

Municipal Resource Guide

Funding Opportunities in New Jersey and Pennsylvania



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Created in 1965, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) is an interstate, intercounty, and intercity agency that provides continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated planning to shape a vision for the future growth of the Delaware Valley region. The region includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery counties, as well as the City of Philadelphia, in Pennsylvania; and Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Mercer counties in New Jersey.

DVRPC provides technical assistance and services; conducts high priority studies that respond to the requests and demands of member state and local governments; fosters cooperation among various constituents to forge a consensus on diverse regional issues; determines and meets the needs of the private sector; and practices public outreach efforts to promote two-way communication and public awareness of regional issues and the Commission.

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Preface

This guide is intended to assist local and county governments, community groups and nonprofit organizations in the Delaware Valley Region to identify federal, state, county, and private sources of funding for locally initiated planning and development projects. The programs cover topical areas of housing, water and sewer facilities, transportation, economic development, environmental, recreation, open space, and multi-municipal planning, to name a few.

Within this guide are a wide variety of sources that include grants, loans, tax credits, loan guarantees, municipal assistance and reimbursement programs. A total of 193 distinct funding programs are included from 67 different sources. While each of the programs identified have their own eligibility requirements, including in most cases a local financial match percentage, there are enough different programs included to provide funding for almost any municipal project need. In many cases, these programs can be combined to leverage additional funds.

To help you locate a program of interest, this guide is organized into the following categories: Housing, Smart Growth & Economic Development, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environmental & Recreation, Private, and Implementation & Construction. The table of contents is listed alphabetically and cross referenced to the state in which it applies. Each program has information such as the organization administering the program, the terms, deadline, eligibility, and contact information. **Programs that have an asterisk next to the title may be able to be used as a match to DVRPC's Transportation and Community Development Initiative (TCDI) Grant Program** (see page 25). Located in the back of the resource guide is an index of funding agencies.

If you are interested in a particular program, please contact the organization listed, as some of the eligibility information may have been revised. If you have questions about this guide, please contact the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission at 215-238-2813.

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Housing

Act 137 Affordable Housing Trust Funds

Eligibility: Montgomery County local governments, nonprofits, and for-profit developers

Purpose: To fund affordable housing projects in the county

Terms: Grants available for local governments; approximately \$1 million per year

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Development

Phone: 610-278-3540

Website: www.montcopa.org

Affordable Housing Program & Community Lending Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: To support projects that provides affordable housing and strengthens neighborhoods

Terms: Affordable Housing Program makes loans up to \$500,000 per project; Community Lending makes reduced rate loans

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh

Phone: 412-288-2864

Website: www.fhlp-pgh.com

Brownfields for Housing Initiative

Eligibility: Pennsylvania county governments with Act 137 Affordable Housing Trust Funds can apply

Purpose: To provide affordable housing construction on vacant or underutilized industrial sites

Terms: Formula grants; required 20% match

Deadline: Varies

Contact: County Housing Department

Phone: 610-278-3540

Website: www.newpa.com

HOME

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, historical societies, historic preservation organizations, conservancies, educational institutions, museums, and multipurpose organizations

Purpose: Federally funded program that provides municipalities with loan assistance and technical assistance to expand the supply of affordable housing for low-and very low-income Pennsylvanians

Terms: Maximum grant is \$500,000; a 25% local match on project costs from nonfederal resources for existing housing is required. 30% local match is required for new construction.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Home Ownership Choice Program (HCP)

Eligibility: Partnership is required between a Pennsylvania local government entity, a for-profit building/developer and a nonprofit builder/developer

Purpose: An incentive of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) to finance new, single-family home construction in blighted areas of the Commonwealth

Terms: Funding must be matched by the sponsoring organization on at least a one-to-one basis. Municipality must provide 50% of the match.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency

Phone: 717-780-1800

Website: www.phfa.org

Hope VI Main Street Grants for Small Communities

Eligibility: Select municipalities

Purpose: To rejuvenate older downtown districts while retaining their character. This is to help downtowns that want to provide affordable housing in their Main Street

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Phone: 856-757-5081, Camden Office

Website: www.hud.gov

Hope VI Revitalization Grants

Eligibility: Select municipalities

Purpose: Provides funds for the rehabilitation, relocation, demolition or development of public housing.

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Camden Office

Phone: 856-757-5081

Website: www.hud.gov

Housing and Redevelopment Assistance *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, redevelopment authorities, housing authorities, and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides state-funded grants for community revitalization and economic development activities at the local level

Terms: No minimum or maximum; typical grants average between \$150,000 and \$200,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative *

Eligibility: Partnership is required between a Pennsylvania local government entity, a for-profit building/developer and a nonprofit builder/developer

Purpose: To support and encourage community revitalization in urban neighborhoods and core cities by renovating existing structures with infill housing

Terms: Grants available for up to 50% of project costs

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Philadelphia Housing Finance Agency, Office of Strategic Planning

Phone: 717-780-1801

Website: www.phfa.org

Mixed-Use Facility Financing Initiative

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, redevelopment authorities, housing authorities, and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides funding for financing the rehabilitation of residential portions of mixed-use buildings in downtowns areas.

Terms: No or very low-interest loans up to \$400,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency

Phone: 717-780-1801

Website: www.phfa.org

Municipal Acquisition & Construction Program (MAC) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities that have a certified Housing element and Fair Share Plan

Purpose: To help local governments meet their affordable housing goals established by Council on Affordable Housing (COAH)

Terms: Grants provided, with conditions

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing

Phone: 609-633-6258

Website: www.nj.gov/dca/dh

Smart Growth & Economic Development

Act 47 – Municipalities Financial Recovery Act - Pennsylvania *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania fiscally distressed communities

Purpose: Provides loan and grant funds to financially distressed local governments as well as technical assistance to formulate financial recovery plans

Terms: Must meet certain fiscal indicators referenced in program guidelines; terms vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 888-223-6837

Website: www.newpa.com

Base Development *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and incorporated nonprofits that function as a local defense group

Purpose: Develop a strategy for economic impact and other studies associated with PA military bases.

Terms: No minimum or maximum; grants range between \$75,000 and \$250,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Brownfields Economic Development Initiative

Eligibility: Pennsylvania low- to moderate-income municipalities

Purpose: Intended to stimulate economic development in cities

Terms: Maximum grants of \$2 million; can be used with Section 108 housing loans

Deadline: Annually

Contact: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Phone: 215-656-0500

Website: www.hud.gov

Business in Our Sites *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities, municipal authorities, redevelopment/industrial development agencies, private developers

Purpose: To empower communities to attract businesses by helping them build an inventory of ready sites

Terms: Grants may not exceed 50% of the total amount of financing provided or \$5 million (whichever is less). Site must be previously utilized property or undeveloped property that is planned and zoned for development. Private developers are only eligible for loans, not grants

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Customer Service Center

Phone: 800-379-7448

Website: www.newpa.com

Certified Local Governments Grant Program (CLG) *

Eligibility: Limited to Certified Local Governments

Purpose: To promote and protect historic properties and planning for historic districts

Terms: Grants up to 60% of project costs

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Bureau of Historic Preservation

Phone: 717-787-0771

Website: www.artsnet.org

Chester County Community Revitalization Program *

Eligibility: Targeted areas in Chester County

Purpose: To invest in and stabilize older boroughs and townships in Chester County

Terms: Urban centers eligible for 75% of project costs; must have a community revitalization strategic plan in place

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Chester County Department of Community Development

Phone: 610-344-6900

Website: www.chesco.org/ccdcd

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, nonprofits and for-profit developers

Purpose: Grants and technical assistance for federal designated municipalities for any type of community development

Terms: 70% of each grant must be used for activities that benefit low-moderate income persons. Competitive Program - \$500,000 maximum

Deadline: Quarterly

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development or County Housing Department

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Community Giving Fund *

Eligibility: Camden and Gloucester counties

Purpose: To provide grants to nonprofit organizations in the communities in the DRPA region.

