutrient management and crop health through this program. Excellent proposals will demonstrate the specific regional needs and benefits of their proposals.

US Bureau of Reclamation: 2017 WaterSMART - Small Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant

Deadline: April 27, 2017

Amount: Up to \$75,000. Applicants will be limited to a \$150,000 cap on project cost.

Match: 50% of the project costs up to \$75,000.

Eligibility: States, Indian tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, or other organizations with water or power delivery authority (may include municipalities)

<http://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/weeg/index.html>

The WaterSMART - Small Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant is a new program intended to support specific small-scale water efficiency projects that have been prioritized through planning efforts led by the applicant. Larger projects or those with multiple project components, such as a renewable energy component, should be submitted under WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants.

California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD): Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2016 Drought Lateral Grant

Deadline: May 31, 2017

Amount: \$150,000 - \$2 Million

Match: None.

Eligibility: Non-entitlement CDBG jurisdictions in California only. See Appendix A - Non-Entitlement CDBG Juristictions List by following the link below.

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/financial-assistance/community-development-block-grant-program/currentnofas.html>

The Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) is pleased to announce the availability of approximately \$5,000,000 in federal Community Development Block Grant

(CDBG) funding for direct relief and mitigation of the effects of the 2014 California Drought Disaster, as declared by Governor Brown. This NOFA applies only to the installation of CDBG-eligible water lateral connections to new or existing public water systems for single- and multi-family residential structures that have no running water as a result of having a dry or contaminated well. Also included are water meters, system connection fees and the abatement of existing dry wells. The CDBG-eligible activity is Housing Rehabilitation.

State Water Resources Control Board: Water Recycling Funding Program (WFRP)

Deadline: December 2030 (currently accepting applications via FAAST system)

Amount: \$75,000 (for Planning Grants); \$15-\$20 Million (for Construction Grants)

Match: 50% (for Planning Grants); 35% (for Construction Grants)

Financing: For Construction applications Interest at 1/2 General Obligation Bond Rate; 30 year term; Allowance following the CWSRF Policy

Eligibility: local public agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/proposition_1_funding.shtml

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) provides funding for the planning, design, and construction of water recycling projects that offset or augment state fresh water supplies. There are two programs within this fund:

- **Planning Grants:** The purpose of the planning grant is to assist agencies or regions with completing feasibility studies for water recycling projects using treated municipal wastewater and/or treated groundwater from sources contaminated by human activities. Only local public agencies are eligible to apply for planning grants.
- **Construction Grants:** The Water Recycling Funding Program provides grants and financing to eligible applicants for the construction of water recycling facilities. Construction projects may be funded with grants and low interest financing from a state bond, a CWSRF financing agreement, or combinations of funding sources. Eligible applicants are local public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, state & federal recognized Indian tribes, and mutual water companies.

California Energy Commission (CEC): Interest Rate 1% Loan Financing For Energy Efficiency & Energy Generation Projects

Deadline: Applications are funded on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted

Amount: Maximum loan amount of \$3 million per applicant

Financing Terms: Loans must be repaid from energy cost savings or other legally available funds within a maximum term of 20 years (including principal and interest).

Eligibility: Cities, Counties, Specials Districts, Public Colleges or Universities

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/financing/>

The CEC is offering loans financing for energy efficiency and energy generation projects for Public Agencies. Projects with proven energy and/or demand cost savings are eligible, provided they meet the ECAA eligibility requirements. Projects already funded with an existing loan or already installed are ineligible. Examples of Qualified Projects include the following:

- Lighting systems
- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning equipment
- Streetlights and LED traffic signals
- Energy management systems and equipment controls

- Pumps and motors
- Building envelope and insulation
- Energy generation including renewable energy and combined heat and power projects
- Water and waste water treatment equipment
- Load shifting projects, such as thermal energy storage

California Energy Commission: The Energy Partnership Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$20,000 of a consultant's costs

Match: Any amount in excess of the \$20,000 provided by CEC

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/partnership/index.html>

The Energy Partnership Program can conduct an energy audit of existing facilities identify energy saving projects, including: Conduct energy audits and prepare feasibility studies; Review existing proposals and designs; Develop equipment performance specifications; Review equipment bid specifications; Assist with contractor selection; and Review commissioning plans. The Energy partnership also provides technical assistance early in the design phase of new facility construction, including: Provide design review consultation; Identify cost-effective, energy-saving measures; Compare different technologies; Review schematics and construction plans; Provide equipment specification consultation; Develop computer simulation models of your planned project; Help select experienced professionals with energy efficiency expertise; and Assist with system commissioning.

State Water Resources Control Board: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: No maximum funding or disbursement limits. Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval.

Eligibility: Any city, town, district, or other public body created under state law, including state agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program offers low cost financing for a wide variety of water quality projects. The program has significant financial assets, and is capable of financing projects from <\$1 million to >\$100 million. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment
2. Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: Agriculture; Forestry; Urban Areas; Marinas; Hydromodification; Wetlands
3. Development and implementation of estuary comprehensive conservation and management plans for: San Francisco Bay; Morro Bay; Santa Monica Bay

State Water Resources Control Board: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Green Project Reserve Program

Deadline: Applications accepted on a continuous basis

Amount: \$2.5 Million maximum; \$30 million allocated to entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Municipalities

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

Effective with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund's (CWSRF) 2015 Capitalization Grant from U.S. EPA, the State Water Resources Control Board has \$30 million available to provide CWSRF loan (principal) forgiveness to projects that address water or energy efficiency, mitigate storm water runoff, or encourage sustainable project planning, design, and construction. There are four categories of green projects: green infrastructure, water efficiency, energy efficiency, and environmentally innovative activities.

State Water Resources Control Board: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: No maximum disbursement limit. Interest rates average 2-3% and 20 year loan. Public water systems that serve small, disadvantaged communities may be eligible for 0% and 30 year loan.

Eligibility: Community water systems and non-profit, non-community water systems.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.shtml

On October 21, 2014, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted the *Policy for Implementing the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF Policy)* effective January 1, 2015. The purpose of the DWSRF is to provide financial assistance for the planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects that are needed to achieve or maintain compliance with federal and state drinking water statutes and regulations.

Funding for the DWSRF comes from federal grants, state sources, and loan repayment.

Applications are offered for the following two categories:

1. Construction Financing - These funds are for applicants with complete final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation.
2. Planning/Design Financing - These funds are for applicants who do not have final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation.

State Water Resources Control Board: Proposition 1 Small Community Wastewater Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: \$260 Million allocated to program. Like CWSRF (see above) there is no maximum funding or disbursement limits. Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval.

Eligibility: Most cities, towns, districts, or other public bodies created under state law, including state agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/small_community_wastewater_grant/projects.shtml

Section 79723 of Prop 1 allocates \$260 million to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund. The State Water Board has an annual SCG appropriation of \$8 million dollars, which is administered consistent with the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP), and the CWSRF Policy. The Prop 1 funds will supplement existing SCG

authority. Eligible projects are similar to the CWSRF program and include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment
2. Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: Agriculture; Forestry; Urban Areas; Marinas; Hydromodification; Wetlands

State Water Resources Control Board: Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SDWSRF)

Deadline: Pre-application, requires annual invitation

Amount: \$ 500,000-\$5,000,000

Match: 20% of eligible project costs

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.shtml

This program provides support to engage in the demonstration of innovative technologies, methods, practices, and techniques in three areas: operational safety, infrastructure or equipment resiliency, and all-hazards emergency response and recovery methods.

State Water Resources Control Board: Water and/or Energy Audits Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Up to \$35,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Any municipality, inter-municipal, interstate or state agency with facilities or activities eligible for Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) financing may apply.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

This program is for CWSRF-eligible agencies that need financial assistance to find out if they can improve water and energy efficiency. The State Water Resource Control Board will provide funding to conduct a Water and/or Energy Audit to assess an agency's current practices and identify potentially inefficient water and/or energy use. The State Water Resources Control Board can fund 100% of audit costs, up to a maximum of \$35,000. Applications are submitted online by submitting a Water or Energy Audit Financial Assistance Application with attachments through FFAST (Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool).

USDA Rural Development: Water & Waste Disposal Grant/Loan Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: Grant amount varies. Loan has up to 40-year payback period, on a fixed interest rate of 3.125% or lower.

Eligibility: state and local government entities, private nonprofits, federally-recognized tribes in rural areas with fewer than 10,000 people.

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program/ca>

This program provides long-term low interest loans for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. Funds may be used to finance the acquisition,

construction or improvement of: Drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and distribution; Sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; Solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and Storm water collection, transmission and disposal. In some cases, funding may also be available for related activities such as: Legal and engineering fees; Land acquisition, water and land rights, permits and equipment; Start-up operations and maintenance; Interest incurred during construction; Purchase of existing facilities to improve service or prevent loss of service; and Other costs determined to be necessary for completion of the project.

ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION FUNDING

California Farmland Conservancy Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: 5% of grant total

http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/cfcp/funding/Pages/request_grant_app.aspx

The Department of Conservation's California Farmland Conservancy Program provides grants to local governments and qualified nonprofit organizations for:

- voluntary acquisition of conservation easements on agricultural lands that are under pressure of being converted to non-agricultural uses;
- temporary purchase of agricultural lands that are under pressure of being converted to non-agricultural uses, as a phase in the process of placing an agricultural conservation easement;
- agricultural land conservation planning and policy projects; and,
- restoration of and improvements to agricultural land already under easement

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Total Road Improvement Program (TRIP)

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Local governments leverage their State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax to finance road improvement projects.

Eligibility: Local public agencies (cities and counties)

[http://cscda.org/Public-Agency-Programs/Total-Road-Improvement-Programs-\(TRIP\)](http://cscda.org/Public-Agency-Programs/Total-Road-Improvement-Programs-(TRIP))

CSCDA offers a pooled securitization program to assist local agencies in bonding against future payments to obtain funding for more projects today. As a pooled public offering, program participants will benefit from reduced issuance costs and better interest rates as compared to stand alone issues. The program does not require a pledge of the local agency's General Fund. The Gas Tax Accelerated Street Improvement Program will allow local governments to leverage their State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax (the "Gas Excise Tax") to finance road improvement projects. The use of proceeds from the Gas Excise Tax, an 18-cent State excise tax collected on fuel sales, is restricted to the maintenance and construction of public streets and highways. The

obligations will be secured solely by a pledge of Gas Excise Tax revenues of the participating agencies.

PARKS & RECREATION FUNDING

US Soccer Foundation: 2017 Innovative & Non-Traditional Soccer Program Grants *(formerly Program Grants)*

Deadline: February 10, 2016

Amount: \$30,000 - \$90,000 (dispersed over three years)

Match: None

Eligibility: Organizations with IRS approved tax-exempt status at the time of application that offer soccer-specific programming.

<https://ussoccerfoundation.org/grants/innovative-and-non-traditional-soccer-program-grants>

The U.S. Soccer Foundation recently announced changes to Program Grants. Moving forward, the Foundation will focus on one specific category or theme each year. In 2017, the Foundation, will begin accepting applications from organizations that are implementing innovative and/or non-traditional soccer programs in their communities. Awardees will receive up to a three year-grant of \$10,000-\$30,000 a year. These grants can be used to purchase soccer equipment and/or cover operating expenses. Awardees will be required to send one person to the U.S. Soccer Foundation's Urban Soccer Symposium, held in Washington D.C. The Foundation will cover expenses associated with attending the event.

US Soccer Foundation: 2017 Safe Places to Play Grants

Deadlines:

- Spring Grants Cycle: LOIs due February 3, 2017; Application due February 10, 2017
- Summer Grants Cycle: LOIs due May 26, 2017; Application due June 2, 2017
- Fall Grants Cycle: LOIs due September 29, 2017; Application due October 6, 2017

Amount: \$4,000 - \$50,000 or a percentage of total project amount in form of vendor credit (see details below)

Match: None required officially; applicants must contribute additional funds not covered by the grant award

Eligibility: Tax-exempt organizations including: 501(c)(3) nonprofits, churches, individual schools or school districts, cities or municipalities.

<https://ussoccerfoundation.org/grants/application-process/>

Safe Places to Play grants are available in four categories: Synthetic Turf, Lighting, Irrigation, and Sport Court. Multi-sport field projects are eligible for funding, but such fields must be used most the time for soccer. Multi-field projects are also eligible. All Safe Places to Play grants (except for Irrigation) can be awarded for either indoor or outdoor field projects. Grants are disbursed as in-kind credit with their respective vendor:

- Synthetic Turf Grant Amount: up to 10% of the Hellas project quote.
- Lighting Grant Amount: Typically in the range of 15%-30% of project total, with a maximum of \$25,000 per grant for single fields and \$50,000 for multi-field projects.

- Irrigation Grant Amount: Typically in the range of \$4,000 - \$15,000, with a maximum of \$15,000 per grant.
- Sport Court Grant Amount: Typically in the range of 15% - 50% of project total, with a maximum of \$30,000 per grant.

No cash is disbursed as part of this grant. Grantees must use the specific vendor as the supplier for their field project. Applicants are required to submit an LOI describing basics of the project prior to being approved to submit a full application for funding.

California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD): Housing-Related Parks Program

Deadline: February 23, 2017

Amount: Minimum grant amount: \$75,000; no set maximum award

Match: None

Eligibility: Cities and counties that, by the date set forth in the applicable NOFA, have adopted housing elements

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/housing-policy-development/housing-related-parks-program/>

The HRP Program is designed to encourage cities and counties to develop new residential housing by rewarding those jurisdictions that approve housing affordable to lower-income households with grant funds for the costs of Park and Recreation Facility creation, development, or rehabilitation, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of land for the purposes of those activities as well as major maintenance, reconstruction, or demolition for purposes of reconstruction of facilities, and retrofitting work. The grant provides funding on a per-bedroom basis for each residential unit affordable to very low- and low-income households permitted during the Designated Program Year (DPY). Awards will be distributed on the following basis:

- \$500 per bedroom for each unit affordable to Low-Income Households
- \$750 per bedroom for each unit affordable to Very Low-Income Households
- The minimum grant amount based on funding for these units must be \$75,000

Major League Baseball Foundation: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

Deadline: Quarterly (January 1, April 1, July 1, & October 1)

Amount: \$40,000 average award size

Match: 50% or more of total project cost

Eligibility: Tax exempt organizations including municipalities, school districts, and 501(c)(3) nonprofits

http://web.mlbcommunity.org/index.jsp?content=programs&program=baseball_tomorrow_fund

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association designed to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. The Baseball Tomorrow Fund supports projects that meet the following evaluation criteria: increase the number of youth participating in baseball and softball programs; improve the quality of youth baseball and softball programs.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

ArtPlace America: National Creative Placemaking Fund

Deadline: February 14, 2017 (registration deadline); February 22, 2017 (application deadline)

Amount: Varies. \$9.5 million available for entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, local governing bodies, individual artists/designers, and for-profit organizations

<http://www.artplaceamerica.org/our-work/national-creative-placemaking-fund/introduction>

ArtPlace America is a collaboration of leading national and regional foundations that is working to position art and culture as a core sector of community planning and development. ArtPlace's National Creative Placemaking Fund has \$9.5 million available for projects that work with artists and arts organizations to build stronger, healthier communities anywhere in the United States.

