

Potential Funding Sources

| <i>SOURCE and ADMINISTRATOR</i> | <i>DESCRIPTION</i> | <i>POSSIBLE USES</i> | <i>DEADLINE</i> |
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| Community Attraction and Tourism Program: Vision Iowa, IEDA | Funding for the development and creation of multiple purpose attraction or tourism facilities. | Creation of a major recreation facility in the city. | Quarterly: Jan 15, April 15, July 15, Oct 15 |
| Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); HUD and IEDA | Federal funding for housing, public facilities, and economic development to benefit low-and-moderate income residents. | Rehabilitation and infill projects, directed to projects that benefit low and moderate-income households or eliminate blighted areas. | Varies by funding area |
| DOT/DNR Fund; IDOT and DNR | Roadside beautification of primary system corridors with plant materials. | Landscaping improvements along key corridors in the city. | Open |
| Federal Transportation Enhancement Program | Funding for enhancement or preservation activities transportation related projects. | The following projects are funded: facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists; safety and education activities for pedestrians and bicyclists; scenic or historic highway programs; acquisition of scenic or historic sites; landscaping and scenic beautification; historic preservation ; rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation facilities; preservation of abandoned railway corridors; control and removal of outdoor advertising; archeological planning and research; mitigation of water pollution due to highway runoff; or transportation museums. | October 1 for statewide applications; check with local Council of Governments for regional deadlines. |
| Federal Recreational Trails Program; IDOT | Federal Funding for creation and maintenance of motorized and non-motorized recreational trails and trails related projects. | Recreational trails extensions | October 1 |
| Highway bridge program; IDOT | Funds for replacement or rehabilitation of structurally deficient or functionally obsolete public roadway bridges. | Bridge rehabilitation or replacement | October 1 |
| Housing Fund (HOME); IDEA | Funds to develop and support affordable housing. | Rehabilitation of rental and owner-occupied homes; new construction of rental housing; assistance to home buyers; assistance to tenants; administration costs; HOME funds may be used in conjunction with Section 42 Low Income Housing Tax Credits. They | Varies – Usually January |

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| | | may also be used for innovative project approaches, such as rent-to-own development. | |
| Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP); IDOT | Funding for highway/street, transit, bicycle/pedestrian or freight projects or programs which help maintain Iowa's clean air quality by reducing transportation related emissions. | Projects which will reduce vehicle miles traveled or single-occupant vehicle trips; Transportation improvements to improve air quality. | October 1 |
| Land and Water Conservation Fund; Iowa DNR | Federal funding for outdoor recreation area development and acquisition. | Improvements to existing recreation facilities and development of new facilities. | March 15 or closest working day |
| Living Roadways Trust Fund; IDOT | Implement integrate Roadside Vegetation Management programs on city, county or state rights-of-ways or areas adjacent to traveled roads. | Roadside inventories, gateways, education, research, roadside enhancement, seed propagation and special equipment. | June 1 |
| Pedestrian Curb Ramp Construction; IDOT | To assist cities in complying with American Disabilities Act primary roads. | Construction of curb ramps to ADA standards. | Accepted all year |
| Public Facilities Set-Aside Program (PFSA); IDEA | Financial assistance to cities and counties to provide infrastructure improvements for businesses which require such improvements in order to create new job opportunities. | Provision or improvement to sanitary sewer systems; water systems; streets, storm sewer, rail lines, and airports. For Iowa cities under, populations. 51% of persons benefiting must be low or moderate income. | Accepted all year long |
| Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP); Iowa DNR | Funding for projects that enhance and protect natural resources. Grants available in categories such as: City Parks and Open space, County Conservation and Roadside vegetation. | Multi-purpose recreation developments, management of roadside vegetation. | Varies by Grant category |
| Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) | Funding to promote economic development through construction or improvement of roads and streets. | Construction or improvements of roadways that will facilitate job creation or retention, such as a street system for additional business or industrial development. | Feb 1 and Sept 1 for local projects; immediate opportunities accepted all year |
| Solid Waste Alternatives Program (SWAP); IDNR | Programs to encourage landfill alternatives- recycling, diversion, etc. | Financial support to programs that encourage landfill alternatives like recycling, diversion, etc. | Ongoing |
| Alliant Energy Foundation | Small typically non-capital projects, such as signage, exhibits, landscaping, computers, program support. | Signage, exhibits, landscaping, computers, program support | January |
| FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grants Fund; ADLM Emergency Management | Fire prevention and safety activities and safety research/development with the goal to reduce injury and prevent death among high risk populations. | Supports projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards. | March |

