

# **Brownfield Revitalization Funding Resource Manual**



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# The Brownfields Program

**Background:** Created in 1995, the Brownfields program became an effective economic redevelopment program for preventing, assessing, sustainably reusing, and safely cleaning up brownfields. With the passage of the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act in 2002, Congress turned this effective program into law. The program is an initiative that was designed around taking contaminated industrial and other commercial sites that have either been abandoned or neglected and providing the funding and technical assistance to aid in assessment and cleanup of these sites. The ultimate goal of the Brownfields program is the redevelopment of contaminated sites in favor of the expansion and development of towns and cities into more ‘greenfields,’ or undeveloped areas. Brownfields are often in neglected and blighted areas that may have witnessed a local economic depression, but they can be located anywhere from an inter-city gas station to an abandoned mine in the mountains. Brownfields are in every state and almost every town in the U.S., yet knowledge of them and the funding available to them is limited, oftentimes due to the complex nature of the problem and the solutions that can cure it.

**DEQ’s Brownfields Program:** The goal of this joint Region 10 EPA and DEQ program is to provide Idaho communities with financial and technical assistance for brownfields revitalization, including grants for environmental assessment and cleanup. The Department of Environmental Quality’s brownfields program uses its contractors to fund and conduct environmental assessments of eligible brownfield sites when a lack of environmental information has complicated site redevelopment or reuse. For each site, DEQ will produce a final report that:

- Reveals whether a site is clean, lightly contaminated, or heavily contaminated
- Determines the nature and extent of the contamination, if any
- Identifies potential cleanup options, if any
- Estimates cleanup cost, if any

Eligible applicants for these no-cost environmental assessments include units of local governments, local redevelopment agencies, non-profit organizations, and other government entities created by the State Legislature. The applicant must not have caused or contributed to contamination at the site. The applicant does not have to own the site and the applicant may apply to have private property assessed. Eligible applicants may apply for an assessment by submitting a Brownfield Assessment Request to DEQ. A wide variety of properties are eligible to receive Brownfields funding. These properties include:

- Low risk petroleum contaminated properties (former gas stations)
- Former Mine Sites (including mine-scarred lands)
- Former Mill Sites
- Former Landfills
- Commercial or Industrial sites that may be contaminated with hazardous substances.

The following sites may not be eligible to receive brownfields funding:

- Properties listed on the National Priorities List
- Properties subject to an administrative or judicial order requiring a responsible party to clean the property
- Properties where the contamination is known to present a “high risk” to public health
- Properties subject to an ongoing CERCLA removal action
- Properties subject to enforcement under RCRA, OPA, TSCA, or SDWA
- Properties owned by the United States government, except those lands held in trust for Indian Tribes

DEQ gives preference to publicly owned sites with community-supported redevelopment plans in place and where little or no site environmental information is available.

In addition to performing environmental assessments, DEQ is also a member of the Reuse Idaho’s Brownfields Coalition which provides cleanup grants and/or loans (see page U).

**The EPA Brownfields Program:** The Environmental Protection Agency’s Brownfields program includes grants for Targeted Brownfield Assessments, Competitive Assessments, Competitive Cleanup, and Revolving Loan Funds.

*Targeted Brownfield Assessments:* much like DEQ’s assessment program, at no cost to the applicant, EPA contractors conduct an assessment to determine the nature and extent of contamination, if any, and provide the results in a report.

*Competitive Assessments and Cleanups:* eligible entities may apply directly to EPA for up to \$200,000 in grant funds for brownfield assessments and cleanups. EPA assessment funds may be used for “area-wide” activities such as identifying, inventorying, prioritizing, and assessing brownfields in a neighborhood, city, county or to assess a specific site. Cleanup funds are directed at specific brownfield sites. These grants are competitive and the application period comes around only once a year.

*Revolving Loan Fund Grants:* provides funding to capitalize loans that are used to cleanup brownfields. The Environmental Protection Agency funds anywhere from \$500,000 to in excess of \$1 million. The state of Idaho has been awarded over \$3 million to create a cleanup revolving loan fund.

**Disclaimer:** While all of the funding sources in this manual have been updated as recently as possible, grants, loans, and other funding and technical assistance resources, especially those on the private level, are constantly changing as the goals and values of certain organizations evolve over time. Contacting any one of the grant and loan providers in this manual may not yield the same result that is listed in the manual. Any information that can aid in the evolution of this manual by any user is highly appreciated and can help others like you in their quest to better their communities. Please contact the following person if you have updated information or have found an error:

Kristi Lowder, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Brownfields & UST Specialist, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0347, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [kristi.lowder@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:kristi.lowder@deq.idaho.gov)

Grants, Loans, Technical Assistance, and other forms of aid, are not always guaranteed. While some programs such as the Community Brownfield Assessment are guaranteed by the Idaho Department of Environmental quality, and other programs such as loan programs have a very high acceptance rate for qualifying entities, the grants that are given out by the government and other non-profit organizations are limited at best and are coveted by many other highly competitive organizations all trying to reach their own goals. Do not try and build a finance model for your project based on funds that you have not secured yet. It is appropriate to show grant making organizations how their contribution would make a difference with regard to financing the project, however oftentimes grant makers will require that their grant be matched by local or private funds, and not by other grant makers, and providing them with a model that runs on the assumption that you will most likely have a grant in the future only shows the instability of the project and its lack of financial strength.

**Using the Manual:** This manual was created with the intent of providing the most simplified way of finding funding mechanisms that can be applied to projects on Brownfield sites. Oftentimes these funding resources overlap with projects that can be developed on 'greenfields,' such as small business loans and funding for green building projects. However, when combined with the resources available for brownfield projects, oftentimes it is more financially advantageous to develop a brownfield. This manual was organized in a way to provide only general information regarding these funding resources, and is organized as follows.

The first way to view the manual is through eligibility. The manual is divided into three sections based on the eligibility for funding.

- **Private:** The funding resources listed under this heading are all available to private entities with limited exceptions. This includes businesses, large corporations, private entrepreneurs, private citizens, landowners, and other for profit entities.
- **Tribal:** The funding resources listed under this are available to either Native American Tribes, or Tribal organizations. Some are limited exclusively to Tribes, and some are available universally to private organizations and non-profit organizations.
- **Government/Non-Profit:** The funding resources listed under this index are available only to local or state governments and/or non-profit organizations that meet certain criteria.

The next way that the manual is organized is for the application that is to be used on the brownfield. There are several sub-categories in this section, and they include:

- **Cleanup and Assessment:** The funding resources listed here are for the assessment of sites to determine the eligibility of funding as well as the contamination level and also cleanup funding that is available for the project. Most of the funding resources listed here are given out by either the Environmental Protection Agency or the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality through programs such as the Brownfield Assessment program.
- **Reclamation, Remediation, Restoration, and Enhancement:** The funding resources listed here are generally for environmental improvements rather than construction and building development. This can include returning blighted or scarred areas that may have been mining areas or old lumber mills into wildlife habitat such as riparian areas. There are a lot of grant and loan providers for this type of brownfield usage, especially from the non-profit sector.
- **Construction:** The funding resources listed here are for the construction of new buildings for businesses, and even more so, the development of infrastructure. With particular regard to small local governments, there is a large degree of funding available for the development of rural infrastructure, especially for the development of sewer systems, power systems, and other waste disposal and transfer systems. There is also funding available for public housing and low rent housing, green building that includes installation of photovoltaics/solar power, and other energy efficient building resources, securing financial capital for the construction of buildings, and the restoration of older buildings and other forms of historical preservation
- **Land Acquisition and Recreational Development:** The funding resources listed here are used to acquire land that may be a brownfield, but also for the development of recreational facilities that serve the public. This may come in the form of using a brownfield site for a public park as has been seen in McCall, or for some other recreational use such as trailheads, etc.
- **Private/Non Profit Development:** Funding here is used to develop private non-profit organizations that can have the ability to secure funding from other sources to help re-develop brownfields.
- **Economic Assistance:** This category is for helping out blighted and impoverished communities within the State of Idaho through Title IX economic adjustment assistance which funds the Economic Development Districts in the state of Idaho.

All other sub-categories listed under these are related to the specific area to which assistance will be granted, such as for community infrastructure development, or for housing construction or historical preservation.

# The Brownfields Action Plan

## Private Entities

**Silver Dollar or Wooden Nickel? Is this a Brownfield?** If you have an abandoned or underutilized site in your town, such as a gas station, laundromat, logging mill, or any type of site that you suspect may have contamination, you should take these steps:

**Step 1.** Contact either of the following people:

Aaron Scheff, Brownfields Response Program Manager, DEQ Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0420, Email: [aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov)

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Eric Traynor, Brownfields Specialist, DEQ Boise Regional Office, 1445 N. Orchard, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0550, Email: [eric.traynor@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:eric.traynor@deq.idaho.gov)

If your brownfield is in the counties of Benewah, Shoshone, Kootenai, Bonner, or Boundary, contact:

Steve Gill, Brownfields Specialist, DEQ Coeur d'Alene Regional Office, 2110 Ironwood Parkway, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814, Phone: (208) 666-46320420, Email: [steve.gill@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:steve.gill@deq.idaho.gov)

Contact the Department of Environmental Quality to see if you are eligible to receive a Brownfield Assessment. This assessment is to determine the nature of the contamination and the contamination level, if any, of the site that you have expressed concern over. This is done free of any charge by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. Sites do not already have to be determined to have contamination to receive an assessment, and should contamination arise, DEQ may administer Phase 2 assessments to determine other impacts to the surrounding area such as ground water, surface water, indoor air contamination, etc.

**Step 2.** Know how you want to develop the property. Knowing how you want to redevelop the property will greatly improve the accuracy of the calculated risk to human health and the environment. Having a plan in place to develop the property will not only make it easier for you to achieve the goals of the redevelopment, but it will also make it easier for you to secure funding from almost every funding entity listed in this manual. Oftentimes non-profit grant making organizations as well as Federal and State

government grant makers will require a redevelopment plan just to be eligible for funding. However, coming from a private standpoint, it is not always as easy to secure funding as it is for local governments or non-profit organizations to secure funding. Because of this, you must simultaneously develop your plan for step 3....

**Step 3.** Find the best way to try to secure funding for you and your redevelopment project. Because of the nature of government and non-profit funding, you may find it more advantageous to either create a non-profit organization of your own, develop a project that will not be for profit so as to secure funding from other non-profit sources, or you might try developing a partnership with your local government so that they may secure the land and the funding resources to perform cleanup. There are numerous ways in which to proceed to acquire the greatest amount of funds for your project. One possible example is listed below.

## **Brownfield Project Example (Private)**

**Project:** Re-development of an abandoned gas station

**Background:** An abandoned gas station has received a no-cost environmental assessment from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the report concluded the gas station has petroleum contamination, namely, free product (petroleum) in the ground water near the underground storage tank area.