The Fund gives some emphasis to applications from selected localities; however, applications are welcome from all rural and urban regions all across the country, including the U.S. Territories.

Visit the ArtPlace website to learn more about the Fund.

Kessler Foundation: Signature Employment Grants

Deadline: Online grant concepts are due March 17, 2017; invited proposals must be submitted by July 10, 2017

Amount: \$100,000 to \$250,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, public or private schools, and public institutions, such as universities and government agencies based in the United States or any of its territories are eligible to apply.

<http://kesslerfoundation.org/grantprograms/signatureemploymentgrants.php>

The Kessler Foundation's Signature Employment Grants provide support for non-traditional solutions that increase employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities. Grants ranging from \$100,000 to \$250,000 per year for up to two years are awarded nationally to fund pilot initiatives, demonstration projects, or social ventures that lead to the generation of new ideas to solve the high unemployment and underemployment of individuals with disabilities. Preference is given to interventions that overcome specific employment barriers related to long-term dependence on public assistance or advance competitive employment in a cost-effective manner. Although proposals can be submitted from any state, this year the Foundation has prioritized serving Americans with disabilities that live in rural states and other areas with more limited service delivery. Visit the Kessler Foundation's website to review the Signature Employment Grants guidelines.

California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD): 2017 Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP) Program

Deadline: February 21, 2017

Amount: The maximum loan per project is \$10 million.

Financing Terms:

Eligibility: The Eligible Project Sponsor is the borrowing entity that HCD relies upon for experience and capacity, and which

controls the project during development and occupancy.

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/financial-assistance/veterans-housing-and-homelessness-prevention-program/>

The purpose of the VHHP program is to provide funding for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and preservation of affordable multifamily housing for veterans and their families to allow veterans to access and maintain housing stability. Funds must be used to serve veterans and their families. VHHP funds will be provided as post-construction permanent loans. All Program funds shall be used for the development costs in CCR Section 7304 (a) and (b) and to refinance loans used to cover such costs. Program assistance shall have an initial term of fifty-five years or longer to match the period of affordability restrictions under the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program. "Veteran" means any person who served in the active military, naval or air service of the United States or as a member of the National guard who was called to and released from active duty or active services for a period of not less than 90 consecutive days or was discharged from service due to a service related disability. This includes veterans with other-than-honorable discharges. At least 50 percent of the funds awarded shall serve veteran households with extremely low-incomes. Of those units targeted to extremely low-income veteran housing, 60 percent shall be supportive housing units.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Foundation

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$100 - \$500,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, local government agencies, and educational institutions in communities served by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway

<http://www.bnsffoundation.org/>

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Foundation provides support in communities in the company's area of operations. The Foundation considers requests falling in the following categories:

- Civic Services: This area includes organizations which are concerned with the environment and local community issues, such as crime prevention, parks and recreation, diversity and community development.
- Cultural Organizations: This area includes performing arts, visual arts, fine arts, and museums and other related activities that offer opportunities for underserved children to experience cultural learning events.
- Educational Institutions: This area includes both public and private education, primarily at the college level. (Grants of an exceptional nature may be made to vocational and non-college schools. Preferably, contributions will be directed toward the improvement of the quality of education.)
- Health and Human Service Organizations: This area includes hospitals, medical programs, and programs that address chemical dependency treatment and prevention, spouse and child abuse, women's and children's aid, and transitional shelters.
- Youth Organizations: This area includes Boys & Girls Clubs, Camp Fire, Scouts, Junior Achievement, and similar groups.

Federated organizations such as United Way and American Red Cross are also supported.

To be considered for a grant, requests should meet at least two of the following criteria:

The organization or project has significant Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) employee participation; the organization or the services provided are in close proximity to a BNSF main

line or BNSF is the only railroad or major corporation in the applicant's area of the state; the request is related to the railroad industry; or, the request is for direct programming or project support.

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Taxable Bonds Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Financing is for low interest, tax-exempt bonds.

Eligibility: Public and private entities

<http://cscda.org/Apply-Online/Taxable-Bonds>

This program offers public and private entities taxable bonds for projects that provide public benefit and economic development. Longer term taxable bonds can often provide cost savings and other efficiencies.

Note: This funding opportunity is being listed on the Municipal Grant List so that cities can offer it to eligible organizations within their community.

Economic Development Administration (EDA): FY2016 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Programs

Deadline: Continuous until new solicitation published

Amount: \$100,000 - \$3,000,000

Match: 50% of project cost

Eligibility: Cities; Counties; 501(c)(3) nonprofits; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments; Private institutions of higher education; Special district governments

<http://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

Under this FFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works and EAA programs. Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities. EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive- merit-basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States.

Union Pacific Foundation Community-Based Grant Program

Deadline: Preliminary applications: August 14, annually; Final applications: August 15, annually

Amount: \$10,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and local municipalities in communities served by the Union Pacific Railroad

<http://www.up.com/found/index.shtml>

The Union Pacific Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life in the communities served by Union Pacific, primarily in the Midwestern and western United States. (A map of Union Pacific's service area is available on the [UP website](#).) The Foundation's Community-Based Grant Program provides support in the following areas:

- Community and Civic: The goal is to assist community-based organizations and related activities that improve and enrich the general quality of life. This category includes organizations such as aquariums, botanical gardens, children's museums, history/science museums, public libraries, public television and radio, and zoos.
- Health and Human Services: The goal is to assist organizations dedicated to improving the level of healthcare and providing human services in the community. Local affiliates of national health organizations may apply for local programs only, but not for general operating support.

The Foundation has a strong interest in promoting organizational effectiveness among nonprofits. To that end, the Foundation will dedicate the majority of these grants to help nonprofit organizations build their capacity, increase their impact, and operate more efficiently and effectively.

Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions Program

Deadline: January 3 - September 30, annually

Amount: Varies; typically around \$50,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations

<http://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/index.jhtml>

The Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions Program supports nonprofit organizations that address vital community needs and issues in the communities served by the bank.

Guidelines for charitable contributions vary from state to state. However, Wells Fargo generally supports the following areas of interest:

- community development, including affordable housing and homebuyer education, workforce development, financial literacy, and economic development;
- education, including higher education and K-12 education;
- human services, including childcare, healthcare, and basic needs;
- the environment, including green economy and clean technologies, natural resources, and endangered species; and,
- arts and culture, including performing arts and museums; and,
- civic engagement.

Wells Fargo prefers to fund outcome-driven programs versus unrestricted sponsorships and events for nonprofits.

LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING

US Department of Justice: Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program FY 2017 Competitive Grants

Deadline: February 16, 2016

Amount: Varies by grant type (see description below)

Match: 50% or more of the total project costs

Eligibility: public agencies of state government, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/BWCPIP17.pdf>

The FY 2017 BWC PIP will support the implementation of body-worn camera programs in law enforcement agencies across the country. The intent of the program is to help agencies develop, implement, and evaluate a BWC program as one tool in a law enforcement agency's comprehensive problem-solving approach to enhance officer interactions with the public and build community trust. Successful applicants will develop and implement policies and practices required for effective program adoption, and will address program factors including the purchase, deployment, and maintenance of camera systems and equipment; data storage and access; and privacy considerations. BJA expects the BWC programs to make a positive impact on the quality of policing in these jurisdictions and to inform national efforts to improve the use of BWCs more broadly. While BWC equipment may be purchased under this program, successful applicants must demonstrate a commitment and adherence to a strong BWC policy framework, including comprehensive policy adoption and requisite training. There are 4 applicant categories with specific award amounts as shown below:

- 1) **CATEGORY 1: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for SMALL AGENCIES** (25 or fewer sworn officers) Award Amount: Minimum request of \$10,000; up to 40 awards nationwide
- 2) **CATEGORY 2: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for MID-SIZED AGENCIES** (26-250 sworn officers) Award Amount: Maximum of \$400,000; up to 10 awards nationwide
- 3) **CATEGORY 3: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for LARGE AGENCIES** (251-1000 sworn officers) Award Amount: Maximum of \$750,000; up to 8 awards nationwide
- 4) **CATEGORY 4: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for EXTRA-LARGE AGENCIES** (More than 1000 sworn officers) Award Amount: Maximum of \$1 Million; up to 5 awards nationwide

California Board of State & Community Corrections (BSCC): Proposition 47 Grant Program

Deadline: February 21, 2017

Amount: \$1 Million to \$6 Million

Match: No match required, however, public agency applicants must demonstrate how they will leverage other federal, state, and local funds or other social investments.

Eligibility: Public Agencies (incl. counties, cities, tribes, school districts)

http://www.bscc.ca.gov/s_bsccprop47.php

Proposition 47, which reduced to misdemeanors penalties for some low-level crimes, requires the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to administer grant programs for mental

health and substance abuse treatment using a portion of the annual state savings. Proposition 47 grant funds must be used for mental health services, substance use disorder treatment, diversion programs, or some combination thereof. In addition to these required services and programs, applicants are encouraged to provide supplemental housing-related services and other community-based supportive services, such as job skills training, case management, and civil legal services.

Open Society Foundations: Police Associations Leading 21st Century Policing

Deadline: February 24, 2017

Amount: \$25,000 to \$200,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Local fraternal and sororal police associations in the United States

https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/police-associations-leading-21st-century-policing-20170112?utm_source=Open+Society+Foundations&utm_campaign=5174b68b7f-Grants_RSS_email&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_d16374add2-5174b68b7f-49765169

The Open Society Foundations recognize that recent events have generated new urgency to seek new solutions and create lasting collaborative relationships between local police and the public. Through the Police Associations Leading 21st Century Policing initiative, the Foundations invite local fraternal and sororal police associations in the United States to submit proposals for projects they wish to work on to increase trust between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve. The aim is to make grants to local police associations to help them to implement projects that relate to the recommendations of the President's Taskforce on 21st Century Policing. Visit the Foundations' website to download the request for proposals.

US Department of Justice: Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: February 28, 2017

Amounts: Grant Amounts vary by program as follows

- CATEGORY 1: Implementation Grant maximum: \$400,000
- CATEGORY 2: Enhancement Grant maximum: \$400,000

Match: Minimum of 25% matching funds from non-federal sources for each category

Eligibility: states, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments for Categories 1 & 2; State agencies only for Category 3 grants

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/DrugCourts17.pdf>

The purpose of the Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program is to provide financial and technical assistance to eligible entities to develop and implement drug courts that effectively integrate evidence-based substance use disorder treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in a judicially supervised court setting with jurisdiction over substance-misusers. BJA is accepting applications for FY 2017 grants to either establish new drug courts or enhance existing drug court programs using evidence-based principles and practices. Local governments are eligible to apply for two funding categories under this solicitation, including:

1. **CATEGORY 1: IMPLEMENTATION** -- Implementation grants are available to eligible jurisdictions that have completed a substantial amount of planning and are ready

to implement an evidence-based adult drug court. Applicants may propose to use funding for court operations and services; participant supervision, management, and services; provision and coordination of recovery support services including education, civil legal assistance, job training and placement, housing placement assistance, primary and behavioral health care, and childcare and other supportive services.

2. **CATEGORY 2: ENHANCEMENT** -- Enhancement grants are available to eligible jurisdictions with a fully operational adult drug court (to be eligible, the court must have been operating for at least 1 year as of September 30, 2017). Applicants are encouraged to include in their proposals funding to incorporate the evidence-based program principles included in the NADCP Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards, and to specify which Standard(s) is/are addressed in the application and include in the program design details on how the Standard(s) will be implemented.

US Department of Justice: National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 2, 2017

Amounts: Grant Amounts vary by program as follows

- Purpose Area 1 -- 10 awards of up to \$3 million each
- Purpose Area 2 -- 10 awards of up to \$500,000 each
- Purpose Area 3 -- 5 awards of up to \$1 million each

Match: None required, but voluntary contributions are encouraged

Eligibility: law enforcement agencies of states, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments. Specific grants have different eligibility requirements (see Purpose Area descriptions below).

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/SAKI17.pdf>

The National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI), administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), provides funding through a competitive grant program to support multidisciplinary community response teams engaged in the comprehensive reform of jurisdictions' approaches to sexual assault cases resulting from evidence found in previously unsubmitted sexual assault kits (SAKs). The focus of this solicitation is on those "un-submitted kits" which are defined as SAKs that have not been submitted to a forensic laboratory for testing with CODIS-eligible DNA methodologies. There are three different solicitations available under the SAKI grant program:

1. **PURPOSE AREA 1: Comprehensive Approach to Un-submitted Sexual Assault Kits** -- Applications are solicited from eligible agencies who can demonstrate their ability and commitment to implementing the comprehensive BJA model to address the issues that underlie the problem of un-submitted SAKs
2. **PURPOSE AREA 2: SAKI for Small Agencies** -- Applications are solicited from eligible entities to support targeted activities associated with un-submitted SAKs. Sites may apply for funding of up to \$500,000 to address any SAKI-related activity listed under Purpose Area 1 (see pages 10-13). These must be consistent with the BJA Model with modifications based on need, existing capacity and resources and local challenges. Eligible applicants under Purpose Area 2 are Small Law Enforcement Agencies that have less than 250 sworn officers OR Consortia of Small Agencies.
3. **PURPOSE AREA 3: Collection of Lawfully Owed DNA from Convicted Offenders to Assist with Sexual Assault Investigations and Prosecutions** -- This funding is

intended as enhancement funds for applicants who can clearly demonstrate that their jurisdiction has previously addressed, or is currently effectively addressing, the major issues associated with un-submitted SAKs. The goal of this purpose area is to enable the appropriate law enforcement and correctional authorities to plan and implement coordinated DNA collections of lawfully owed samples, testing, and CODIS uploads in accordance with applicable state law and for resolving sexual assault cases associated with previously un-submitted SAKs.

US Department of Justice: Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 14, 2017

Amount: Eight awards of up to \$650,000

Match: This solicitation does not require a match.

Eligibility: states, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments
<https://www.bja.gov/Funding/SCACOD.pdf>

Under this solicitation, BJA is seeking applications to implement or expand treatment programs for adults with co-occurring substance use and mental disorders who are returning to their communities following incarceration. Programs should expand and improve the screening and assessment for co-occurring disorders that takes place in jails and prisons, in-reach by community-based providers, and the reentry and community reintegration process. Proposed programs should improve the provision of treatment for adults (18 years and over) being treated for co-occurring substance use and mental disorders, focusing on pre- and post-release programming for every program participant.

US Department of Justice: Smart Reentry - Focus on Evidence-based Strategies for Successful Reentry from Incarceration to Community FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 14, 2017

Amount: Up to five awards of up to \$1,000,000 each

Match: 50% of the total project cost and may be in the form of cash or in-kind services.

Eligibility: State and local government agencies and federally recognized Indian tribal governments

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/SmartReentry.pdf>

The Second Chance Act of 2007 helps to address the significant challenges of reentry of incarcerated individuals into society by providing comprehensive responses to incarcerated adults who are returning to communities from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities. Programs funded under the Second Chance Act help to promote public safety by ensuring that the transition individuals make from prison and jail to the community is successful. The goal of the Smart Reentry Program is to support jurisdictions to develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative strategies that address the challenges posed by reentry to increase public safety and reduce recidivism for individuals reentering communities from incarceration who are at medium to high risk for recidivating. This process should provide the individual with appropriate evidence-based services—including reentry planning that addresses individual criminogenic needs identified through information obtained from an empirically validated risk/needs assessment that also reflects the risk of recidivism for each individual. The reentry plan should reflect both specific and ongoing pre-release and post-release needs, and a strategy for ensuring that these needs are met throughout the duration of the reentry process.