Requests will be considered if the intended purpose is of a charitable, social service, or civic nature.

Terms: Grant amounts vary. Applications should have regional impact and promote the benefit of PATCO/DRPA

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Delaware River Port Authority

Phone: 856-968-2226

Website: www.drpa.org

Community Revitalization Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, redevelopment authorities, industrial development agencies and nonprofits

Purpose: Supports local initiatives that promote the stability of communities

Terms: Grants of \$5,000-\$25,000

Deadline: Three funding rounds during fiscal year. No more than one application is allowed in any one fiscal year

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG)

Eligibility: Designated Pennsylvania Community Action Agencies servicing individuals whose income is at 125% of the federal poverty level

Purpose: Federal grants to support programs that promote economic self-sufficiency of low-income individuals

Terms: Annual allocations determined by formula; Discretionary 5% of total allocation

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-466-3972

Website: www.newpa.com

Conservation/Sound Land Use Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: To encourage conservation planning and sound land use practices

Terms: Grant funding for 50% of project cost

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 866-466-3972

Website: www.newpa.com

COUNT Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey county governments

Purpose: To study, facilitate, develop, or establish new shared and regional services

Terms: Grant amounts vary; local match required

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, Local Government Services

Phone: 609-292-7842

Website: www.nj.gov/dca/lgs

Delaware County Revitalization Program (formerly Renaissance Program) *

Eligibility: Targeted areas in Delaware County

Purpose: To invest in and stabilize older boroughs and townships in Delaware County

Terms: Vary; Renaissance action plans must be completed prior

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Delaware County Department of Planning

Phone: 610-891-5131

Website: www.co.delaware.pa.us/hcd

Downtown Revitalization Program *

Eligibility: Gloucester County municipalities

Purpose: To revitalize distressed areas of Gloucester County

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Gloucester County

Phone: 856-384-6868

Website: www.co.gloucester.nj.us

Early Intervention Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides matching grant funds to assist municipalities experiencing fiscal difficulties to develop comprehensive multi-year financial plans and establish short-and long-term financial objectives

Terms: Grants up to \$100,000 for 50% of total project cost; 50% match is required.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Economic Adjustment Program (Title IX) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, states, counties, municipal authorities or Indian tribes

Purpose: To assist local interests in design and implementation strategies to bring change to the local economy

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Commerce, Southeast Region

Phone: 215-597-4603

Website: www.doc.gov

Economic Development Administration Assistance Programs

Eligibility: Varies with program

Purpose: Intended to empower people in distressed communities and fund needed infrastructure improvements to spur redevelopment.

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Annually

Contact: U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, Philadelphia Regional Headquarters

Phone: 215-597-4603

Website: www.eda.gov

Economic Stimulus Package Technical Assistance *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides for an interdisciplinary team of economic development professionals to help communities maximize their use of funding programs. Services provided include expertise on community's economic development priorities and the TIF Program.

Terms: Technical assistance based on community's needs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 888-223-6837.

Website: www.newpa.com

Elm Street Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, redevelopment authorities, nonprofit economic development organizations, other nonprofits, BIDs, neighborhood improvement districts

Purpose: Provides grants for planning, technical assistance and physical improvements to residential and mixed-use areas in proximity to central business districts

Terms: Maximum \$50,000 for administrative grants; Maximum \$250,000 for development projects and loans.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Employment and Community Conservation (ECC) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and nonprofits

Purpose: Provide grant funding for community development projects that increase economic opportunities for low-income communities

Terms: No maximum or minimum; grants from \$10,000 - \$500,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 717-787-1984

Website: www.newpa.com

Enterprise Zone Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, redevelopment authorities, nonprofit economic development organizations, and others as deemed fit

Purpose: Provides grants to financially disadvantaged communities for preparing and implementing business development strategies within municipal Enterprise Zones

Terms: Planning Grants – Up to \$50,000; Basic grant – Up to \$50,000; Grants-to-loans: Up to \$500,000.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives *

Eligibility: Local governments in Montgomery County

Purpose: To encourage the preservation of historic buildings

Terms: Rehabilitation must be greater than \$5,000.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: State Historic Preservation Officer

Phone: 717-787-291

Website: www.cr.nps.gov

Fund for Community Economic Development *

Eligibility: New Jersey Community Development Organizations, developers

Purpose: To finance feasibility studies or other predevelopment activities

Terms: Low-interest loans up to \$50,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Phone: 609-777-4898

Website: www.njeda.com

Historic Preservation Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, historical societies, historic preservation organizations, conservancies, educational institutions, museums, and multipurpose organizations

Purpose: To identify, preserve, promote, and protect the historic and archaeological resources of Pennsylvania for the public

Terms: Maximum \$5,000, no match required. Over \$5,001 requires a 50/50 match.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Bureau for Historic Preservation

Phone: 717-201-3231

Website: www.artsnet.org

Historic Site Management Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits

Purpose: To assist in preservation projects

Terms: Awards range from \$5,000 to \$50,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, Office of Smart Growth

Phone: 609-292-7156

Website: www.dca.state.nj.us

Industrial Sites Reuse Program (ISRP) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, redevelopment authorities, economic development agencies, private companies and developers

Purpose: To provide grants and low-interest loans for environmental assessments and remediation

Terms: Assessment: 75% of total cost or \$200,000, whichever is less; Remediation: 75% of total cost or \$1 million, whichever is less; Industrial Sites Reuse: Loans at 2% interest for 5 years for assessments and 15 years for remediation

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Center for Business Financing, Infrastructure Development Program

Phone: 717-787-7120

Website: www.newpa.com

Innocent Party Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, redevelopment entities, homeowners

Purpose: Returns contaminated and underutilized properties to productive reuse

Terms: Property acquired after 1983 and the applicant must not be responsible for contamination: 50% of past preliminary assessment and site investigation costs and future remedial action costs that do not exceed \$1 million.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund

Phone: 609-777-0990

Website: www.njeda.com

Innovative Technology and Limited Use Remedial Matching Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, redevelopment entities, homeowners

Purpose: Returns contaminated and underutilized properties to productive reuse

Terms: Up to 25% available to qualifying persons with a net worth of no more than \$2 million. Grants are capped at \$250,000.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund

Phone: 609-777-0990

Website: www.njeda.com

Keystone Expansion Zones (KEZ) *

Eligibility: Designated properties within Philadelphia; contact DCED

Purpose: To revive economically distressed urban and rural communities

Terms: Planning grants, innovation grants, operational grants and tax credits are available

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Office of Community Development

Phone: 717-720-7344

Website: www.newpa.com

Keystone Historic Preservation Grant Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides funding for preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of historic resources listed or eligible for the *National Register of Historic Places*

Terms: Grants will be funded at 50%

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Keystone Historic Preservation

Phone: 800-201-3231

Website: www.artsnet.org

Keystone Innovation Zones (KIZ) *

Eligibility: Zone must be geographically identified with links to institutions of higher education and include Pennsylvania governments, academic institutions and private businesses

Purpose: Intended to renew and focus the state's commitment to creating new technologies and new entrepreneurs through partnership between academic institutions, the business communities and municipal governments