**Redevelopment Plan:** A private entrepreneur has plans to turn the site into a new roadside restaurant. This requires the removal of the old tanks, cleanup of the site, and deciding what to do with a somewhat dilapidated building that may or may not suit his or her needs. Below are some of the options that the developer has available to him or her:

### **Cleanup**

- The Brownfields Tax Incentive (page 3), which allows for a 100% tax deduction on all costs associated with the cleanup of a brownfield site, such as renting out machinery, or contracting a cleanup agency to remove contamination
- Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (page 4). If the site is determined to have water contamination, the entrepreneur may apply for a clean water state revolving loan fund. This fund is part of the Clean Water Act and is used to help clean up contaminated water. As with the case with many abandoned, and actually many operable gas stations, fuel leaks into the water supply and threatens local drinking water and presents many other hazards. This fund can cover 100% of the cleanup costs associated with correcting water quality issues.
- The Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) (page 5). The Voluntary Cleanup program allows the developer of a brownfield who voluntarily joins the VCP and cleans up the site to take a seven-year partial tax exemption for remediated land. You can also negotiate with DEQ to receive a “covenant not to sue” which means

- DEQ won't enforce on the site that is the subject of the voluntary cleanup. In addition, all lenders on the project are protected from being liable under any pollution control or environmental protection law. This is extremely helpful in trying to secure funding from any kind of bank or other business lender.
- RIBC RLF (page U). The Reuse Idaho's Brownfields Coalition Revolving Loan Fund offers subgrants and low to no-interest loans for cleanup.

### **Keeping the building in tact**

Demolishing the gas station may be the best option for the developer should its condition warrant it. However, maintaining the building and remodeling may not only be more cost efficient, there are also other financial incentives that the developer can qualify for.

- Historical Preservation Tax Incentive (page 28). The Historical Preservation Tax Incentive is offered by the Department of the Interior and administered by the Idaho State Historical Preservation Office and it offers a 20% tax credit for the rehabilitation and preservation of historic sites. If this gas station were of unique historical or architectural importance, it could qualify for this tax credit.
- Energy Conservation Loan Program (page 14). The energy conservation loan program provides loans at 4% of up to \$10,000 for the installation of such things as solar panels and solar water heaters. While this may add to the cost of the building initially, over time, the use of renewable energy sources instead of relying on outside power or gas for heat can help to lower the overall costs of running the business.
- Income Tax Credit for Renewable Energy (page 15). The Income Tax credit allows for the installer of photovoltaic and other renewable energy systems to deduct 40% of their income taxes for the first year of installation as well as 20% for the next three years for a maximum deduction of \$20,000. As with the energy conservation loan program, it may increase the costs of creating the business initially, but the benefits down the road have the potential to be far larger.
- Renewable Energy Sales Tax Rebate (page 16). Gives a 100% sales tax rebate on all eligible renewable energy items
- Idaho Power Green Building Incentive (page 17). Would provide a direct cash incentive of up to \$20,000 for the installation of certain electrical equipment or other features such as a building shell restoration and modifications to electrical and heating and cooling systems.

## **Building Anew**

- Small Business Loans (page 22). The Idaho State Treasurers office and the United States Small Business Administration offer up to a \$750,000 loan for starting a business, acquiring capital, construction, and other potential uses.
- Title IX Economic Development District business loans (page 27). Idaho has six economic development districts that administer funds from the Title IX economic adjustment assistance fund in different ways. Most commonly the economic development districts provide assistance in the form of low interest loans and grants, and most commonly funds go to the most blighted towns and areas in a certain development district.

## **Alternative Funding Methods:**

**Partnering with local governments:** In some cases, a private/public partnership may be forged between local governments and private entrepreneurs. Sometimes abandoned sites may be acquired by local governments, or bought by local governments through an agreement between a developer and that local government. Local governments have a greater ability to acquire cleanup funds as well as other economic development loans and grants and may prove to be a worthwhile effort in trying to create a business. Should a local government or non-profit group maintain control of the property throughout the cleanup process, there is access to funds such as:

- Brownfields Technical Assistance (page 81). Offered by EPA, this program gives technical assistance on how to best perform cleanup, feasibility studies, the application of tools to the cleanup of the contaminated site, and other issues relating to the cleanup of contaminated sites. The technical assistance grant, however, is only available to governments or non-profit groups.
- Brownfields Cleanup Grants (page 74). Brownfield cleanup grants are available to local and other governmental agencies from the Environmental Protection Agency in sums up to \$350,000 (\$200,000 without the site specific waiver). This is for the cleanup of the contaminated site, and there must be at least a 20% local match. In the State of Idaho, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality along with Idaho's six economic development districts have created the Reuse Idaho Brownfields Coalition to help with cleanup funds and they have created a revolving loan fund in order to do this (page U).
- Infrastructure Grants (page 101-121). Should the project require some kind of infrastructure improvement that would also serve to benefit many others in the community, such as a sewer system, there are several funding sources available to local governments to help improve the infrastructure in and around their communities.

## Public Entities/Non-Profit Organizations

**Do you have a brownfield?** Luckily it is fairly easy to find out and it will not cost you anything. Any suspicion that an abandoned site that would have the potential for some kind of contamination, such as logging mills, gas stations, laundromats, or other facilities that might deal with chemicals warrants proceeding on to Step 1...

**Step 1.** Contact either of the following people:

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If your brownfield is in the counties of Benewah, Shoshone, Kootenai, Bonner, or Boundary, contact:

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**Alternative:** The United States Environmental Protection Agency also offers several programs such as the Targeted Brownfield Assessment (page 70), which offers an assessment of land that has significant potential for contamination (excluding sites that are just deemed to have petroleum contamination) or Brownfield Assessment Competitive Grants (page 71), which are used to not only assess any type of contamination, but may also be used as a technical assistance mechanism to help develop a cleanup plan, start a public outreach program, and other forms of inventory or other possible cleanup related items.

**Step 2.** Know how you want to develop the property. Knowing how you want to redevelop the property will greatly improve the accuracy of the calculated risk to human health and the environment. Having a plan in place to develop the property will not only make it easier for you to achieve the goals of the redevelopment, but it will also make it easier for you to secure funding from almost every funding entity listed in this manual. Most, if not all of the grant makers in this manual require some sort of plan for the development of the land in question, and when you have a specific goal for it, you will make it easier to narrow down the funding resources and increase your chances of receiving funding for the project. Within this it is also important to consider how you want to impact your community with the redevelopment of the brownfield.

There are several ways in which to proceed to benefit the community as a whole that local governments and non-profit organizations are in a unique position to provide. From public housing to park land acquisition and development to helping jumpstart the economy by partnering with the private sector to bring businesses in, every project has an impact on the community, and which is best for the community varies with all of the circumstances that surround the project and the community itself.

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## **Brownfield Project Example (Local Government)**

**Project:** Cleanup of a Mill Site on a river that has potential for either a park or critical wildlife habitat

**Background:** A logging mill has recently been shut down and a DEQ brownfield assessment has determined that there is a certain level of contamination that has a potential to threaten the river and the surrounding watershed. The mill had also been built along a river bank that involved a significant amount of dirt removal and development that has changed the dynamics of the river and the wetland that fed into it.

**Development Plan:** The local government that represents the surrounding community that the mill impacts has decided that they would like to reclaim the riparian wetland areas that were impacted when the mill was built and also to turn the rest of the mill property into a public park. The community has also identified at least one endangered species that has a potential to be aided by their project, and this can assist them in trying to gain more funding for their project and give it a greater chance of success.

## **Cleaning Up**

- EPA Competitive Cleanup Grants (page 74). Cleanup grants are offered by the Environmental Protection Agency to local governments, such as cities, to help them clean up such things as petroleum or other type of chemical spills. Up to \$200,000 may be requested with a 20% local match.
- Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (page 4). If the site is determined to have water contamination, the local government or non-profit agency may apply for a clean water state revolving loan fund. This fund is part of the Clean Water Act and is used to help clean up contaminated water or prevent further damage to a watershed. Chemicals and hazardous materials associated with timber processing have the potential to threaten groundwater supplies, and due to the proximity of many mills to flowing water source such as rivers and streams, the threat to those ecosystems is high as well. This fund can cover 100% of the cleanup costs associated with correcting water quality issues.
- Bullitt Foundation Grants (page 78). Grants up to \$150,000 to clean up toxic substances that threaten critical ecosystems
- RIBC RLF (page U). The Reuse Idaho's Brownfields Coalition Revolving Loan Fund offers subgrants and low to no-interest loans for cleanup.

## **Restoration, Reclamation, and Park Development**

- Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program (page 82). Offered by the US Army Corps of Engineers, this program offers up to \$5 million to help restore damaged water ecosystems
- Wyden Amendment (page 83). Offered by the Bureau of Land Management, grant fund from this program are used to help stop the flow of pollutants and other hazardous materials into rivers and watersheds that feed into public lands.
- North American Wetlands Conservation Act Program (page 88). The Fish and Wildlife service offers anywhere from \$50,000 to over \$1 million for projects that help to restore wetlands, especially those that offer critical habitat for migrating waterfowl.
- Recovery Land Acquisition Grants (page 87). Should the government or the community not already be the owners of the property, this grant program offered by the United States Fish and Wildlife service offers money to acquire land that will be used and turned into habitat for endangered species.
- Land and Water Conservation Fund (page 139). Provides up to half of the funding for land acquisition for parks and recreational facilities.

- Community Based Habitat Restoration- Direct Grants (page 90). The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration offers anywhere from \$50,000 to \$200,000 for the protection and mitigation of hazardous substances that threaten critical marine life habitat. For inland areas, the grant may still be applied for ecosystems in which species like salmon, which live in both the ocean and freshwater areas during their lives.
  
- Bring Back the Natives (page 98). Offered by the National Fish and Wildlife foundation, grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$150,000 are used to reclaim and restore lands that are critical fish habitat and have been damaged by development or pollution

\* Note that these are just some of the several funding resources that are available for a project such as this. Differences in the location of contaminated sites, the nature and extent of the contamination, and species that may be affected by the contaminants are all factors in determining how many awards a project may be eligible for. This is only one example of the numerous things that can be done with a brownfield.

## **Tribal Organizations**

**Do you have a brownfield?** Luckily it is fairly easy to find out and it will not cost you a thing. Any suspicion that an abandoned site that would have the potential for some kind of contamination, such as logging mills, gas stations, laundromats, or other facilities that might deal with chemicals warrants proceeding on to Step 1...