US Department of Justice: Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program (Project Safe Neighborhoods) FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 28, 2017

Amount: 12 awards of up to \$200,000-\$500,000 each

Match: This solicitation does not require a match.

Eligibility: PSN team fiscal agents for the United States Attorney Office districts and federally recognized Indian tribal governments. All fiscal agents must be certified by the relevant U.S. Attorney's Office (USAO). Eligible USAO-certified fiscal agents include states, units of local government, educational institutions, faith-based and other community organizations, private nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments.

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/PSN17.pdf>

BJA's "Smart Suite" of programs invests in the development of practitioner-researcher partnerships that use data, evidence, and innovation to create strategies and interventions that are effective and economical. This data-driven approach enables jurisdictions to understand the full nature and extent of the crime challenges they are facing and to direct resources to the highest priorities. The Smart Suite of programs, which includes Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), represents a strategic approach that brings more "science" into criminal justice operations by leveraging innovative applications of analysis, technology, and evidence-based practices with the goal of improving performance and effectiveness while containing costs. PSN is designed to create safer neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in gang violence and gun crime. The program's effectiveness is based on the cooperation and partnerships of local, state, and federal agencies engaged in a unified approach led by the U.S. Attorney (USA) in each district. The USA is responsible for establishing a collaborative PSN team of federal, state, and local law enforcement and other community members to implement gang violence and gun crime enforcement, intervention, outreach, and prevention initiatives within the district. Through the PSN team, the USA will implement the five design features of PSN—partnerships, strategic planning, training, outreach, and accountability—to address specific gun crime and gang violence, in the most violent neighborhoods. Details on the five design features (also referred to as core elements) can be found on pages 5-7.

US Department of Justice: FY 2017 National Initiatives: Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR) Initiative

Deadline: March 7, 2017

Amount: One award of \$500,000 for Category 1 grants; One award of \$2,500,000 for Category 2 grants; One award of \$2,500,000 for Category 3 grants

Match: None required

Eligibility: Not-for-profit and for-profit organizations; state and local governments; federally recognized Indian tribal governments; and institutions of higher education

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/VALOR17.pdf>

The Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR) Initiative is an overarching program that addresses officer safety, wellness, resilience, and survival through multifaceted training, technical assistance, and specialized programs. USDOJ/BJA is seeking applications under three distinct categories for the FY 2017 Initiative:

1. *Law Enforcement and Community: Crisis Intervention Training Model* – A national training and technical assistance (TTA) provider to further develop and enrich BJA’s justice and mental health portfolio specific to law enforcement’s response and interaction with individuals with mental illness.
2. *Law Enforcement Agency and Officer Resilience Training Program* – A national TTA organization to identify, develop, implement, and analyze the effectiveness of resiliency concepts and skills within a law enforcement agency; serving as the foundation of a nationally delivered resiliency training.
3. *Specialized Officer Safety and Wellness Topics* – Training and Technical Assistance National Provider – A national TTA provider to develop and deliver specialized one-day and half-day state, local, and tribal law enforcement trainings across the nation specifically related to officer safety, wellness, and preparedness.

VALOR is critical to educating and providing resources to law enforcement professionals on officer safety- and wellness-related issues, techniques, and considerations so that they can be better prepared to serve the communities that rely on them.

US Department of Justice: Law Enforcement National Initiatives: Improving Responses to Criminal Justice Issues FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 7, 2017

Amount: One award of \$600,000 for Category 1 grants; One award of \$800,000 for Category 2 grants; One award of \$1,300,000 for Category 3 grants

Match: None required

Eligibility: for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/NationalInitiativesLE17.pdf>

The FY 2017 Law Enforcement National Initiatives: Improving Responses to Criminal Justice Issues Competitive Grant Announcement focuses on national initiatives to improve the functioning of the criminal justice system, specifically by (1) providing training to selected law enforcement to develop effective communication strategies; (2) continuing the National Center for Campus Public Safety, which was established in FY 2013; and (3) providing training and technical assistance (TTA) to law enforcement on performance management to improve trust and accountability with communities through the CompStat process.

US Department of Justice: Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program – Including Project HOPE FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 20, 2017

Amount: Five awards of up to \$600,000 each

Match: None required

Eligibility: States, units of local government, territories, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/SCF17.pdf>

The Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program, is a strategic approach that brings more “science” into criminal justice operations by leveraging innovative applications of analysis, technology, and evidence-based practices with the goal of improving performance and effectiveness while containing costs. The SCF principles are intended to: (a) improve supervision strategies that reduce recidivism; (b) promote and increase collaboration among

agencies and officials who work in community corrections and related fields to enhance swift and certain supervision; (c) enhance the supervised persons' perception that the supervision decisions are fair, consistently applied, and consequences are transparent; and (d) improve the outcomes of individuals participating in these initiatives. Through this FY 2017 grant announcement, BJA will select multiple applicants to develop, implement, or enhance an SCF model. Applicants selected under this announcement will work with BJA and its SCF training and technical assistance (TTA) partner to implement the model with fidelity. BJA is supporting this effort to enhance public safety, foster collaboration, and improve the outcomes of individuals under the supervision of community corrections.

US Department of Justice: Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: April 4, 2017

Amount: 78 awards ranging from \$75,000 - \$300,000

Match: 20% of the project costs from non-federal funds

Eligibility: States, units of local government, territories, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/JMHCP17.pdf>

The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCPC) supports innovative cross-system collaboration to improve responses and outcomes for individuals with mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who come into contact with the justice system. BJA is seeking applications that demonstrate a collaborative project between criminal justice and mental health partners from eligible applicants to plan and implement justice and mental health strategies collectively designed between justice and mental health. This solicitation specifically seeks to increase early identification and front-end diversion of people with mental health and co-occurring substance use disorders identified at early intercept points within the justice system. This program seeks to increase the number of justice, mental health, and community partnerships; increase evidence-based practices and treatment responses to people with behavioral health disorders in the justice system; and increase the collection of health and justice data to accurately respond to the prevalence of justice-involved people with mental health and co-occurring substance use disorders.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FUNDING

FEMA: FY 2016 Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant

Deadline: February 10, 2017

Amount: Varies; \$340,000,000 allocated to entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Eligibility: Volunteer Fire Departments; Career Fire Departments; Combination Fire Departments; Municipalities, Tribal Organizations

<https://www.fema.gov/staffing-adequate-fire-emergency-response-grants>

The Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants (SAFER) was created to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to

help them increase or maintain the number of trained, "front line" firefighters available in their communities. The goal of SAFER is to enhance the local fire departments' abilities to comply with staffing, response and operational standards established by the NFPA (NFPA 1710 and/or NFPA 1720). The SAFER grant program is composed of two activities:

- *Hiring of Firefighters*: Career, combination, and volunteer fire departments are eligible to apply to hire firefighters for a 36-month period.
- *Recruitment and Retention of Volunteer Firefighters*: Combination fire departments; volunteer fire departments; and national, state, local, or tribal organizations that represent the interests of volunteer firefighters are eligible to apply for a 12 to 48-month period.

FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program

Deadline: April 1; August 1; and December 1 annually

Award amount: \$2500-\$5000

Match: None

Eligibility: Fire departments and brigades, as well as national, state, regional, local, and community organizations

<http://www.fmglobal.com/page.aspx?id=01060200>

The FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program supports a wide array of fire prevention, preparedness, and control efforts throughout the U.S. and internationally. Funded projects include pre-fire planning for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities; fire and arson prevention and investigation; and fire prevention education and training programs.

Firefighters Charitable Foundation

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: None

<http://www.ffcf.org/>

Assists fire and disaster victims; and supports Volunteer Fire Departments. Grants offered for the following needs/programs: AED (Automatic External Defibrillator); Fire Department Equipment Program; Community Smoke Detector Program; and the Juvenile Fire-setter Prevention and Intervention Program.

Fire Fighters Support Foundation, Inc.

Deadline: Quarterly

Amount: \$5-10,000

Match: None

<http://www.fffoundation.org/assistance.html>

The Firefighters Support Foundation pro-actively makes contributions to funds established for the children of fallen firefighters. This financial support may be applied for by downloading, completing, and mailing an application on the foundation's website.

Fireman's Fund Heritage Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: None

https://www.firemansfund.com/home/policyholders/about_us/supporting_firefighters/index.html

Fireman's Fund awards grants to fire departments and fire & burn prevention organizations to support firefighters for safer communities. These grants can be used to purchase needed equipment, firefighter training, and community education programs.

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDING

USCM and USA Funds: National Education Pathways with a Purpose Initiative

Deadline: March 31, 2017

Amount: \$25,000 - \$100,000

Match: None

Eligibility: United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) Member Cities

<http://www.usmayors.org/pathwayswithapurpose/>

The National Education Pathways with a Purpose Initiative, a collaboration between the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) and USA Funds, awards competitive grants to expand creative initiatives that mayors have developed in their cities to advance both college and career readiness and college completion. Cities are recognized for developing strong collaborations between K-12 and higher education systems and employers to address college preparation and long-term career success. Eligible programs must apply innovative approaches to achieve the following two goals: enhance student persistence in and completion of post-secondary education or training programs, and enhance employment of graduates of post-secondary education or training programs in high-value occupations. USCM Member Cities are eligible to apply for a total of \$200,000 in grants: \$100,000 to one large city with a population greater than 500,000; \$75,000 to a medium-sized city with a population between 200,000 and 500,000; and \$25,000 to a small city of under 200,000. The application deadline is March 31, 2017. Visit the USCM website to access the application guidelines booklet.

International Paper Foundation: Environmental Education & Literacy Grants

Deadline: Quarterly (February 1, April 1, August 1, and October 1, annually)

Amount: \$100 - \$100,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, government entities, and school districts

<http://www.internationalpaper.com/company/regions/north-america/ip-foundation-usa/apply-for-a-grant>

The foundation's primary focus areas include the following:

1. Environmental Education: The Foundation supports programs that help both younger and older generations understand a sustainable approach balancing environmental, social, and economic needs. Examples of supported programs include:
 - science-based programs targeting children;
 - outdoor classrooms at schools or in communities;
 - outdoor science programs tied to forestry, air, or water; and,
 - education-based programs that promote recycling, tree planting, and composting initiatives.
2. Literacy: The Foundation addresses literacy through support of programs that:
 - enhance availability of reading materials at school and community libraries;
 - enhance reading skills of children and adults; and,

- teach English as a Second Language (ESL).

The Foundation provides limited consideration for funding to new critical needs in company communities. Consideration is given to one-time, non-recurring needs which benefit the community at large. The Foundation considers providing “seed” money on a one-time basis for requests that identify a community-wide need and provide details of sustaining the initiative within the community beyond International Paper funding. The Foundation generally does not fund capital, economic development, or multi-year projects. Average grant awards are around \$100.

Sierra Pacific Foundation Grant

Deadline: Annually on February 28

Amount: \$100 - \$50,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations

http://www.spi-ind.com/spf_contributions.aspx

The Sierra Pacific Foundation supports a wide range of organizations that serve communities where Sierra Pacific Industries operates facilities, primarily in Northern California and Washington. Funding is provided for academic and community programs, particularly those that benefit children. Specific areas of interest include:

- K-12 and higher education;
- libraries;
- museums;
- civic affairs;
- arts and culture;
- parks and recreation;
- youth sports;
- health and social services; and,
- public safety, including drug and alcohol prevention.

Types of support include general operating and project support. Educational scholarships are also given to dependent children of company employees. Contribution request forms may be obtained from the nearest Sierra Pacific Industries office or by contacting the Foundation.

Stuart Foundation Grant Funding

Deadline: Continuous (LOIs may be submitted at any time)

Amount: Varies. The amount requested from the Foundation should be proportionate to your organizational budget, project budget, and expected income from other sources

Match: None

Eligibility: school districts, universities, and government entities such as city or county agencies in California

<http://www.stuartfoundation.org/BecomeOurPartner>

The Stuart Foundation is dedicated to transforming the public education and child welfare systems in California and Washington so that all youth can learn and achieve in school and life. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that address the following priorities: The Education Systems category invests in coordinated programs, partnerships, and research and

policy analysis that help students to learn and achieve in school by developing effective education systems. The Vulnerable Youth in Child Welfare category partners with child welfare agencies to help children and youth in foster care to realize positive outcomes in the following focus areas: safety, permanency, well-being, education opportunities, and youth, family, and community engagement. Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time; the Foundation will take up to 60 days to respond to an LOI.

The Kresge Foundation: Human Services Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies.

Match: None

Eligibility: government agencies and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations

<http://kresge.org/programs/human-services/advancing-effectiveness-human-serving-organizations>

The Kresge Foundation works to improve the life circumstances of poor and low-income children and adults and those living in underserved communities. Through the Human Services Program, the Foundation seeks to expand access and opportunity for individuals and families who are vulnerable and low-income by strengthening human services organizations and promoting new responses to challenges in the sector. One of the program's focus areas, "Advancing the effectiveness of human-serving organizations," provides grants to enhance the ability of high-performing organizations to innovate and effectively support individuals and families on the path to self-sufficient, self-determined lives. Preference is given to nonprofit organizations and government entities that employ integrated, innovative, culturally responsive approaches to change the circumstances of people outside the economic mainstream. Preliminary inquiries may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website for more information.

Whole Foods Market Community Giving Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies.

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofits and educational organizations in communities with company stores.

<http://www.wholefoodsmarket.com/mission-values/caring-communities/community-giving>

The Whole Foods Market Community Giving Program supports local nonprofit and educational organizations that are important to each community in the U.S. where stores are located.

Several times each year, Whole Foods Market stores hold community giving days (otherwise known as "5% Days") where five percent of that day's net sales are donated to a local nonprofit or educational organization. The groups that benefit from these 5% Days are as varied as the communities themselves. Each year Whole Foods Market gives a minimum of 5% of its net profits to nonprofit and educational organizations in the locations where the company has stores.

Examples of the types of organizations supported include:

- Education: school support organizations, after-school organizations, etc.;
- Community and culture: arts organizations, museums, parks, etc.;
- Human interest: elder care, children and youth, homeless assistance, etc.; and,
- Environmental issues: organic food and farming, natural wildlife protection, green living, etc.

Along with cash donations, Whole Foods Market donates food and other products to area food banks and shelters. Organizations interested in applying for support should contact the Marketing Director at their local store or complete the donation request form available on the company's website.

UPCOMING FUNDING (ALL CATEGORIES)

California Natural Resources Agency: Urban Greening Grant Program

Release: TBD (Likely late 2016. Draft Guidance currently available for review)

Deadline: TBD (Likely early 2017)

Amount: TBD

Match: None

Eligibility: Cities, counties, special districts, nonprofit organizations or joint powers authorities.