Terms: Grant funds can be used for zone coordination, strategic planning, personnel costs, hiring of consultants and administration of the zone

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 866-466-3972

Website: www.newpa.com

Keystone Opportunity Zones (KOZ) *

Eligibility: Defined-parcel- specific areas with greatly reduced or no tax burden for property owners, residents and businesses; KOZ's have been designated by local communities and approved by the state businesses

Purpose: To revive economically distressed urban and rural communities through investment in technology

Terms: Planning grants, innovation grants, operational grants and tax credits are available; check with regional coordinator regarding eligibility

Deadline: Annually

Contact: KOZ Southeast Regional Coordinator

Phone: 610-447-7850

Website: www.koz.newpa.com

Land Use Planning and Technical Assistance Program (LUPTAP) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania cities, boroughs, townships, counties or multi-municipal entities

Purpose: For the purpose of developing and strengthening community planning and management capabilities

Terms: 50% of total costs; \$100,000 maximum per fiscal year

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Southeast Regional Office

Phone: 215-560-2256

Website: www.landuseinpa.com

Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance (LERTA) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and school districts

Purpose: To encourage economic development in targeted areas

Terms: Tax abatements up to 100% on improvements to a property for as long as 10 years

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 215 -560-3013

Website: www.newpa.org

Local Government Academy Multi-Municipal Planning Grants *

Eligibility: 2 or more Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Encourages the development of multi-municipal plans as authorized by the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code

Terms: Grants up to \$7,500

Deadline: Bi-annually

Contact: Local Government Academy

Phone: 412-422-7877

Website: www.newpa.com

Local History Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, institutions, community groups, heritage organizations or school districts

Purpose: Funding for the research, development, and execution of public programs that present Pennsylvania history

Terms: Grants up to \$5,000 with no matching funds; Grants between \$5,000 and \$15,000 require a 50% local match.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

Phone: 717-772-0921

Website: www.artsnet.org

Local Municipal Resources and Development Program (LMRDP) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides grants to municipalities for improving the quality of life within the community

Terms: No maximum or minimum

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 800-379-7448

Website: www.newpa.com

Main Street Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities and downtowns

Purpose: Provides funds for administrative costs associated with Main Street Manager positions and offices, physical improvements, and acquisition costs

Terms: \$115,000 over a 5-year period; Downtown Reinvestment and Anchor Building components: up to \$250,000 or not to exceed 30% of project costs.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Montgomery County Community Revitalization Program *

Eligibility: Targeted areas in Montgomery County

Purpose: To invest and stabilize older boroughs and townships in Montgomery County

Terms: Required match between 10% and 25%; revitalization plans must be completed prior

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Montgomery County Planning Commission

Phone: 610-278-3728

Website: www.montcopa.org

Municipal Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, redevelopment entities, homeowners

Purpose: Returns contaminated and underutilized properties to productive reuse

Terms: Up to \$3 million, per municipality, per year for 100% of costs of preliminary assessment, site investigation, remedial investigation and remedial action.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund

Phone: 609-777-0990

Website: www.njeda.com

Municipal Loans *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, redevelopment entities, homeowners

Purpose: Returns contaminated and underutilized properties to productive reuse

Terms: \$1 million per year per site (\$3 million for municipalities) may be borrowed at 2 points below the federal rate.

Deadline: Continual (partnership with New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP))

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund

Phone: 609-777-0990

Website: www.njeda.com

Neighborhood Assistance Tax Credit Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania entities that provide services in distressed areas

Purpose: To encourage businesses to donate money that can be used for services in distressed neighborhoods

Terms: Tax credit up to 50% that may be carried for 5 years

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Southeast Regional Office

Phone: 215-560-2256

Website: www.newpa.com

Neighborhood Revitalization Tax Credit Program (NRTC) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, also known as Abbott Districts

Purpose: To foster revitalization in low-to-moderate income neighborhoods

Terms: A total of \$10 million per year in tax credits

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Community Affairs

Phone: 609-292-9794

Website: www.state.nj.us/dca

Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority (PEDFA) Bond Financing

Eligibility: Industrial Development Authorities and corporations

Purpose: To provide cost-effective capital for growing business in Pennsylvania

Terms: Tax-exempt and taxable bonds are available

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority

Phone: 717-783-1109

Website: www.inventpa.com

Predevelopment Loan Program (NJPLO) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits

Purpose: To provide funding to facilitate community economic development in the state's urban areas

Terms: Total of \$2.5 million is available

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Redevelopment Authority

Phone: 609-292-3739

Website: www.njra.us

Preservation Fund

Eligibility: Tax-exempt nonprofits and local governments

Purpose: To preserve properties listed or eligible for the *National Register for Historic Places*

Terms: Low-interest loans and grants

Deadline: Varies

Contact: National Trust, Northeast Field Office

Phone: 215-848-8033

Website: www.nationaltrust.org

Redevelopment Investment Fund (NJRIF) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits, corporations

Purpose: Flexible investment fund that provides debt and equity financing for business and real estate ventures

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Redevelopment Authority

Phone: 609-292-3739

Website: www.njra.us

Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credit (RITC)

Eligibility: Pennsylvania owners of a “certified historic structure”

Purpose: Used for large projects involving economic development or local rehabilitation

Terms: Tax credits for expenses; ranges from 10% to 20%

Deadline: Continual

Contact: National Park Service, Bureau of Historic Preservation

Phone: 717-787-0772

Website: www.nps.gov

Revolving Fund for Historic Property Acquisition *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania government agencies, nonprofits or community groups

Purpose: To acquire threatened historic properties

Terms: Low-interest loans up to 96 months; grants up to \$50,000

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Preservation Pennsylvania

Phone: 717-234-2310

Website: www.preservationpa.org

Save America’s Treasures

Eligibility: Tax-exempt nonprofits and local governments

Purpose: To create public/private commitments that increase awareness of adaptive reuse efforts

Terms: Dollar-for-dollar matching grants. Grants available from \$50,000 to \$250,000

Deadline: Annually

Contact: National Park Service

Phone: 215-597-7995

Website: www.nps.gov

Section 108 Program *

Eligibility: Enables Pennsylvania local governments participating in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to obtain federally guaranteed loans

Purpose: To fund large economic development projects and undertake revitalization activities

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 888-223-6837

Website: www.newpa.com

Smart Futures Grant *

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments, counties, nonprofits

Purpose: To fund projects that balance development and redevelopment with the preservation of open space and environmental resources

Terms: Annually

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, Office of Smart Growth

Phone: 609-292-7156

Website: www.dca.state.nj.us

Smart Growth Planning Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities

Purpose: To fund various planning studies

Terms: Maximum of \$20,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC)

Phone: 973-539-7547

Website: www.anjec.org

Special Improvement Districts: Loans and Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities

Purpose: To finance capital improvements within a designated downtown business improvement zone

Terms: Provides loans up to \$500,000 for capital improvements; Grants up to \$10,000 for technical and professional support and services

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Community Affairs

Phone: 609-633-9769

Website: www.state.nj.us/dca

Strengthening Communities Initiative *

Eligibility: Nonprofits

Purpose: To illuminate the work of emerging nonprofits

Terms: Grants from \$1,000 to \$2,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact:

Website: www.chescocf.org

Urban Development Program (UDP) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, redevelopment authorities, and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides grants to promote and encourage the prosperous development of Pennsylvania business

Terms: No maximum or minimum; grants range between \$5,000 and \$25,000; only one application per applicant per fiscal year

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 800-379-7448

Website: www.newpa.com

Urban Site Acquisition Program (USA) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits

Purpose: The program provides financing for planning and predevelopment costs associated with the development of a neighborhood or redevelopment plan

