

Regional Grants Navigator (RGN) newsletter

January 2, 2024

Happy New Year! I hope you each enjoyed a wonderful holiday break and are excited for the new year. There are several important items listed below including the IJJA partnership Interest Form Survey Results. Please take a moment to read through these and let me know if you have any questions.

IRA – Clean Energy Tax Credits

- The pre-file registration process is required and is now open, [register here](#).
- Information about qualification and the process can be [found here](#).
- Putting Direct Pay into Action can be [found here](#).
- Promoting Clean Energy Projects Through Direct Pay: [A Resource for Cities](#)

Changes for 2024 State Revolving Fund

- Applications will now be due monthly on the 5th instead of the 15th using the [CEOS Online Portal](#)

Scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students

Grossman Scholarships are awarded to Colorado residents who have demonstrated a commitment to caring for our environment's natural resources and intend to pursue post-secondary education through an accredited environmental, natural resource, climate, or outdoor industry related education program in Colorado. [Grossman Scholarships](#)

IJJA Partnership Interest Form Survey Results

The results of the Partnership Interest Survey are in and the top two infrastructure projects are:

1. Roads, Bridges, Major Projects
2. Solid Waste Management & Recycling

We are moving forward with [Roads, Bridges, Major Projects](#) and held our first meeting on December 18th. Currently, this group is considering pursuing a RAISE (*Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity*) Planning Grant. Our next meeting will be held at 9:00 January 3rd at the CSU Engagement Center in Sterling. Attendance via Zoom is also available. If you are interested in attending, please let me know at linda.merkl@necalg.org.

In mid-February we will start looking at Solid Waste Management & Recycling. Watch for upcoming e-mails on that effort.

Thank You to Snow Staples with DOLA for putting together the survey and getting us started!!

Webinars

- [IJJA Public Transit Funding](#) - January 17, 2024
- Unveiling the New [Rural Economic Development Toolkit](#) Webinar January 24, 2024 @ 12:00 PM (Outdoor Recreation)
- [Federal Compliance and Monitoring](#) - February 21, 2024
- [IJJA and IRA Energy and Energy Codes](#)- March 20, 2024
- [IJJA Water Part 2](#)- April 17, 2024
- [Best Practices for Grant Applications](#)- May 15, 2024
- [IJJA Environment](#)- June 19, 2024
- [IJJA Broadband](#)- July 17, 2024

Grants

Broadband, Internet Access, and Technology

- [Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program](#) 1/23/2024
- [Tribal Cybersecurity Grant Program](#) - 1/10/2024

Sustainability, Environment, and Energy

- [Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan program](#)
- [Climate Pollution Reduction](#) 4/1/2024
- [Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program](#) - Open until expended
- [Clean School Bus Rebates Program](#) - 1/31/2024
- [Weatherization Assistance Program – Enhancement & Innovation](#) - 1/5/2024

Transportation, Roads, and Bridges

- [Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity \(RAISE\)](#) - 2/28/2024
- [Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility](#) - 2/13/2024
- [Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovative Mobility Deployment](#) - 2/2/2024
- [USDOT Safe Streets and Road for All \(SS4A\)](#) – Opens February 2024
- [ROUTES](#) (Rural Opportunity to Use Transportation for Economic Success) – several opportunities.

Water Ways, Reclamation, Sewer, and Restoration

- [WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program Phase I](#) Round 2: September 3, 2024
- Water/Wastewater Funders Roundtable Webinar
 - This webinar was held on December 13, 2023 and contains a great overview of all the available funding for water related grants and loans.
 - Listen to the Webinar recording [here](#).
 - The slidedeck is attached to this newsletter
- Additional links from the webinar
 - [CDPHE Water Quality Grants and Loans](#)
 - [State Revolving Fund: Defining Disadvantaged Communities](#)
 - [CDPHE State Revolving Fund Loan Information](#)
 - [USDA-RD Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program in Colorado](#)
 - [CWCB Water Project Loan Program & Grants](#)

Resources

Housing

- CHFA – Colorado Multifamily Affordable Housing Electrification Hub
- <https://multifamily-ehub.chfainfo.com/>

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