

# Municipal Funding Opportunities for Transit-Oriented Development

The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) in conjunction with the Regional Transit-Oriented Development Working Group created this document to assist communities with the development of TOD. The document is intended to be used primarily by economic and community development practitioners throughout the northern Illinois region.

Included is a comprehensive directory of funding programs that serve Transit-Oriented Development initiatives in Northeastern Illinois. It includes programs for municipalities, government agencies, businesses, non-profit organizations, and other organizations that work to promote Transit-Oriented Development. It should be used by agencies to inform themselves of the various funding opportunities available. Programs are from government agencies as well as philanthropic agencies and financial institutions are included. This guide has been organized by Sources, Agencies, Program Description, and Eligibility.

The majority of information in this guide was compiled from various website sources. Special acknowledgement is given to CMAP's Community and Economic Development Funding Resource Guide. For more information on the contents in this directory or on how RTA is involved in Transit-Oriented Development please call 312-913-3159 or visit our website at [www.rtachicago.com/plans-programs](http://www.rtachicago.com/plans-programs).



## Local

Agency	Program	Purpose	Program Description	Eligibility / Funding Range	Website
Local Municipalities	Community Development Tax Increment Financing & Enterprise Zone	Community Development Financing	The established TIF district and enterprise zone can assist with business development through tax credits, exemptions and deductions.	Municipalities / Varies	Various Municipal Websites
Local Municipalities	Special Service Areas	Community Development Financing	A Special Service Area (SSA) is a taxing mechanism that can be used to fund a wide range of special or additional services and/or physical improvements in a defined geographic area within a municipality or jurisdiction. This type of district allows local governments to establish such areas without incurring debt or levying a tax on the entire municipality.	Municipalities / Varies	Various Municipal Websites
Local Municipalities	Business Improvement Districts	Business Financing	A business improvement district (BID) is a public-private partnership in which businesses in a defined area pay an additional tax or fee in order to fund improvements within the district's boundaries. BIDs may go by other names, such as business improvement area, business revitalization zone, community improvement district, special services area, or special improvement district. BIDs provide services, such as cleaning streets, providing security, making capital improvements, and marketing the area. The services provided by BIDs are supplemental to those already provided by the municipality.	Municipalities / Varies	Various Municipal Websites
Local Municipalities	Enterprise Zone Programs	Business Tax Incentive	Businesses located or expanding in an Illinois enterprise zone may be eligible for the following tax incentives: exemption on retailers' occupation tax paid on building materials; investment tax credit of 0.5% of qualified property; state sales tax exemptions on purchases of personal property used or consumed in the manufacturing process or in the operation of a pollution control facility; exemption on the state utility tax for electricity and natural gas and exemptions on the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax. Exemptions are also available for companies that make minimum statutory investments that either create or retain a certain number of jobs. Additional local tax exemptions may also be available.	Exemptions require a business to make application to, and be certified by, the Illinois Department of Commerce. Municipalities / Varies	<a href="http://www.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/taxassistance/Pages/EnterpriseZone.aspx">http://www.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/taxassistance/Pages/EnterpriseZone.aspx</a>
City of Chicago	Small Business Improvement Fund (SBIF)	Business Improvement/ Energy Efficiency - Capital	The Small Business Improvement Fund (SBIF) program uses Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenues to help owners of commercial and industrial properties within specific TIF districts to repair or remodel their facilities for their own business or on behalf of tenants.	The SBIF grants can cover up to half of the costs of upgrades and are reimbursed to the applicant after the work is completed and expenses paid-up to a maximum of \$150,000. Requirements: industrial tenants must have a maximum of 100 full-time employees; reimbursement for commercial tenants is based on annual sales; eligibility for property owners is based on net worth and liquidity; eligibility for owner-occupied commercial small business or not-for-profit organizations is based on net worth, liquidity and annual sales.	<a href="http://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dcd/suppinfo/small_business_improvementfundsbif.html">http://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dcd/suppinfo/small_business_improvementfundsbif.html</a>

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Counties	Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	Community Development Financing	Funding program with dollars allocated locally or at county level. The CDBG program encourages applicants to use funds help develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. Contact your local county's planning department for specific information.	Municipalities and Counties / Varies	<a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/</a>
City of Chicago, DuPage, Lake, and McHenry Counties	Illinois American Dream Down Payment Initiative Program	Housing - Financing	Program provides financial assistance to income-qualified families, who are first-time home buyers, to purchase single family housing that will serve as the family's principal residence. Qualified buyers are eligible to receive assistance to help them meet down payment and closing costs. HOME Program funds may also be used to assist low-income families to become homeowners by financing acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of the property.	The applicant must be a first time homebuyer. Home owner qualify if your income is 80% or less of the median income for the area, adjusted for family size. Housing assisted with HOME funds must meet the property standards the maximum appraised value of a HOME assisted property can not exceed \$275,200. / Varies	<a href="http://www.hud.gov/local/il/homeownership/addi.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/local/il/homeownership/addi.cfm</a>
Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways	Invest in Cook	Transportation - Capital	A program to cover the cost of planning and feasibility studies, engineering right-of-way acquisition, and construction associated with transportation improvements sponsored by local and regional governments and private partners. The Invest in Cook program seeks applications that: prioritize transit and other transportation alternatives; support the region's role as north america's freight capital; promote equal access to opportunities; maintain and modernize what already exists; and increase investments in transportation.	Eligible project proposals: multimodal, transit, bicycle, pedestrian, freight, roadway and bridge improvement projects, as well as new technologies and policies. Eligible applicants include: local governments, regional transportation authorities, transit agencies, natural resource or public land agencies, any other local or regional governmental entity with responsibility for transportation or recreational trails within Cook County, and private for-profit or non-profit organizations (but must partner with a public sponsor). / Varies	<a href="https://www.cookcountyl.gov/investincook">https://www.cookcountyl.gov/investincook</a>
Cook County Bureau of Economic Development	Various	Housing and Economic Development - Capital, Planning, and Operating	Various programs including BUILT in Cook Loan Fund, Emerging Business Development Loan Fund, BUILT 50-40 Loan Program, Tax Incentives, Industrial Development Revenue Bond Program, No Cash Bid Program, Business Incentives	Various/ Varies	<a href="https://www.cookcountyl.gov/service/economic-development-division">https://www.cookcountyl.gov/service/economic-development-division</a>
DuPage County Community Development Commission Grant Programs	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Information regarding county grant initiatives and transportation-related capital funding programs. See Neighborhood Investment, Community-Wide Benefit, Accessibility Improvements, and Planning Projects category.	Eligible activities include infrastructure construction, reconstruction, or installation of streets, alleys, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, streetlights, signs, traffic signals, street furniture, trees, accessibility improvements, water and sewers. Various/ Varies	<a href="http://www.dupageco.org/cdc/">http://www.dupageco.org/cdc/</a>
Kane County	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Kane County administers several grant programs through their Community Investment Initiatives. These programs include; Riverboat Fund Program, Community Development Fund, Rental Housing Development Program, Small Cities Grant Program, and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Programs (ARRA).	Each grant program has specific guidelines and procedures. Various/ Varies	<a href="http://www.countyofkane.org/Pages/kcci.aspx">http://www.countyofkane.org/Pages/kcci.aspx</a>