Terms: Total \$20 million available

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Redevelopment Authority

Phone: 609-292-3739

Website: www.njra.us

Infrastructure

Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties or municipal authorities

Purpose: To pay for the preparation of sewage facilities plans and revisions required by the Act

Terms: Grants up to 50% of the project costs

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Phone: 717-783-2290

Website: www.dep.state.pa.us

Burlington County Bridge Commission *

Eligibility: New Jersey school districts, local governments, fire departments, local authorities

Purpose: Provides a low-cost alternative through grants, bonds and other financing methods to municipal governments for capital investments

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Burlington County Bridge Commission

Phone: 856-829-1900

Website: www.bcbridges.com

Camden County Improvement Authority *

Eligibility: Camden County local governments, corporations and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides cost-effective financing to improve communities in Camden County

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Camden County Improvement Authority

Phone: 856-751-2242

Website: www.camdencounty.com

County Aid Program *

Eligibility: New Jersey counties

Purpose: Provides funds for public road and bridge improvements under county jurisdiction

Terms: Minimum allotment is \$300,000 per county

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation

Phone: 609-530-2856

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Dam Restoration & Inland Water Projects Loan Program *

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments, private lake associations and similar organizations

Purpose: To assist in the funding of dam restorations, flood control projects, water pollution control programs and water-related recreation and conservation projects

Terms: Limited eligible costs

Deadline: Varies; will be published in the *New Jersey Register*

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Engineering and Construction

Phone: 609-984-0859

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Environmental Infrastructure Financing *

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments, public sewerage, or utility authorities

Purpose: Provides low-interest loans for the construction of a variety of water quality measures

Terms: Loans at zero interest up to 20 years. The trust provides loans at market rate for the remainder of the cost up to 20 years. \$100-\$200 million is available annually.

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Municipal Finance and Construction Element

Phone: 609-292-8961

Website: www.nj.gov/dep, www.njeit.org

Infrastructure Development Program (IDP)

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, industrial development authorities, redevelopment authorities, local development districts

Purpose: For specific infrastructure improvements necessary to complement eligible capital investments by private development

Terms: Requirement of private matching funds. Grant maximum of: \$1.25 million for public improvements. Loan maximum of: \$1.25 million for privately owned improvements.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Infrastructure Development Program

Phone: 717-787-7120

Website: www.newpa.com

Keystone Recreation, Park & Conservation Grant Program

Eligibility: Joint applications are required from a sponsoring Pennsylvania municipality (or Councils of Government or authorities approved by the participating local governing body of the COG or authority) and a state-aided public library

Purpose: Provides state grants to improve the physical facilities of public libraries

Terms: No minimum or maximum; requires a dollar-for-dollar match

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Keystone Libraries Facilities Coordinator, Bureau of Library Development

Phone: 717-787-3124

Website: www.statelibrary.state.pa.us

Noise Wall Construction Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments near limited-access highways

Purpose: To improve the quality of life by funding the construction of noise walls

Terms: Not regularly funded

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Local legislative representative

Website: www.2.legis.state.pa.us

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PennVEST) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania owner or operator (public or private) of an existing or proposed drinking water or wastewater system; PA municipal owner of a storm water conveyance system

Purpose: To provide funding for design, engineering and construction costs associated with publicly and privately owned drinking water distribution and treatment facilities, storm water conveyance and wastewater collection, conveyance, treatment facilities and brownfield site remediation

Terms: Funding packages up to \$11 million per project for one municipality; Up to \$20 million for more than one municipality; Up to \$2 million for upfront (5-year loan) design and engineering; Up to 100% of the eligible project costs; Average project size is \$1.5 million

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PennVEST)

Phone: 717-783-6798

Website: www.pennvest.state.pa.us

Pinelands Infrastructure Trust Financing

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments, public sewerage or utility authorities in the 23 designated Pinelands Regional Growth Areas

Purpose: To provide funding for wastewater treatment facilities needed to accommodate existing and future needs

Terms: Municipalities are responsible for 40% of project costs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Municipal Finance and Construction Element

Phone: 609-292-8961

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Public Facility/Public Works & Infrastructure

Eligibility: Gloucester County municipalities

Purpose: To fund the removal of architectural barriers to American Disabilities Act (ADA), community centers, parks and recreational facilities, and the reconstruction of streets in low-moderate income neighborhoods.

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Gloucester County Department of Economic Development

Phone: 856-384-6930

Website: www.co.gloucester.nj.us/governments/economicdev

Public Works & Development Facilities Program (Title I) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities, political subdivisions, municipal authorities or Indian tribes

Purpose: To empower distressed communities to revitalize, expand, and upgrade their physical infrastructure to attract new development

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Commerce, Southeast Region

Phone: 215-597-4603

Website: www.doc.gov

Public Works (Capital) Funding

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities or counties

Purpose: Provides funds for smart transportation and land use projects through bonding

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: County Planning Department

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Regional Police Assistance Grant Program

Eligibility: Grants for two or more PA municipalities that regionalize police operations

Purpose: Provides for regional police chief's salary and other related expenses

Terms: Grants up to \$99,000 for a period of up to 3 years

Contact: Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 888-223-6837

Website: www.newpa.com

Sewer Planning and Design Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments, public sewerage or utility authorities

Purpose: To address point and nonpoint sources of pollution from stormwater sewer systems

Terms: Up to 90% of the allowable planning or design costs can be funded. Local governments must provide 10% of project costs

Deadline: Through public notice

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Municipal Finance and Construction Element

Phone: 609-292-8961

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Volunteer Fire Assistance Program

Eligibility: Fire agency or volunteer fire departments

Purpose: To help fund fire departments that serve communities of 10,000 or less

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Annually

Contact: US Department of Agriculture

Phone: 717-787-2703

Website: www.fs.fed.us/fire

Water Supply & Wastewater Infrastructure Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities, Industrial Development Corporations, municipal authorities, and investor-owned water or wastewater enterprises

Purpose: A program to ensure safe water supply and proper wastewater infrastructure

Terms: Grants of: \$5 million maximum or 75% of the total eligible project costs, whichever is less. Loans of: \$5 million maximum per project; 2% interest rate; may have repayment term of up to 20 years

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 800-379-7448

Website: www.newpa.com

Transportation

Bicycle/Pedestrian Planning Assistance *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities

Purpose: Provides municipalities with consultant expertise to develop circulation elements and other transportation-related initiatives

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)

Phone: 609-530-2856

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Bikes Belong *

Eligibility: Federal, state, regional, county and municipal agencies, nonprofits, organizations whose mission is expressly related to bicycle advocacy

Purpose: To fund bicycle facilities and paths that encourage facility, education, and capacity building

Terms: \$10,000 or less

Deadline: Quarterly

Contact: Bikes Belong Coalition

Phone: 617-734-2111

Website: www.bikesbelong.org

Community Transportation Development Fund (CTDF) *

Eligibility: Nonprofit transit providers, public agencies, local and state governments and community organizations

Purpose: To promote better transportation options

Terms: Low-interest loans of up to \$150,000 per recipient and 75% of the total project cost; there are several funding options that require a one-time service fee

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Community Transportation Association of America

Phone: 202-661-0210

Website: www.ctaa.org

Competitive Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program (CMAQ)

Eligibility: Public agencies, incorporated private firms, nonprofits, local and county governments

Purpose: For projects that contribute to the attainment of the Clean Air Act standards by reducing emissions from highway resources.