**Step 1.** Contact either of the following people:

Aaron Scheff, Brownfields Response Program Manager, DEQ Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0420, Email: [aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov)

Kristi Lowder, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Brownfields & UST Specialist, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0347, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [kristi.lowder@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:kristi.lowder@deq.idaho.gov)

Eric Traynor, Brownfields Specialist, DEQ Boise Regional Office, 1445 N. Orchard, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0550, Email: [eric.traynor@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:eric.traynor@deq.idaho.gov)

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**Step 3.** Find the best way to try to secure funding for you and your redevelopment project. Depending on how you may wish to develop the brownfield that you are looking at, there are a variety of different funding resources that may be more or less financially advantageous for the project in the long run. However, developing a plan only on the basis of available grant funds is a risky proposition that will most likely not yield the wanted results. Securing grant money is oftentimes very competitive, so having a solid development plan is oftentimes essential to any submission for grant money from either the government or any non-profit organization.

## **Brownfield Project Example (Tribal)**

**Project:** Create a revolving loan fund that can be effective throughout all of the Tribal land as well as develop a wastewater treatment plant on the site of an old fuel depot.

**Background:** Due to the changing demographics of populations on Tribal lands, several rural sites that have a potential to be brownfields have developed into an issue for Tribal leaders due to complaints from locals living near them expressing their own concern. To have the central Tribal government take care of each site individually presents a logistical challenge that could be avoided by having each local community deal with the issue in its own way. The Tribe also wants to create a wastewater treatment facility for a new housing development that is going up in a rural community where a local septic system has been experiencing problems and causing water quality issues in the community.

**Development Plan:** Due to the number of abandoned and neglected sites that have a potential for being brownfields, instead of dealing with each site individually, a Tribe has decided to apply for funding to create a revolving loan fund to deal with the problem itself. The tribe also has plans to create a wastewater treatment facility on the site of a faulty septic system that needs immediate maintenance.

## **Developing the Revolving Loan Fund**

- State and Tribal Response Program Grants (page 37). A program of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, this program provides anywhere from \$1 million to \$1.5 million towards creating a revolving loan fund for brownfields. This is available to State governments and Tribes to distribute how they see fit. This funding may also be used to create or enhance a response program within a State or Tribal Government
- Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Grants (page 38). This program, also through the Environmental Protection Agency, funds anywhere from \$500,000 to well in excess of \$1 million (the state of Idaho has been awarded over \$3 million to create a cleanup revolving loan fund) in special cases for the creation of a revolving loan fund for the purpose of cleaning up brownfield sites.

## **Cleanup**

- Brownfields Cleanup Grants (page 74). Brownfields Cleanup grants are offered by the Environmental Protection Agency to local governments such as cities to help them clean up such things as petroleum or other type of chemical spills. Up to \$200,000 may be requested with a 20% local match.
- Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (page 4). If the site is determined to have water contamination, the local government or non-profit agency may apply for a clean water state revolving loan fund. This fund is part of the Clean Water Act and is used to help clean up contaminated water or prevent further damage to a watershed. Chemicals and hazardous materials associated with timber processing have the potential to threaten groundwater supplies, and due to the proximity of many mills to flowing water source such as rivers and streams, the threat to those ecosystems is high as well. This fund can cover 100% of the cleanup costs associated with correcting water quality issues.
- RIBC RLF (page U). The Reuse Idaho's Brownfields Coalition Revolving Loan Fund offers subgrants and low to no-interest loans for cleanup.

## **Building the Wastewater facility**

- Clean Water Act Indian Set-Aside Grant Program (page 52). Administered through the Environmental Protection Agency, this program provides anywhere from \$50,000 to \$75,000 for the construction of municipal wastewater treatment facilities and their related infrastructure such as sewer systems and rehabilitation related to wastewater treatment facilities.
- Emergency Community Water Assistance Program (page 53). Developed by the United States Department of Agriculture, this program lends up to \$500,000 to communities that experience a decline in water quality over a period of two years

and up to \$150,000 to make needed repairs to current systems. Funds may be used for the construction of water delivery systems or wastewater treatment facilities and their related infrastructure

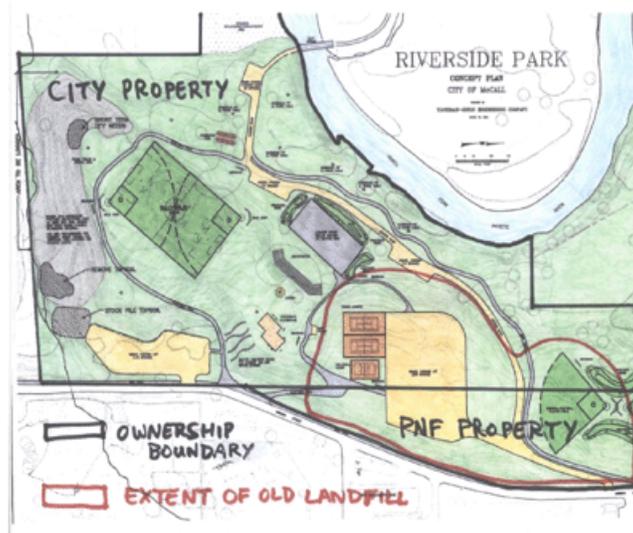
- Public Works Economic Development Program (page 55). Run by the Economic Development Administration, this program can fund up to 100% of costs for the development of any sort of infrastructure related project for Native American Tribes.

\*The above mentioned scenario is purely hypothetical, and is meant to show the amount of funding resources that may be available for that type of project. Varying conditions with every brownfield and project can either give or take away eligibility for certain grants, and many scenarios must be met before funding may actually be awarded. Below is a list of several actual brownfields projects that have been completed or are in the process of being cleaned and completed within the state of Idaho. Many of them have similar parallels to the scenarios listed on previous pages, however underlying conditions always vary from project to project.

# Brownfield Success Stories

## McCall

Used for roughly 20 years as a landfill, a city owned piece of property outside the town of McCall has been looked at by the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation to develop into a park with recreational facilities that are greatly needed to serve the surrounding community. The city of McCall asked the Department of Environmental Quality to do an assessment of any contamination that the site might have. The phase one assessment was completed, and with the implating of phase a phase two assessment, which included groundwater-monitoring wells, the site was determined not to have a contamination level that was unacceptable for the planned use of the property. Currently the park is in the planning stage. More information can be found at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>



## Bayhorse

Used from the late 1800's up until 1925 as a mining area, these 500 acres of land roughly 8 miles outside of the central Idaho town of Challis has seen mining equipment abandoned over the years as its deposits were depleted. Due to its historic significance, the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation has been looking at purchasing the property and turning it into a state historic park. However, concerns over any contamination due to past mining activities at the sites around Bayhorse have complicated any park development. Currently, there are plans for the park and the sites are undergoing cleanup. For more information visit <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.



## Linen District

The Linen District, <http://www.linendistrict.com>, is the vision of developer David Hale, and centers around a six block area in the western part of downtown Boise. Complicating development are certain sites such as the American Linen Building, which contained underground storage tanks (removed in 2001 along with the contaminated soil) as well as a possibility of other contamination due to the manufacturing process and chemicals that were used on the site. Because of this, the Capital City Development Corporation asked the Department of Environmental Quality to do a contamination assessment of the property. Upon completion of the assessment, DEQ determined that there was not contamination, and that any development could proceed. Currently, Hale development has purchased the American Linen Building, and is moving in to the building's second floor along with Boise City Building Company, Fidelity Property Improvements, and LLC and Sparks Commercial Contracting. Several other businesses are developing in the district as well, which has been designed around catering to the creative class of musicians, artists, and the avant-garde. Some of the businesses that have decided to locate in the district include Donnie Mac's Trailer Park Cuisine, <http://www.donniemacsonline.com/>, a new art gallery called the Visual Art Collective, and also Big City Coffee has decided to add a second location in the American Linen Building. For more information visit <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.



## Tire Store (Parma)

Located in Parma, Bruce and Rod's Tire factory had been situated on a site that had been abandoned by previous owners because of a petroleum leak in the 1980's. The former owners of the property filed for bankruptcy and hence prevented any further investigations or assessments of the contamination level of the property. The property's current tenants were looking to expand their business and purchase the property, however they were unable to receive financing due to the environmental concerns over the property due to the underground storage tanks. Because of this, the owners had decided to move their business to another town, but the city of Parma asked the Department of Environmental Quality to do an assessment of the property. While the underground storage tanks had been removed, tests done when they were removed indicated the presence of hydrocarbons in the soil where the tanks were located. The Department of Environmental Quality then installed monitoring wells to show the amount of contamination in the ground, and although the levels were below the EPA's maximum allowable limit for pollutants of that nature, further assessments were needed. In 2003, an assessment was completed on the property and the source of the petroleum contamination was found and removed along with the contaminated soil. With the letter of closure that was signed by DEQ, the owners were able to purchase the property and did not move their business out of Parma.



# Reuse Idaho's Brownfields Coalition (RIBC)

In 2005, the Environmental Protection Agency awarded the Reuse Idaho Brownfields Coalition (RIBC), a group made up of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and Idaho's six Economic Development Districts (EDDs), a \$3 million grant to create a revolving loan fund (RLF) to help finance the cleanup of brownfield sites throughout the state.

Sage Community Resources, the southwest EDD, also offers financial assistance from a revolving loan fund that is funded primarily on the part of a participating bank, which generally funds about 70% of the project, the borrower, who must have at least a 10% equity in the project, and Sage Community Resources, which funds the balance through the revolving loan fund. SCR represents the counties of Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, and Washington, and can be reached at 1001 S. Orchard St. Boise, Id 83705, Ph: (208) 322-7033, Fax: (208) 322-3569

The Region IV Development Association, the south-central EDD representing the counties of Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls, is offering a maximum of 40% or \$150,000 for business loans in partnership with a bank that may provide up to 50% of a loan. Funds come out of a revolving loan fund. Contact Susanne Richardson at 208-732-5727 ext 3001.

## Who Can Qualify For Loan Funds?

Eligible borrowers can be any legal entity, municipality, or individual authorized to incur debt and enter into legally binding agreements. A borrower may be the current owner, a prospective owner, or a developer of a site.

All BRLF loans must be repaid. As funds revolve, then additional brownfield properties can be cleaned up. Therefore, borrowers must meet certain financial and technical criteria to qualify for revolving loan funds.

As with traditional loans, an analysis and evaluation will be made of each loan application to make certain applicants have the resources to repay the loan. This evaluation includes financial analysis and credit history, determination of collateral, and the commitment made by the borrower (loan guarantees). Additional project considerations may include the social and economic benefits of the redevelopment project, including an evaluation of the property's marketability and land value, visibility, neighborhood conditions, and physical infrastructure. Though these additional criteria are important, primary consideration is given to the financial and environmental risks of the proposed project.

## To be eligible for a BRLF loan, a borrower must have:

- access to and control of the site and/or have a written agreement that the property owner will cooperate with the cleanup activities;

- possession of the technical expertise or have access to the technical resources to successfully undertake the proposed cleanup and redevelopment;
- a DEQ-approved Voluntary Remediation Work Plan.