<http://resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening/>

The Urban Greening Program, funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, will fund projects that transform the built environment into places that are more sustainable, enjoyable, and effective in creating healthy and vibrant communities by establishing and enhancing parks and open space, using natural solutions to improving air and water quality and reducing energy consumption, and creating more walkable and bike-able trails. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis. This program emphasizes, and gives priority to, projects that are proposed by and benefit the State's disadvantaged communities.

California Natural Resources Agency: 2017 Museum Grant Program

Release: TBD (Spring 2017)

Deadline: TBD (September 2017)

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Match: Dollar for dollar

Eligibility: Public agency (federal, state, city, county, district, association of governments, joint powers or Federally Recognized Indian Tribe); Nonprofit organizations

<http://resources.ca.gov/grants/california-museum/>

The program is a competitive grant program to support small capital asset projects in museums. For purposes of this program "capital asset" means tangible physical property with an expected useful life of 15 years or more. A capital asset project may be either of the following:

1. Acquisition of real property, that is, tangible physical property, including easements; or
2. Development of real (tangible physical) property. "Development" includes but is not limited to, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement, preservation and protection.

For purposes of this program, "museum" means a public or private nonprofit institution that is organized on a permanent basis for essentially educational or aesthetic purposes and that owns or uses tangible objects, cares for those objects, and exhibits them to the public on a regular basis.

A public agency, nonprofit entity or Federally Recognized Tribe responsible for the operation of a museum may apply on behalf of the museum; or, a museum located within a parent organization (i.e., a municipality, university, historical society or cultural center) may apply on its own if it independently fulfills all the eligibility requirements.

Proposition 1 Funding Schedule

Proposition 1 authorized \$7.545 billion in general obligation bonds for water projects including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Department of Water Resources, and other state agencies will administer Proposition 1 funds. Below is a listing of Proposition 1 funding opportunities that are currently available and upcoming.

Agency / Funding Program	Description	Funding Amount	Match	Eligibility	Deadline	Link
SWRCB: Prop 1 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	<p>Chapter 5, Section 79724(a) of Proposition 1 allocates \$260 million for drinking water grants and loans for public water system infrastructure improvements and related actions to meet safe drinking water standards ensure affordable drinking water, or both. These funds will be administered consistent with the DWSRF Intended Use Plan (DWSRF IUP) and the DWSRF Policy.</p> <p>The purpose of the DWSRF is to provide financial assistance for the planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects that are needed to achieve or maintain compliance with federal and state drinking water statutes and regulations. Funding for the DWSRF comes from federal grants, state sources, and loan repayment. Applications are offered for the following two categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Construction Financing - These funds are for applicants with complete final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation. - Planning/Design Financing - These funds are for applicants who do not have final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation. 	<p>\$260 Million in program</p> <p>No maximum disbursement limit.</p>	<p>Interest rates average 2-3% and 20 year loan. Public water systems that serve small, disadvantaged communities may be eligible for 0% and 30 year loan.</p>	<p>Community water systems and non-profit, non-community water systems</p>	<p>Continuous</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/dwsrf/scoping_workshops.shtml</p>

<p>SWRCB: Small Community Wastewater Program</p>	<p>Section 79723 of Prop 1 allocates \$260 million to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund. The State Water Board has an annual SCG appropriation of \$8 million dollars, which is administered consistent with the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP), and the CWSRF Policy. The Prop 1 funds will supplement existing SCG authority. Administering these funds as a part of the CWSRF Program allows grant funds to be easily leveraged with low-interest financing available through the CWSRF Program. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to: Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities; Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment</p>	<p>\$260 million in program No maximum funding or disbursement limits.</p>	<p>Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate.</p>	<p>Most cities, towns, districts, or other public bodies created under state law, including state agencies</p>	<p>Continuous</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/small_community_wastewater_grant/projects.shtml</p>
<p>SWRCB: Water Recycling Fund</p>	<p>The purpose of the WREP is to promote water recycling by providing technical and financial assistance to local agencies and other stakeholders in support of water recycling projects and research. Grant programs include: – Planning Grants: The purpose of the planning grant is to assist agencies or regions with completing feasibility studies for water recycling projects using treated municipal wastewater and/or treated groundwater from sources contaminated by human activities. Only local public agencies are eligible to apply for planning grants. – Construction Grants: The Water Recycling Funding Program provides grants and financing to eligible applicants for the construction of water recycling facilities. Construction projects may be funded with</p>	<p>\$75,000 (Planning Grants) \$15-\$20 Million (Construction Grants)</p>	<p>50% (Planning Grants) 35% (Construction Grants)</p>	<p>local public agencies</p>	<p>Continuous to December 2030</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/index.shtml</p>

					grants and low interest financing from a state bond, a CWSRF financing agreement, or combinations of funding sources. Eligible applicants are local public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, state & federal recognized Indian tribes, and mutual water companies.	
Upcoming Solicitations						
<p>SWRCB: Prop 1 Groundwater Sustainability Program</p>	<p>The State Water Board will administer \$800 million to prevent and cleanup contamination of groundwater that serves (or has served) as a source of drinking water. The funds can be provided as grants or loans. Program priorities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Threat posed by groundwater contamination to drinking water supply - Potential for groundwater contamination to spread/impair - Potential of project to enhance local water supply reliability - Potential of project to recharge vulnerable, high-use basins - Projects with no viable responsible party(ies) 	<p>\$800 million for total program</p> <p>Funding mechanisms are grants and loans</p>	<p>Match amount TBD</p>	<p>Public Agencies, Tribes, Public Utilities, Non-Profits, Mutual Water Companies</p>	<p>First Round Solicitation/ Review – Fall 2016/17</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/gw_funding/</p>



Office of the City Manager

INFORMATION CALENDAR

May 14, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: Henry Oyekanmi, Director, Finance

Subject: Referral Response: Issue a Request for Information to Explore Grant Writing Services from Specialized Municipal Grant-Writing Firms, and Report Back to Council

INTRODUCTION

This report responds to the referral sponsored by Councilmembers Hahn, Harrison, Davila and Bartlett to issue a Request for Information to explore grant writing services from specialized municipal grant-writing firms, and report back to Council that originally appeared on the agenda of the October 3, 2017 Council meeting.

SUMMARY

Request for Information (RFI), Specification No. 18-11201, Grant Writing and Related Services (Attachment 1), was released to the public in the spring of 2018 with the intent to identify qualified firms or individuals with expertise researching, identifying, applying for and obtaining grants on behalf of municipal entities.

The key points of the RFI were to: 1) communicate to grant writing firms that the City is seeking to expand its ability to initiate and deliver innovative programs by seeking out public and private grant funding; 2) use contracted services to augment existing internal grant application activities; and 3) leverage the resources and successes of firms that have developed specific competencies in providing grant sourcing and proposal development services to municipal clients.

Respondents were asked to provide information to demonstrate their ability to provide the following services:

Funding Needs Analysis
Grant Funding Research
On-Call Grant Research
Grant Proposal Development

Legislative Advocacy
Presentations and Meeting Attendance
Monthly Reporting

The RFI requested each respondent to submit standard and preferred fee structures to provide the City with insight into compensation options available in the market.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Currently, grant writing and application responsibilities are distributed across departments, which independently seek new grant opportunities and submit applications. While the City does receive awards, the application process can be time consuming for staff. For Berkeley to maximize its potential to gain resources from every possible source, it is imperative that the City apply for as many funding opportunities as possible. Increased revenue obtained through successful grant applications would allow the City to pilot new ideas, serve the community in a more robust fashion, and demonstrate to Berkeley residents the City's commitment to seeking public and private funding that may be available.

Planning for the release of the RFI began with City staff contacting 14 firms with presence in California and a focus on serving municipal clients, as indicated on websites, in other published materials, or by direct conversation. The 14 firms were made aware of the release of RFI #18-11201 and invited to participate. The RFI was posted on the City's website and at the kiosk in front of Old City Hall. Twelve of the 14 firms submitted responses to the RFI. The response pool represented a broad mix, from national corporations to niche players, for example having an environmental focus. Less than half of the responses provided all the information requested in the RFI.

Three of the 12 responses were comprehensive and provided information useful in assessing both the availability of grant-writing firms with a depth of experience and significant track-record (see Attachment 2 for a representative listing of grants secured by the 3 firms – California Consulting, Grant Management Associates and Glen Price Group) obtaining grant dollars in California for a wide variety of city, county and state projects, as well as service delivery methods and typical fee structures.

Fee Structures varied by respondent with 11 out of 12 falling into at least one of the following categories:

- Hourly rate per hour for all work performed by each resource
- Monthly, flat fee retainer with additional work at hourly rate per hour
- Fixed monthly fee when working on a particular grant proposal

Only one response included a Fee Structure that was based on a percentage of dollars awarded.

BACKGROUND

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consuming for Staff. For Berkeley to maximize its potential to gain resources from every possible source, it is imperative that the City apply for as many funding opportunities as possible. Increasing revenues obtained through successful grant applications would allow the City to pilot new ideas, serve the community in a more robust fashion and demonstrate to Berkeley residents the City's commitment to seeking public and private funding that may be available.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Not applicable.

POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

Information contained in the responses to RFI #18-11201 may be used to inform the scope of work, evaluation criteria and pricing arrangement, as well as outreach efforts for a future request for proposals for comprehensive grant research services issued by the City.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

Increased revenue obtained through successful grant applications.

CONTACT PERSON

Henry Oyekanmi, Director, Finance, 981-7326

Attachments:

- 1: Request for Information #18-110201 – Grant Writing and Related Services
- 2: Representative Listing of Grants Awarded
- 3: Original Referral Report from October 3, 2017

Attachment 1

Request for Information #18-11201
Grant Writing and Related Services

(document to follow this page)



Finance Department
General Services Division

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)
Specification No. 18-11201
GRANT WRITING AND RELATED SERVICES
RESPONSES WILL NOT BE OPENED AND READ PUBLICLY

Dear Interested Party:

The City of Berkeley is issuing this request for information (RFI) to qualified firms or individuals with expertise researching, identifying, applying for and obtaining grants on behalf of municipal entities. This is an RFI, not an invitation to bid. As such, there will be no public opening of information packages and no contract award made pursuant to this process. Potential respondents should review this RFI document in its entirety to gain an understanding of the City's intent, applicable processes and how submitted information will be used.

Information packages must be received no later than 2:00 pm, on Thursday, March 1, 2018. As part of the City's commitment to sustainable purchasing, information submission **via email is preferred**. Information packages submitted in hard copy format must be in a sealed envelope and have "**GRANT WRITING AND RELATED SERVICES**" and **Specification No.18-11201** clearly marked on the **outer most mailing envelope**. Submit **one (1) unbound original and five (5) unbound copies** of the proposal as follows:

Mail or Hand Deliver To:
City of Berkeley
Finance Department/General Services Division
2180 Milvia Street, 3rd Floor
Berkeley, CA 94704

Issuance of this RFI does not obligate the City to award a contract, nor is the City liable for any costs incurred by respondents in the preparation and submittal of information packages. Through this RFI process the City desires to gain knowledge of the capability of firms interested in providing the desired services and to assess the feasibility and utility of contracting for such services. This is a REQUEST FOR INFORMATION only and should not be construed as intent, commitment or promise to acquire the goods or services presented by respondents. The City of Berkeley is not obligated to any respondent as a result of this RFI.

For questions concerning this RFI and its requirements, **contact Shari Hamilton, Project Manager**, via email at shamilton@cityofberkeley.info no later than 3PM on Friday, February 16, 2018. Answers to questions will **not** be provided by telephone or email. Rather, answers to all questions or any addenda to this RFI will be **posted** on the City of Berkeley's website at <http://www.cityofberkeley.info/ContentDisplay.aspx?id=7128>. It is the respondent's responsibility to check this site for information updates, additions or changes. For general questions concerning the submittal process, contact Purchasing at 510-981-7320.

We look forward to receiving and reviewing your response.

Sincerely,
Shari Hamilton
General Services Manager

I. SUMMARY

Berkeley is an innovative city, pursuing ambitious programs and initiatives with the vigor and vision of a much larger city. Implementing innovative initiatives requires a significant investment of City resources and staff time. To support these efforts and increase revenue, the City currently applies for private, federal, state, and county grants.

Currently, grant writing and application responsibilities are distributed across departments, which independently seek new grant opportunities and submit applications. While the City does receive awards, the application process can be time consuming for staff. For Berkeley to maximize its potential to gain resources for every possible source, it is imperative that the City apply for as many funding opportunities as possible. Increased revenue obtained through successful grant applications would allow the City to pilot new ideas, serve the community in a more robust fashion, and demonstrate to Berkeley residents the City's commitment to seeking public and private funding that may be available.

This RFI is issued to explore opportunities to obtain grant writing services from one or more grant-writing firms specializing in service to municipal customers. The City expects to obtain an understanding of this segment of the grant-writing market including, but not limited to available expertise, services, and pricing models. The City may issue a request for proposals (RFP) for grant writing services if it is determined, as a result of this RFI process and other due diligence efforts, that the use of grant writing services will significantly increase its ability to secure grant based resources. All respondents to this RFI process may respond to the RFP, and responses to the RFP will not be limited to respondents to this RFI.

The City requests that all respondents to this RFI submit information packages that are short, concise and complete. It is not necessary to submit a marketing document. Information packages must be limited to a maximum of 15 pages. All information packages will become part of the public record and respondents shall not include confidential or proprietary information.

II. OVERVIEW OF SERVICES REQUIRED

The City is requesting information from qualified individuals and firms capable of providing the following services:

1. *Funding Needs Analysis* – Work with City staff to facilitate meetings with City departments to assess the validity of current funding priority areas, identify changes in funding priority areas, and identify new priority areas for possible funding;

2. *Grant Funding Research* – Conduct research to identify grant resources including, but not limited to, private, Federal, State, foundation, agencies and organizations that support the City’s funding needs and priorities (emphasizing grants which require no “matching” funds), including, but not limited to:
 - a) Infrastructure development and maintenance
 - b) Affordable housing and housing support services
 - c) Public safety, including emergency preparedness
 - d) Community and economic development
 - e) Energy efficiency and environmental sustainability
 - f) Workforce development and retention
 - g) Technology, including digital inclusion
 - h) Social services, including services to the unhoused
3. *On-Call Grant Research* – In addition to the areas defined above, other areas may also be identified through the funding needs analysis process and throughout the duration of the contract. The Scope of Work may also include researching grant opportunities identified by the City.
4. *Grant Proposal Development* – Provide general grant proposal writing services associated with the completion of grant applications on behalf of the City, including the preparation of funding abstracts and production, and submittal of applications to funding sources. A copy of each grant application package submitted for funding, in its entirety, shall be provided to the City.
5. *Legislative Advocacy* – Provide legislative advocacy services on behalf of City by contacting legislators and legislative staff to promote City message and needs.
6. *Presentations and Meeting Attendance* – The successful consultant may be required to make presentations to and attend meetings with City staff, the City Council, commissions and the public to explain grant opportunities, programs targeted for support by grant funds, the City’s competitive position, and other related topics.
7. *Monthly Reports* – The successful consultant shall submit monthly reports to the City summarizing the amount of time expended, describe activities undertaken during the previous month, and status of those activities.

III. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All information packages shall include the following information, organized as separate sections of the response. The response should be short, concise and to the point.