Terms: 80% of costs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)

Phone: 215.592-1800

Website: www.dvrpc.org

Home Town Streets /Safe Routes to School (HTS/SRS)

Eligibility: Federal or state agencies, Pennsylvania county or local governments, school districts, nonprofits

Purpose: To encourage the reinvestment in and redevelopment of downtowns and establish safe walking routes for children commuting to school

Terms: 80% of total costs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)

Phone: 215-592-9215

Website: www.dvrpc.org

Liquid Fuels Tax Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides funds for any road-related activity

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, District 6-0

Phone: 610-205-6539

Website: www.dot.state.pa.us

Local Discretionary Aid *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities and counties

Purpose: Provides funding for emergencies as well as for pedestrian safety and bicycle projects

Terms: At the discretion of the Commissioner of Transportation

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)

Phone: 609-530-3640

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Local Lead

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities and counties

Purpose: Provides an opportunity for subregions to apply for funding for design, right-of-way or construction projects

Terms: Must meet select criteria; construction costs must be a minimum of \$250,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation

Phone: 609-530-3640

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Local Scoping

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities and counties

Purpose: Provides an opportunity for subregions to apply for funding for design, right-of-way or construction projects

Terms: Must meet select criteria; construction costs must be a minimum of \$250,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation

Phone: 609-530-3640

Website: www.state.nj.us

Local Transportation Planning Assistance Program (LTPA) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities

Purpose: Provides municipalities with consultant expertise to address local transportation and quality-of-life issues

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation

Phone: 609-590-2856

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Locally Initiated Pedestrian Projects

Eligibility: New Jersey counties and municipalities

Purpose: Provides funds for municipalities and counties for construction of pedestrian access

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation – District 4

Phone: 856-486-6618

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Municipal Bus Shelters *

Eligibility: Delaware County local governments and businesses

Purpose: To assist municipalities in the provision of safe bus shelters

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Delaware County Transportation Management Association

Phone: 610-892-9440

Website: www.delcotma.org

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and contractors

Purpose: To provide low-cost financing to municipalities and contractors for eligible transportation improvements

Terms: Low-interest loans from \$50,000 to \$3.9 million through a revolving loan fund for implementation

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT)

Phone: 717-772-1772

Website: www.dot.state.pa.us

Safe Routes to School

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities or counties

Purpose: Provides funding to enable safer and more appealing transportation alternatives for healthier lifestyles

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)

Phone: 609-530-6551

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

Eligibility: State and local governments

Purpose: Provide funding that can be used on any federal-aid highways, bridge projects, public roads, transit capital projects and intra-intercity bus terminals

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: County Planning Transportation Department

Transit Research & Demonstration Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, transit operators, universities, and transit organizations

Purpose: To fund innovative projects that improve the attractiveness of public transit

Terms: Grants for 80% of funding with a 20% local match

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Transit Research and Demonstration Program

Phone: 717-705-1493

Website: www.dot.state.pa.us

Transit Revitalization Investment District (TRID) Planning Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, transportation authorities and public transit agencies

Purpose: To fund TRID planning studies to encourage private sector investment and revitalization of areas immediately adjacent to transit

Terms: 25% local match required for TRID planning study

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Phone: 717-783-1132

Website: www.newpa.com

Transit Village Initiative *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities that meet set criteria

Purpose: Provides for priority funding and technical assistance from some state agencies

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)

Phone: 973-491-7822

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation/communityvillage

Transit Friendly Community Program *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities that meet set criteria

Purpose: To help communities enhance areas around a train station

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Transit

Phone: 973-491-7817

Website: www.njtransit.com

Transportation & Community Development Initiative (TCDI)

Eligibility: Eligible municipalities

Purpose: Support local planning projects to improve transportation and encourage redevelopment

Terms: Grants up to \$100,000 for single projects and \$125,000 for multi-municipal projects; 20% local match required

Deadline: Every two years

Contact: Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)

Phone: 215-592-1800

Website: www.dvrpc.org/planning/tcdi.htm

Transportation Enhancements Program (TE)

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, state or federal agencies, nonprofits

Purpose: For the funding of nontraditional projects designed to enhance the transportation experience, to mitigate the impacts of transportation facilities on communities and the environment, and to enhance community character through transportation-related improvements.

Terms: 80% to 90% of costs can be funded

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)

Phone: 215-592-1800

Website: www.dvrpc.org/transportation/capital/te.htm

Transportation Enhancements (TE)

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities and counties

Purpose: Funding for community-based projects that expand travel choices and enhance the transportation network

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid and Economic Development

Phone: 609-590-2856

Website: www.state.nj.us/transportation

Environmental & Recreation

Brownfield Development Area Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, redevelopment entities, homeowners

Purpose: Returns contaminated and underutilized properties to productive reuse

Terms: Up to \$5 million, per municipality, per year for 100% of costs of preliminary assessment, site investigation, remedial investigation and remedial action.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund

Phone: 609-777-0990

Website: www.njeda.com

Brownfield Inventory Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities, counties and economic development agencies

Purpose: To gather information about properties available for redevelopment including information about existing infrastructure, suspected or confirmed contamination and other information

Terms: \$1,000 per site with a maximum of \$50,000 per grantee

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Phone: 717-783-7816

Website: www.dep.state.pa.us

Brownfield Redevelopment Loan Program

Eligibility: Developers, business owners

Purpose: To finance brownfield site remediation

Terms: Interim financing up to \$750,000 at below-market interest rates. Applicant must sign a Brownfield Reimbursement Agreement.

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Phone: 609-777-4898

Website: www.njeda.com

Challenge PLUS Grants

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: to stimulate and assist them in developing comprehensive urban and community forestry programs

Terms: Grant amount of \$10,000 per municipality

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 1-888 PA-PARKS (1-888-727-2757)

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry

Circuit Riders Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments (multi-municipal)

Purpose: Four-year grant program to hire a full-time director to share services through an intergovernmental cooperative effort

Terms: 100% of salary for first year, then 25% less each year

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 1-888 PA-PARKS (1-888-727-2757)

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Coastal Blue Acres Grants and Loans

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments and counties located in the state's coastal area

Purpose: To acquire storm-damaged property for storm protection, recreation and conservation purposes

Terms: Grants cannot exceed 50% of project costs; required 50% local match

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program

Phone: 609-984-0570

Website: www.nj.gov/dep/greenacres/blue.htm

Coldwater Heritage Partnership Grants (CHP) *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, and municipal authorities

Purpose: To prepare preliminary watershed assessments

Terms: Grants up to \$5,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 717-787-2316

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Community Facilities Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Funds to help develop essential community facilities for public use in rural areas

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: US Department of Agricultural – Rural Development, Southeast Area

Phone: 717-755-2966

Website: www.rurdev.usda.gov

Community Improvement Grant *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, volunteer groups or school districts

Purpose: To support local forestry projects

Terms: Grants for \$500 to \$3,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Urban Forester (in cooperation with Department of Conservation and Natural Resources)

Phone: 610-489-4315

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Comprehensive Recreation, Park & Open Space Planning Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: To develop a comprehensive long-range plan for a municipality's open space and recreational needs

Terms: Grant funding for 50% of project costs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 717-787-2316

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

County Natural Area Inventory Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides funds to inventory natural areas, special habitats, and areas for open space and recreation

Terms: Grant funding for 50% of project costs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 717-787-2316

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Delaware Estuary Watershed Grants Program *

Eligibility: Public or nonprofit private agencies, institutions, and organizations, educational institutions, and local and state governments

Purpose: Develop the capacity of local governments, citizens groups and other organizations to promote community-based stewardship and enhance local watershed-based resource management