**Borrowers are not eligible if:**

- it's a site where the borrower is potentially liable under CERCLA Section 107 (Superfund Act);
- the borrower is currently suspended or debarred from receiving federal funding, or otherwise declared ineligible;
- the borrower caused or contributed to the contamination of the site, or has been subject to any environmental penalties for lack of compliance at the site subject to the loan.

**What Are Allowable Project Costs?**

**Cleanup activities covered by BRLF loan funds may include:**

- removal of structures if required to address contamination;
- fences, warning signs, or other security or site control precautions;
- drainage controls; stabilization of berms, dikes, impoundments; drainage of or closing lagoons;
- capping of contaminated soils;
- chemicals and other materials to retard the spread of the release or mitigate its effects;
- excavation, consolidation, or removal of highly contaminated soils from drainage or other areas;
- removal of drums, barrels, tanks, or other bulk containers that contain or may contain hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants, including petroleum;
- removal of source materials, including free product recovery;
- containment, treatment, or disposal of hazardous materials and petroleum contamination;
- provision of alternative water supply where immediately necessary to reduce exposure to contaminated household water;
- site monitoring activities, including sampling and analysis, that are necessary during the cleanup process, including determination of the effectiveness of a cleanup;
- site assessment activities that are reasonable, necessary and incidental to the cleanup process, such as confirmation sampling;
- costs associated with meeting public participation, worker health and safety, and interagency coordination requirements;
- DEQ Voluntary Cleanup Program fees;
- environmental insurance to limit liability for future additional cleanup costs.

**BRLF funds may not be used for:**

- pre-cleanup environmental assessment;
- cleanup of a naturally occurring substance, or repairing or improving public/private drinking water supplies that have deteriorated through ordinary use;
- monitoring and data collection necessary to apply for, or comply with, environmental permits under other Federal and state laws, unless the permit is required as a component of the Voluntary Remediation Work Plan;
- development activities that are not part of the cleanup.

**Loan Terms**

- Loans can range up to \$1,200,000, not to exceed 80% of the total eligible project costs.
- Generally, the interest rate will not exceed prime plus two percent, but will be determined on a project by project basis. Low or zero interest rates may be offered to encourage short-term repayments.
- The maximum loan term is five years. However, full repayment is required when:
  - the project is refinanced;
  - the project is sold.
- A loan origination fee of not more than two percent of the loan may be charged. In addition, a \$500 nonrefundable loan application fee will be due at the time of loan application.
- All loans require collateral, which may include reasonable business and personal assets.
- Scheduled repayment is required during the term of the loan, and may be fully amortized, including principal and interest, or interest only.

**Learn More**

Visit the RLF website at [www.idahobrownfields.org](http://www.idahobrownfields.org).

You can also contact:

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**Panhandle Area Council:** Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai, Shoshone.

[www.pacni.org](http://www.pacni.org)

**Clearwater Economic Development Association:** Clearwater, Idaho, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce. [www.clearwater-eda.org](http://www.clearwater-eda.org)

**Sage Community Resources:** Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, Washington. [www.sageidaho.com](http://www.sageidaho.com)

**Region IV Development Association:** Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls, Counties. [www.rivda.org](http://www.rivda.org)

**Southeast Idaho Council of Governments:** Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Caribou, Franklin, Oneida, Power. [www.sicog.org](http://www.sicog.org)

**East Central Idaho Planning and Development Association:** Bonneville, Butte, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Teton.

# Voluntary Cleanup Program

As a member of the coalition that established Idaho's BRLF, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) wants to help your project succeed, and offers the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) and other brownfields programs to assist you. Participation in the VCP, which provides technical assistance from the DEQ for cleanups voluntarily initiated, is required in order to be eligible for a BRLF loan or Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative (Pilot) reimbursement. VCP participation can also provide many other benefits, including:

- an expedited remediation process;
- a seven-year partial property tax exemption;
- a "Covenant Not to Sue" from DEQ;
- use of site-specific risk-based cleanup standards;
- use of institutional controls in cleanup plans;
- avoiding an adversarial enforcement action;
- "lender liability" protections.

To enter the VCP, participants submit an application form and a nonrefundable \$250 application fee to DEQ. If DEQ determines the site and applicant are eligible, the applicant then enters a Voluntary Remediation Agreement (VRA) with DEQ, pays a \$2,500 deposit for DEQ's oversight costs, and develops a cleanup plan called a Voluntary Remediation Work Plan. This Work Plan must be made available for public comment and is reviewed and approved by DEQ before an application for a BRLF loan can be considered. Once the Work Plan and BRLF loan are approved, DEQ continues to provide oversight and assistance throughout the cleanup process.

DEQ oversight costs are generally allowable expenses under the BRLF program. If the initial \$2,500 deposit does not cover all of DEQ's oversight costs, DEQ will provide as much advance notice as possible, and may request successive \$2,500 oversight deposits. DEQ will refund any unspent portion of the deposit when cleanup is completed.

After cleanup is completed, the participant submits a Cleanup Completion Report to DEQ, and DEQ issues a Certificate of Completion upon approval. At that point, the participant may request from DEQ a Covenant Not to Sue.

## **VCP Application Form and More Information**

For the VCP Application Form and more information about the VCP and other DEQ brownfields assistance programs, please see the DEQ website at:  
[www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields](http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields)

# Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative

The Idaho Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative makes available up to \$1,500,000 in state funds to private and non-profit entities completing DEQ-approved cleanups at any of the 10 properties selected as pilot Brownfields. Specifically, upon cleanup completion, the state issues the participant a Community Reinvestment Rebate equaling 70% of cleanup costs incurred, with a maximum rebate of \$150,000 per pilot Brownfield.

## **Who Can Participate: Eligible Property Owners**

The pilot defines those authorized to participate as "Eligible Property Owners." In general terms, eligible property owners include non-public entities such as private individuals, partnerships, corporations and non-profits that

1. own the selected pilot Brownfield;
2. did not cause or contribute to the release at issue;
3. did not own the pilot Brownfield at the time of release; and
4. are not affiliated with any party that caused the release or owned the pilot Brownfield at the time of release.

Only persons or entities meeting this definition may clean up a selected pilot Brownfield and receive a Community Reinvestment Rebate. Persons other than eligible property owners (such as local governments) may propose to DEQ a pilot Brownfield and may own a pilot Brownfield prior to entering the VCP, but an eligible property owner must own each pilot Brownfield and must be the person entering the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP).

## **Proposing Pilot Brownfields: The Pilot Brownfield Proposal Form**

Persons can propose to DEQ a pilot Brownfield through a timeframe set in January each year. To propose a pilot Brownfield, persons must submit to DEQ a completed Pilot Brownfield Proposal Form. Applicants may complete the proposal form by providing existing reports and information and/or by providing narrative information. DEQ developed the proposal form based upon the six criteria the Idaho Legislature established when promulgating the pilot, as follows:

1. Sites in areas with a population of 20,000 or less (rural focus);
2. Identified social and economic benefits from the site's reuse plan;
3. Whether contamination is complicating site redevelopment;
4. Whether the reuse plan meets local planning and reuse goals and is ready to proceed once environmental issues are resolved;
5. The level of human health risk the cleanup will remedy; and
6. Current site conditions such as safety concerns, vacancy rates, visual impact on the community, etc.

### **DEQ Compiles and Ranks Proposed Pilot Brownfields: Pilot Ranking Form**

DEQ will compile all proposal forms and rank each proposed pilot. DEQ anticipates completing the ranking process over a two-week period after applications are received. Like the proposal form, DEQ developed the 100-point Pilot Ranking Form based on the six legislative criteria listed above. Per legislative directive, DEQ affords each subsequent criterion decreasing weight. DEQ will complete a pilot ranking form for each property and publish on its web page a list of the 25 highest-priority properties. DEQ will designate the 10 highest-priority sites as pilot Brownfields.

### **DEQ Enters Pilot Sites into the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP)**

Following publication of the Annual Pilot Brownfields List on this web page, DEQ will:

- contact the owners of the 10 highest priority pilot Brownfields and establish a target date within which an eligible property owner must enter into a VCP agreement with DEQ.
- provide the listed contact for the pilot Brownfields with a Model Voluntary Remediation Agreement.
- include in the cover letter providing the model agreement the target date by which an eligible property owner must enter into an agreement with DEQ for that specific pilot Brownfield.
- work to enter each pilot Brownfield into the VCP through the identified target date.

If a pilot Brownfield is not entered into the VCP by the target date, DEQ will reference the Annual Pilot Brownfields List and contact the owner of the next-highest ranked property on the list. DEQ will continue this process until either 10 pilot Brownfields enter the VCP or DEQ initiates a new annual cycle for proposing pilot Brownfields. If DEQ does not select a proposed property as a pilot Brownfield or include a proposed property on the Annual Pilot Brownfields List, consider proposing the property the following year as rankings will change year-to-year with property ownership changes, as redevelopment plans clarify, or as more environmental data becomes available.

### **Participant Completes Cleanup Under the VCP**

Pilot Brownfields operate no differently than any other site entered into the VCP. The participant submits to DEQ for review and approval a proposed Remediation Work Plan. Once DEQ approves the work plan, the participant conducts the DEQ-approved cleanup with DEQ oversight. When identified cleanup goals are reached, the participant submits to DEQ a Work Plan Completion Report and DEQ issues a Certificate of Completion.

### **Participant Makes Community Reinvestment Rebate Request**

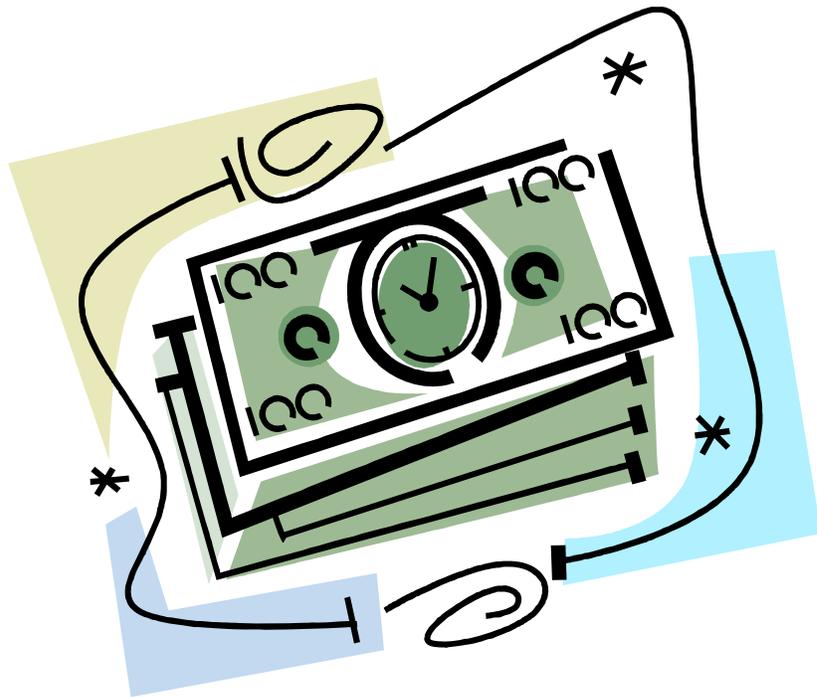
Within 60 days of receiving from DEQ a Certificate of Completion, participants may request their Community Reinvestment Rebate. The Voluntary Remediation Agreement will provide all details regarding how and when to prepare and submit your rebate request. DEQ will review your rebate request and certify the amount of qualifying remediation costs (those costs reasonably incurred implementing the DEQ-approved

Remediation Work Plan). The participant is entitled to a rebate equal to 70% of the DEQ-certified qualifying remediation costs.

