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Land Water and Conservation Grant

LWCF grant requirements

The project will have to be started in 2026 and filed in 2026 for funding by 2027.

1. Key components are still missing for this 2025 funding year scoring is too low to apply this year.
2. Continue gathering key information to ensure we meet all requirements in the application process and acquiring the grant funds.

New grant opportunities

- ADA compliance/handicap accessibility to City Park
 - Working on CDBG grants for ada
 - See mailer updates at top of report
- Park Bathrooms

Prefabricated bathrooms are available and can be used with this grant.

Development (DED)

The DED manages several programs that benefit smaller cities like Class 4 municipalities.

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG): This federal pass-through program offers funds for infrastructure improvements (streets, water, sewer), community facilities (senior centers), and economic development, primarily for low-to-moderate-income residents. In Missouri, it serves cities with populations under 50,000.

CDBG Downtown Revitalization: This grant focuses on restoring downtown areas through infrastructure improvements and façade renovations for commercial buildings. It is an open, year-round cycle.

CDBG Water/Wastewater: This program provides funds for construction and improvement of publicly-owned water and sewer systems. Applicants must demonstrate that at least 51% of beneficiaries are low-to-moderate-income.

Community Revitalization Grant Program: This program, previously funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), makes competitive grants to communities of all sizes for major local priorities that spur economic recovery and growth.

Industrial Site Development Grant Program: Targeted toward economic growth, this grant helps communities fund infrastructure projects that attract or expand industrial and business facilities.

Grants from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

The DNR offers several financial assistance programs, particularly for water infrastructure.

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Financial Assistance Center: This center helps communities plan, finance, and build water infrastructure projects. It manages the State Revolving Funds (SRF) program, which offers low-cost loans, and provides grants to small communities for engineering reports.

Federal grants from the USDA

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) provides several programs for rural communities. Eligibility for these is based on population, making many Class 4 cities eligible.

Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program: Provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas, such as healthcare facilities, public safety services, and town halls.

Rural Economic Development Loan & Grant (REDLG) Program: Provides funding to local utilities that is passed on to rural businesses for projects that create or retain jobs.

Resources for finding grants

MOSourceLink: This resource connects small businesses and entrepreneurs, but it also provides a network of nonprofit resource organizations that can help with grants and financial planning.

Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs): Local RPCs, such as the Southeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC), are a key resource for grant information. They help communities access funding for infrastructure, redevelopment, and economic development.

Mid-America Regional Council (MARC): A resource for the greater Kansas City metropolitan area, MARC provides grant-finding assistance for local governments within its service area.

ADA assistant Grant

Federal Grant Opportunities

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

: HUD administers these grants, which can be used to fund structural modifications such as installing ramps, elevators, or accessible restrooms in public buildings.

Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program

: The FTA offers funding through this program for capital projects that improve transportation for people with disabilities and seniors.

**** National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)**: For projects focused on accessibility within cultural institutions like museums or theaters, the NEA provides grants for initiatives that improve access to the arts.**