Terms: Grants of \$10,000 to \$50,000; governmental agencies are encouraged to involve nonprofits in their projects

Deadline: Varies

Contact: National Fish and Wildlife Foundation National Office

Phone: 202-857-0166

Website: www.nfwf.org

Environmental Education Grants *

Eligibility: EPA Region II – New Jersey

Purpose: To promote healthier communities through early education

Terms: Grant amounts range from \$5,000 to \$25,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: US Environmental Protection Agency, Region II

Phone: 212-637-3671

Website: www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants

Environmental Equity Program (E2P) *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits

Purpose: To provide the upfront capital to assist with the predevelopment stages of brownfield redevelopment projects

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Redevelopment Authority

Phone: 609-292-3739

Website: www.njra.us

Floodplain Land Use Assistance Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides grants and technical assistance to encourage the proper use of land and the management of floodplain lands within Pennsylvania

Terms: 50% of the eligible costs. No maximum dollar limit

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 888-223-6837

Website: www.newpa.com

Green Acres Grants & Loans *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipal and county governments

Purpose: To acquire or develop municipal land for public recreation and conservation purposes

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Local Assistance and Program Policy

Phone: 609-984-0570

Website: www.dep.state.nj.us/greenacres

Green Communities Challenge Grant *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipal and county governments

Purpose: To assist municipalities in developing Community Forestry Management Plan

Terms: 50% local match required

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry, Community Forestry Program

Phone: 609-292-2532

Website: www.dep.state.nj.us

Greenfield/Green Towns Program *

Eligibility: Local governments in Montgomery County

Purpose: To preserve and enhance open space

Terms: Open space plans required prior. Required local match of 10% to 30%

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Montgomery County

Phone: 610-278-3757

Website: www.montcopa.org

Greenways Grant

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: For the acquisition of greenway corridors and natural resources management

Terms: Grants for a maximum of 50% of the costs up to \$250,000. Some projects are eligible for increased grant amounts.

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Chester County Department of Parks and Recreation

Phone: 610-344-6415

Website: www.chesco.org/ccparks

Growing Greener Grants

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities, authorities or private entities eligible under PennVEST

Purpose: To fund infrastructure improvements such as drinking water, wastewater or stormwater

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PennVEST)

Phone: 717-783-6798

Website: www.pennvest.state.pa.us

Growing Greener II *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides redevelopment grants to municipalities and nonprofits to help community downtown redevelopment efforts, focusing on the improvement of downtown sites and buildings

Terms: No minimum or maximum; typical grants average between \$250,000 and \$500,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Customer Service Center

Phone: 866-GO-NEWPA (866-466-3972)

Website: www.newpa.com

Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities and private parties

Purpose: To fund the costs of remediation of hazardous discharge sites

Terms: Grants are capped at \$2 million per municipality and loans are capped at \$1 million per year

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Contract and Fund Management

Phone: 609-777-0101

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Kodak American Greenways Grants *

Eligibility: Local, regional, or statewide nonprofits, public agencies and community organizations

Purpose: Provides grants to stimulate planning and the design of greenways in communities

Terms: Maximum grant amount is \$2,500

Deadline: Annually

Contact: The Conservation Fund

Phone: 703-525-6300

Website: www.conservationfund.com

Land & Water Conservation Fund *

Eligibility: State agencies and political subdivisions

Purpose: To provide financial assistance for the preparation of Outdoor Recreation Plans and the acquisition and development of outdoor recreational facilities

Terms: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources must apply on the applicant's behalf; grant can not exceed 50% of project cost.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: National Park Service, Rivers and Trails Assistance

Phone: 215-597-9175

Website: www.nps.gov

Local Tire Management Program Fund Grants

Eligibility: New Jersey municipal and county governments

Purpose: To properly clean up abandoned tire pile sites

Terms: Maximum of \$300,000 per application

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste

Phone: 609-984-3438

Website: www.dep.state.nj.us

Master Site Plan Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: To design neighborhoods parks

Terms: Funding for 50% of project costs

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 717-787-2316

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Matching Grants for Local Environmental Agencies *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipal environmental commissions

Purpose: To assist local environmental commissions with funding a variety of environmental projects such as educational projects, environmental resource inventories, trail design or rehabilitation studies

Terms: Maximum grant amount is \$2,500; required match 50% of the total cost of the project.

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Local Government Assistance

Phone: 609-984-0828

Website: www.dep.state.nj.us

Mini Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, volunteer groups or school districts

Purpose: To support local forestry projects

Terms: Grants for \$100

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Urban Forester (in cooperation with Department of Conservation and Natural Resources)

Phone: 610-489-4315

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Municipal Challenge Grant

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Aimed at supporting municipal tree inventories, tree planting, and tree care

Terms: Grants range from \$1,000 – \$5,000; in-kind match required

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Natural Resources

Phone: 1-888 PA-PARKS (1-888-727-2757)

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments and counties

Purpose: Provides one-time grants for the implementation of certain activities required by the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge System (NJPDES) Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program

Terms: Grant depends upon funding amount, population of municipality and Tier assignment

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control

Phone: 609-633-7021

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Municipal Waste Tire Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: To help municipalities remediate waste tire piles

Terms: Grants up to \$400,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Phone: 717-787-7381

Website: www.dep.state.pa.us

National Recreational Trails Program *

Eligibility: Local, county and state governments and nonprofits

Purpose: To provide for the development and maintenance of trails and trail facilities

Terms: Maximum grant award is \$25,000

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry

Phone: 609-984-0404

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants *

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, health departments, regional entities, nonprofits
Purpose: To conduct nonpoint source management in New Jersey's 20 watershed management areas

Terms: Grants are limited; refer to the National Park System (NPS) program guide

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Watershed Management

Phone: 609-633-3812

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Park Facilities Grants *

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: To promote park facility improvements

Terms: Grants for a maximum of 50% of the costs up to \$250,000. Some projects are eligible for increased grant amounts.

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Chester County Department of Parks and Recreation

Phone: 610-344-6415

Website: www.chesco.org/ccparks

Park Land & Open Space Acquisition Grant

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: To acquire parkland or open space

Terms: Grants for a maximum of 50% of the costs up to \$250,000. Some projects are eligible for increased grant amounts.

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Chester County Department of Parks and Recreation

Phone: 610-344-6415

Website: www.chesco.org/ccparks

PECO Green Regions *

Eligibility: Municipalities in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties

Purpose: To protect, acquire, and enhance open space

Terms: Grants of up to \$10,000

Deadline: Bi-annually

Contact: Natural Lands Trust

Phone: 610-353-5597

Website: www.natlands.org

Pennsylvania Heritage Parks Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, nonprofits or federally designated commissions

Purpose: To promote public/private partnerships to preserve and enhance natural and historic recreation resources

Terms: Grants require a 25% to 50% match

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Schuylkill River Greenway Association

Phone: 484-945-0200

Website: www.schuylkillriver.org

Rail to Trail Feasibility Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides grants to determine the feasibility of converting a railroad right-of-way to a trail

Terms: Grants fund 50% of total project costs

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 1-888 PA-PARKS (1-888-727-2757)

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Rail to Trail Special Purpose Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments

Purpose: Provides grants to develop a detailed study on a particular issue or structure that impacts the conversion of a rail corridor to a trail

Terms: Grants fund 50% of total project costs

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 1-888 PA-PARKS (1-888-727-2757)

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Recreational Trails Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania county and municipal governments, state and federal agencies, private organizations

Purpose: Provide grants for developing and maintaining recreational trails and trail-related facilities