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Lake County Community Development Division	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Lake County administers federal funds available from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist low-income persons. Funds can be used for the following activities: Public Infrastructure (sewers, roads, etc.) improvements, Affordable Housing development and rehabilitation, Public Service activities, assisting human service organizations, and Homeless Assistance	Various/ Varies	<a href="http://www.lakecountvil.gov/1894/Community-Development">http://www.lakecountvil.gov/1894/Community-Development</a>
McHenry County Planning/Community Development Department and Programs	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Various grant programs including Community Development Block Grant, Neighborhood Stabilization Program, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) and Homelessness Prevention Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP).	Various/ Varies	<a href="https://www.co.mchenry.il.us/county-government/departments-i-z/planning-development/divisions/community-development">https://www.co.mchenry.il.us/county-government/departments-i-z/planning-development/divisions/community-development</a>
Will County Community Development Division	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Various grant programs including Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Project, and Foreclosure Stabilization Program (FSP).	Various/ Varies	<a href="http://willcountylanduse.com/community-development">http://willcountylanduse.com/community-development</a>

## Northeastern Illinois

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) & TAP Program	Transportation - Capital and Operating	This grant program provides funding for projects that improve air quality, such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities or projects promoting greater transit ridership, including new additional commuter parking. These are federal funds administered locally by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), and applications are submitted to CMAP yearly, with competition for funds only within the 6-county region.	Transportation agencies, counties, municipalities, townships, park districts, forest preserve districts, local unit of government, and library districts. Project proposals from the public and private sector are welcome, however private sector applicants must have a sponsor approved by CMAP. / Varies	<a href="http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/mobility/strategic-investment/cmaq">http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/mobility/strategic-investment/cmaq</a>
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)	Local Technical Assistance Program	Planning	CMAP received Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant funds from HUD to implement their GOTO 2040 Plan. Some of these federal grant funds are being used for CMAP's Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program. The LTA Program provides both staff assistance and grants for planning-related services targeted to local governments and nonprofit organizations. Assistance is provided directly to individual communities, in addition to local training and coordination initiatives.	Project must be located in the CMAP planning region. Visit CMAP's website for detailed information. / Varies	<a href="http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs-and-resources/ta">http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs-and-resources/ta</a>
CMAP / IDOT	Surface Transportation Program (STP)	Transportation - Capital	This grant program provides funding for road projects that improve public transportation or bicycle and pedestrian facilities. It is administered locally by CMAP, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), and the Council of Mayors. Applications are submitted to the local Council of Mayors, with competition for funds only among the other members of that council. These are federal funds administered locally by CMAP.	Contact your CMAP Planning Liaison for more information. / Varies	<a href="http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/about/involvement/committees/advisory-committees/council-of-mayors/surface-transportation-program">http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/about/involvement/committees/advisory-committees/council-of-mayors/surface-transportation-program</a>
Regional Transportation Authority (RTA)	Community Planning Program	Planning	The RTA's Community Planning program provides funding as well as technical assistance to applicants for implementation and planning projects that benefit the community and the regional transit system. A call for projects is typically issued in the spring of each year, followed by awards made in the fall. Eligible projects include transit-oriented development (TOD) plans, transit corridor plans, TOD zoning code updates, TOD developer discussion panels, transit neighborhood mobility improvement plans, plans to develop special funding districts in transit areas, and other innovative implementation approaches.	Municipalities located within the RTA six-county service region are eligible to apply. Match rates range from 5%-20% for larger projects. A local match may not be required for some small scale implementation projects. / Varies	<a href="http://rtachicago.org/plans-programs/grants-projects/community-planning">http://rtachicago.org/plans-programs/grants-projects/community-planning</a>
Regional Transportation Authority (RTA)	Access to Transit Improvement Program	Transportation - Capital	The Access to Transit Improvement Program funds small-scale projects that increase pedestrian and bicycle access to the regional transit system. The program leverages federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds, RTA, and local funding sources to implement recommendations contained in studies completed through the RTA's Community Planning program or CMAP's Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program. Once selected into the Access to Transit Improvement Program individual project applications are bundled into one CMAQ application. RTA staff will assist individual project applicants in developing information required for the CMAQ application process. Please note that funding for the program is contingent upon RTA-supported projects being accepted into the CMAQ program and RTA Board approval of matching funds.	Small-scale capital improvements that increase ridership and improve access to existing transit stations, stops and services. Projects are ready if the planning work is complete and the project can initiate or finish Phase I Engineering (if needed) by the time of application to the program. Applicants must demonstrate commitment from local staff and elected officials regarding the project. / Varies requires match	<a href="http://www.rtachicago.com/index.php/plans-programs/grants-projects/access-to-transit.html">http://www.rtachicago.com/index.php/plans-programs/grants-projects/access-to-transit.html</a>