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| IEDA Downtown Revitalization Fund | Funds for facades and exterior building improvements in a downtown areas | Downtown building facades and exterior building improvements | Varies – Consult IEDA |
| Water recreation Access Grant | IDNR funding for docks, boat ramps, shoreline projects, etc. | Docks, boat ramps, shoreline projects, etc. | January |
| Derelict Building Grant; IDNR/Keep Iowa Beautiful | Goal of the program is landfill diversion of materials from deteriorated structures. | Funding for asbestos assessment, removal, and cleanup of environmental hazards and abandoned buildings | April |
| Paint Iowa Beautiful; Keep Iowa Beautiful | Painting of community facility or public property to enhance appearance | Painting of community facility or public property to enhance appearance | February |
| Build with Bags Grant; Keep Iowa Beautiful | Address the environmental concerns created by the increased use of plastic shopping bags. | Programs that would reduce the use of plastic shopping bags and increase plastic bag recycling. | March |
| Iowa DNR Watershed Implementation Grant and IDALS Water Protection Fund and Watershed Protection Fund Grants | Water protection and watershed improvements | Watershed development | April |
| Yeoman and Company Tools Grant; Keep Iowa Beautiful | Allows for “Friends Groups” of parks to apply for \$200 in tools. | Tools that can assist volunteers in cleanup and beautification projects with Iowa’s State Parks. | April |
| Historical Resource Development Program; State Historical Society | Funds provided to preserve, conserve, interpret, enhance, and educate the public about the historical resources of Iowa. Projects will encourage and support economic and cultural health and development of the state and the communities in which the resources are located. | Funding for documentary collections, museums, and historic preservation projects. | October |
| Affordable Housing Program; Federal Home Loan Bank | Competitive grant program administered by FHL Bank member financial institution. Funds are partnered with local developers and community organizations seeking to build and renovate housing for low-to-moderate-income households. | Affordable Housing programs- ownership, new constructions, rehabilitation, rental projects. Frequently designed for seniors, disabled, homeless, first-time homeowners and others with limited resources. | Consult with FHL Bank |
| Community Investment Program: Federal Home Loan Bank | Program is designed to be a catalyst for economic development by supporting projects that create and preserve jobs and helps build infrastructure to support further growth. | Below-Market-Rate loans offered to members for long-term financing for housing and economic development that benefits low-and-moderate income families and neighborhoods. | Consult with FHL Bank |

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| Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs Grants | Funding that supports projects, organizations and communities that enhance quality of life in Iowa through arts, history and culture. | Art Project Grant – Arts Build Communities Grant – Capacity Building Grant – Certified Local Government Grant Program – Country School Grant Program – Cultural Heritage Project Grant- Cultural Leadership Partner Operating Support Grant – Historical Resource Development Program – Iowa Artist Fellowship Program- Iowa Great Places – Research Grant for Authors – School Arts Experience – Other Funding Opportunities. | Varies by grant |
| Rail Revolving Loan and Grant Program; IDOT | Goals of the program are to support existing, expanding or new businesses in gaining or improving access to the shipping opportunities provided by rail; Boost profitability of Iowa’s business and manufacturing communities through lower shipping rates and access to distant and export markets; make communities more attractive to new or expanded business b/c of rail connections; assist railroads in improving or maintaining a strong, dependable rail transportation system. | Grant and Loan Funding to build or improve rail facilities that create jobs, spur economic activity, and improve the rail transportation system in Iowa. | June |
| FEMA – Assistance to Firefighters Grant; ADLM Emergency Management | Intends to enhance the safety of the public and fire fighters with respect to fire related hazards. | Obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources. | June |
| Rural Business Opportunity Grant; USDA | Competitive grant designed to support targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities leading to development or expansion of small or emerging businesses in a rural area. | Funds for feasibility studies, strategic planning, leadership training, and other business development activities | Consult local USDA office |
| State Recreational Trails (IDOT) | State Funding for creation and maintenance of motorized and non-motorized recreational trails and trails related projects. | Recreational trails improvements and expansions. | July |
| Clean Water SRF Sponsored Projects | Loan funds that allow a wide range of projects that address the highest priority of water quality needs. | Construct municipal wastewater facilities, control nonpoint sources of pollution, decentralize wastewater treatment systems, create green infrastructure projects, protect estuaries, and fund other water quality projects. | July |