Terms: Required 50% match

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 1-888 PA-PARKS (1-888-727-2757)

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Rivers Conservation Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments or appropriate organization

Purpose: To conserve and enhance river resources through planning

Terms: Funds cannot exceed 50% of the total project costs

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Phone: 717-787-2316

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance *

Eligibility: Local governments, states, and nonprofits

Purpose: Technical assistance to communities for trails and greenway planning

Terms: Technical assistance is for one year

Deadline: Annually

Contact: National Park Service, Rivers and Trails Assistance, Philadelphia Office

Phone: 215-597-1581

Website: www.nps.gov

Save a Tree, Plant a Tree *

Eligibility: Montgomery and Bucks County local governments

Purpose: To support and create local parks and public spaces

Terms: Grants and technical assistance

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Homebuilders Association of Bucks and Montgomery Counties

Phone: 215-657-1300

Website: www.builderfusion.com

Schuylkill River Heritage Area Grant Program *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, federal commissions, and nonprofits with projects in Schuylkill watershed area

Purpose: To promote the legacy of the Schuylkill River by encouraging sustainability and quality of life

Terms: Grants up to \$25,000 for planning and \$50,000 for implementation; required match of 25% for planning grants and 50% for implementation grants

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Schuylkill River Greenway Association

Phone: 484-945-0200

Website: www.schuylkillriver.org

Shore Protection Grants

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments and counties

Purpose: To protect existing development and infrastructure from storm surges, sea-level rises and shoreline migrations through dune creation and maintenance, beach nourishment projects, and construction and repair of shore protection structures

Terms: Required 25% local match. As a condition of the grant, a commitment to funding the local share of the project costs (25% of construction and 100% of engineering and design costs), as well as all required easements and rights-of-way must be provided

Deadline: Continual

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Coastal Engineering

Phone: 732-255-0767

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Source Reduction Assistance Grant Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, and nonprofits

Purpose: To fund activities such as designing for the environment, environmentally-friendly purchasing, or pollution prevention

Terms: Grants up to \$100,000; a local match of 5% is required

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3 Office

Phone: 215-814-5415

Website: www.epa.gov

Source Water Protection (SWP) Watershed Protection Grants *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, multi-municipal applications or community water systems

Purpose: To fund watershed activities such as the development of public education materials, inventories, or management activities

Terms: One-time grants up to \$200,000; a 10% local match is required

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Phone: 717-705-5400

Website: www.dep.state.pa.us

Source Water Protection (SWP) Wellhead Protection Grants

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, multi-municipal applications or community water systems

Purpose: To fund wellhead area projects (up to five years) that are designed to protect drinking water sources and used by community water systems

Terms: One-time grants up to \$50,000; 10% local match is required

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Phone: 717-705-5400

Website: www.dep.state.pa.us

Trails Grant

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: To further trail development through acquisition of land, development of new trails or the rehabilitation of existing trails

Terms: Grants for a maximum of 50% of the costs up to \$250,000. Some projects are eligible for increased grant amounts

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Chester County Department of Parks and Recreation

Phone: 610-344-6415

Website: www.chesco.org/ccparks

Tree Improvement Grant

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, volunteer groups, nongovernmental organizations for urban and community forestry projects

Purpose: To help communities initiate programs for public trees that are not receiving regular care and to develop local resources for continuing tree care

Terms: Grant funds must be matched with nonfederal dollars. For municipalities with populations of less than 5,000; 10 trees/year, \$1,500 maximum grant. For municipalities with population of 25,000 - 50,000; 40 trees per year, \$4,500 maximum grant.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Urban and Community Forestry Council

Phone: 717-783-0385

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us

TreeVitalize *

Eligibility: County and local governments in southeastern Pennsylvania

Purpose: To develop private-public partnerships to address tree coverage in southeastern Pennsylvania

Terms: Grants and technical assistance

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Horticultural Society

Phone: 215-988-8874

Website: www.treevitalize.net

Water Quality Management Planning Pass through Grant *

Eligibility: New Jersey water quality management planning agencies

Purpose: To provide grants for conducting wastewater management planning activities and for developing management plans for on-site wastewater treatment systems

Terms: Limited to eligible costs. Applicants must submit a project that meets the administrative requirements, objectives and project criteria as outlined in the (604) (b) grant guidelines available for the current fiscal year and on the NPS Program website.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Watershed Planning

Phone: 609-633-3812

Website: www.state.nj.us/dep/watershedmgt/nps-program.htm www.nj.gov/dep

Watershed Action Grants

Eligibility: Nonprofits

Purpose: To implement conservation plans to protect watersheds

Terms: Grants from \$2,000 to \$20,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: The Conservation Fund

Phone: 703-525-6300

Website: www.conservationfund.org

Urban Park & Recreation Recovery Program (UPARR) *

Eligibility: Based on need, economic distress and relative quality of urban recreational facilities

Purpose: Create multiuse trails and planning of urban recreational facilities

Terms: Grants; match required

Deadline: Continual

Contact: National Park Service, Regional Office

Phone: 215-597-9175

Website: www.nps.gov

Private

Bank of America *

Eligibility: Philadelphia City neighborhoods

Purpose: General operating support and leadership training for two neighborhood-based community organizations

Terms: Maximum \$200,000 grant over two years

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Bank of America

Phone: 800-218-9946

Website: www.bankofamerica.com/foundation

Citizens Bank *

Eligibility: Nonprofits

Purpose: To encourage community-based services, support community development initiatives that are catalysts for economically distressed areas, promote new ways to address issues of economic self-sufficiency

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Citizens Bank

Phone: 267-671-1000

Website: www.citizensbank.com

Claneil Foundation *

Eligibility: Southeastern Pennsylvania local governments, nonprofits

Purpose: Grants for building arts, education, environment and community development

Terms: Grants range from \$1,000 to \$290,000 for building renovation, conferences, consulting, land acquisition and development; must submit letter of intent

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Claneil Foundation Inc.

Phone: 610-941-1143

Lowe's Home Improvement *

Eligibility: Nonprofits

Purpose: The Lowe's Charitable & Educational Foundation is dedicated to improving the communities it serves through support of public education, community improvement projects and home safety initiatives

Terms: \$5,000 to \$25,000 with a total of about \$3 million annually

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Lowe's Companies, Inc.

Website: www.lowes.com

McClean Contributionship *

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments in greater Philadelphia area

Purpose: To help promote understanding of the natural environment

Terms: Grants range from \$1,000 to \$50,000

Deadline: Quarterly

Contact: McLean Contributionship

Phone: 610-527-6330

Website: www.fdncenter.org

The Arcadia Foundation *

Eligibility: Organizations with ZIP codes 18000 -19000

Purpose: Grants to promote historic preservation, conservation, youth programs and elderly programs

Terms: Grants range from \$5,000 to \$10,000

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Arcadia Foundation

Phone: 610-275-8460

Website: n/a

The Reinvestment Fund *

Eligibility: Focused on areas that are moderate to low-income or have potential for revitalization

Purpose: To support and enhance affordable housing

Terms: Low-interest loans

Deadline: Continual

Contact: The Reinvestment Fund

Phone: 215-574-5852

Website: www.trfund.com

Tony Hawk Foundation

Eligibility: Charity organizations, nonprofits, state or local agencies or school systems

Purpose: To encourage and facilitate the design, development and construction of skateboard parks and facilities in low income communities

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Tony Hawk Foundation

Website: www.tonyhawkfoundation.org

Wachovia Regional Foundation *

Eligibility: Potential grantees must have a current 501(c) (3) status and a minimum of three years of audited financial statements