**Participant Receives Community Reinvestment Rebate**

Within 30 days of certifying qualifying remediation costs, DEQ will issue the participant a Community Reinvestment Rebate.

# Funding Opportunities for Private Entities



**Program Title:** DEQ Brownfield Assessment

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Assessments of brownfield properties to determine contamination presence on behalf of communities and individuals.

**Funding Range:** No funds are provided, DEQ offers the site assessment free of charge.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Assessment of contaminated brownfield properties to determine the nature and the extent of the contamination problem, or if there is a contamination problem at all. Since brownfields are defined as sites where redevelopment may be complicated due to presence or possible presence of contaminants, a site does not need to be confirmed as contaminated in order to receive the assessment. Assessments will determine if there is contamination, and the extent of that contamination

**Type of Funds:** No funds are awarded. Assessments are offered free of charge by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Eligibility:** Any individual or organization that is threatened or lives in an area that is threatened by a release of contaminants from a brownfield may file a request with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for a Community Brownfield Assessment.

**Application:** The application or request form can be accessed at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/CommunityAssessmentForm.pdf>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), and clicking on the “Brownfields Revitalization” link

**Application Period:** Application requests for the Community Brownfield Assessment Program are ongoing.

**Contacts:** Aaron Scheff, Brownfields Response Program Manager, DEQ Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0420, Email: [aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov)

Kristi Lowder, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Brownfields & UST Specialist, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0347, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [kristi.lowder@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:kristi.lowder@deq.idaho.gov)

**Notes:** The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will try to process all requests for assessments as quickly as possible. If upon completion of the assessment contamination is found, DEQ will work with the community to locate funding to re-develop the contaminated site and return it to productive use.

**Program Title:** Brownfields Tax Incentive

**Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury

**Funds:** Assessment and cleanup of Brownfield sites

**Funding Range:** 100% tax deduction for eligible cleanup costs associated with hazardous material or petroleum contamination.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Costs associated with assessment and cleanup of a contaminated site, such as machinery purchase or rental, contracting out a cleanup service, etc.

**Type of funds:** Tax deduction

**Eligibility:** Work must be done for the use and development of a Brownfield site in the year incurred, the development must be use for an income producing business to qualify for the credit, and the developer must be certified with a state contact, listed below.

**Contacts:** Visit EPA's website at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov) and click on "programs," go to the right of the screen and click on "brownfields," then click on the "laws and statutes" portion on the left of the screen, and scroll down to Brownfields Tax Incentive for more information.

**Program Title: Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds; Idaho Clean Water State Revolving Fund**

**Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency; Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Brownfield mitigation to correct water quality issues. However, state administered funds generally go to pollution control projects such as wastewater treatment plants.

**Funding Range:** Up to 100% of project costs. There is no limit to the amount of funding that borrowers can request.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** The EPA lists cleanup of contaminated groundwater due to petroleum or chemical or other contamination, disposal or removal of contaminated structures or otherwise, such as underground fuel storage tanks, phase 1 and phase 2 site assessments, and non-point source pollution control as potential uses for CWSRL funds, but the State of Idaho may differ on exactly how these funds may be used. Idaho has consistently maintained a policy of funding pollution prevention or reduction projects such as municipal wastewater treatment plants and eliminating clear and present public health threats with regard to water quality. Check with the contacts listed below for more information on how funds may be used.

**Type of funds:** Low interest loans generally set at anywhere between 3% and 4% by the State of Idaho. The loans generally have a maximum term of 20 years. No match is required, and loan funds CAN be used as a match to other federal grant programs.

**Eligibility:** Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds are administered differently through each state, and EPA guidelines are usually interpreted broadly. As of now, at the national level, there is no restriction on who may apply for loan funds, leaving it open to non-profit, for-profit, and government entities alike to pursue cleanup, however the state of Idaho might differ from this position. Funds must be used for contamination cleanup and pollution prevention. Check with the local Idaho Department of Environmental Quality contacts listed below.

**Application:** Contacts listed below can provide more information regarding the revolving loan program.

**Contacts:** Tim Wendland, Program Manager, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. Telephone: (208) 373-0439, Facsimile: (208) 373-0576, E-mail: [tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov)

Or Barry Burnell, Administrator, Water Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton Street, Boise, Idaho 83706

Daniel Steinborn, CWSRF Specialist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, Telephone: (206) 553-2728, Facsimile: (206) 553-0165, E-mail: [steinborn.daniel@epa.gov](mailto:steinborn.daniel@epa.gov)

**Notes:** the EPA gives CWSRL funds to States, who then administer the funds in their intended use plan. Although Idaho does not have a comprehensive and detailed brownfield loan action plan, make sure to contact the program managers above to find out more information about eligibility and brownfield cleanup. The EPA has provided \$43.5 billion in low interest loans to 14,200 different projects and borrowers. Several successful projects have been developed on former brownfield property, including the Grant Reality Company's utilization of a \$1.6 million loan to clean up an industrial site outside of Cleveland to develop as a cooperate headquarters for their company.

**Program Title:** Voluntary Cleanup Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** The Voluntary Cleanup Program offers private groups, companies, public and government groups, and organizations a reduction in your property tax base equal to 50% of the difference between the contaminated value and the post-remediated value. Those who participate in a Voluntary Cleanup Program are also given a “covenant not to sue” on behalf of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, and any financiers and lenders to the development of the project are protected under the “Lender Liability” portion of the Voluntary Cleanup Program. Those who participate in a Voluntary Cleanup Program also benefit from an expedited remediation process.

**Funding Range:** Reduction in property tax base.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** No extraneous restrictions are placed on the tax refund, but it is generally used to help offset the costs of cleaning up the contaminated site.

**Type of funds:** Property tax reduction

**Eligibility:** Can be a private individual, corporation, government, public entity, or other business that owns or operates land that has been contaminated by hazardous substances.

**Application:** The Voluntary Cleanup Program application can be accessed at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/download/application.pdf>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), clicking on the “Brownfields Revitalization” link, and then clicking on the “voluntary cleanup” link on the side of the next page. The application requires a \$250 processing and administrative fee, as well as the Phase 1 Environmental Assessment documentation.

**Application Period:** Applications can be submitted any time

**Contacts:** Bruce Wicherski, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Voluntary Cleanup Program Manager, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0246, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [bruce.wichers@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:bruce.wichers@deq.idaho.gov)

**Program Title:** Community Based Habitat Restoration-National and Regional Partnerships

**Entity:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Funds:** Restoration and protection of critical marine life habitat, including that of anadromous fish species like salmon, which live part of their lives in salt water, but breed in freshwater.

**Funding Range:** \$200,000 to \$600,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Habitat restoration due to damage from development or other issues, as well as monitoring and assessment of critical marine habitats.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one local (non-federal) match.

**Eligibility:** Can be any state, local, or other governmental agency, educational institution, non-profit group, private cooperation or landowner, special district, or tribal government. The funds are open to current and former NOAA habitat restoration partners as well as groups applying for funding for the first time. In order to receive funding, you must become a NOAA habitat restoration partner, which entails a three year commitment to help restore marine habitat, and the commitment is open to almost anywhere in the United States. If you are interested in receiving funding, NOAA suggests that you form a strong connection with the community restoration plan staff cooperate locally with groups in your area.

**Application:** When the funding is announced, it will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. This will allow you to access all of the other grant opportunities posted there, but more importantly, help in determining your eligibility as an organization to receive funding from the NOAA Habitat Restoration Program. Although it is not required that you submit your application electronically, NOAA requests that you do, since all of their grant making and grant awarding processing is done in that manner.

**Application Period:** The next notification of available funding will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Contacts:** Robin Bruckner, NOAA Restoration Center, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-0174, Fax: (301) 713-0184

Email: [Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov](mailto:Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov)

**Notes:** The NOAA Community Habitat Restoration program has been in effect since 1996, and since that time it has funded over 900 projects and dozens of restoration partners, including The Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership, The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, and The Pacific Salmon Watershed Fund.

**Program Title:** Community Based Restoration-Direct Grants

**Entity:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Funds:** Restoration and protection of critical marine life habitat, including that of anadromous fish species like salmon, which live part of their lives in salt water, but breed in freshwater.

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$200,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Habitat restoration due to damage from development or other issues, as well as monitoring and assessment of critical marine habitats. This can include re-establishment of historic hydrology, dam removal, construction of riparian buffer zones, and many other projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one local (non-federal) match.

**Eligibility:** Can be any state, local, or other governmental agency, educational institution, non-profit group, private cooperation or landowner, special district, or tribal government. The focus is on individual grassroots organizations that are trying to restore or protect critical fish habitat, and especially habitat that helps support endangered fish. Emphasis will be placed on those organizations that can best pair up multiple entities, such as public and private organizations, to help support the restoration and protection, and that can demonstrate a net-gain in acres or fish accessible stream miles restored. Unlike the Community Based partners funding, this grant is given directly to organizations to help restore and protect critical marine habitat.

**Application:** The application for this grant can be obtained at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. This will allow you to access all of the other grant opportunities posted there, but more importantly, help in determining your eligibility as an organization to receive funding from the NOAA Habitat Restoration Program. Although it is not required that you submit your application electronically, NOAA requests that you do, since nearly all of their grant making and grant awarding processing is done in that manner.

**Application Period:** Deadline for applications is October 12, 2005, however funding continues on a yearly basis, and new funding opportunities will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Contacts:** Robin Bruckner, NOAA Restoration Center, 1315 East West Highway  
Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-0174, Fax: (301) 713-0184  
Email: [Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov](mailto:Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov)

**Program Title:** Private Stewardship Grants

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Voluntary conservation efforts that benefit endangered species and the habitats that they live in.