1. Respondent Identification:
Provide the company name, principal place of business, tax identification number and website address (if applicable). Include the name, email address and telephone number of the company representative who will serve a contact for this RFI.

2. Service Offerings:
Provide a short description of the types of services offered, including any areas of specialization. State the percentage of the entire book of business each service type represents.

3. Previous Experience:
Provide a short explanation of company’s recent (past five (5) years) experience working with and securing grant funding for municipal clients. Include areas in which company has been particularly successful, as well as any competitive differentiators.

4. Staffing:
Submit résumés for the staff members company would propose and assign as the management and operational contacts for an engagement with the City. The commitment of key staff is critical to the City of Berkeley. It is expected that assigned staff will remain throughout the term of any awarded contract.

5. Sub-consultants/Partners:
List any sub-consultants or partner entities company would use to complete the work described herein. Provide at least two (2) recent examples of engagements where respondent has worked with sub-consultant/partner.

6. Fee Structure/Options:
Include a summary of company’s standard and preferred fee structures. Any creative or alternative compensation structures should be supported with clear explanatory notes and potential benefits to the City.

7. Other Pertinent Information:
Submit any pertinent information the City should consider, including topics not identified or requested herein.

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IV. SCHEDULE (dates are subject to change)

- Issue RFI to public: 02/05/2018
- Respondent questions due to City by 3PM PT: 02/16/2018
- Issue Addendum/Q&A via City website/posting: 02/21/2018
- RFI due to City by 2PM PT: 03/01/2018

Thank you for your interest in working with the City of Berkeley for this service. We look forward to receiving your information package.

Attachment 2

Representative Listing of Grants Awarded in California

FIRM	GRANT TITLE	CLIENT	AWARD
California Consulting	USDOJ COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP)	City of Salinas	\$3,837,546
	FEMA Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER)	Consumnes CSD Fire Department	\$1,947,191
	CalTran Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 2	City of Rosemead	\$702,000
	HCD Housing Related Parks Program (HCD)	City of Lynwood	\$516,150
	DBW Non-Motorized Boat Launching Grant	City of Waterford	\$470,290
	OTS Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Grant	City of Lompoc	\$25,000
Grant Management Associates	Beneficial Reuse of Carbon (Phase 2)	Department of Energy - Industrial Capture	\$25,000,000
	Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program	City of Redding/Shasta Transportation Authority	\$20,000,000
	Alternative and Renewable Fuel Infrastructure	California Energy Commission	\$15,700,000
	Prop 84 Stormwater Grant Program (Round 2)	California EPA	\$648,284
	Bicycle and Pedestrian Project, Tribal Transportation Safety	Karuk Tribe - Bureau of Indian Affairs	\$872,000
	HRSA Mobile Dental Health Grant	El Dorado County	\$600,000
Glen Price Group	CalWorks Stage 1 Child Care Program	Child Care Links	\$36,460,960
	Whole Person Care Pilots	Sonoma County, Health Services Department, Behavioral Health Div.	\$16,704,136

	Home and Community-Based Alternatives (HCBA) Waiver	Sonoma County, Human Services Department	\$2,500,000 (estimated over 57 months)
	Improving Reentry for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Illness	Sonoma County Probation Department	\$750,000
	Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Program	City of Richmond	\$600,000
	Chancellor's Community Partnership Fund	Berkeley Unified School District	\$15,000

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CONSENT CALENDAR

October 3, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Sophie Hahn, Kate Harrison, Cheryl Davila, and Ben Bartlett

Subject: Request for Information Regarding Grant Writing Services from Specialized Grant Writing Firms

RECOMMENDATION

Refer to the City Manager to issue a request for information to explore grant writing services from specialized municipal grant-writing firms, and report back to Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Staff time to issue the request, review responses, and report to Council.

BACKGROUND

Berkeley is an innovative City, pursuing ambitious programs and initiatives with the vigor and vision of a much larger City. Implementing innovative initiatives requires a significant investment of City resources and staff time. To support these efforts and increase revenues, the City currently applies for private, federal, state, and county grants.

Currently, grant writing and application responsibilities are distributed across departments, which independently seek new grant opportunities and submit applications. While the City does receive awards, the application process can be time consuming for Staff. For Berkeley to maximize its potential to gain resources from every possible source, it is imperative that the City apply for as many funding opportunities as possible. Increased revenue obtained through successful grant applications would allow the City to pilot new ideas, serve the community in a more robust fashion, and demonstrate to Berkeley residents the City's commitment to seeking public and private funding that may be available.

To help accomplish this goal, this item recommends that the City Manager issue a Request for Information to explore opportunities to obtain grant writing services from a grant-writing firm specializing in municipal grants. A number of specialized firms exist that consolidate information about grant opportunities and can support the writing of grants. An example is included as Attachment 1. Engaging a firm focused on identifying and applying for grant opportunities may yield a higher success rate than the City currently obtains. The purpose of this request for information would be to explore many different firms and gain information about expertise, services, pricing, and other details,

allowing the City Manager and Council to assess the feasibility and utility of contracting for such services.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

This recommendation supports Berkeley's environmental sustainability goals.

CONTACT PERSON

Councilmember Sophie Hahn, Council District 5, (510) 981-7150

ATTACHMENTS

1. Collection of Municipal Grant information, Winter 2017

MUNICIPAL GRANTS (Current as of January 27, 2017)

Please note that this document contains a selection of federal, state, and private grant and loan funding opportunities organized by funding topic. Funding topic sections are listed in the order as follows:

- Infrastructure Funding
- Water & Energy Funding
- Transportation Funding
- Parks & Recreation Funding
- Housing & Community Development Funding
- Law Enforcement Funding
- Fire Department Funding
- Health & Wellness Funding
- Miscellaneous Funding
- Upcoming Funding (for all categories)

Within each topic section, grants are listed in order by those with hard deadlines, quarterly deadlines, and those which are due continuously. If there are no current opportunities for a given category, it will be indicated. Some funding opportunities are only available in certain geographic regions and these are indicated in their respective sections.

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank): Infrastructure State Revolving Fund (ISRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$50,000 to \$25 million or more (with IBank Board approval)

Financing Terms:

The interest rate benchmark is Thompson's Municipal Market Data Index. Staff may adjust the interest rate based upon factors that include: Unemployment, Medium Household Income, Environmental, and Other special circumstances. The IBank Board has final approval of the interest rate. Maximum 30 year term Open application process

Eligibility: Any subdivision of a local or state government. Applicant may also be a company, corporation, association, partnership, firm, or other entity or group of entities organized as a public benefit not-for-profit entity engaged in business or operations within the state

http://ibank.ca.gov/infrastructure_loans.htm

The ISRF Program provides financing for public infrastructure projects such as: environmental mitigation; port facilities; power and communications transmission or distribution facilities; public transit; solid waste collection and disposal; defense conversion; as well as military infrastructure. A project must promote economic development and attracts, creates, and sustains long-term employment opportunities. Eligible uses include, but are not limited to, construction or modification of the following:

- educational, cultural, and social facilities;

- public infrastructure, purchase and install pollution control or noise abatement equipment;
- parks and recreation facilities;
- docks, harbors, piers, marinas;
- facilities for and/or transmission or distribution of electrical energy, natural gas, and telecommunication;
- air and rail transport of goods, including parking facilities;
- transfer stations, recycling centers, sanitary landfills, waste conversion and recycling facilities;
- facilities for successfully converting military bases;
- facilities on or near a military installation that enhance military operations acquire land in conjunction with such project

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (SCIP)

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Financing is for low interest, tax-exempt bonds.

Eligibility: Public agencies

<http://cscda.org/Apply-Online/Statewide-Community-Infrastructure-Program>

In response to the increasing local agency staff time and budget pressures caused by new commercial, industrial or residential development, CSCDA offers the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (“SCIP”).

USDA Rural Development: Community Facilities Grants & Loans

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies by population & income (typically no larger than \$30,000)

Match: Varies by population & income (60% - 80%)

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/CA-CFPrograms.html>

Community Facilities Programs provides grants to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural areas and towns of up to 20,000 in population. Grants are authorized on a graduated scale. Applicants located in small communities with low populations and low incomes will receive a higher percentage of grants. Grants are available to public entities such as municipalities, counties, parishes, boroughs, and special-purpose districts, as well as non-profit corporations and tribal governments.

WATER & ENERGY FUNDING

DWR/CFDA: Agricultural Water Use Efficiency & State Efficiency and Enhancement Program

Deadline: April 21, 2017

Amount: \$200,000 maximum award

Match: 50% match of the total project cost

Eligibility: Public agencies, public utilities, federally recognized or state Indian tribes, nonprofit organizations, mutual water companies, and investor-owned utilities regulated by the California PUC.

<http://www.water.ca.gov/wuegrants/AgWUEPilot.cfm>

Through this competitive grant program, DWR and CDFA intend to demonstrate the potential multiple benefits of conveyance enhancements combined with on-farm agricultural water use efficiency improvements and greenhouse gas reductions. The grant funding provided in this joint program is intended to address multiple goals including: 1) water use efficiency, conservation and reduction, 2) greenhouse gas emission reductions, 3) groundwater protection, and 4) sustainability of agricultural operations and food production. It is also anticipated that there will be benefits to water and air quality, groundwater security, surface water conservation, and improved nutrient management and crop health through this program. Excellent proposals will demonstrate the specific regional needs and benefits of their proposals.

US Bureau of Reclamation: 2017 WaterSMART - Small Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant

Deadline: April 27, 2017

Amount: Up to \$75,000. Applicants will be limited to a \$150,000 cap on project cost.

Match: 50% of the project costs up to \$75,000.

Eligibility: States, Indian tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, or other organizations with water or power delivery authority (may include municipalities)

<http://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/weeg/index.html>

The WaterSMART - Small Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant is a new program intended to support specific small-scale water efficiency projects that have been prioritized through planning efforts led by the applicant. Larger projects or those with multiple project components, such as a renewable energy component, should be submitted under WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants.

California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD): Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2016 Drought Lateral Grant

Deadline: May 31, 2017

Amount: \$150,000 - \$2 Million

Match: None.

Eligibility: Non-entitlement CDBG jurisdictions in California only. See Appendix A - Non-Entitlement CDBG Juristictions List by following the link below.

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/financial-assistance/community-development-block-grant-program/currentnofas.html>

The Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) is pleased to announce the availability of approximately \$5,000,000 in federal Community Development Block Grant

(CDBG) funding for direct relief and mitigation of the effects of the 2014 California Drought Disaster, as declared by Governor Brown. This NOFA applies only to the installation of CDBG-eligible water lateral connections to new or existing public water systems for single- and multi-family residential structures that have no running water as a result of having a dry or contaminated well. Also included are water meters, system connection fees and the abatement of existing dry wells. The CDBG-eligible activity is Housing Rehabilitation.

State Water Resources Control Board: Water Recycling Funding Program (WFRP)

Deadline: December 2030 (currently accepting applications via FAAST system)

Amount: \$75,000 (for Planning Grants); \$15-\$20 Million (for Construction Grants)

Match: 50% (for Planning Grants); 35% (for Construction Grants)

Financing: For Construction applications Interest at 1/2 General Obligation Bond Rate; 30 year term; Allowance following the CWSRF Policy

Eligibility: local public agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/proposition_1_funding.shtml

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) provides funding for the planning, design, and construction of water recycling projects that offset or augment state fresh water supplies. There are two programs within this fund:

- **Planning Grants:** The purpose of the planning grant is to assist agencies or regions with completing feasibility studies for water recycling projects using treated municipal wastewater and/or treated groundwater from sources contaminated by human activities. Only local public agencies are eligible to apply for planning grants.
- **Construction Grants:** The Water Recycling Funding Program provides grants and financing to eligible applicants for the construction of water recycling facilities. Construction projects may be funded with grants and low interest financing from a state bond, a CWSRF financing agreement, or combinations of funding sources. Eligible applicants are local public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, state & federal recognized Indian tribes, and mutual water companies.

California Energy Commission (CEC): Interest Rate 1% Loan Financing For Energy Efficiency & Energy Generation Projects

Deadline: Applications are funded on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted

Amount: Maximum loan amount of \$3 million per applicant

Financing Terms: Loans must be repaid from energy cost savings or other legally available funds within a maximum term of 20 years (including principal and interest).

Eligibility: Cities, Counties, Specials Districts, Public Colleges or Universities

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/financing/>

The CEC is offering loans financing for energy efficiency and energy generation projects for Public Agencies. Projects with proven energy and/or demand cost savings are eligible, provided they meet the ECAA eligibility requirements. Projects already funded with an existing loan or already installed are ineligible. Examples of Qualified Projects include the following:

- Lighting systems
- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning equipment
- Streetlights and LED traffic signals
- Energy management systems and equipment controls

- Pumps and motors
- Building envelope and insulation
- Energy generation including renewable energy and combined heat and power projects
- Water and waste water treatment equipment
- Load shifting projects, such as thermal energy storage

California Energy Commission: The Energy Partnership Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$20,000 of a consultant's costs

Match: Any amount in excess of the \$20,000 provided by CEC

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/partnership/index.html>

The Energy Partnership Program can conduct an energy audit of existing facilities identify energy saving projects, including: Conduct energy audits and prepare feasibility studies; Review existing proposals and designs; Develop equipment performance specifications; Review equipment bid specifications; Assist with contractor selection; and Review commissioning plans. The Energy partnership also provides technical assistance early in the design phase of new facility construction, including: Provide design review consultation; Identify cost-effective, energy-saving measures; Compare different technologies; Review schematics and construction plans; Provide equipment specification consultation; Develop computer simulation models of your planned project; Help select experienced professionals with energy efficiency expertise; and Assist with system commissioning.

State Water Resources Control Board: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: No maximum funding or disbursement limits. Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval.

Eligibility: Any city, town, district, or other public body created under state law, including state agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program offers low cost financing for a wide variety of water quality projects. The program has significant financial assets, and is capable of financing projects from <\$1 million to >\$100 million. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment
2. Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: Agriculture; Forestry; Urban Areas; Marinas; Hydromodification; Wetlands
3. Development and implementation of estuary comprehensive conservation and management plans for: San Francisco Bay; Morro Bay; Santa Monica Bay

State Water Resources Control Board: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Green Project Reserve Program

Deadline: Applications accepted on a continuous basis

Amount: \$2.5 Million maximum; \$30 million allocated to entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Municipalities

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

Effective with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund's (CWSRF) 2015 Capitalization Grant from U.S. EPA, the State Water Resources Control Board has \$30 million available to provide CWSRF loan (principal) forgiveness to projects that address water or energy efficiency, mitigate storm water runoff, or encourage sustainable project planning, design, and construction. There are four categories of green projects: green infrastructure, water efficiency, energy efficiency, and environmentally innovative activities.

State Water Resources Control Board: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: No maximum disbursement limit. Interest rates average 2-3% and 20 year loan. Public water systems that serve small, disadvantaged communities may be eligible for 0% and 30 year loan.

Eligibility: Community water systems and non-profit, non-community water systems.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.shtml

On October 21, 2014, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted the *Policy for Implementing the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF Policy)* effective January 1, 2015. The purpose of the DWSRF is to provide financial assistance for the planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects that are needed to achieve or maintain compliance with federal and state drinking water statutes and regulations.

