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Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

The RTP provides funds to the States to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both nonmotorized and motorized recreational trail uses. The RTP is an assistance program of the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Federal transportation funds benefit recreation including hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, equestrian use, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, off-road motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle riding, four-wheel driving, or using other off-road motorized vehicles.

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Website: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/

Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act or "FAST Act"

The FAST Act authorizes $305 billion over fiscal years 2016 through 2020 for highway, highway and motor vehicle safety, public transportation, motor carrier safety, hazardous materials safety, rail, and research, technology, and statistics programs. The FAST Act maintains our focus on safety, keeps intact the established structure of the various highway-related programs we manage, continues efforts to streamline project delivery and, for the first time, provides a dedicated source of federal dollars for freight projects.

Office of the Under Secretary for Policy
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, DC 20590
Phone: 202-366-4540
Email: https://www.transportation.gov/fastact/

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act was signed into law in December 2015. The act, which supports transit funding through fiscal year 2020, reauthorizes FTA programs and includes changes to improve mobility, streamline capital project construction and acquisition, and increase the safety of public transportation systems across the country. The act's five years of predictable formula funding enables transit agencies to better manage long-term assets and address the backlog of state of good repair needs. It also includes funding for new competitive grant programs for buses and bus facilities, innovative transportation coordination, workforce training, and public transportation research activities. Search the list of transit grant programs by keyword or type.

Office of Program Management Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E. Washington, DC 20590
Phone: 202-366-2053
Website: https://www.transit.dot.gov/grants

Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

The federal transportation act SAFETEA-LU designated $612 million over five years for Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programs in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, to be administered by State Departments of Transportation (DOT). The Federal Highway Administration is the federal agency designated with oversight of the SRTS program funds. State DOTs are required to comply with the federal legislation, specifically section 1404. The SRTS National Partnership created this Five Steps to Federal Funding fact sheet to help explain the basic process that states and local communities go through to spend the federal SRTS funds. Call for Applications may take place annually or every two years.

Website: https://www.saferoutespartnership.org/california
Five Steps to Federal Funding: https://www.saferoutespartnership.org/sites/default/files/pdf/Five_Steps_to_Federal_Funding.pdf

Transportation Enhancement (TE) Activities

The Transportation Enhancement (TE) activities offered funding opportunities to help expand transportation choices and enhance the transportation experience through 12 eligible TE activities related to surface transportation, including pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and safety programs, scenic and historic highway programs, landscaping and scenic beautification, historic preservation, and environmental mitigation. TE projects must relate to surface transportation and must qualify under one or more of the 12 eligible categories.

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Cap and Trade

Cap-and-trade is a market based regulation that is designed to reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs) from multiple sources. Cap-and-trade sets a firm limit or cap on GHGs and minimize the compliance costs of achieving AB 32 goals. The cap will decline approximately 3 percent each year beginning in 2013. Trading creates incentives to reduce GHGs below allowable levels through investments in clean technologies. With a carbon market, a price on carbon is established for GHGs. Market forces spur technological innovation and investments in clean energy. Cap-and-trade is an environmentally effective and economically efficient response to climate change.

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Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant Program

Sustainable Communities Grants to encourage local and regional planning that furthers state goals, including, but not limited to, the goals and best practices cited in the Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission. Strategic Partnerships Grants to identify and address statewide, interregional, or regional transportation deficiencies on the State highway system in partnership with Caltrans. The transit component that will fund planning projects that address multimodal transportation deficiencies with a focus on transit. Adaptation Planning Grants to support planning actions at local and regional levels that advance climate change efforts on the transportation system.
FY 2019-20 is closed. Visit the website below for the next anticipated schedule. Workshops begin as early as June.

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Active Transportation Program (ATP)

The purpose of ATP is to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation by achieving the following goals: Increase the proportion of trips accomplished by biking and walking, Increase safety and mobility for non-motorized users, Advance the active transportation efforts of regional agencies to achieve greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction goals, pursuant to SB 375 (of 2008) and SB 341 (of 2009), Enhance public health, Ensure that disadvantaged communities fully share in the benefits of the program, and Provide a broad spectrum of projects to benefit many types of active transportation users.

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ATP Cycle 5 Technical Assistance: Safe Routes to School National Partnership

Rivers & Mountain Conservancy (Prop 1)

Proposition 1 funds will be awarded for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration, and protection of land and water resources consistent with the RMC statutes, the Proposition 1 goals identified in the California Water Action Plan and statewide plans and priorities. The RMC will seek to prioritize multi-beneficial and multi-jurisdictional ecosystem and watershed protection projects in accordance with statewide priorities. A proposed project must be consistent with Proposition 1 bond language, RMC Common Ground, the California Water Action Plan, and California State Assembly Bill 530 Lower Los Angeles River Working Group’s Revitalization Plan.