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Regional Transportation Authority	Section 5310	Transportation - Capital and Operational	The Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program, funded by the Federal Transit Administration, is a program designed to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities throughout the country, by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available. Eligible projects include those that are planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities when public transportation is insufficient, inappropriate, or unavailable. It may also be used for public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as amended (ADA) that improve access to fixed-route service and decrease reliance by individuals with disabilities on complementary paratransit, and for alternatives to public transportation that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities.	Private Non-profit Organizations, or Public and Private Operators of Public Transportation Services / Varies requires match	<a href="http://rtachicago.org/plans-programs/grants-projects/section-5310">http://rtachicago.org/plans-programs/grants-projects/section-5310</a>

# State of Illinois

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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency	Illinois Brownfields Redevelopment Grants & Loans	Brownfield	The Municipal Brownfields Redevelopment Grant Program provides funding to local municipalities to investigate and clean up brownfields properties. The Illinois Brownfields Redevelopment Loan Program is a revolving low-interest loan program that provides funds to municipalities and the private sector for the environmental cleanup of Brownfields sites.	Various / Varies	<a href="http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/brownfields/index.html">http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/brownfields/index.html</a>
Illinois EPA & Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal	Underground Storage Tank Fund	Brownfield	This fund assists with the cleanup of contamination from underground storage tanks.	Various / Varies	<a href="http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/lust/ust-fund.html">http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/lust/ust-fund.html</a>
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Workforce Development Initiatives, grants, etc.	Workforce Development	Program provides various funding and training opportunities to retain and improve Illinois workforce.	Various / Varies	<a href="http://www.illinois.gov/dceo/WorkforceDevelopment/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.illinois.gov/dceo/WorkforceDevelopment/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP)	Public Buildings and Housing Rehabilitation	Providing grants to local governments to help them in financing economic development projects, public facilities and housing rehabilitation. The program is targeted to assist low-to-moderate income persons by creating job opportunities and improving the quality of their living environment.	Units of general local government may apply for funding. Must have populations of 50,000 or less and must not be located in an urban county or the 38 cities that receive federal "entitlement" funds. Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, Madison, McHenry, St. Clair and Will are entitlement counties and not eligible for CDAP funds. / Varies	<a href="https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/CommunityServices/CommunityInfrastructure/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/CommunityServices/CommunityInfrastructure/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Economic Development For a Growing Economy Tax Credit Program (EDGE)	Business Tax Incentive	The EDGE program is designed to offer a special tax incentive to encourage companies to locate or expand operations in Illinois when there is active consideration of a competing location in another State. The program can provide tax credits to qualifying companies, equal to the amount of state income taxes withheld from the salaries of employees in the newly created jobs. The non-refundable credits can be used against corporate income taxes to be paid over a period not to exceed 10 years.	To qualify a company must provide documentation that attests to the fact of competition among a competing state, and agree to make an investment of at least \$5 million in capital improvements and create a minimum of 25 new full time jobs in Illinois. For a company with 100 or fewer employees, the company must agree to make a capital investment of \$1million and create at least 5 new full time jobs in Illinois. / Varies	<a href="https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/Pages/EDGE.aspx">https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/Pages/EDGE.aspx</a>
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	High Impact Business (HIB)	Business Tax Incentive	The HIB program is designed to encourage large-scale economic Development activities, by providing tax incentives (similar to those offered within an enterprise zone) to companies that propose to make a substantial capital investment in operations.	\$12 million investment: 500 retained or \$30 million and 1200 jobs retained / Investment tax credit, state sales tax, utility tax exempt businesses	<a href="https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/Pages/HighImpactBusinessProgram.aspx">https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/Pages/HighImpactBusinessProgram.aspx</a>
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Illinois Energy Now	Housing/Environmental - Capital	Illinois Energy Now Illinois Energy Now program is now closed. As a result of recent legislation passed by the General Assembly (Public Act 099-0906), the state's investor owned electric and gas utilities will now be the administrator of energy efficiency programs for the public sector, low income customers, and market transformation. The hand-off from the Department to the utilities will be effective June 1, 2017.	Not-for-profit housing developers / Varies by building size and type.	<a href="https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/whyillinois/TargetIndustries/Energy/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/whyillinois/TargetIndustries/Energy/Pages/default.aspx</a>