Funding for the DWSRF comes from federal grants, state sources, and loan repayment.

Applications are offered for the following two categories:

1. Construction Financing - These funds are for applicants with complete final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation.
2. Planning/Design Financing - These funds are for applicants who do not have final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation.

State Water Resources Control Board: Proposition 1 Small Community Wastewater Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: \$260 Million allocated to program. Like CWSRF (see above) there is no maximum funding or disbursement limits. Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate at time of funding approval.

Eligibility: Most cities, towns, districts, or other public bodies created under state law, including state agencies

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/small_community_wastewater_grant/projects.shtml

Section 79723 of Prop 1 allocates \$260 million to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund. The State Water Board has an annual SCG appropriation of \$8 million dollars, which is administered consistent with the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP), and the CWSRF Policy. The Prop 1 funds will supplement existing SCG

authority. Eligible projects are similar to the CWSRF program and include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment
2. Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: Agriculture; Forestry; Urban Areas; Marinas; Hydromodification; Wetlands

State Water Resources Control Board: Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SDWSRF)

Deadline: Pre-application, requires annual invitation

Amount: \$ 500,000-\$5,000,000

Match: 20% of eligible project costs

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.shtml

This program provides support to engage in the demonstration of innovative technologies, methods, practices, and techniques in three areas: operational safety, infrastructure or equipment resiliency, and all-hazards emergency response and recovery methods.

State Water Resources Control Board: Water and/or Energy Audits Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Up to \$35,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Any municipality, inter-municipal, interstate or state agency with facilities or activities eligible for Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) financing may apply.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

This program is for CWSRF-eligible agencies that need financial assistance to find out if they can improve water and energy efficiency. The State Water Resource Control Board will provide funding to conduct a Water and/or Energy Audit to assess an agency's current practices and identify potentially inefficient water and/or energy use. The State Water Resources Control Board can fund 100% of audit costs, up to a maximum of \$35,000. Applications are submitted online by submitting a Water or Energy Audit Financial Assistance Application with attachments through FFAST (Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool).

USDA Rural Development: Water & Waste Disposal Grant/Loan Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount/Financing: Grant amount varies. Loan has up to 40-year payback period, on a fixed interest rate of 3.125% or lower.

Eligibility: state and local government entities, private nonprofits, federally-recognized tribes in rural areas with fewer than 10,000 people.

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program/ca>

This program provides long-term low interest loans for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. Funds may be used to finance the acquisition,

construction or improvement of: Drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and distribution; Sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; Solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and Storm water collection, transmission and disposal. In some cases, funding may also be available for related activities such as: Legal and engineering fees; Land acquisition, water and land rights, permits and equipment; Start-up operations and maintenance; Interest incurred during construction; Purchase of existing facilities to improve service or prevent loss of service; and Other costs determined to be necessary for completion of the project.

ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION FUNDING

California Farmland Conservancy Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: 5% of grant total

http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/cfcp/funding/Pages/request_grant_app.aspx

The Department of Conservation's California Farmland Conservancy Program provides grants to local governments and qualified nonprofit organizations for:

- voluntary acquisition of conservation easements on agricultural lands that are under pressure of being converted to non-agricultural uses;
- temporary purchase of agricultural lands that are under pressure of being converted to non-agricultural uses, as a phase in the process of placing an agricultural conservation easement;
- agricultural land conservation planning and policy projects; and,
- restoration of and improvements to agricultural land already under easement

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Total Road Improvement Program (TRIP)

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Local governments leverage their State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax to finance road improvement projects.

Eligibility: Local public agencies (cities and counties)

[http://cscda.org/Public-Agency-Programs/Total-Road-Improvement-Programs-\(TRIP\)](http://cscda.org/Public-Agency-Programs/Total-Road-Improvement-Programs-(TRIP))

CSCDA offers a pooled securitization program to assist local agencies in bonding against future payments to obtain funding for more projects today. As a pooled public offering, program participants will benefit from reduced issuance costs and better interest rates as compared to stand alone issues. The program does not require a pledge of the local agency's General Fund. The Gas Tax Accelerated Street Improvement Program will allow local governments to leverage their State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax (the "Gas Excise Tax") to finance road improvement projects. The use of proceeds from the Gas Excise Tax, an 18-cent State excise tax collected on fuel sales, is restricted to the maintenance and construction of public streets and highways. The

obligations will be secured solely by a pledge of Gas Excise Tax revenues of the participating agencies.

PARKS & RECREATION FUNDING

US Soccer Foundation: 2017 Innovative & Non-Traditional Soccer Program Grants *(formerly Program Grants)*

Deadline: February 10, 2016

Amount: \$30,000 - \$90,000 (dispersed over three years)

Match: None

Eligibility: Organizations with IRS approved tax-exempt status at the time of application that offer soccer-specific programming.

<https://ussoccerfoundation.org/grants/innovative-and-non-traditional-soccer-program-grants>

The U.S. Soccer Foundation recently announced changes to Program Grants. Moving forward, the Foundation will focus on one specific category or theme each year. In 2017, the Foundation, will begin accepting applications from organizations that are implementing innovative and/or non-traditional soccer programs in their communities. Awardees will receive up to a three year-grant of \$10,000-\$30,000 a year. These grants can be used to purchase soccer equipment and/or cover operating expenses. Awardees will be required to send one person to the U.S. Soccer Foundation's Urban Soccer Symposium, held in Washington D.C. The Foundation will cover expenses associated with attending the event.

US Soccer Foundation: 2017 Safe Places to Play Grants

Deadlines:

- Spring Grants Cycle: LOIs due February 3, 2017; Application due February 10, 2017
- Summer Grants Cycle: LOIs due May 26, 2017; Application due June 2, 2017
- Fall Grants Cycle: LOIs due September 29, 2017; Application due October 6, 2017

Amount: \$4,000 - \$50,000 or a percentage of total project amount in form of vendor credit (see details below)

Match: None required officially; applicants must contribute additional funds not covered by the grant award

Eligibility: Tax-exempt organizations including: 501(c)(3) nonprofits, churches, individual schools or school districts, cities or municipalities.

<https://ussoccerfoundation.org/grants/application-process/>

Safe Places to Play grants are available in four categories: Synthetic Turf, Lighting, Irrigation, and Sport Court. Multi-sport field projects are eligible for funding, but such fields must be used most the time for soccer. Multi-field projects are also eligible. All Safe Places to Play grants (except for Irrigation) can be awarded for either indoor or outdoor field projects. Grants are disbursed as in-kind credit with their respective vendor:

- Synthetic Turf Grant Amount: up to 10% of the Hellas project quote.
- Lighting Grant Amount: Typically in the range of 15%-30% of project total, with a maximum of \$25,000 per grant for single fields and \$50,000 for multi-field projects.

- Irrigation Grant Amount: Typically in the range of \$4,000 - \$15,000, with a maximum of \$15,000 per grant.
- Sport Court Grant Amount: Typically in the range of 15% - 50% of project total, with a maximum of \$30,000 per grant.

No cash is disbursed as part of this grant. Grantees must use the specific vendor as the supplier for their field project. Applicants are required to submit an LOI describing basics of the project prior to being approved to submit a full application for funding.

California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD): Housing-Related Parks Program

Deadline: February 23, 2017

Amount: Minimum grant amount: \$75,000; no set maximum award

Match: None

Eligibility: Cities and counties that, by the date set forth in the applicable NOFA, have adopted housing elements

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/housing-policy-development/housing-related-parks-program/>

The HRP Program is designed to encourage cities and counties to develop new residential housing by rewarding those jurisdictions that approve housing affordable to lower-income households with grant funds for the costs of Park and Recreation Facility creation, development, or rehabilitation, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of land for the purposes of those activities as well as major maintenance, reconstruction, or demolition for purposes of reconstruction of facilities, and retrofitting work. The grant provides funding on a per-bedroom basis for each residential unit affordable to very low- and low-income households permitted during the Designated Program Year (DPY). Awards will be distributed on the following basis:

- \$500 per bedroom for each unit affordable to Low-Income Households
- \$750 per bedroom for each unit affordable to Very Low-Income Households
- The minimum grant amount based on funding for these units must be \$75,000

Major League Baseball Foundation: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

Deadline: Quarterly (January 1, April 1, July 1, & October 1)

Amount: \$40,000 average award size

Match: 50% or more of total project cost

Eligibility: Tax exempt organizations including municipalities, school districts, and 501(c)(3) nonprofits

http://web.mlbcommunity.org/index.jsp?content=programs&program=baseball_tomorrow_fund

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association designed to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. The Baseball Tomorrow Fund supports projects that meet the following evaluation criteria: increase the number of youth participating in baseball and softball programs; improve the quality of youth baseball and softball programs.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

ArtPlace America: National Creative Placemaking Fund

Deadline: February 14, 2017 (registration deadline); February 22, 2017 (application deadline)

Amount: Varies. \$9.5 million available for entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, local governing bodies, individual artists/designers, and for-profit organizations

<http://www.artplaceamerica.org/our-work/national-creative-placemaking-fund/introduction>

ArtPlace America is a collaboration of leading national and regional foundations that is working to position art and culture as a core sector of community planning and development. ArtPlace's National Creative Placemaking Fund has \$9.5 million available for projects that work with artists and arts organizations to build stronger, healthier communities anywhere in the United States. The Fund gives some emphasis to applications from selected localities; however, applications are welcome from all rural and urban regions all across the country, including the U.S. Territories. Visit the ArtPlace website to learn more about the Fund.

Kessler Foundation: Signature Employment Grants

Deadline: Online grant concepts are due March 17, 2017; invited proposals must be submitted by July 10, 2017

Amount: \$100,000 to \$250,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, public or private schools, and public institutions, such as universities and government agencies based in the United States or any of its territories are eligible to apply.

<http://kesslerfoundation.org/grantprograms/signatureemploymentgrants.php>

The Kessler Foundation's Signature Employment Grants provide support for non-traditional solutions that increase employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities. Grants ranging from \$100,000 to \$250,000 per year for up to two years are awarded nationally to fund pilot initiatives, demonstration projects, or social ventures that lead to the generation of new ideas to solve the high unemployment and underemployment of individuals with disabilities. Preference is given to interventions that overcome specific employment barriers related to long-term dependence on public assistance or advance competitive employment in a cost-effective manner. Although proposals can be submitted from any state, this year the Foundation has prioritized serving Americans with disabilities that live in rural states and other areas with more limited service delivery. Visit the Kessler Foundation's website to review the Signature Employment Grants guidelines.

California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD): 2017 Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP) Program

Deadline: February 21, 2017

Amount: The maximum loan per project is \$10 million.

Financing Terms:

Eligibility: The Eligible Project Sponsor is the borrowing entity that HCD relies upon for experience and capacity, and which controls the project during development and occupancy.

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/financial-assistance/veterans-housing-and-homelessness-prevention-program/>

The purpose of the VHHP program is to provide funding for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and preservation of affordable multifamily housing for veterans and their families to allow veterans to access and maintain housing stability. Funds must be used to serve veterans and their families. VHHP funds will be provided as post-construction permanent loans. All Program funds shall be used for the development costs in CCR Section 7304 (a) and (b) and to refinance loans used to cover such costs. Program assistance shall have an initial term of fifty-five years or longer to match the period of affordability restrictions under the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program. "Veteran" means any person who served in the active military, naval or air service of the United States or as a member of the National guard who was called to and released from active duty or active services for a period of not less than 90 consecutive days or was discharged from service due to a service related disability. This includes veterans with other-than-honorable discharges. At least 50 percent of the funds awarded shall serve veteran households with extremely low-incomes. Of those units targeted to extremely low-income veteran housing, 60 percent shall be supportive housing units.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Foundation

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$100 - \$500,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, local government agencies, and educational institutions in communities served by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway

<http://www.bnsffoundation.org/>

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Foundation provides support in communities in the company's area of operations. The Foundation considers requests falling in the following categories:

- Civic Services: This area includes organizations which are concerned with the environment and local community issues, such as crime prevention, parks and recreation, diversity and community development.
- Cultural Organizations: This area includes performing arts, visual arts, fine arts, and museums and other related activities that offer opportunities for underserved children to experience cultural learning events.
- Educational Institutions: This area includes both public and private education, primarily at the college level. (Grants of an exceptional nature may be made to vocational and non-college schools. Preferably, contributions will be directed toward the improvement of the quality of education.)
- Health and Human Service Organizations: This area includes hospitals, medical programs, and programs that address chemical dependency treatment and prevention, spouse and child abuse, women's and children's aid, and transitional shelters.
- Youth Organizations: This area includes Boys & Girls Clubs, Camp Fire, Scouts, Junior Achievement, and similar groups.

Federated organizations such as United Way and American Red Cross are also supported.

To be considered for a grant, requests should meet at least two of the following criteria:

The organization or project has significant Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) employee participation; the organization or the services provided are in close proximity to a BNSF main

line or BNSF is the only railroad or major corporation in the applicant's area of the state; the request is related to the railroad industry; or, the request is for direct programming or project support.

California Statewide Communities Development Authority: Taxable Bonds Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies. Financing is for low interest, tax-exempt bonds.

Eligibility: Public and private entities

<http://cscda.org/Apply-Online/Taxable-Bonds>

This program offers public and private entities taxable bonds for projects that provide public benefit and economic development. Longer term taxable bonds can often provide cost savings and other efficiencies.

Note: This funding opportunity is being listed on the Municipal Grant List so that cities can offer it to eligible organizations within their community.

Economic Development Administration (EDA): FY2016 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Programs

Deadline: Continuous until new solicitation published

Amount: \$100,000 - \$3,000,000

Match: 50% of project cost

Eligibility: Cities; Counties; 501(c)(3) nonprofits; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments; Private institutions of higher education; Special district governments

<http://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

Under this FFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works and EAA programs. Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities. EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive- merit-basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States.

Union Pacific Foundation Community-Based Grant Program

Deadline: Preliminary applications: August 14, annually; Final applications: August 15, annually

Amount: \$10,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and local municipalities in communities served by the Union Pacific Railroad

<http://www.up.com/found/index.shtml>

The Union Pacific Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life in the communities served by Union Pacific, primarily in the Midwestern and western United States. (A map of Union Pacific's service area is available on the [UP website](#).) The Foundation's Community-Based Grant Program provides support in the following areas:

- Community and Civic: The goal is to assist community-based organizations and related activities that improve and enrich the general quality of life. This category includes organizations such as aquariums, botanical gardens, children's museums, history/science museums, public libraries, public television and radio, and zoos.
- Health and Human Services: The goal is to assist organizations dedicated to improving the level of healthcare and providing human services in the community. Local affiliates of national health organizations may apply for local programs only, but not for general operating support.

The Foundation has a strong interest in promoting organizational effectiveness among nonprofits. To that end, the Foundation will dedicate the majority of these grants to help nonprofit organizations build their capacity, increase their impact, and operate more efficiently and effectively.

Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions Program

Deadline: January 3 - September 30, annually

Amount: Varies; typically around \$50,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations

<http://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/index.jhtml>

The Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions Program supports nonprofit organizations that address vital community needs and issues in the communities served by the bank.