Purpose: Neighborhood Planning Grants support the development of resident-driven neighborhood plans that take comprehensive approaches to revitalization

Terms: Grants from \$25,000 to \$100,000

Deadline: Annually

Contact: Wachovia Regional Foundation

Website: www.wachovia.com

Wachovia Regional Foundation *

Eligibility: Potential grantees must have a current 501(c) (3) status and a minimum of three years of audited financial statements

Purpose: Neighborhood Development Grants support comprehensive community development projects that target specific neighborhoods

Terms: Grants vary in size from \$100,000 to \$750,000 and are disbursed over three to five years

Deadline: Bi-annually

Contact: Wachovia Regional Foundation

Website: www.wachovia.com

William Penn Foundation *

Eligibility: Must be 501(c) (3)

Purpose: To promote the arts and culture, youth, and community development

Terms: Grants average \$10,000 to \$500,000; must send letter of intent

Deadline: Continual

Contact: William Penn Foundation

Phone: 215-988-1830

Website: www.williapennfoundation.com

Implementation & Construction

Capital Preservation Grants

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits

Purpose: For construction expenses related to the preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of historic properties

Terms: Minimum is \$5,000; maximum is \$750,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, New Jersey Historic Trust

Phone: 609-984-0473

Website: www.njht.org

Centers of Place Program

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities that formally participated in the implementation of the State Plan

Purpose: Provides preliminary and final design funding and construction dollars to eligible communities

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Transportation – District 4

Phone: 856-486-6618

Website: www.state.nj.us/dot

Community Stewardship Incentive Program Grant

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments and counties with approved management plans and two core-trained individuals.

Purpose: To assist municipalities in implementing management goals and practices as outlined in their Community Forestry Management Plan.

Terms: Maximum grant is \$6,000. Request cannot exceed 75% of total project's costs. Local match of 25% is required.

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Parks and Forestry

Phone: 609-292-2532

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Delaware County Demolition Fund

Eligibility: Local governments in Delaware County

Purpose: To provide funding for ongoing demolition projects within the county

Terms: Only properties that are vacant at the time of application will be considered

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Delaware County, Office of Housing and Community Development

Phone: 610-891-5425

Website: www.co.delaware.pa.us/hcd

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program

Eligibility: Publicly or privately owned community water systems or nonprofits

Purpose: To assist in financing the costs of infrastructure needed to achieve compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

Terms: Must request placement on the Project Priority list, send in letter of intent and satisfy all planning requirements. Grant amounts vary.

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water Supply

Phone: 609-984-7937

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Emergency Shelter Grants Program

Eligibility: Chester County local governments and nonprofits

Purpose: Funds for renovation, rehabilitation or conversion of buildings into shelters or essential services, or homelessness prevention activities

Terms: Minimum grant amount of \$50,000 (no maximum); dollar-for-dollar match is required

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Chester County Department of Community Development

Phone: 610-344-6900

Website: www.chesco.org

Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities, counties, nonprofits. Also includes properties that are listed on the *National Register of Historic Places*

Purpose: Financing for the preservation, improvement, restoration, rehabilitation and acquisition of historic sites

Terms: Minimum loan amount is \$25,000; Maximum is \$370,000. Interest rate is 4% or lower.

Repayment period of up to 20 years

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, New Jersey Historic Trust

Phone: 609-984-0473

Website: www.njht.org

Historic Preservation Certified Local Government Grants – Category 1

Eligibility: Local governments certified by the National Park Service

Purpose: To provide newly formed historic preservation commissions with professional services

Terms: The maximum grant is \$19,000 and the minimum grant is \$3,000

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry

Phone: 609-984-0404

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Historical Marker Grants

Eligibility: Pennsylvania public agencies or nonprofits

Purpose: To support the manufacturing of approved state historical markers

Terms: 50/50 grants requiring a cash match; grants cannot exceed \$650

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

Phone: 717-787-8823

Website: www.artsnet.org

Local Government Capital Project Loan Program

Eligibility: Pennsylvania municipalities with populations of 12,000 or less

Purpose: For the purchase of equipment and construction, renovation, or rehabilitation of municipal facilities

Terms: Loans at an interest rate of 2%. Equipment: Maximum \$25,000 or 50% of single piece of equipment, whichever is less. Facilities: Maximum \$50,000 or 50% for purchasing, constructing, renovating or rehabilitating facility, whichever is less.

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Pennsylvania Governor's Center for Local Government Services

Phone: 800-379-7448

Website: www.newpa.com

Mercer County Improvement Authority

Eligibility: Mercer County school districts, local governments, fire departments and nonprofits

Purpose: Provides cost-effective financing to build or purchase capital projects and equipment

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Mercer County Improvement Authority

Phone: 609-278-8100

Website: www.mcia-nj.com

Municipal Lease-Purchase Program

Eligibility: Camden County municipalities

Purpose: To enable structured ownership without debt obligation for local governments

Terms: Vary

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Camden County Department of Finance

Phone: 856-751-2242

Website: www.camdencounty.com

Municipal Loan Pool Program

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities

Purpose: Funding equipment purchases, capital improvements or refinancing debt

Terms: Vary

Contact: New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Phone: 609-292-0192

Website: www.njeda.com

Municipal Pooled Financing Program

Eligibility: Camden County municipalities

Purpose: To provide cost-effective financing to build or purchase capital projects

Terms: Vary; reduced loan rates are available

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Camden County, Department of Finance

Phone: 856-751-2242

Website: www.camdencounty.com

Municipal Recycling Program Grants

Eligibility: Pennsylvania local governments, counties, council of governments or solid waste authorities

Purpose: To divert recycling material from the municipal solid waste stream

Terms: Grants up to 90% funding

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Phone: 717-787-7381

Website: www.dep.state.pa.us

Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Program

Eligibility: New Jersey municipalities and counties

Purpose: To provide incentives to counties and municipalities to increase their recycling activities and reduce their overall rates of disposal

Terms: Grants based on amount of materials recycled

Deadline: Annually

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Recycling and Planning

Phone: 609-984-3438

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Recycling Development & Implementation Grants

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: To acquire new recycling equipment or create educational material about recycling

Terms: Grants up to 90% reimbursement for expenditures

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Chester County Department of Health

Phone: 610-344-5940

Website: www.chesco.org/health

Recycling Performance Grants

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: To defray the municipality's costs of operating residential curbside recycling programs

Terms: Grant amounts are related to the municipality's recycling totals

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Chester County Department of Health

Phone: 610-344-5940

Website: www.chesco.org/health

Share Available Resources Efficiently (SHARE) Grants

Eligibility: New Jersey local governments and counties

Purpose: To streamline government operations, reduce costs and property taxes, and increase fiscal and operational efficiency

Terms: Feasibility and Implementation grants available

Deadline: Continual

Contact: Department of Community Affairs, Local Government Services

Phone: 609-292-7842

Website: www.nj.gov/dca/lgs

Solid Waste Services Grants

Eligibility: New Jersey counties

Purpose: To prepare, revise and implement district solid waste management plans, including implementation of recycling programs

Terms: No match required. Grants are based on amount of solid waste generated. No county can receive less than 2% of available statewide funds

Deadline: Varies

Contact: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste

Phone: 609-984-3438

Website: www.nj.gov/dep

Technical Assistance Available to Boost Recycling Rates

Eligibility: Local governments in Chester County

Purpose: To upgrade recycling programs

Terms: Technical assistance up to a value of \$6,000

Deadline: Varies

Contact: Chester County Department of Health

Phone: 610-344-5940

Website: www.chesco.org/health

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