





### PURPOSE

Paul Umano, Senior Grants Development Specialist OCPC, newly hired to assist our 17 and cities and towns identify grant opportunities in addition to educating and assisting these communities to make informed decisions about applying to federal, state, and foundational grant opportunities.





# Access to Updates



#### **MONTHLY WEBINAR SERIES:**

Identifies upcoming grant opportunities and provides helpful tips for communities to make informed decisions.



#### **WEBSITE:**

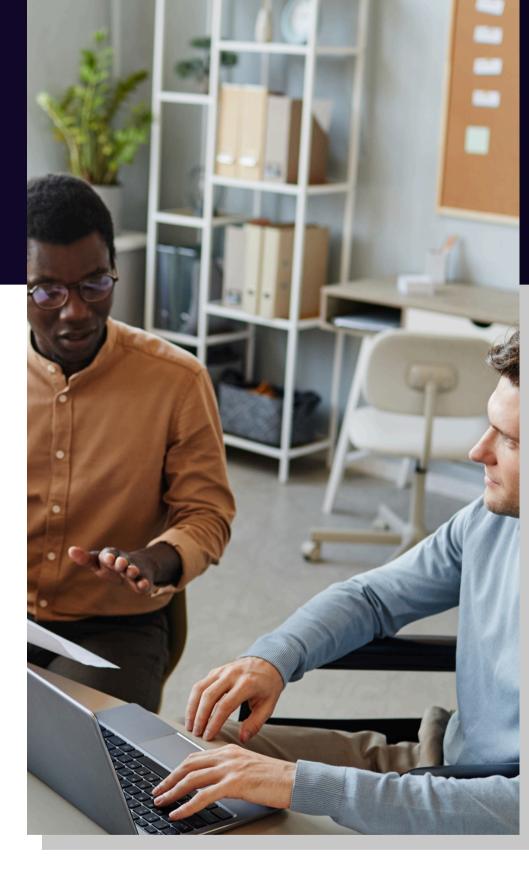
www.OldColonyPlanning.org/resources/grant



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#### **Discretionary Grants**

- Appropriated by the federal or state government
- Based on a competitive process
- Unique evaluation criteria

#### Formula Grants

- Based on formula set by state or federal law
- Non-competitive awards
- Own set of criteria to determine eligibility



# Planning Grants & Implementation (Construction) Grants

- Typically, federal and state discretionary programs require at least 25% design and/or engineering to be complete.
- May be requirements for eligibility entities to have specific studies completed.
- Exceptions depend on the program & whether the eligible entity can demonstrate preliminary planning requirements have been met.

#### Rolling Deadlines

- Specific sets of deadlines that will roll out depending on program tract and grant award cycle
- Not tied to a specific day or time constraint but accepted at any point during open application period



#### Benefit-Cost Analysis

- Often Required with Federal Discretionary Grants
  - Implementation or Construction Grants
- May or May Not be a Template Included
  - US DOT has Developed Own Template for Prospective Applications
  - Typically, agencies will provide detailed instructions.

#### Non-Federal Match

- Source of Match Funding
- Uses Vary
  - Can Include Cash or In-Kind Sources
- Typically Required with Federal Grants



### Community One Stop for Growth

**AMOUNT: VARIES** 

**DEADLINE: 2/9-4/30 (EOI)** 

5/6-6/5 (Full Application)

- Single application portal and collaborative review process to access a service of grant programs to support community economic development.
- Allows applicants to apply for multiple grants at once with a standard application.
- Programs integrated into the process include: Executive Office of Economic Development; Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities; MassDevelopment





### **MVP Action Grant**

AMOUNT: \$25,000-\$3 Million plus 10% Match

**DEADLINE:** April 24, 2024

- Open to municipalities who have completed the Community Resilience Building (CRB) process and received "MVP Community" designation from EEA.
- Offers financial resources to communities seeking to address climate change impacts resulting from extreme weather, sea level rise, inland and coastal flooding, severe heat, and other climate impacts.
- Project types include: Planning, Assessments, Capacity-Building, and Regulatory Updates; Design & Permitting; Construction and On-the-Ground Implementation.
- Projects must meet core principles





## Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- Allocates in competitive and formulaic funding
- Available to municipalities, states, rural, tribal, and Region Planning Agencies
- Focus is tied to infrastructure improvements in:
  - Transportation,
  - Climate,
  - Energy,
  - Environment;
  - and Broadband
- Funding also appropriated to:
  - Departments of Commerce, Agriculture, and Energy

## Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

- Provides additional funding to address clean energy and climate change
- Assists both residents and local governments
- Includes tax provisions resulting in:
  - Savings on energy bills
  - Accelerate the Deployment of Clean Energy
  - Clean Vehicles
  - Clean Buildings, and
  - Clean Manufacturing

Provisions offer additional credits to low-income communities









- Document Safety Problems
- Protect Motorized & Non-Motorized
  Travelers
- Protect Communities from Health & Safety Risks
- Safe System Approach Model
  - Address and Mitigate Risks of Crashes
  - Prevent & Minimize Harm



- Reduce Air Pollution & Greenhouse Gas Emissions Caused by Transportation
- Increase Use of Lower Carbon Modes of Travel:
  - Lower-Carbon Pavement
  - Construction Materials







- Improve Quality of Life
- Increase Equity and Accessibility
- Reduce Transportation and Housing Cost Burdens
- Facilitate Grater Public and Private Investments
- Remove Physical Barriers for Individuals and Communities
- Address Racial Equity and Barriers



- Encourage Individuals and Communities to Move Around Freely Without a Car
- Create Neighborhoods to Live, Work and Play
- ADA Requirements & Accessibility







- Increase Travel Time Reliability
- Manage Travel Demand
- Improve Local & Freight Connectivity
- Increase Affordable Transportation Options
- Increase Access to Location-Efficient Affordable Housing
- Tourism Opportunities
- Create Good Paying Jobs
- Strong Labor Standards, Practices, and Policies
- Planning Methods to Provide Opportunities for All Workers



#### State of Good Repair

- Restore and Modernize Core Infrastructure Assets
- Address Current or Projected System Vulnerabilities
- Improve Asset Condition for Ongoing State of Good Repair



- Engage Communities Affected by Project
- Demonstrate Equity
- Public Involvement Plan/Targeted Outreach





## Innovative Technologies/ Project Delivery/ Financing

- Describe innovative strategies used and the benefits of using those strategies including:
  - Innovative Technologies
    - demonstrate capacity to implement innovations
    - understand Federal requirements
    - may require extraordinary permitting, approvals, exemptions, waivers or other procedural actions.
  - Innovative Project Delivery-
    - Plans to use innovative approaches to project delivery
    - public-private partnerships and
    - how improve the efficiency of the project development.
  - Innovative Financing
    - describe the funding or finance approach



# Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

**AMOUNT:** \$10 Million max. (Planning & Demonstration Grants)

\$25 Million max. (Implementation Award)

DEADLINE: May 16, 5:00pm and August 29, 5:00pm

- Supports planning infrastructure, behavioral, operational initiatives to prevent death and serious injuries on roads and streets
- Three program tracts: Planning Grants, Demonstration Grants, Implementation Grants

\*Before an applicant can apply for an implementation grant, they must have an approved Safety Action Plan.

A 20% Non-Federal Match is required: In-Kind & cash contributions towards local match.





## Community Change Grants Program

AMOUNT: \$10-\$20 Million (Community-Driven Investments for Change)

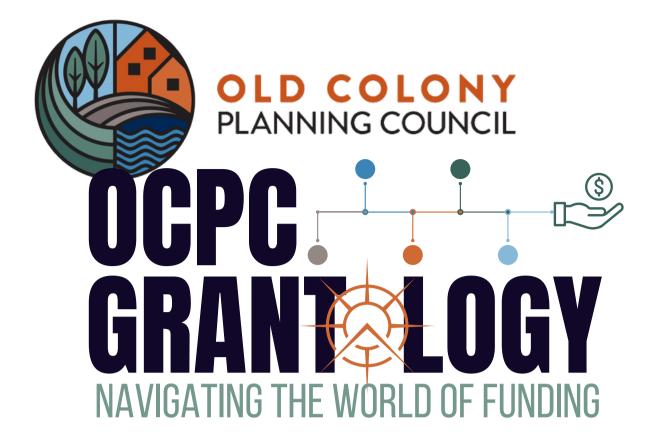
\$1-\$3 Million (Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance)

**DEADLINE:** November 21, 2024

- Provides funds in environmental and climate justice activities to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity.
- Track I: Community-Driven Investments for Change Increase community resilience through climate action activities; Reduce local pollution to improve public health; Center meaningful community engagement; Build community strength; Reach priority poluations; Maximise integration across projects
- Track II: Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance For facilitating engagement of disadvantages communities in State & Federal advisory groups, workshops, rulemaking, and other public processes









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