Guidelines for charitable contributions vary from state to state. However, Wells Fargo generally supports the following areas of interest:

- community development, including affordable housing and homebuyer education, workforce development, financial literacy, and economic development;
- education, including higher education and K-12 education;
- human services, including childcare, healthcare, and basic needs;
- the environment, including green economy and clean technologies, natural resources, and endangered species; and,
- arts and culture, including performing arts and museums; and,
- civic engagement.

Wells Fargo prefers to fund outcome-driven programs versus unrestricted sponsorships and events for nonprofits.

LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING

US Department of Justice: Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program FY 2017 Competitive Grants

Deadline: February 16, 2016

Amount: Varies by grant type (see description below)

Match: 50% or more of the total project costs

Eligibility: public agencies of state government, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/BWCPIP17.pdf>

The FY 2017 BWC PIP will support the implementation of body-worn camera programs in law enforcement agencies across the country. The intent of the program is to help agencies develop, implement, and evaluate a BWC program as one tool in a law enforcement agency's comprehensive problem-solving approach to enhance officer interactions with the public and build community trust. Successful applicants will develop and implement policies and practices required for effective program adoption, and will address program factors including the purchase, deployment, and maintenance of camera systems and equipment; data storage and access; and privacy considerations. BJA expects the BWC programs to make a positive impact on the quality of policing in these jurisdictions and to inform national efforts to improve the use of BWCs more broadly. While BWC equipment may be purchased under this program, successful applicants must demonstrate a commitment and adherence to a strong BWC policy framework, including comprehensive policy adoption and requisite training. There are 4 applicant categories with specific award amounts as shown below:

- 1) **CATEGORY 1: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for SMALL AGENCIES** (25 or fewer sworn officers) Award Amount: Minimum request of \$10,000; up to 40 awards nationwide
- 2) **CATEGORY 2: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for MID-SIZED AGENCIES** (26-250 sworn officers) Award Amount: Maximum of \$400,000; up to 10 awards nationwide
- 3) **CATEGORY 3: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for LARGE AGENCIES** (251-1000 sworn officers) Award Amount: Maximum of \$750,000; up to 8 awards nationwide
- 4) **CATEGORY 4: Implementation or Expansion of BWC Programs for EXTRA-LARGE AGENCIES** (More than 1000 sworn officers) Award Amount: Maximum of \$1 Million; up to 5 awards nationwide

California Board of State & Community Corrections (BSCC): Proposition 47 Grant Program

Deadline: February 21, 2017

Amount: \$1 Million to \$6 Million

Match: No match required, however, public agency applicants must demonstrate how they will leverage other federal, state, and local funds or other social investments.

Eligibility: Public Agencies (incl. counties, cities, tribes, school districts)

http://www.bscc.ca.gov/s_bsccprop47.php

Proposition 47, which reduced to misdemeanors penalties for some low-level crimes, requires the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to administer grant programs for mental

health and substance abuse treatment using a portion of the annual state savings. Proposition 47 grant funds must be used for mental health services, substance use disorder treatment, diversion programs, or some combination thereof. In addition to these required services and programs, applicants are encouraged to provide supplemental housing-related services and other community-based supportive services, such as job skills training, case management, and civil legal services.

Open Society Foundations: Police Associations Leading 21st Century Policing

Deadline: February 24, 2017

Amount: \$25,000 to \$200,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Local fraternal and sororal police associations in the United States

https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/police-associations-leading-21st-century-policing-20170112?utm_source=Open+Society+Foundations&utm_campaign=5174b68b7f-Grants_RSS_email&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_d16374add2-5174b68b7f-49765169

The Open Society Foundations recognize that recent events have generated new urgency to seek new solutions and create lasting collaborative relationships between local police and the public. Through the Police Associations Leading 21st Century Policing initiative, the Foundations invite local fraternal and sororal police associations in the United States to submit proposals for projects they wish to work on to increase trust between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve. The aim is to make grants to local police associations to help them to implement projects that relate to the recommendations of the President's Taskforce on 21st Century Policing. Visit the Foundations' website to download the request for proposals.

**US Department of Justice: Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program FY 2017
Competitive Grant**

Deadline: February 28, 2017

Amounts: Grant Amounts vary by program as follows

- CATEGORY 1: Implementation Grant maximum: \$400,000
- CATEGORY 2: Enhancement Grant maximum: \$400,000

Match: Minimum of 25% matching funds from non-federal sources for each category

Eligibility: states, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments for Categories 1 & 2; State agencies only for Category 3 grants

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/DrugCourts17.pdf>

The purpose of the Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program is to provide financial and technical assistance to eligible entities to develop and implement drug courts that effectively integrate evidence-based substance use disorder treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in a judicially supervised court setting with jurisdiction over substance-misusers. BJA is accepting applications for FY 2017 grants to either establish new drug courts or enhance existing drug court programs using evidence-based principles and practices. Local governments are eligible to apply for two funding categories under this solicitation, including:

1. **CATEGORY 1: IMPLEMENTATION** -- Implementation grants are available to eligible jurisdictions that have completed a substantial amount of planning and are ready

to implement an evidence-based adult drug court. Applicants may propose to use funding for court operations and services; participant supervision, management, and services; provision and coordination of recovery support services including education, civil legal assistance, job training and placement, housing placement assistance, primary and behavioral health care, and childcare and other supportive services.

2. **CATEGORY 2: ENHANCEMENT** -- Enhancement grants are available to eligible jurisdictions with a fully operational adult drug court (to be eligible, the court must have been operating for at least 1 year as of September 30, 2017). Applicants are encouraged to include in their proposals funding to incorporate the evidence-based program principles included in the NADCP Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards, and to specify which Standard(s) is/are addressed in the application and include in the program design details on how the Standard(s) will be implemented.

US Department of Justice: National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 2, 2017

Amounts: Grant Amounts vary by program as follows

- Purpose Area 1 -- 10 awards of up to \$3 million each
- Purpose Area 2 -- 10 awards of up to \$500,000 each
- Purpose Area 3 -- 5 awards of up to \$1 million each

Match: None required, but voluntary contributions are encouraged

Eligibility: law enforcement agencies of states, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments. Specific grants have different eligibility requirements (see Purpose Area descriptions below).

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/SAKI17.pdf>

The National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI), administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), provides funding through a competitive grant program to support multidisciplinary community response teams engaged in the comprehensive reform of jurisdictions' approaches to sexual assault cases resulting from evidence found in previously unsubmitted sexual assault kits (SAKs). The focus of this solicitation is on those "un-submitted kits" which are defined as SAKs that have not been submitted to a forensic laboratory for testing with CODIS-eligible DNA methodologies. There are three different solicitations available under the SAKI grant program:

1. **PURPOSE AREA 1: Comprehensive Approach to Un-submitted Sexual Assault Kits** -- Applications are solicited from eligible agencies who can demonstrate their ability and commitment to implementing the comprehensive BJA model to address the issues that underlie the problem of un-submitted SAKs
2. **PURPOSE AREA 2: SAKI for Small Agencies** -- Applications are solicited from eligible entities to support targeted activities associated with un-submitted SAKs. Sites may apply for funding of up to \$500,000 to address any SAKI-related activity listed under Purpose Area 1 (see pages 10-13). These must be consistent with the BJA Model with modifications based on need, existing capacity and resources and local challenges. Eligible applicants under Purpose Area 2 are Small Law Enforcement Agencies that have less than 250 sworn officers OR Consortia of Small Agencies.
3. **PURPOSE AREA 3: Collection of Lawfully Owed DNA from Convicted Offenders to Assist with Sexual Assault Investigations and Prosecutions** -- This funding is

intended as enhancement funds for applicants who can clearly demonstrate that their jurisdiction has previously addressed, or is currently effectively addressing, the major issues associated with un-submitted SAKs. The goal of this purpose area is to enable the appropriate law enforcement and correctional authorities to plan and implement coordinated DNA collections of lawfully owed samples, testing, and CODIS uploads in accordance with applicable state law and for resolving sexual assault cases associated with previously un-submitted SAKs.

US Department of Justice: Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Disorders FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 14, 2017

Amount: Eight awards of up to \$650,000

Match: This solicitation does not require a match.

Eligibility: states, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments
<https://www.bja.gov/Funding/SCACOD.pdf>

Under this solicitation, BJA is seeking applications to implement or expand treatment programs for adults with co-occurring substance use and mental disorders who are returning to their communities following incarceration. Programs should expand and improve the screening and assessment for co-occurring disorders that takes place in jails and prisons, in-reach by community-based providers, and the reentry and community reintegration process. Proposed programs should improve the provision of treatment for adults (18 years and over) being treated for co-occurring substance use and mental disorders, focusing on pre- and post-release programming for every program participant.

US Department of Justice: Smart Reentry - Focus on Evidence-based Strategies for Successful Reentry from Incarceration to Community FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 14, 2017

Amount: Up to five awards of up to \$1,000,000 each

Match: 50% of the total project cost and may be in the form of cash or in-kind services.

Eligibility: State and local government agencies and federally recognized Indian tribal governments

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/SmartReentry.pdf>

The Second Chance Act of 2007 helps to address the significant challenges of reentry of incarcerated individuals into society by providing comprehensive responses to incarcerated adults who are returning to communities from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities. Programs funded under the Second Chance Act help to promote public safety by ensuring that the transition individuals make from prison and jail to the community is successful. The goal of the Smart Reentry Program is to support jurisdictions to develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative strategies that address the challenges posed by reentry to increase public safety and reduce recidivism for individuals reentering communities from incarceration who are at medium to high risk for recidivating. This process should provide the individual with appropriate evidence-based services—including reentry planning that addresses individual criminogenic needs identified through information obtained from an empirically validated risk/needs assessment that also reflects the risk of recidivism for each individual. The reentry plan should reflect both specific and ongoing pre-release and post-release needs, and a strategy for ensuring that these needs are met throughout the duration of the reentry process.

US Department of Justice: Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program (Project Safe Neighborhoods) FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 28, 2017

Amount: 12 awards of up to \$200,000-\$500,000 each

Match: This solicitation does not require a match.

Eligibility: PSN team fiscal agents for the United States Attorney Office districts and federally recognized Indian tribal governments. All fiscal agents must be certified by the relevant U.S. Attorney's Office (USAO). Eligible USAO-certified fiscal agents include states, units of local government, educational institutions, faith-based and other community organizations, private nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments.

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/PSN17.pdf>

BJA's "Smart Suite" of programs invests in the development of practitioner-researcher partnerships that use data, evidence, and innovation to create strategies and interventions that are effective and economical. This data-driven approach enables jurisdictions to understand the full nature and extent of the crime challenges they are facing and to direct resources to the highest priorities. The Smart Suite of programs, which includes Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), represents a strategic approach that brings more "science" into criminal justice operations by leveraging innovative applications of analysis, technology, and evidence-based practices with the goal of improving performance and effectiveness while containing costs. PSN is designed to create safer neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in gang violence and gun crime. The program's effectiveness is based on the cooperation and partnerships of local, state, and federal agencies engaged in a unified approach led by the U.S. Attorney (USA) in each district. The USA is responsible for establishing a collaborative PSN team of federal, state, and local law enforcement and other community members to implement gang violence and gun crime enforcement, intervention, outreach, and prevention initiatives within the district. Through the PSN team, the USA will implement the five design features of PSN—partnerships, strategic planning, training, outreach, and accountability—to address specific gun crime and gang violence, in the most violent neighborhoods. Details on the five design features (also referred to as core elements) can be found on pages 5-7.

US Department of Justice: FY 2017 National Initiatives: Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR) Initiative

Deadline: March 7, 2017

Amount: One award of \$500,000 for Category 1 grants; One award of \$2,500,000 for Category 2 grants; One award of \$2,500,000 for Category 3 grants

Match: None required

Eligibility: Not-for-profit and for-profit organizations; state and local governments; federally recognized Indian tribal governments; and institutions of higher education

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/VALOR17.pdf>

The Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR) Initiative is an overarching program that addresses officer safety, wellness, resilience, and survival through multifaceted training, technical assistance, and specialized programs. USDOJ/BJA is seeking applications under three distinct categories for the FY 2017 Initiative:

1. *Law Enforcement and Community: Crisis Intervention Training Model* – A national training and technical assistance (TTA) provider to further develop and enrich BJA’s justice and mental health portfolio specific to law enforcement’s response and interaction with individuals with mental illness.
2. *Law Enforcement Agency and Officer Resilience Training Program* – A national TTA organization to identify, develop, implement, and analyze the effectiveness of resiliency concepts and skills within a law enforcement agency; serving as the foundation of a nationally delivered resiliency training.
3. *Specialized Officer Safety and Wellness Topics* – Training and Technical Assistance National Provider – A national TTA provider to develop and deliver specialized one-day and half-day state, local, and tribal law enforcement trainings across the nation specifically related to officer safety, wellness, and preparedness.

VALOR is critical to educating and providing resources to law enforcement professionals on officer safety- and wellness-related issues, techniques, and considerations so that they can be better prepared to serve the communities that rely on them.

US Department of Justice: Law Enforcement National Initiatives: Improving Responses to Criminal Justice Issues FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 7, 2017

Amount: One award of \$600,000 for Category 1 grants; One award of \$800,000 for Category 2 grants; One award of \$1,300,000 for Category 3 grants

Match: None required

Eligibility: for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/NationalInitiativesLE17.pdf>

The FY 2017 Law Enforcement National Initiatives: Improving Responses to Criminal Justice Issues Competitive Grant Announcement focuses on national initiatives to improve the functioning of the criminal justice system, specifically by (1) providing training to selected law enforcement to develop effective communication strategies; (2) continuing the National Center for Campus Public Safety, which was established in FY 2013; and (3) providing training and technical assistance (TTA) to law enforcement on performance management to improve trust and accountability with communities through the CompStat process.

US Department of Justice: Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program – Including Project HOPE FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: March 20, 2017

Amount: Five awards of up to \$600,000 each

Match: None required

Eligibility: States, units of local government, territories, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/SCF17.pdf>

The Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program, is a strategic approach that brings more “science” into criminal justice operations by leveraging innovative applications of analysis, technology, and evidence-based practices with the goal of improving performance and effectiveness while containing costs. The SCF principles are intended to: (a) improve supervision strategies that reduce recidivism; (b) promote and increase collaboration among

agencies and officials who work in community corrections and related fields to enhance swift and certain supervision; (c) enhance the supervised persons' perception that the supervision decisions are fair, consistently applied, and consequences are transparent; and (d) improve the outcomes of individuals participating in these initiatives. Through this FY 2017 grant announcement, BJA will select multiple applicants to develop, implement, or enhance an SCF model. Applicants selected under this announcement will work with BJA and its SCF training and technical assistance (TTA) partner to implement the model with fidelity. BJA is supporting this effort to enhance public safety, foster collaboration, and improve the outcomes of individuals under the supervision of community corrections.