**Funding Range:** Varies from project to project. Grants have typically ranged from around \$20,000 to over \$200,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conservation and restoration efforts aimed at protecting and preserving endangered species and their habitats. Some projects have included building streams and wetlands, removing small dams, and other reclamation, restoration, and habitat protection projects.

**Type of funds:** Competitive grants with at a very minimum of 10% non-federal cash or in-kind match

**Eligibility:** Must be an individual, private landowner, or non-profit organization that will help to restore and protect critical endangered species habitat on privately owned land. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also encourages partnerships between individual groups that are working with private landowners wishing to preserve habitat to submit their proposals. Grants will not be awarded to public agencies or governments.

**Application:** Applications can be downloaded at <http://grants.fws.gov>, and its Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number is 15.632. If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit <http://grants.fws.gov> and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. Although FWS does not require that applications be submitted on-line, it does streamline the process and could result in a quicker notification of the projects status. If you have any trouble accessing the application for the grant, contact any of the FWS representatives listed below for more information.

**Application Period:** Visit <http://grants.fws.gov> to find out application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Michael Roy, Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99503-6199, Phone: (503) 872-6216

Email: [michael\\_roy@fws.gov](mailto:michael_roy@fws.gov)

Heather Hollis, US Fish & Wildlife Service - Region 1 (OR, ID, WA)

Eastside Federal Complex - 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181

Phone: (503) 231-2372, Email: [heather\\_hollis@r1.fws.gov](mailto:heather_hollis@r1.fws.gov)

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery and State Grants, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 420, Arlington, VA 22203 703-358-2061

**Notes:** The Private Stewardship Grants program has funded dozens of projects all across the country, including Idaho, and is expected to contribute over \$7 million in fiscal year 2005 for habitat restoration and conservation projects. Projects that have been funded include a \$97,000 grant to The Badger Creek Channel Restoration, in Butte County Idaho, and submitted by Trout Unlimited, to help design and construct a half-mile fully functioning stream channel through lower Badger Creek to help protect and connect bull trout spawning grounds. Bull trout protection will also be accomplished by constructing fences to keep cattle from grazing along the streambed. Other projects include a \$23,400 grant to the Iron Creek Reconnection and Habitat Restoration Project in Lemhi County Idaho, to remove four irrigation dams on Iron Creek to achieve greater in stream flows into the Salmon River and to preserve and restore the passage for federally threatened Bull Trout, summer Chinook Salmon, and Steelhead.

**Program Title:** Wyden Amendment

**Entity:** Bureau of Land Management

**Funds:** restoration and enhancement of habitat that will directly benefit biotic resources on public lands within a given watershed

**Funding Range:** Variable. Contact the Oregon/Washington BLM office or representative listed below for more information.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Reclamation of polluted or damaged wild land habitat, reduction of polluted materials being placed in rivers, other projects that can help improve water quality and habitat on public land.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no cost-sharing obligation

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local, tribal, or other governmental agency, private landowner or cooperation, non-profit organization, special district, or intergovernmental group. The Amendment is eligible to private landowners and corporations to make changes on their own land so long as it directly benefits resources that are located on public lands within a given watershed.

**Application:** Contact the Oregon/Washington BLM office listed below for more information, or visit [www.blm.gov](http://www.blm.gov).

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Leslie Frewing-Runyon, Oregon/Washington BLM State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 1515 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97208-  
Phone: (503) 952-6088, Email: [lfrewing-runyon@or.blm.gov](mailto:lfrewing-runyon@or.blm.gov)

Glencora Lannen, Oregon/Washington BLM State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 1516 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97208- Phone: (503) 952-6089  
Email: [glannen@or.blm.gov](mailto:glannen@or.blm.gov)

Karl Denison, USDA Forest Service, 1835 Black Lake Blvd SW, Olympia, WA 98512-5623, Phone: (360) 956-2306, Fax: (360) 956-2330,  
Email: [kdenison@fs.fed.us](mailto:kdenison@fs.fed.us)

**Program Title:** U.S. Habitat Projects

**Entity:** Ducks Unlimited

**Funds:** Building, restoring, or enhancing wetlands

**Funding Range:** Generally \$10,000 to \$50,000. However funds can reach as high as \$1.5 million.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Building, restoring, or enhancing wetlands on public or private property.

**Type of funds:** Grants. No matching funds are required, but a minimum 50% local cost share match is highly encouraged.

**Eligibility:** Must be a public or private landowner

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the Ducks Unlimited Grants Coordinator for information regarding applications.

**Application Period:** Year-round

**Contacts:** Ducks Unlimited Grant Coordinator, Ducks Unlimited, 3074 Grand Canal Dr. Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, Phone: (916) 852-2000, Email: [conserv@ducks.org](mailto:conserv@ducks.org)

**Notes:** Ducks Unlimited has helped to fund thousands of projects all over the country, and in every state, including in Idaho. Ducks Unlimited is currently involved in 31 projects across Idaho, and has completed 43 projects around the state, including acquiring a 620-acre site on Smith Creek, part of the Kootenai River floodplain, and roughly 400 acres were restored. Visit [www.ducks.org](http://www.ducks.org) for more information on this and other projects Ducks Unlimited is working on.

**Program Title:** Habitat Conservation: Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Technical assistance to maximize wildlife conservation and to help form partnerships for wildlife and habitat conservation, restoration, and protection.

**Funding Range:** Varies with each project. Annual program budget ranges from \$75,000 to \$150,000.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Maximizing conservation and restoration efforts, such as planting native trees and grasses, installation of fences to protect wetlands and streams from cattle, restoring wetlands, and other restoration projects to conserve habitat for federal trust species. The grant goals also include forming partnerships with other agencies, public and private landowners, and Native Americans, as well as improving water quality, removing barriers to wildlife migration, and augmenting the goals of the National Wildlife Refuge System with projects that target species associated with refuge lands.

**Type of funds:** Grants and technical assistance

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local or tribal government, non-profit organization, public or private landowner, or private cooperation.

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the United States Fish and Wildlife Service representative listed below for more information regarding applications, or visit <http://www.fws.gov/partners/> for more information on the program.

**Application Period:** Application deadlines vary from year to year. Contact the United States Fish and Wildlife Service representative listed below for more information regarding application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Sally Valdes, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Rm 400, Arlington, VA 22203, Phone: 703-358-2201, Fax: (703) 358-2232

Email: [sally.valdes@fws.gov](mailto:sally.valdes@fws.gov)

Dennis Mackey, USFWS Idaho State Coordinator. 1387 South Vinnell Way, Suite 368 Boise, ID 83709. Phone: 208-378-5267. Email: [Dennis Mackey@fws.gov](mailto:Dennis_Mackey@fws.gov)

**Program Title:** Idaho Water Resource Board Funding Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Water Resources

**Funds:** Water System infrastructure improvements

**Funding Range:** \$7,500 for grants, up to \$500,000 for loans

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Irrigation projects, community water systems

**Type of Funds:** Grants up to \$7,500 with at least 50% matching by the project sponsor. Up to \$500,000 low interest loans fixed at 5.5% for agricultural purposes and 6% for non-agricultural purposes. The Water Resource Board reserves the right to adjust the rates of any loan on a case-by-case basis.

**Eligibility:** Any municipality, irrigation district, water associations, canal companies, cooperatives, or water companies are eligible.

**Application:** <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/waterboard/financial.htm>

**Contacts:** Brian Patton, Financial Program Coordinator, 322 East Front Street, Boise, ID 83720, Ph: (208) 287-4837, Fax: (208) 287-6700, [brian.patton@idwr.idaho.gov](mailto:brian.patton@idwr.idaho.gov)

Rita I. Fleck, Administrative Assistant, E-Mail: [rfleck@idwr.state.id.us](mailto:rfleck@idwr.state.id.us),

Phone: (208) 327-7900, Fax: (208) 327-7866, Web site: [www.idwr.state.id.us](http://www.idwr.state.id.us)

Idaho Department of Water Resources main office. Phone: 287-4800

**Program Title:** Tax-exempt bond financing for green buildings, renewable energy, and brownfield redevelopment

**Entity:** Department of the Treasury, EPA

**Funds:** Purchase and use of photovoltaic and related technology used for water heating or solar heat.

**Funding Range:** Unspecified. Contact the EPA for more details.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Purchase and use of photovoltaic and related technology

**Types of Funds:** Low interest loans. The government is able to offer these loans at a much lower rate because tax-exempt bonds fund them.

**Eligibility:** The project must be nominated by a state in order to receive the loan. The project must also be located on a brownfield site and have at least 75% of the commercial space registered with LEED, the U.S. Green Building council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. The project must be at least a 1 million square foot building, or 20 acres, and must demonstrate that it can create 1500 permanent jobs (150 for rural states), and 1,000 construction jobs (100 for rural states)

**Application:** State nomination.

**Contacts:** Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101  
<http://www.epa.gov/region10/>, Phone: (206) 553-1200, Fax: (206) 553-0149, Toll free: (800) 424-4372

**Program Title:** Energy Conservation Loan Program

**Entity:** Idaho Office of Energy Resources

**Funds:** Resource and energy conservation

**Funding Range:** \$1,000-\$10,000 for residential, \$1,000-\$100,000 for commercial

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** new lighting systems, daylight/occupation sensors, low pressure nozzles for irrigation, photovoltaics, solar water heaters, hydro power, geothermal heat pumps, wind, and biomass.

**Type of Funds:** Low interest loans of 4%, repayable over no more than five years.

**Eligibility:** Government, commercial, residential, agricultural, are all acceptable. Must demonstrate that the energy saving measures will be able to account for the cost of repaying the loan within 10 years.

**Application:** <http://energy.idaho.gov/loans/>

**Contacts:** Idaho Office of Energy Resources 322 East Front Street P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, Idaho 83720 Phone: (208) 287-4891

Terry Hoebelrinrich. Email: [terry.hoebelheinrich@oer.idaho.gov](mailto:terry.hoebelheinrich@oer.idaho.gov).

**Program Title:** Solar, Wind, and Geothermal deduction

**Entity:** Idaho Office of Energy Resources

**Funds:** Renewable energy power generation

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$20,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Solar water heaters, photovoltaic panels, windmill power generators.

**Type of funds:** Income tax credit. Taxpayer can deduct 40% in the first year of installation, and then 20% of the cost every year for the next three years for a maximum total deduction of \$20,000.

**Eligibility:** Deduction is used to purchase either wind, solar, or geothermal device used for either heating or power generation.

**Application:** Income Tax returns are mailed to the Idaho State Tax Commission, P.O. Box 56, Boise, Idaho 83756-0056.

**Contacts:** Tax Information, Idaho Tax Commission, PO Box 36, 800 Park Blvd. #4, Boise, ID 83722-0410, Phone: (208) 334-7660, Phone 2: (800) 972-7660, Fax: (208) 334-7846

Taxpayer Services at 334-7660 in the Boise calling area or (800) 972-7660.