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Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Community Service Block Grant Loan Program	Business - Financing	This loan program provides financing for new or expanding small businesses.	Small Businesses in Illinois /CSBG funds usually make up between 20-49% of the entire loan project and have a low interest rate of 5% to 7.5%.	<a href="https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/CommunityServices/HousingAssistance/CSBG/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.illinois.gov/dceo/CommunityServices/HousingAssistance/CSBG/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Illinois Department of Transportation	Grants	Capital Infrastructure and Planning	IDOT has several programs that provide state assistance in improving highway and rail access improvements to new or expanding industrial, distribution or tourism developments. The focus of these programs is the retention and creation of Illinois jobs. Funding may be available for transportation improvement projects related to facilities that provide direct access to economic development projects. Projects providing access to retail establishments, office parks, government facilities or school/universities are not eligible	Local government or state agency / Varies - Funds are allocated on a discretionary basis. Average \$720,000	<a href="http://www.idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/local-transportation-partners/county-engineers-and-local-public-agencies/funding-opportunities/economic-development-program">http://www.idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/local-transportation-partners/county-engineers-and-local-public-agencies/funding-opportunities/economic-development-program</a>
Illinois Department of Natural Resources	Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program	Bike Trail - Capital	This grant program provides funding for bike trail construction and renovation.	Unit of local government with statutory authority to provide lands for public bicycle path purposes i.e. counties, townships, municipalities, park districts, conservation districts and forest preserve districts. / Varies	<a href="http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/AEG/Pages/BikePathProgram.aspx">http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/AEG/Pages/BikePathProgram.aspx</a>
Illinois Department of Natural Resources	Recreational Trails Program	Trail - Capital	This grant program provides funding for recreational trail construction and renovation.	Local government or state agency / Varies - Funds are allocated on a discretionary basis.	<a href="http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/AEG/Pages/FederalRecreationalTrailsProgram.aspx">http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/AEG/Pages/FederalRecreationalTrailsProgram.aspx</a>
Illinois Housing Development Authority	Reach Illinois: Employer Assisted Housing	Housing - Financing	An employer can leverage a dollar-for-dollar match from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA).	For Profit and non-profit businesses. / will match employer's down payment assistance up to \$5,000 for households earning less than 50% of the region's Area Median Income (AMI) or up to \$3,000 for households earning between 50% and 80% of AMI.	<a href="http://www.reachillinois.org/">http://www.reachillinois.org/</a>
Illinois Housing Development Authority	Housing Trust Fund	Housing - Construction	Projects eligible for consideration include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Acquisition and rehabilitation of existing housing</li> <li>* New construction (single family and multifamily)</li> <li>* Adaptive reuse of non-residential buildings</li> <li>* Special housing needs for the: mentally ill, developmentally disabled, elderly, physically disabled, single-parent families</li> <li>* Technical Assistance (for non-profit organizations only)</li> </ul>	Not-for-profits and for-profit corporations as well as units of local government may seek Trust Fund dollars. Individual citizens are not eligible for Trust Fund financing. / The maximum award from the Trust Fund for a project is typically \$750,000. Sponsors are generally limited to applying for up to \$1.5 million in any 12 month period.	<a href="https://www.ihda.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/360_Affordable_Housing_Program.pdf">https://www.ihda.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/360_Affordable_Housing_Program.pdf</a>



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Economic Development Administration	Economic Adjustment Assistance Program	Technical, Planning and Infrastructure Assistance	Economic Adjustment Assistance investments are intended to enhance a distressed community's ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas.	State, city, county, institution of higher education, for and non profits, Indian tribes / Matching Grant of up to 50%	<a href="https://www.cfda.gov/?s=program&amp;mode=form&amp;tab=step1&amp;id=b6288a16987f7dcbff7a5a23d12d99f">https://www.cfda.gov/?s=program&amp;mode=form&amp;tab=step1&amp;id=b6288a16987f7dcbff7a5a23d12d99f</a>
Economic Development Administration	Economic Development Support for Planning	Planning	Intended to strengthen economic development planning capacity and establish comprehensive economic development strategies designed to reduce unemployment and increase incomes.	States, Cities, (and other municipal units), Indian Tribes, Higher Education, Not-for profit / \$8000-\$750,000 Average reward \$62,000	<a href="http://www.federalgrantswire.com/economic-developmentsupport-for-planning-organizations.html">http://www.federalgrantswire.com/economic-developmentsupport-for-planning-organizations.html</a>
Economic Development Administration	Economic Development Technical Assistance	Business and Development - Technical Assistance	EDA oversees three technical assistance programs (National, Local and University Center) that promote economic development and alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and out-migration in distressed regions.	State, Cities, (other municipalities), Higher Education, Not-for Profits / Matching up 50%	<a href="http://www.federalgrantswire.com/economic-developmenttechnical-assistance.html">http://www.federalgrantswire.com/economic-developmenttechnical-assistance.html</a>
Environmental Protection Agency	Brownfields Assessment Grants	Brownfield - Planning	Assessment grants provide funding for a grant recipient to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct planning and community involvement related to Brownfield sites.	State, Local, Tribal governments. / Up to \$200,000 or exceptions to grant \$350,000	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding</a>
Environmental Protection Agency	Brownfields Cleanup Grants	Brownfield - Capital and Operational	Cleanup grants provide funding for a grant recipient to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites.	State, Local, tribal, non-profit / Up to \$200,000	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/epa-brownfields-cleanup-grants-interested-applying-funding-heres-what-you-need-know-get">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/epa-brownfields-cleanup-grants-interested-applying-funding-heres-what-you-need-know-get</a>
Environmental Protection Agency	Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Program	Brownfield - Financing	Revolving low-interest loan program that provides funds to municipalities and the private sector for the environmental cleanup of Brownfields sites. Limited to brownfields determined to have hazardous materials or pose threat to public health.	State, local, tribal governments, land clearance authorities, quasi governmental entities / Up to \$1,000,000	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-revolving-loan-fund-grants-factsheet">https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-revolving-loan-fund-grants-factsheet</a>
Great Lakes Regional Pollution Prevention Roundtable	Database of Funding Opportunities	Environmental, housing, social, and educational	Database of Funding Opportunities to improve environmental quality, particular water quality in and around the Great Lakes. Database also has a wide variety of funding sources for housing, social, and educational grants.	Varies / Varies	<a href="http://www.glrpr.org/funding/">http://www.glrpr.org/funding/</a>
National Park Service	Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program	Historic - Tax Incentives	Tax incentives are available for the rehabilitation of income-producing certified historic structures.	Property owners of historical properties / 20% Tax Credit	<a href="http://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives.htm">http://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives.htm</a>
U.S. Department of Energy	Business Credit of Energy-Efficient New Homes	Housing / Environmental - Financing	This tax credit benefits contractors who construct new energy-efficient homes that reduce annual energy consumption by 50%.	Businesses, Utilities, and Governments / Varies depending on type of structure and type of improvement	<a href="http://www.energy.gov/taxbreaks.htm">http://www.energy.gov/taxbreaks.htm</a>
U.S. Department of Energy	Database of Incentives/Policies for Renewables & Efficiency	Energy Efficiency Business and Public Sector Improvements	Extensive database of Incentives energy efficiency grants and assistance programs at the state, federal, and local levels.	Varies / Varies	<a href="http://www.dsireusa.org/">http://www.dsireusa.org/</a>
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Community Development Block Grant	Community Development - Capital and Financing	Annual Grant provided to municipalities to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environments. Primarily for low and middle income areas.	Municipalities 50k-200k annual grants / Formula set by HUD determines need. Ultimate range varies	<a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/</a>
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Empowerment Zone Employment Credit	Business/ Housing - Tax Credit	Credit against Federal taxes up to \$3,000 for businesses for each year of Empowerment Zone designation for every employee who lives and works in the Empowerment Zone. Business must be located in an Empowerment Zone.	Businesses, Must be in empowerment zone / Credit against taxes up \$3,000	<a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/rc/hudirs.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/rc/hudirs.cfm</a>