US Department of Justice: Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program FY 2017 Competitive Grant

Deadline: April 4, 2017

Amount: 78 awards ranging from \$75,000 - \$300,000

Match: 20% of the project costs from non-federal funds

Eligibility: States, units of local government, territories, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/JMHCP17.pdf>

The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCPC) supports innovative cross-system collaboration to improve responses and outcomes for individuals with mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who come into contact with the justice system. BJA is seeking applications that demonstrate a collaborative project between criminal justice and mental health partners from eligible applicants to plan and implement justice and mental health strategies collectively designed between justice and mental health. This solicitation specifically seeks to increase early identification and front-end diversion of people with mental health and co-occurring substance use disorders identified at early intercept points within the justice system. This program seeks to increase the number of justice, mental health, and community partnerships; increase evidence-based practices and treatment responses to people with behavioral health disorders in the justice system; and increase the collection of health and justice data to accurately respond to the prevalence of justice-involved people with mental health and co-occurring substance use disorders.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FUNDING

FEMA: FY 2016 Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant

Deadline: February 10, 2017

Amount: Varies; \$340,000,000 allocated to entire program

Match: None

Eligibility: Eligibility: Volunteer Fire Departments; Career Fire Departments; Combination Fire Departments; Municipalities, Tribal Organizations

<https://www.fema.gov/staffing-adequate-fire-emergency-response-grants>

The Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants (SAFER) was created to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to

help them increase or maintain the number of trained, "front line" firefighters available in their communities. The goal of SAFER is to enhance the local fire departments' abilities to comply with staffing, response and operational standards established by the NFPA (NFPA 1710 and/or NFPA 1720). The SAFER grant program is composed of two activities:

- *Hiring of Firefighters*: Career, combination, and volunteer fire departments are eligible to apply to hire firefighters for a 36-month period.
- *Recruitment and Retention of Volunteer Firefighters*: Combination fire departments; volunteer fire departments; and national, state, local, or tribal organizations that represent the interests of volunteer firefighters are eligible to apply for a 12 to 48-month period.

FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program

Deadline: April 1; August 1; and December 1 annually

Award amount: \$2500-\$5000

Match: None

Eligibility: Fire departments and brigades, as well as national, state, regional, local, and community organizations

<http://www.fmglobal.com/page.aspx?id=01060200>

The FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program supports a wide array of fire prevention, preparedness, and control efforts throughout the U.S. and internationally. Funded projects include pre-fire planning for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities; fire and arson prevention and investigation; and fire prevention education and training programs.

Firefighters Charitable Foundation

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: None

<http://www.ffcf.org/>

Assists fire and disaster victims; and supports Volunteer Fire Departments. Grants offered for the following needs/programs: AED (Automatic External Defibrillator); Fire Department Equipment Program; Community Smoke Detector Program; and the Juvenile Fire-setter Prevention and Intervention Program.

Fire Fighters Support Foundation, Inc.

Deadline: Quarterly

Amount: \$5-10,000

Match: None

<http://www.fffoundation.org/assistance.html>

The Firefighters Support Foundation pro-actively makes contributions to funds established for the children of fallen firefighters. This financial support may be applied for by downloading, completing, and mailing an application on the foundation's website.

Fireman's Fund Heritage Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies

Match: None

https://www.firemansfund.com/home/policyholders/about_us/supporting_firefighters/index.html

Fireman's Fund awards grants to fire departments and fire & burn prevention organizations to support firefighters for safer communities. These grants can be used to purchase needed equipment, firefighter training, and community education programs.

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDING

USCM and USA Funds: National Education Pathways with a Purpose Initiative

Deadline: March 31, 2017

Amount: \$25,000 - \$100,000

Match: None

Eligibility: United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) Member Cities

<http://www.usmayors.org/pathwayswithapurpose/>

The National Education Pathways with a Purpose Initiative, a collaboration between the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) and USA Funds, awards competitive grants to expand creative initiatives that mayors have developed in their cities to advance both college and career readiness and college completion. Cities are recognized for developing strong collaborations between K-12 and higher education systems and employers to address college preparation and long-term career success. Eligible programs must apply innovative approaches to achieve the following two goals: enhance student persistence in and completion of post-secondary education or training programs, and enhance employment of graduates of post-secondary education or training programs in high-value occupations. USCM Member Cities are eligible to apply for a total of \$200,000 in grants: \$100,000 to one large city with a population greater than 500,000; \$75,000 to a medium-sized city with a population between 200,000 and 500,000; and \$25,000 to a small city of under 200,000. The application deadline is March 31, 2017. Visit the USCM website to access the application guidelines booklet.

International Paper Foundation: Environmental Education & Literacy Grants

Deadline: Quarterly (February 1, April 1, August 1, and October 1, annually)

Amount: \$100 - \$100,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, government entities, and school districts

<http://www.internationalpaper.com/company/regions/north-america/ip-foundation-usa/apply-for-a-grant>

The foundation's primary focus areas include the following:

1. Environmental Education: The Foundation supports programs that help both younger and older generations understand a sustainable approach balancing environmental, social, and economic needs. Examples of supported programs include:
 - science-based programs targeting children;
 - outdoor classrooms at schools or in communities;
 - outdoor science programs tied to forestry, air, or water; and,
 - education-based programs that promote recycling, tree planting, and composting initiatives.
2. Literacy: The Foundation addresses literacy through support of programs that:
 - enhance availability of reading materials at school and community libraries;
 - enhance reading skills of children and adults; and,

- teach English as a Second Language (ESL).

The Foundation provides limited consideration for funding to new critical needs in company communities. Consideration is given to one-time, non-recurring needs which benefit the community at large. The Foundation considers providing “seed” money on a one-time basis for requests that identify a community-wide need and provide details of sustaining the initiative within the community beyond International Paper funding. The Foundation generally does not fund capital, economic development, or multi-year projects. Average grant awards are around \$100.

Sierra Pacific Foundation Grant

Deadline: Annually on February 28

Amount: \$100 - \$50,000

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations

http://www.spi-ind.com/spf_contributions.aspx

The Sierra Pacific Foundation supports a wide range of organizations that serve communities where Sierra Pacific Industries operates facilities, primarily in Northern California and Washington. Funding is provided for academic and community programs, particularly those that benefit children. Specific areas of interest include:

- K-12 and higher education;
- libraries;
- museums;
- civic affairs;
- arts and culture;
- parks and recreation;
- youth sports;
- health and social services; and,
- public safety, including drug and alcohol prevention.

Types of support include general operating and project support. Educational scholarships are also given to dependent children of company employees. Contribution request forms may be obtained from the nearest Sierra Pacific Industries office or by contacting the Foundation.

Stuart Foundation Grant Funding

Deadline: Continuous (LOIs may be submitted at any time)

Amount: Varies. The amount requested from the Foundation should be proportionate to your organizational budget, project budget, and expected income from other sources

Match: None

Eligibility: school districts, universities, and government entities such as city or county agencies in California

<http://www.stuartfoundation.org/BecomeOurPartner>

The Stuart Foundation is dedicated to transforming the public education and child welfare systems in California and Washington so that all youth can learn and achieve in school and life. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that address the following priorities: The Education Systems category invests in coordinated programs, partnerships, and research and

policy analysis that help students to learn and achieve in school by developing effective education systems. The Vulnerable Youth in Child Welfare category partners with child welfare agencies to help children and youth in foster care to realize positive outcomes in the following focus areas: safety, permanency, well-being, education opportunities, and youth, family, and community engagement. Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time; the Foundation will take up to 60 days to respond to an LOI.

The Kresge Foundation: Human Services Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies.

Match: None

Eligibility: government agencies and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations

<http://kresge.org/programs/human-services/advancing-effectiveness-human-serving-organizations>

The Kresge Foundation works to improve the life circumstances of poor and low-income children and adults and those living in underserved communities. Through the Human Services Program, the Foundation seeks to expand access and opportunity for individuals and families who are vulnerable and low-income by strengthening human services organizations and promoting new responses to challenges in the sector. One of the program's focus areas, "Advancing the effectiveness of human-serving organizations," provides grants to enhance the ability of high-performing organizations to innovate and effectively support individuals and families on the path to self-sufficient, self-determined lives. Preference is given to nonprofit organizations and government entities that employ integrated, innovative, culturally responsive approaches to change the circumstances of people outside the economic mainstream. Preliminary inquiries may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website for more information.

Whole Foods Market Community Giving Program

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: Varies.

Match: None

Eligibility: Nonprofits and educational organizations in communities with company stores.

<http://www.wholefoodsmarket.com/mission-values/caring-communities/community-giving>

The Whole Foods Market Community Giving Program supports local nonprofit and educational organizations that are important to each community in the U.S. where stores are located.

Several times each year, Whole Foods Market stores hold community giving days (otherwise known as "5% Days") where five percent of that day's net sales are donated to a local nonprofit or educational organization. The groups that benefit from these 5% Days are as varied as the communities themselves. Each year Whole Foods Market gives a minimum of 5% of its net profits to nonprofit and educational organizations in the locations where the company has stores.

Examples of the types of organizations supported include:

- Education: school support organizations, after-school organizations, etc.;
- Community and culture: arts organizations, museums, parks, etc.;
- Human interest: elder care, children and youth, homeless assistance, etc.; and,
- Environmental issues: organic food and farming, natural wildlife protection, green living, etc.

Along with cash donations, Whole Foods Market donates food and other products to area food banks and shelters. Organizations interested in applying for support should contact the Marketing Director at their local store or complete the donation request form available on the company's website.

UPCOMING FUNDING (ALL CATEGORIES)

California Natural Resources Agency: Urban Greening Grant Program

Release: TBD (Likely late 2016. Draft Guidance currently available for review)

Deadline: TBD (Likely early 2017)

Amount: TBD

Match: None

Eligibility: Cities, counties, special districts, nonprofit organizations or joint powers authorities.

<http://resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening/>

The Urban Greening Program, funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, will fund projects that transform the built environment into places that are more sustainable, enjoyable, and effective in creating healthy and vibrant communities by establishing and enhancing parks and open space, using natural solutions to improving air and water quality and reducing energy consumption, and creating more walkable and bike-able trails. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis. This program emphasizes, and gives priority to, projects that are proposed by and benefit the State's disadvantaged communities.

California Natural Resources Agency: 2017 Museum Grant Program

Release: TBD (Spring 2017)

Deadline: TBD (September 2017)

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Match: Dollar for dollar

Eligibility: Public agency (federal, state, city, county, district, association of governments, joint powers or Federally Recognized Indian Tribe); Nonprofit organizations

<http://resources.ca.gov/grants/california-museum/>

The program is a competitive grant program to support small capital asset projects in museums. For purposes of this program "capital asset" means tangible physical property with an expected useful life of 15 years or more. A capital asset project may be either of the following:

1. Acquisition of real property, that is, tangible physical property, including easements; or
2. Development of real (tangible physical) property. "Development" includes but is not limited to, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement, preservation and protection.

For purposes of this program, "museum" means a public or private nonprofit institution that is organized on a permanent basis for essentially educational or aesthetic purposes and that owns or uses tangible objects, cares for those objects, and exhibits them to the public on a regular basis.

A public agency, nonprofit entity or Federally Recognized Tribe responsible for the operation of a museum may apply on behalf of the museum; or, a museum located within a parent organization (i.e., a municipality, university, historical society or cultural center) may apply on its own if it independently fulfills all the eligibility requirements.

Proposition 1 Funding Schedule

Proposition 1 authorized \$7.545 billion in general obligation bonds for water projects including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Department of Water Resources, and other state agencies will administer Proposition 1 funds. Below is a listing of Proposition 1 funding opportunities that are currently available and upcoming.

Agency / Funding Program	Description	Funding Amount	Match	Eligibility	Deadline	Link
<p>SWRCB: Prop 1 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund</p>	<p>Chapter 5, Section 79724(a) of Proposition 1 allocates \$260 million for drinking water grants and loans for public water system infrastructure improvements and related actions to meet safe drinking water standards ensure affordable drinking water, or both. These funds will be administered consistent with the DWSRF Intended Use Plan (DWSRF IUP) and the DWSRF Policy.</p> <p>The purpose of the DWSRF is to provide financial assistance for the planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects that are needed to achieve or maintain compliance with federal and state drinking water statutes and regulations. Funding for the DWSRF comes from federal grants, state sources, and loan repayment. Applications are offered for the following two categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Construction Financing - These funds are for applicants with complete final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation. - Planning/Design Financing - These funds are for applicants who do not have final plans, specifications, and environmental documentation. 	<p>\$260 Million in program</p> <p>No maximum disbursement limit.</p>	<p>Interest rates average 2-3% and 20 year loan. Public water systems that serve small, disadvantaged communities may be eligible for 0% and 30 year loan.</p>	<p>Community water systems and non-profit, non-community water systems</p>	<p>Continuous</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/dwsrf/scoping_workshops.shtml</p>

<p>SWRCB: Small Community Wastewater Program</p>	<p>Section 79723 of Prop 1 allocates \$260 million to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund. The State Water Board has an annual SCG appropriation of \$8 million dollars, which is administered consistent with the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP), and the CWSRF Policy. The Prop 1 funds will supplement existing SCG authority. Administering these funds as a part of the CWSRF Program allows grant funds to be easily leveraged with low-interest financing available through the CWSRF Program. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to: Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities; Wastewater treatment; Local sewers; Sewer interceptors; Water reclamation and distribution; Stormwater treatment; Combined sewers; Landfill leachate treatment</p>	<p>\$260 million in program No maximum funding or disbursement limits.</p>	<p>Financing Term up to 30 years or the useful life of the project. Interest Rate is ½ the most recent General Obligation (GO) Bond Rate.</p>	<p>Most cities, towns, districts, or other public bodies created under state law, including state agencies</p>	<p>Continuous</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/small_community_wastewater_grant/projects.shtml</p>
<p>SWRCB: Water Recycling Fund</p>	<p>The purpose of the WREP is to promote water recycling by providing technical and financial assistance to local agencies and other stakeholders in support of water recycling projects and research. Grant programs include: – Planning Grants: The purpose of the planning grant is to assist agencies or regions with completing feasibility studies for water recycling projects using treated municipal wastewater and/or treated groundwater from sources contaminated by human activities. Only local public agencies are eligible to apply for planning grants. – Construction Grants: The Water Recycling Funding Program provides grants and financing to eligible applicants for the construction of water recycling facilities. Construction projects may be funded with</p>	<p>\$75,000 (Planning Grants) \$15-\$20 Million (Construction Grants)</p>	<p>50% (Planning Grants) 35% (Construction Grants)</p>	<p>local public agencies</p>	<p>Continuous to December 2030</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/index.shtml</p>

					<p>grants and low interest financing from a state bond, a CWSRF financing agreement, or combinations of funding sources. Eligible applicants are local public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, state & federal recognized Indian tribes, and mutual water companies.</p>	
Upcoming Solicitations						
<p>SWRCB: Prop 1 Groundwater Sustainability Program</p>	<p>The State Water Board will administer \$800 million to prevent and cleanup contamination of groundwater that serves (or has served) as a source of drinking water. The funds can be provided as grants or loans. Program priorities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Threat posed by groundwater contamination to drinking water supply - Potential for groundwater contamination to spread/impair - Potential of project to enhance local water supply reliability - Potential of project to recharge vulnerable, high-use basins - Projects with no viable responsible party(ies) 	<p>\$800 million for total program</p> <p>Funding mechanisms are grants and loans</p>	<p>Match amount TBD</p>	<p>Public Agencies, Tribes, Public Utilities, Non-Profits, Mutual Water Companies</p>	<p>First Round Solicitation/ Review – Fall 2016/17</p>	<p>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/gw_funding/</p>