Web site: <http://tax.idaho.gov/>

Or contact any of these local field offices

Idaho State Tax Commission 1910 Northwest Blvd., Suite 100 Coeur d'Alene, ID, 83814-2676

Idaho State Tax Commission 150 Shoup Ave., Suite 16 Idaho Falls, ID, 83402-3653

Idaho State Tax Commission 1118 "F" Street Lewiston, ID, 83501-1930

Idaho State Tax Commission 611 Wilson Ave., Suite 5 Pocatello, ID, 83201-5046

Idaho State Tax Commission 1038 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Suite C Twin Falls, ID, 83301-6630

**Notes:** Idaho's income tax deduction for renewable energy represents one of the largest deductions in the United States in terms of dollar amounts. Other surrounding western states such as Montana and Oregon also offer financial incentives to install renewable energy, but Idaho stands out for its overwhelming support of renewable energy sources.

**Program Title:** Renewable energy equipment sales tax refund

**Entity:** Idaho Tax Commission

**Funds:** Renewable energy production equipment

**Funding Range:** 100% sales tax rebate

**Examples of what rebate can be used for:** Any renewable power-generating source such as solar power, wind power, biomass, fuel cells, low impact hydro, geothermal, cogeneration, and landfill gas.

**Types of funds:** Sales tax rebate of 100%. You must have purchased the equipment prior to receiving the rebate.

**Eligibility:** Project must be able to generate at least 25 kilowatts of electricity, which must be confirmed and certified by a utility.

**Application:** Contact the Idaho Tax Commission, listed below.

**Contact:** Tax Information, Idaho Tax Commission, PO Box 36, 800 Park Blvd. #4, Boise, ID 83722-0410, Phone: (208) 334-7660, Phone 2: (800) 972-7660, Fax: (208) 334-7846

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**Program Title:** Custom Efficiency Program

**Entity:** Idaho Power

**Funds:** Green Building, energy efficient building features

**Funding Range:** \$20,000 for small commercial buildings to \$100,000 for industrial buildings

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Commercial: Lighting electrical systems, plumbing, building shell restoration; Industrial: Modifications to motor systems, controls, fans, pumps, compressors, lighting, and air conditioning.

**Types of Funds:** Direct cash incentive that covers no more than half of the modifications cost or up to \$20,000 commercial or \$100,000 industrial.

**Eligibility:** Commercial: Must be a small to midrange commercial building on Idaho Power rate schedule of either 7 or 9.

Industrial: Must be an industrial business on Idaho Power rate schedule 9 or 19 to qualify. Idaho Power calculates the financial incentive based on 3 determining factors; 10 cents per kilowatt hour saved, 50 percent of the project cost, or the difference between the projects total cost and the one year payback amount. Maximum incentive is \$15,000 plus the customer’s annual megawatt usage multiplied by 30 cents for a maximum incentive of \$100,000. Projects must be completed within one year of the signing agreement, and funds will only be dispersed as long as they are available.

**Application:**

<http://www.idahopower.com/energycenter/energyefficiency/YourBusiness/industrialincentive.htm> for industrial,

<http://www.idahopower.com/energycenter/energyefficiency/YourBusiness/buildingefficiency.htm> for commercial, or just visit [www.idahopower.com](http://www.idahopower.com), click on energy center, then click on the link “energy efficiency in your business,” and select either “building efficiency for commercial construction,” or Industrial efficiency incentive program if.

**Contacts: Industrial**

Boise/Mountain Home

**Wilma Walp**, Idaho Power Corporate Headquarters, 1221 W. Idaho St., Boise, ID 83702, 208-388-2403  
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**Program Title:** Low income housing tax credit

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Administration

**Funds:** Construction and development of low-income rental housing

**Funding Range:** dollar for dollar reduction in federal tax liability: federal tax credit

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of low-income rental housing, rehabilitation projects, and property acquisition.

**Type of funds:** Federal Tax Credit

**Eligibility:** Must provide 20% of the housing to persons living under 50% of the area median income or 40% or more to persons living below 60% of the area median income. Projects must also comply with tax credit regulations for 15 to 30 years. Rent rates are restricted based on county-by-county restrictions and also depend on how many bedrooms are in the unit.

**Application:** [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org), highlight “housing compliance,” and scroll over to and click “tax credits” the application is a pdf link.

**Contacts:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA), P. O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899 Phone: 331-4882.

Housing and Compliance Phone: 208 331-4707

Email: [Compliance@ihfa.org](mailto:Compliance@ihfa.org)

**Program Title:** HOME Investment Partnerships Program

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association

**Funds:** Constructing and upgrading low-income rental units, or providing home purchase assistance.

**Funding Range:** Funds are calculated based on population, poverty, and housing need. Minimum funding for each housing unit is \$1,000. Maximum assistance varies by county and by how many bedrooms are in one unit and are only limited by the amount of HOME funds allocated for the state.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of low-income rental housing, rehabilitation of low-income rental housing, providing financial down payment assistance

**Type of Funding:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Governments, non-profit organizations, developers, housing authorities. For Homeowners, must supply to those who are at 80% or less of area median income. 20% of rental units must be supplied to those who are at 50% or less of area median income, and the remaining units must be used for those who are at 60% or less of area median income. Visit <http://www.ihfa.org/pdfs/HOME.pdf> to learn more.

**Application:** State wide grant competitions are held two to three times a year, and notices are sent out about financing availability. Developers or interested groups should contact the Idaho Housing and Finance Association listed below for more information.

**Contacts:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association, HOME Program, P.O. Box 7899 (565 W. Myrtle), Boise, Idaho 83707-1899, (208) 331-4881, 1-877-447-2687, Hearing Impaired, 1-800-545-1833, Ext. 400

**Program Title:** Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association, Agent for the ICRC

**Funds:** Construction and rehabilitation of multifamily low-income rental units and refinancing for projects to maintain affordability

**Funding Range:** No more than 10% of the revolving loan pool to any one project, and no more than 20% of the revolving loan pool to a single borrower. The interest rate fixed and calculated by adding a fixed margin to the current 20-year bond yield. Contact the Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation for details on the size of the revolving loan and the current interest rate.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction or rehabilitation of multi-family low-income rental units, or for single parent households, the disabled, the mentally ill, and the elderly.

**Type of funds:** Fixed, low interest loans.

**Eligibility:** For profit sponsors, non-profit organizations, and community based developers.

**Application:** Contact the Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation listed below for an application packet and other information pertaining to eligibility and financing.

**Contacts:** Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation, P.O. Box 2002, Boise, Idaho 83701-2002, Phone: (208) 336-8847, Fax: (208) 331-4808

**Entity:** Idaho State Treasurers Office and The Small Business Administration

**Funds:** Small Businesses

**Funding Range:** up to \$750,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Starting and business, expanding a business, purchasing equipment, increasing capital, refinance debt, or construct or purchase buildings.

**Type of Funds:** Loans with a 25-30% match in investment. Loans have a prime interest rate that is adjusted every calendar quarter, with 25 years maximum maturity. SBA guarantees up to 85% of loans under \$150,000, and 75% of all loans over \$150,000 made with a participating bank.

**Eligibility:** To qualify, you must be an independently owned or operated business operating for profit whose annual revenues are less than \$6,000,000 or whose employees number less than 100.

**Contacts:** Small Business Administration, Boise District Office, 380 E. Parkcenter Blvd., Suite 330, Boise, Idaho 83702, (208) 334-1696(phone), (208) 334-9353(Fax), [www.sba.gov/id](http://www.sba.gov/id)

**Entity:** Panhandle Area Council

**Funds:** - **Small Business Micro Loan Program:** Small Business creation and expansion  
- SBA 504 Loan Program: Small Business creation and expansion  
- Revolving Loan Fund: Small Business creation and expansion

**Funding Range:** - Small Business Micro Loan: \$1000 to \$25,000  
- SBA 504 Loan Program: up to 90% of financing at a fixed rate  
- Revolving Loan Fund: up to 50% of financing at a fixed rate

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Creating a new business, inventory expansion, working capital, or equipment purchase.

**Type of Funds:** - **Small Business Micro Loan:** 3-5 year loan with a 15% borrower borrower capital investment.  
-SBA 504 Loan Program: 10 to 20 year long term fixed rate loan with up to 90% of total program costs loaned out but with at least 50% being loaned by a participating bank. SBA will only fund 40% of a projects cost, totaling no more than \$1,000,000. Borrower capital injection is at least 10-20%.  
-Revolving Loan Fund: 5 to 20 year loan depending on what it is spent on. Loan will cover up to 50% of a projects cost with at least a minimum 50% match from a certified bank, and a borrower investment of 15%. Interest rate is fixed at the prime rate with a floor of 5%. Minimum loan is \$25,000, and maximum loan is \$350,000.

**Eligibility:** Must be located in Benewah, Boundary, Border, Kootenai, or Shoshone counties, must fit under certain limited restrictions located at <http://www.pacni.org/pacloan.htm>

**Contacts:** Paul Ferguson, Commercial Loan Officer, (208) 772-0582 ext. 3022  
Robin Robinson, Commercial Loan Specialist, (208) 772-0582 ext. 3009  
Panhandle Area Council, 11100 N. Airport Drive, Hayden, Idaho 83835,  
(208) 772-0584(phone), (208) 772-6196(Fax)

**Entity:** Clearwater Economic Development Association

**Funds:** Economic development and planning

**Funding Range:** \$1000 to \$150,000

**Funds can be used for:** Starting or expanding a small business, land acquisition, or expansion of working capital.

**Type of Funds:** At or below market low interest loans with at least 10% borrower match. CEDA will loan up to \$20,000 without bank participation, and up to \$150,000 with bank participation

**Eligibility:** Must be located in either Clearwater, Latah, Idaho, Lewis, or Nez Perce counties, must create at least one job for ever \$20,000 loaned, and must demonstrate that funding was not available through conventional sources.

**Application:** <http://www.clearwater-eda.org>

**Contact:** Clearwater Economic Development Association, 1626 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Lewiston, Idaho 83501, (208) 746-0015(phone), (208) 746-0576(Fax),

**Program Title:** Micro Loan Program

**Entity:** Sage Community Resources

**Funds:** Business development and business expansion

**Funding Range:** Average loan size is \$11,000 with a maximum loan of \$35,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Working capital, acquiring inventory, supplies, and other equipment. Cannot be used for down payments on real estate purchases.

**Type of Funds:** Loans with interest rates that vary depending on market conditions. Generally the interest rate for loans is between 10 and 13 percent

**Eligibility:** Must be a business located in Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, or Washington counties that has financial security and a personal guarantee from the business owner or loan borrower as well as an outline of the business including what the business intends to sell and how it will compete in the marketplace, market analysis, and a marketing plan.