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US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Low Income Housing Tax Credits	Housing - Financial Assistance	The LIHTC program gives State and local LIHTC-allocating agencies the equivalent of nearly \$5 billion in annual budget authority to issue tax credits for the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of rental housing targeted to lower-income households.	State and local LIHTC-allocating agencies / Varies but projects are traditionally large in scale	<a href="http://www.huduser.org/datasets/lihtc.html">http://www.huduser.org/datasets/lihtc.html</a>
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Section 108 Loan Guarantee	Business - Financing	Section 108 is the loan guarantee provision of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Section 108 provides communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects.	Urban areas and Metropolitan Counties / Varies by size of project	<a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/section-108/">https://www.hudexchange.info/section-108/</a>
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Hope VI Main Street Grants	Housing - Capital	This grant program provides financing assistance for affordable housing in conjunction with the revitalization of downtown business districts.	Units of General Local Government / Varies	<a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/hope6/grants/mainstreet/">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/hope6/grants/mainstreet/</a>
US Department of Transportation	Bus and Bus Facilities Program	Transportation	This grant program provides funding for new and replacement buses and facilities.	Public bodies and agencies (transit authorities and other state and local public bodies and agencies thereof) including states, municipalities, other political subdivisions of states; public agencies and instrumentalities of one or more states; and certain public corporations, boards and commissions established under state law. / Varies - Funds are allocated on a discretionary basis.	<a href="http://www.fta.dot.gov/grants/13094_3557.html">http://www.fta.dot.gov/grants/13094_3557.html</a>
US Department of Transportation	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER)	Transportation	Provides a unique opportunity for the DOT to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects that promise to achieve critical national objectives.	Units of General Local Government / Varies	<a href="http://www.dot.gov/tiger">http://www.dot.gov/tiger</a>
U.S. Department of the Treasury	Business Start Up Cost Amortization	Business - Tax Credit	Business start-up and organizational costs are generally capital expenditures. However, you can elect to deduct up to \$5,000 of business start-up and \$5,000 of organizational costs paid or incurred after October 22, 2004.	For-profit organizations / Deductions of up to \$5,000	<a href="http://www.irs.gov/publications/p535/ch07.html#d0e4896">http://www.irs.gov/publications/p535/ch07.html#d0e4896</a>
U.S. Department of the Treasury	Community Development Financial Institutions Fund - Capital Magnet Fund	Housing - Financial Assistance	Provides competitively awarded grants to CDFIs and qualified nonprofit housing organizations to finance affordable housing and related community development projects.	CDFIs and qualified nonprofit housing / Varies	<a href="https://www.cdfifund.gov/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.cdfifund.gov/Pages/default.aspx</a>
U.S. Department of the Treasury	New Market Tax Credits	Housing - Financial Assistance	The New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program permits taxpayers to receive a credit against Federal income taxes for making qualified equity investments in designated Community Development Entities (CDEs).	Must be certified as a CDE by the Fund (Information about becoming a CDE are documented on the website) / Up to \$5,000,000	<a href="https://www.cdfifund.gov/programs-training/Programs/new-markets-tax-credit/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.cdfifund.gov/programs-training/Programs/new-markets-tax-credit/Pages/default.aspx</a>
U.S. Department of the Treasury	Work Opportunity Tax Credits (WOTC)	Business/ Housing - Tax Credit	Businesses can take a tax credit of up to \$2,400 for each 18-39 year-old new employee who lives in an EZ.	Businesses that hire 18-39 year old employees that live in an EZ / Up to \$2,400	<a href="http://www.doleta.gov/business/incentives/opptax/">http://www.doleta.gov/business/incentives/opptax/</a>

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U.S. Small Business Administration	Basic 7(a) Loan Guaranty	Business - Financing	This program helps qualified small business obtain financing when they might not be eligible for business loans through normal lending channels.	For profit, demonstrate need Max \$2 million loan. SBA will absorb \$1.5 million.	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/sba-loan-programs/7a-loan-program">http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/sba-loan-programs/7a-loan-program</a>
U.S. Small Business Administration	CDC/504 Program	Business - Financing	Program helps qualified small businesses obtain financing when they might not be eligible for business loans through normal lending channels	Manufactures are for profit, standard SBA business size./ 1 created/retained job for \$50,000 loaned.	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/content/cdc504-loan-program">http://www.sba.gov/content/cdc504-loan-program</a>
U.S. Small Business Administration	Microloan Program	Business - Financing	Provides very small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Under this program, SBA makes funds available to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers.	Startup, for-profit / \$500-\$25,000	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/content/microloan-program">http://www.sba.gov/content/microloan-program</a>
U.S. Small Business Administration	Prequalification Program	Business - Financing	Assists prospective borrowers in developing viable loan application packages and securing loans. Program targets low income borrowers, disabled business owners, new and emerging businesses, veterans, exports, rural and specialized industries.	Businesses / Up to \$250,000	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants">http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants</a>