RMC’s Prop. 1 Call for Projects was closed December 2018. Visit the website for the next round.
Phone: 626-815-1019 Email: RMCProp1@rmc.ca.gov
Website: http://www.rmc.ca.gov
Guidelines Website: http://www.rmc.ca.gov/Prop1/FINAL_RMCGrantGuidelines_Sept2018_09172018.pdf

Rivers & Mountain Conservancy (Prop 68)

All projects funded by the RMC with Proposition 68 grant funds must be consistent with the RMC’s enabling legislation Common Ground from the Mountains to the Sea (Common Ground), Open Space Plan Phase II Final Report, and the San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan which was adopted by the RMC in 2001 for the distribution of grant funds.

Step 1 Applications are anticipated to be received Spring 2019.
Tier 1 applicants will be notified of their status by RMC anticipated Summer 2019
Tier 2 projects will be posted during Summer 2019 to the RMC website.

Grant Program Prop 68
100 N Old San Gabriel Canyon Rd. Azusa, CA 91702
Phone: 626-815-1019 Email: Prop68@rmc.ca.gov
Website: http://www.rmc.ca.gov
Guidelines Website: http://www.rmc.ca.gov/grants/Prop68/RMC_Prop%2068_Grant%20Guidelines_Final_01222019.pdf
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

California’s Local HSIP focuses on infrastructure projects with nationally recognized crash reduction factors (CRFs). Local HSIP projects must be identified on the basis of crash experience, crash potential, crash rate, or other data-supported means. HSIP funds are eligible for work on any public road or publicly owned bicycle or pedestrian pathway or trail, or on tribal lands for general use of tribal members, that improves the safety for its users. Normally HSIP calls for projects are made at an interval of one to two years. Prior to beginning the preparation of an HSIP application, agencies should ensure that they are in good standing with respect to the Safety Program Delivery Requirements and are eligible to receive new HSIP funding.

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Website: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/apply_now.htm
Guidelines Website: http://dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/HSIP/2016/HSIP-Guidelines.pdf

Office of Traffic Safety Grant Opportunities

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety: Drivers of motor vehicles need to share the road with pedestrians and bicyclists. They need to know the rules of the road and how to protect themselves in traffic. OTS grantees develop programs to increase awareness of traffic rules, rights, and responsibilities among various age groups. These programs are developed to be attractive and interactive in an effort to truly impact students. Website: https://www.ots.ca.gov/grants/pedestrian-and-bicycle-safety/

Roadway Safety and Traffic Records: Roadway Safety programs concentrate on the vehicle operating environment and are strongly influenced by enforcement, engineering, and utilizing relevant data generated by those activities to improve roadway safety and traffic records. Website: https://www.ots.ca.gov/grants/roadway-safety-and-traffic-records/

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Website: https://www.ots.ca.gov/grants/

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Administered by the National Park Service, the LWCF State and Local Assistance Program provides matching grants to state, local and tribal governments to create and expand parks, develop recreation facilities, and further local recreation plans. Each year, funds are distributed to every U.S. state and territory using a population-based formula. Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grants provide funding for the acquisition or development of land to create new outdoor recreation opportunities for the health and wellness of Californians.

The next competitive cycle will occur in 2020 at the earliest.

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State-legislated Safe Routes To School (SR2S) Program

California was the first state in the country to legislate a Safe Routes to School program with the enactment of AB 1475 in 1999. Eight years later, in 2007, AB 57 extended the program indefinitely with funding provided from the State Highway Account. On September 7, 2011, AB 516 amended the Safe Routes to School program by revising the rating factors in scoring project applications.

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Grade Crossing Protection Maintenance Fund

The purpose of the Railroad/Highway At-Grade Crossing Program is to reduce the number and severity of highway accidents by eliminating hazards to vehicles and pedestrians at existing railroad crossings. Project availability includes railroad/highway at-grade crossing improvement projects include, but are not limited to, installation and improvement of railroad protection systems at grade crossings. The program reflects the railway-highway program reporting requirements as presented under the under Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act protocols, as shown on the Federal Highway Administration website.

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Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Grant Program

The California Natural Resources Agency is no longer accepting applications for the 2018 EEM Program Grant Cycle. If you would like to stay informed about future funding opportunities, please sign up for our mailing list.

EEM is an annual program with the next solicitation expected in April of 2019.

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SCAG Grants - Active Transportation Program

ATP funding is awarded to projects in the SCAG region through two funding programs: the Statewide ATP and SCAG’s Regional ATP. The statewide guidelines and regional guidelines provide direction on project selection for each of the respective programs. There is a consolidated Call for Projects for both funding programs issued by the California Transportation Commission in Spring of every even year (ex 2018) to solicit applications for all eligible project types. In addition, SCAG issues a supplemental Call for Projects, in coordination with the SCAG Sustainability Planning Grant Program in the Fall of every even year, for specific types of Planning and Non-Infrastructure Projects ONLY that implement regional priorities and expand the reach of regional programs. 2019 ATP Call for Projects is CLOSED.