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| Traffic Safety Improvement Program; IDOT | Funding for roadway safety improvements; site specific, traffic control devices, research, studies, or public information initiatives | Traffic safety and operations at specific site with an accident history. New traffic control devices. Research, studies or public information initiatives. | August |
| Hazard Mitigation Grants; ADLM Emergency Management | Funds could assist communities in achieving mitigation strategies identified in the FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan. | Tornado Safe Rooms, acquisition and relocation of flood prone structures, storm water management projects, structural retrofitting of utilities and buildings, flood protection of critical assets, development of hazard plans. | Notice of Interest – August 15 |
| Statewide Transportation Alternative Program; RPA/ DOT | Enhancement transportation through trails, historic, archeological, scenic or environmental projects | Trails connectivity, construction or enhancement; Safe Routes to School, etc. | October |
| Iowa Water Trails Program; DNR | Projects related to current and future water trails areas | DNR would like to expand water trails in the state and is offering assistance to establish | |
| Iowa Tourism Grant Program; CITR | Program promotes tourism in Iowa by funding tourism-related marketing initiatives, meetings and events that benefit both local economics and state economy. | Covers expenses related to the implementation of a tourism-related marketing initiative, meeting, or event and be incurred during the FY the funding is requested. | October |
| Regional Sports Authority District Program(RSAD); CITR | Program is designed to promote tourism in Iowa by funding projects that relate to the active promotion of nonprofessional sporting events in the state. RSAD must be established by Iowa Code and operated under the administrative rules in Iowa Administrative Code. | A convention and visitors bureau can apply for \$50,000 | July |
| Fish Habitat Program Grant; DNR | Fish habitat development projects and related improvements to fisheries, land acquisition for such projects | Possible project activities include physical placement of fish habitat in ponds/streams; armoring of water body; construction of aeration systems; dredging of pond/lake; construction of ponds/lakes; construction of sediment retaining basins; repair of lake dams and outlets; manipulation of fish population and aquatic vegetation; removal of dams; construction of fish ladders; construction of fish barriers or rock-faced jetties. | November |
| Solid Waste Management Grant Program; USDA | Funds used to reduce or eliminate pollution of water resources by providing funding for organizations | Projects may include: evaluation of current landfill conditions to identify threats | December |