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Abbott Laboratories	Abbott Laboratories Fund	Various	Provides support through cash grants to recipients who operate in the areas of health and welfare, education, culture, art, civic and public policy	501 (c) (3) U.S. Internal Revenue Service / Varies	<a href="http://www.abbottfund.org/">http://www.abbottfund.org/</a>
Alcoa Foundation	Alcoa Foundation	Various	Majority of their grants fit within one of the following areas: Conservation and Sustainability; Safe and Healthy Children and Families; Global Education in Science, Engineering, Technology, and Business; Business and Community Partnerships, and Workforce Skills Today for Tomorrow.	Alcoa Foundation gives priority consideration to programs and organizations in or near communities where Alcoa has a presence. / \$21 million in grants around the world	<a href="http://www.alcoa.com/global/en/community/foundation/overview.asp">http://www.alcoa.com/global/en/community/foundation/overview.asp</a>
Allstate	The Allstate Foundation	Various	Personal safety and security, neighborhood revitalization and financial planning and education. Examples of funded projects include: fire safety; child safety advocacy; structured after-school programs with initiatives safeguard against gangs and delinquency; automobile passenger safety; and anti-drinking and driving programs.	The Allstate Foundation makes grants to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. / Varies	<a href="http://www.allstate.com/foundation/">http://www.allstate.com/foundation/</a>
American Institute of Architects	Sustainable Design Assessment Teams (SDAT)	Planning	The SDAT program is a community assistance program that focuses on the principles of sustainability. SDATs bring teams of volunteer professionals (such as architects, urban designers, landscape architects, planners, hydrologists, economists, attorneys, and others) to work with community decision-makers and stakeholders to help them develop a vision and framework for a sustainable future.	Municipalities / Technical Assistance	<a href="http://www.aia.org/about/initiatives/AIAS075425?divid=&amp;recspec=AIAS075425">http://www.aia.org/about/initiatives/AIAS075425?divid=&amp;recspec=AIAS075425</a>
Annenberg Foundation	Civic and Community Grants	Various	Education and youth development; arts, culture and humanities; civic and community life; health and human services; and animal services and the environment.	Communities and Non-Profits / Varies	<a href="https://www.annenberg.org/what-we-do/grantmaking">https://www.annenberg.org/what-we-do/grantmaking</a>
Bank of America Foundation	Bank of America Foundation Grant Program aimed at improving local communities	Various	To be a catalyst by investing in community catalysts to ensure economic vibrancy and growth. In fact, more than 85% of our total philanthropic spend directly impacts local communities. In addition to our general community funding priorities of Arts and Culture, Community Development, Education, and Health and Human Services, our local market presidents and their local community leaders also support Environment and Youth Development programs.	Non profits - National and Targeted Chicago and Southern Illinois Markets / 1.5 billion 10 year giving goal started in 2004	<a href="http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation">http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation</a>
Bikes Belong	People for Bikes (promoting bicycle usage)	Bicycle	Putting more people on bicycles more often. Fundable projects include paved bike paths and rail-trails as well as mountain bike trails, bike parks, BMX facilities, and large-scale bicycle advocacy initiatives.	Nonprofit organizations whose missions are bicycle and/or trail specific. Also accept applications from public agencies and departments at the national, state, regional, and local levels; municipalities must partner with a local bicycle advocacy. / Applicants can request up to \$10,000 each.	<a href="http://www.peopleforbikes.org/">http://www.peopleforbikes.org/</a>

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Calvert Foundation	Calvert Foundation	Various	Calvert Foundation makes loans to community development organizations that focus on affordable housing, small business, microcredit and other community development.	Community development financial institutions (CDFI), and other organizations, including community development corporations, community loan funds, community banks and credit unions, social enterprises and micro finance institutions. /Varies	<a href="http://www.calvertfoundation.org/lending">http://www.calvertfoundation.org/lending</a>
Citi Group	Citi Foundation	Various	Citi Foundation supports Community Development programs to help physically revitalize neighborhoods and create economically vibrant communities	Unknown /Varies	<a href="http://www.citigroup.com/citi/foundation/index.htm">http://www.citigroup.com/citi/foundation/index.htm</a>
Clinton Foundation	Clinton Economic Opportunity Initiative - Entrepreneurship Programs	Economic Development	Entrepreneurship is a critical pathway to the middle class for individuals and economic growth for communities. CEO's entrepreneurship efforts are promoting economic growth in economically distressed and emerging communities. Learn more about CEO's Entrepreneurship Programs.	Various /Varies	<a href="http://www.clintonfoundation.org/">http://www.clintonfoundation.org/</a>
Enterprise Foundation	Green Communities Planning and Construction Grants	Green Housing - Planning and Capital	Green Communities is a five-year, \$550 million initiative developed through a partnership between the Enterprise Foundation/Enterprise Social Investment Corporation and the Natural Resources Defense Council to ensure smarter, healthier homes for Americans with limited incomes. The goal of the Initiative is to transform the way communities think about, design, and build affordable homes. The Initiative offers grants to help cover the costs of planning and implementing green components of affordable housing projects, as well as tracking their costs and benefits. Capital funding opportunities are also available.	The Initiative will provide financing, grants, and technical assistance to developers to build more than 8,500 rental and for-sale homes that promote health, conserve energy, and natural resources, and enhance access to jobs, schools, and services. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. /Varies	<a href="http://www.enterprisecommunity.com/solutions-and-innovation/enterprise-green-communities">http://www.enterprisecommunity.com/solutions-and-innovation/enterprise-green-communities</a>
FedEx Social Responsibility Program	FedEx Social Responsibility Program	Bikes and Peds	Pedestrian and Child Safety - Safety is a core value of FedEx, and it is the first consideration in all operations. We currently partner with the National SAFE KIDS Campaign to promote child and pedestrian safety around the world. We also support other organizations that work to enhance the safety of children and transportation systems.	Selected charities must be registered 501(c)(3) organizations in good financial and public standing. /Varies	<a href="http://www.fedex.com/am/about/socialresponse/community.html">http://www.fedex.com/am/about/socialresponse/community.html</a>
Ford Foundation	Ford Foundation	Various	Types of support include grants, recoverable grants, loans and loan guarantees. Issue Areas: Democratic and Accountable Government ,Peace and Social Justice, Human Rights, Social Justice Philanthropy, Economic Fairness and Opportunity, Asset Building and Community Development, Natural Resources and Sustainable Development, Access to Education, Knowledge, Creativity and Freedom, Freedom of Expression, Sexuality and Reproductive Health and Rights	501 c 3, Government Agencies, Universities and more / Funding amount varies based on project	<a href="http://www.fordfound.org/">http://www.fordfound.org/</a>
Google	Google Grants	Advertising/ Information Sharing	Provides in-kind keyword advertising using Google AdWords so you can connect directly with your target audience.	501(c)(3) / In-Kind Programming/ Advertising	<a href="http://www.google.com/grants/details.html">http://www.google.com/grants/details.html</a>