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SCAG Grants - Livable Corridors & Transit-Oriented Development Planning Planning

The 2016 RTP/SCS anticipates that a significant amount of the region’s new housing, population and employment growth will occur in transit rich, mixed use corridors. These “Livable Corridors,” which will feature bus rapid transit (BRT) and frequent bus service are located in communities throughout the SCAG region. Livable Corridors will support higher density residential development oriented to transit use, mixed-use centers, and employment hubs at key intersections, as well as increased active transportation through dedicated bikeways and applying a “complete streets” approach. 2019 Call for Projects is CLOSED.

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SCAG Grants - Heat Island Reduction with Urban Greening and Cool Streets

Green Region Initiative Project Type: Strategies for shaded pathways to/from transit; first/last mile investments; increased resiliency to warming urban air temperatures through trees and landscaping, reduced impervious surfaces, and cool street surface treatments. Paved surfaces and other non-reflective surfaces absorb heat during the day and release it at night, inflating overnight temperatures. Urban heat islands limit mobility by inhibiting human-powered modes of transportation such as walking and biking; increase energy demands; raise air pollution levels; and cause heat-related illness. 2019 ATP Call for Projects is CLOSED.

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Air Quality Improvements (AQMD) Incentives & Programs

SCAQMD offers a broad range of programs for businesses, the community, and local government that help to achieve cleaner air quality for all. Many of these programs offer financial incentives for implementing new clean air technologies. Some provide partnerships and new ways of addressing air quality issues throughout the South Coast Basin. SCAQMD also offers training and certification that improve regulatory compliance and support the development of cleaner products and equipment.

SCAQMD offers a range of programs. Visit the website below for the list.

Incentives & Programs Website: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/programs/local-government

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

The CDBG program is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs. The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. The annual CDBG appropriation is allocated between States and local jurisdictions called “non-entitlement” and “entitlement” communities respectively. Entitlement communities are comprised of central cities of Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs); metropolitan cities with populations of at least 50,000; and qualified urban counties with a population of 200,000 or more (excluding the populations of entitlement cities). HUD determines the amount of each grant by using a formula comprised of several measures of community need, including the extent of poverty, population, housing overcrowding, age of housing, and population growth lag in relationship to other metropolitan areas.

CDBG offers a range of programs. Visit the website below for the list.

Programs Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs

How to use funds. A Collection of online technical assistance products:
http://www.hudexchange.info/community-development/cdbg-ta-products/
Port of Long Beach Community Grants

This Community Grants Program invests in community projects outside the Harbor District to minimize port impacts related to air, noise, water, and traffic. The CGP prioritizes projects in the neighborhoods and corridors where these impacts are most acutely felt. It builds upon the success of the Port’s previous mitigation grant programs, and provides additional funding for community programs and capital projects with long-lasting neighborhood benefits.

Phone: 562-283-7133  Email: grants@polb.com
General Grants Website: http://www.polb.com/environment/grants/default.asp
Website: http://www.polb.com/environment/grants/grantopportunities.asp
Priority/Eligibility Zone Map: Download the Priority/Eligibility Zone Map for the Community Grants program.

Measure W

Measure W, also known as the Safe, Clean Water Program (Program), was successfully passed with more than 2/3 of the vote on the November 2018 ballot. The results were certified by the LA County Registrar and recorded on November 30, 2018. The Program provides a regional solution to increase water supply, improve water quality, and provide community enhancements. The Program will be implemented by the LA County Flood Control District (District).

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Website: https://safecleanwaterla.org

Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grants

Provides funding for the cost of collection, removal, transportation, recycling and disposal of California waste tires from illegal tire piles and areas where illegal dumping has occurred along public rights-of-way.

Application will open Late-2019
Website: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/Cleanup/

Local Government Waste Tire Amnesty Grants

Provides funding to local governments to hold date specific events for the public to recycle their waste tires at convenient locations.

Applications DUE March 5, 2019
Website: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/Cleanup/

Rubberized Pavement (TRP) Grant Program

Provides assistance to local governments to fund rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC) projects including hot mix and chip seal. (formerly called the Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Grant Program).

Application will open Summer-2019
Website: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/Pavement/

Tire-Derived Aggregate (TDA) Grants

This grant program provides assistance to local governments utilizing tire-derived aggregate as an alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates in civil engineering projects.

Opens Late-2019
Website: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/TDA/

Tire-Derived Product (TDP) Grant Program

This grant program provides funding to certain entities for tire-derived products made from 100 percent California generated waste tires. Projects generally fall into one of three categories: agricultural/landscape, recreational, or transportation.

Application will open Spring-2019
Website: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/tires/grants/product/

Local Government Waste Tire Enforcement Grants

This grant program provides funding to local agencies in California for waste tire enforcement activities.

Opens Late 2019
Website: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/Enforcement/