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| | that provide technical assistance or training to improve the planning and management of solid waste sites. | to water resources; provide technical assistance or training to enhance the operation and maintenance of active landfills; provide technical assistance or training to help communities reduce the amount of solid waste coming into a landfill; provide technical assistance or training to prepare for closure and future use of a landfill site. | |
| Regional Transportation Alternative Program Grant funds; RPA | Supports transportation alternative projects such as trails, safe routes to school, transportation facilities with historical value, etc. | Trails connectivity, construction or enhancement; Safe Routes to School, etc. | Bi- Annually December 1 and July 1 |
| Nuisance Property and Abandoned Building Remediation (Loan); IEDA | Financial Assistance for communities to remediate nuisance buildings/structures that are a hazard to public health and safety. | Projects may include: residential, commercial or industrial structures; properties at multiple locations; long term loans can be 12-60 months and interest rates vary on the term of the loan (usually from 0%-0%) and there is no minimum or maximum amount. | Ongoing |
| Economic Development Set-Aside (EDSA) – grant or loan; IEDA | Designed to assist businesses and industries requiring assistance to create or retain job opportunities in Iowa. | Priority is given to create manufacturing jobs, add value to Iowa resources and/or exports. Preference is given to businesses that create or retain the greatest number of jobs with the least amount of program dollars. Three valid criteria to determine need are: financing gap, insufficient return on investment or locational disadvantage. | Any time |
| Community Facilities Loans or Grants; USDA | Improve or develop essential public services and facilities in rural communities. | Funds can be used to construct/ expand/ improve facilities that provide health care, education, public safety, and public services. Frequent projects include: fire and rescue stations, town halls, health care clinics, public buildings, schools, libraries, etc. | Any time |
| Business Loans and Grant; USDA | Funding is intended to help improve the quality of life in rural communities by enhancing opportunities and ensuring self-sustainability for generation to come. | Projects that create or preserve quality jobs and/or promote a clean rural environment. 15+ programs offered | Any time |
| FEMA – Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response | Goal is to enhance local fire department abilities to comply with | Education and training of local fire department | Any time |

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| Grants (SAFER); ADLM Emergency Management | staffing response and operational standards established by the NFPA. | personnel to help increase or train "front line" fire fighters available in communities. | |
| Community Enhancement Grant Funds; Iowa Farm Bureau Federation | 4 areas; farmers and agriculture; community and rural development; youth and education; and health and wellness | Supports safety and education programs | Any time |
| IDOT Highway bridge program | Funds for replacement or rehabilitation of structurally deficient or functionally obsolete public roadway bridges. | Bridge rehabilitation or replacement | |
| Section 42 Low Income Housing Tax Credit; HUD | Tax credits for affordable housing developers through the state. Developments can utilize either a 4% or 9% credit, depending on the mix of low-income residents. | Multi-family housing development for low and moderate-income families. | NA |
| Self-Supported Business Improvements; Main Street | Contributions by business owners used for various businesses. | Physical improvements to businesses and restoration of buildings. | NA |
| Surface Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); IDOT | Funding for road or bridge projects on the federal aid system. | Road or bridge projects. Trails improvements. Bicycle facilities. | Check with local RPA |
| Tax Abatement; City | Reduction or elimination of property taxes for set period of time on new improvements to property granted as an incentive to do such projects. | Available for commercial, industrial, or residential developments. | NA |
| Tax Increment Financing (TIF); City | Use added property tax revenues created by growth and development to finance improvements within boundaries of a redevelopment district. | New residential, commercial, or industrial developments including public improvement, land acquisition, and some development costs. | NA |
| Transportation and Community and System Preservation program; IDOT | Funding for planning and implementing strategies that improve the efficiency of the transportation system, reduce the environmental impacts of transportation, reduce the need for costly future public infrastructure investments, ensure efficient access to jobs, services and centers of trade and examine private sector development patterns and investments that support these goals. | Innovative transportation improvements that address stated goals. | Established yearly |
| Watershed Planning Grant; DNR (Clean Water Act Sections 319) | Watershed planning grants for impaired waters in less than 50,000 acre watersheds. | Watershed management plan | April 1 |
| Five-Star Restoration Program; EPA | Focuses on partnerships; provides environmental education and training through restoration projects. | Wetland and stream restoration. | Late Fall |
| Wetland Program Development Grants; EPA | Assists with implementing and accelerating water pollution reduction projections. | Research, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction and elimination of water pollution. | July |

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| User fees; City | Fee assessed to users for the service of water, sewer and storm water. | Funds generated are used to repair, replace or rehabilitate water/sewer lines and storm water drainage systems. | NA |
| Hotel/Motel Tax; City/County | User tax on hotel/motel rooms. | Tourism, Economic Development, Other | NA |
| Morgan E. Cline Foundation | Two grants available: Cornerstone Grants for \$20,000+ or Growing Good grant with staggered funding of \$10,000 | Community and Economic Development, Historic Preservation and Redevelopment, Seniors and Healthcare, and Culture and Art | Applications accepted before August and invitations to apply after that. |