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Grand Victoria Foundation	Core Program	Economic Development and Environment	Highest priority is given to efforts that focus on long-term solutions; are multidisciplinary and collaborative; that effectively address barriers of race and class, promote civic engagement, and attract additional investment. Grand Victoria is interested in programs that strengthen and build the fields of practice the foundation supports; help identify emerging trends; and/or test new ways to solve persistent problems in those fields. Core areas include Economic Development, Education and Environment.	To be considered for funding, an organization must be registered with the IRS as a 501(c)(3) public charity. They support organizations in Illinois whose work is a strong fit with their guidelines and strategies.	<a href="http://www.grandvictoriafdn.org/index.php?option=com_content&amp;task=view&amp;id=89">http://www.grandvictoriafdn.org/index.php?option=com_content&amp;task=view&amp;id=89</a>
Home Depot	Community Impacts Grant Program	Various	Grants are for community improvement projects that include activities such as construction or refurbishment of affordable or transitional housing, building, rebuilding, painting, refurbishing, increasing energy efficiency or sustainability, landscaping, planting of native trees, community facility improvements, and the development and/or improvement of green spaces. Grants must support work completed by community volunteers in the United States.	Only registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, tax-exempt public schools, and tax-exempt public agencies in the U.S. are eligible to apply. / Awards grants of up to \$2,500 Grants are made in the form of the Home Depot gift cards for the purchase or tools or materials.	<a href="https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants">https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants</a>
HSBC	HSBC in the Community Foundation	Environment, Education, and Community Support	Focusing on education and the environment, HSBC also has a focus on participating in local community initiatives in which they operate.	501(C)(3) public charities. In addition, public schools and school districts or other government agencies are eligible to receive grants under IRS rules. / Varies	<a href="http://www.us.hsbc.com/1/2/home/about/corporate-sustainability/community">http://www.us.hsbc.com/1/2/home/about/corporate-sustainability/community</a>
IL Clean Energy Foundation	Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation Grant	Environment, Structure	The Foundation funds projects in three core program areas: improving energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources, and preserving and enhancing natural areas and wildlife habitat throughout Illinois.	Funding to federally recognized 501c3 nonprofit organizations and state and local government agencies serving Illinois residents./ Varies	<a href="http://www.illinoiscleanenergy.org">www.illinoiscleanenergy.org</a>
Kaboom Playground Opportunities	Kaboom Playground Opportunities	Park - Playground Equipment	Work with communities to build new safe playgrounds.	Ideal Community Partners are usually child-serving, non-profit organizations but could be community development organizations, neighborhood coalitions, charter schools, or any organization that can mobilize a volunteer force and is in need of a playground. / Varies but require a substantial amount of public participating and some funding from communities	<a href="http://www.kaboom.org">http://www.kaboom.org</a>
Kresge Foundation	Community Development	Community Development, Infrastructure and Environment	Support the capital needs of community development organizations working in rural, urban and older-suburban neighborhoods to enhance grassroots participation, resident empowerment, physical revitalization, neighborhood cohesion, wealth-building, housing, and, in some cases, youth opportunity.	Government entities, 501(c)(3) organizations that are not classified as private foundations and more / Varies	<a href="http://kresge.org/social-investment/community-development-trust">http://kresge.org/social-investment/community-development-trust</a>

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Local Government Commission	Services	Technical Assistance	<p>The non-profit Local Government Commission provides customized, fee-based technical assistance to communities through contract planning and design services. The LGC staff has expertise in planning, public participation, visioning, renewable energy resources and development of livable communities.</p> <p>Technical assistance is offered in three broad categories: Educational Services, Participatory Planning and Visioning, Policy Development Assistance</p>	Municipalities / Technical Assistance	<a href="http://www.lgc.org/what-we-do/services">http://www.lgc.org/what-we-do/services</a>
Metropolitan Life Foundation	Metropolitan Life Foundation	Various	Supporting various educational, health and welfare, and civic and cultural organizations. Their goals are to strengthen communities, promote good health and improve education. The Foundation makes grants nationally in the areas of health, education, culture, civic affairs, and social investment programs.	501(c)3 / In 2016, the MetLife Foundation made USD 43 million in contributions, with 70 percent going to financial inclusion grants. Focus areas in 2016 included: Community development, housing, financial inclusion, and the environment.	<a href="https://www.metlife.com/metlife-foundation/index.html">https://www.metlife.com/metlife-foundation/index.html</a>
National Association of Realtors (NAR)	Smart Growth Action Grants	Planning, Policy, Community Organization	NAR's Smart Growth Action Grant program is available to support your efforts to implement programs and activities that position REALTORS as leaders in improving their communities by advancing smart growth. NAR's Smart Growth Action Grants are intended to help your association and members initiate and sustain an active role in bringing smart growth development principles to your community.	Municipalities and home owner associations / Maximum of \$5,000 per year	<a href="http://www.realtoractioncenter.com/for-associations/smartgrowth/smart-growth-action-grants.html">http://www.realtoractioncenter.com/for-associations/smartgrowth/smart-growth-action-grants.html</a>
The Oak Hill Fund	Environmentally Sustainable Affordable Design program	Planning	The Oak Hill Fund provides support to national, regional, and local organizations through several grant making programs. The Environmentally Sustainable Affordable Design program promotes the incorporation of the principles of sustainable development into the design of affordable construction, with a primary focus on residential housing.	Requests are accepted from throughout the U.S. The Application Process begins with a Letter of Inquiry submitted through their online system. / Various	<a href="http://www.oakhillfund.org/">http://www.oakhillfund.org/</a>
The Orton Family Foundation and Placematters.com	Community Viz	Planning and Consensus Building	The Orton Family Foundation is an "operating" foundation, which means that instead of making grants, they bring resources together in creative entrepreneurial ways to create tools, educational programs and templates that can be replicated in rural communities that are actively grappling with growth community planning issues. The foundation provides one-on-one assistance to communities and regions to improve their capacity for decision-making. They've also created "CommunityViz"-an interactive software tool for professional planners, citizen planners, landowners, and interested citizens. With this software, communities can visualize and evaluate different land use patterns and make informed decisions on issues specific to their own communities.	Communities and Regions / Technical Assistance	<a href="https://www.orton.org/">https://www.orton.org/</a>

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Project for Public Spaces (PPS)	Project for Public Spaces (PPS)	Planning and Research	PPS is a non-profit organization dedicated to creating and sustaining public places that build communities. PPS provides technical assistance, education, and research through programs in parks, plazas and central squares; buildings and civic architecture; transportation and public markets.	Municipalities / Technical Assistance	<a href="http://www.pps.org">http://www.pps.org</a>
Public Welfare Foundation	Public Welfare Foundation	Various	Funding is focused in eight program areas: criminal justice, disadvantaged elderly, disadvantaged youth, environment, health, population and reproductive health, community economic development and participation, and human rights and global security.	501(c)3 / Varies	<a href="http://www.publicwelfare.org/">http://www.publicwelfare.org/</a>
Rails to Trails Conservancy	Lists a myriad of funding sources	Bike Ped	Organization lists a large variety of state, federal, and foundation grants for funding trails.	Varies depending on grant source / Varies depending on source and program.	<a href="http://www.railstotrails.org/whatwedo/trailbuilding/technicalassistance/toolbox/20080710_funding_financing.html">http://www.railstotrails.org/whatwedo/trailbuilding/technicalassistance/toolbox/20080710_funding_financing.html</a>
Rockefeller Foundation	Various programs, including environment, transportation, urban development	Various	A focus area is: Addressing the risks of accelerating urbanization - shaping efforts in planning, finance, infrastructure, and governance to manage a world in which, for the first time in history, more people live in urban communities than rural ones.	Open - submit ideas / Varies	<a href="https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/what-we-fund/">https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/what-we-fund/</a>
Center for Community Progress	National Vacant Properties Campaign	Technical Assistance	National Vacant Properties Campaign is a collaboration of four leading national organizations, Smart Growth America (SGA), Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), the International City and County Management Association (ICMA), and the Metropolitan Institute at Virginia Tech (MI). NVPC is leveraging the expertise of partners, practitioners, and national experts to offer a range of training and technical assistance services to communities seeking to improve state and local systems for revitalizing vacant and abandoned properties.	Municipalities / Technical Assistance	<a href="http://www.communityprogress.net/">http://www.communityprogress.net/</a>
US Green Building Council	Affordable Green Neighborhoods Grant Program	Housing - Green Buildings	With support from the Bank of America Foundation, the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is offering a grant program that recognizes affordable housing developers who are committed to building sustainable communities. The Affordable Green Neighborhoods Grant Program awards grants and provide educational resources to affordable housing developers and related public agencies who choose to pursue LEED for Neighborhood Development certification. Preference will be given to qualifying projects that meet additional goals, including the redevelopment of infill and previously developed sites, effort to strengthen the surrounding neighborhoods, commitment to engage stakeholders in the development process, and the provision of green housing for a range of income levels.	Affordable housing developers and related public agencies who choose to pursue LEED for Neighborhood Development certification. / A cash award of approximately \$25,000, which may be used to pursue LEED-ND certification and many other extras.	<a href="http://www.usgbc.org/articles/affordable-green-neighborhoods-grant-program">http://www.usgbc.org/articles/affordable-green-neighborhoods-grant-program</a>
Wal-Mart Foundation	Wal-mart Store and Sam's Club Giving Programs	Various	Supports programs and initiatives in four main areas of focus: Education, Workforce Development / Economic Opportunity, Health & Wellness and Environmental Sustainability.	Municipalities, Schools, Non-Profits, Churches / Varies	<a href="http://giving.walmart.com/walmart-foundation/community">http://giving.walmart.com/walmart-foundation/community</a>