**Application:** Applications can be viewed and downloaded at <http://www.sageidaho.com/micro.xls> or acquired through e-mail by calling (208) 322-7033

**Application Deadline:** There is no deadline for the submission of applications for micro loans.

**Contacts:** Sage Community Resources, 1001 S. Orchard St. Boise, Id 83705, Ph: (208) 322-7033, Fax: (208) 322-3569

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**Notes:** Sage Community Resources serves 10 counties in southwest Idaho. In addition to offering business loans, they also offer classes for business development, business counseling, and other business development services. Utilizing these resources is highly recommended should you decide to start your own business

**Program Title:** Small Business Revolving Loan Program

**Funds:** Business development through capital purchases

**Funding Range:** Generally loans coming from the Community Reinvestment Fund are greater than \$100,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Commercial Real Estate purchases, Equipment, Inventory, etc.

**Type of Funds:** Loans. Contact Sage Community resources listed below to get more information on interest rates and loan amounts

**Eligibility:** Must be a business requesting the purchase of either land or other equipment/inventory that is located in Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, or Washington counties.

**Application:** Information regarding applications can be received by contacting Sage Community Resources listed below

**Application Deadline:** There is currently no deadline for applications or requests for loans from the Community Reinvestment fund.

**Contacts:** Sage Community Resources, 1001 S. Orchard St. Boise, Id 83705, Ph: (208) 322-7033, Fax: (208) 322-3569

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**Program Title:** Title IX Economic Adjustment Assistance

**Funds:** Planning and implementation of economic recovery projects

**Funding Range:** 50% to 80% of costs for project

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Developing an economic recovery plan for a town that has lost its primary employer, constructing infrastructure to help seed growth in depressed areas.

**Type of Funds:** Grants are given to State EDA's, which in Idaho are then Distributed to each of the six Economic Development Districts(EDD), who can then turn it into either a low interest or revolving loan program, or into small grants. Contact your local EDD listed below to find out more information.

**Eligibility:** Contact your local EDD to find out project eligibility as well as the type of funds that they can distribute.

**Application/Contacts:** Loan/Grant applications can all be found by contacting your local EDD.

**Idaho Economic Development Districts-**

The six Idaho Economic Development Districts were created to help provide business loans and funding to small business areas all throughout Idaho. The Economic Development Districts have the ability to help out individual businesses, as well as cities, counties, or other special districts that have economic issues, such as losing a primary employer, or to help towns and cities with other economic issues. Below are the contacts to each of the six Economic Development Districts in the State of Idaho and the counties that they serve. Each has different policies in place for different projects, and these can be changed throughout the year. If you are interested in business loans, or a governmental entity looking for community development aid, contact the appropriate Economic Development District listed below.

- Panhandle Area Council – Hayden (772-0584), [www.pacni.org](http://www.pacni.org), counties served: Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Benewah, and Shoshone
- Clearwater Economic Development Assn. – Lewiston (746-0015), [www.clearwater-eda.org](http://www.clearwater-eda.org), counties served: Clearwater, Idaho, Latah, Lewis, and Nez Perce
- Sage Community Resources – Boise (322-7033), [www.sageidaho.com](http://www.sageidaho.com), counties served: Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, and Washington
- Region IV Development Assn. – Twin Falls (732-5727), [www.rivda.org](http://www.rivda.org), counties served: Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls
- Southeast Idaho Council of Governments – Pocatello (233-4032), [www.sicog.org](http://www.sicog.org), counties served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Caribou, Franklin, Oneida, and Power
- East-Central Idaho Planning & Dev. Assn. – 310 North 2<sup>nd</sup> East, Suite 115 Rexburg, ID 83440. Call Ted Hendricks: (356-4524), or Terry Butikofer: Ph: (356-4524) Fax: (356-4544). Counties served: Bonneville, Butte, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, and Teton

**Entity:** Idaho State Historical Preservation Office; Department of the Interior, IRS, National Park Service

**Funds:** Rehabilitation of historically significant buildings and select sites

**Funding Range:** 20% tax credit for building rehabilitation

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** The Department of the Interiors Tax Incentive Program primarily focuses on rehabilitation over replacement, and state historic preservation offices monitor the credit. In most cases, old buildings have been brought up to more modern standards of application while maintaining their historical integrity and appeal. The program is fairly flexible as long as historical character is preserved.

**Eligibility:** The building being restored must be one that will be used for income-producing purposes. Private homes may not take advantage of the credit unless some part of the home is used for business purposes such as an apartment or an office. Generally, sites also need to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places, unless the State Historical Preservation Office determines that the buildings historical significance is such that it is entitled to funding. Also, the finished building must be greater in value than prior to rehabilitation and must meet the Secretary of the Interiors Standards for Rehabilitation. For a list of the standards of rehabilitation, visit <http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tps/tax/incentives/index.htm>

**Contact:** State Historic Preservation Office  
Idaho State Historical Society  
210 Main Street  
Boise, Idaho 83702

Phone: (208) 334-3861

Fax: (208) 334-2775

<http://www2.state.id.us/ishs/index.html>

**Notes:** Created in 1976, the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program has helped to rehabilitate thousands of historic buildings representing billions of dollars in private investment. In the State of Idaho, the federal tax incentive program has been successful in the rehabilitation of over 50 buildings and created \$20 million in private construction and investment. Source: Department of the Interior; Idaho State Historic Preservation Office.

**Program Title:** Regional Geographic Initiative

**Entity:** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Geographically based projects that help to fill in the gaps in the EPA's ability to protect human health and the environment.

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Funds should be used to address a 'multi-media' problem such as wastewater, air pollution, hazardous waste, etc., or fill in critical gaps in the EPA's protection of human health and the environment. This leaves the topic fairly broad and open to interpretation.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no matching requirement.

**Eligibility:** Any local, state, regional, or other government agency, as well as non-profit organizations, private corporations and landowners, educational institutions, individuals, special districts, and Native American Tribes may apply for a Regional Geographic Initiative grant.

**Application:** Applications for this grant are only available to areas or projects that fall under regional priorities that are established annually. Contact the EPA region 10 representative listed below for more information on regional priorities and application information.

**Application Period:** Varies by region. Contact the EPA region 10 representative listed below for application information.

**Contacts:** Dan Phalen, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553-8578, Fax: (206) 553-1775

Email: [phalen.dan@epa.gov](mailto:phalen.dan@epa.gov)

# Funding Opportunities for Tribal Organizations



**Program Title:** Targeted Brownfield Assessment

**Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Assessment of potentially contaminated sites that are abandoned or underused and have potential for redevelopment

**Funding Range:** No funds are awarded. Cleanup assessments are valued at \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Assessment of potentially contaminated areas.

**Type of funds:** Assessment and technical assistance.

**Eligibility:** Must be a government, tribal, non-profit or quasi-public entity, and the site must have a good potential for contamination. Sites that are deemed only to have petroleum contamination are not eligible for Targeted Brownfield Assessment.

**Application:** <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/tba.htm>

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** TARGETED BROWNFIELDS SITE ASSESSMENTS, c/o Joanne LaBaw  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 10, 1200 Sixth Ave. (ECL-115)  
Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553- 2594, E-mail: [labaw.Joanne@epa.gov](mailto:labaw.Joanne@epa.gov)

**Program Title:** Brownfield Assessment Competitive Grant

**Entity:** US Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Pre-Cleanup Environmental Assessment Studies

**Funding Range:** up to \$200,000, but large sites may be eligible for up to \$350,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Cleanup assessments that include, amount and extent of contamination, inventory, contamination characterization, community outreach, and cleanup planning and design. Funds may not be used for paying penalties or fines, as a federal cost share-matching requirement, administrative costs, for brownfield projects and applicants that may be eligible under CERCLA, costs associated with complying to federal regulations, and funds may not be used for lobbying, fund raising, and other unallowable projects listed under OMB circulars A-21, A-87, and A-122.

**Type of Funds:** Competitive grants that last for a period of two years

**Eligibility:** Must be a State, Local, Tribal, or other government or governmental agency such as a redevelopment agency to apply for assessment pilot grants.

**Application:** Some application information can be obtained at [http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/assessment\\_grants.htm](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/assessment_grants.htm), however, in-between grant cycles, applications will not be posted electronically. Contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Grant Coordinator listed below to find out more information regarding applications and grant cycles

**Application Period:** Application periods change on a yearly basis. Check with the EPA's website at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov), or contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below, to find out more information regarding application periods and grants announcements

**Contacts:** Mr. Tim Brincefield, Brownfields Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 ECL-112, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-2100 Fax: (206) 553-0124, [brincefield.timothy@epa.gov](mailto:brincefield.timothy@epa.gov)

**Notes:** Assessment Grant requests are all reviewed by a panel consisting of EPA members as well as members of other federal agencies to determine the eligibility of the project and if it meets all the threshold and ranking criteria outlined by the EPA's proposals and guidelines. All applications are reviewed and accepted on a pass/fail basis, and applications will not be evaluated if they do not meet the threshold basis.

**Program Title:** DEQ Brownfield Assessment

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Assessments of brownfield properties to determine contamination presence on behalf of communities and individuals.

**Funding Range:** No funds are provided. DEQ offers the site assessment free of charge

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Assessment of contaminated brownfield properties to determine the nature and the extent of the contamination problem, or if there is a contamination problem at all. Since brownfields are defined as sites where redevelopment may be complicated due to presence or possible presence of contaminants, a site does not need to be confirmed as contaminated in order to receive the assessment. Assessments will determine if there is contamination, and the extent of that contamination

**Type of Funds:** No funds are awarded. Assessments are offered free of charge by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Eligibility:** Any individual or organization that is threatened or lives in an area that is threatened by a release of contaminants from a brownfield may file a request with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for a Community Brownfield Assessment.

**Application:** The application or request form can be accessed at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/CommunityAssessmentForm.pdf>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), and clicking on the “Brownfields Revitalization” link

**Application Period:** Application requests for the Community Brownfield Assessment Program are ongoing.

**Contacts:** Aaron Scheff, Brownfields Response Program Manager, DEQ Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0420, Email: [aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov)

**Notes:** The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will try to process all requests for assessments as quickly as possible. If upon completion of the assessment contamination is found, DEQ will work with the community to locate funding to re-develop the contaminated site and return it to productive use.

**Program Title:** EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grants

**Entity:** US Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Cleanup activities on contaminated brownfield sites

**Funding Range:** up to \$200,000 may be requested

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Cleanup of hazardous substances on brownfield sites such as cleanup of petroleum, dangerous chemicals, hazardous substances, or other contaminants. This includes hazardous substances that are mixed with petroleum.

**Type of Funds:** Competitive grants with a 20% match, which will be waived in case of hardship. The cost sharing can be in the form of money, labor, material, or services, but must match the 20% requirement.

**Eligibility:** Can be a city, development agency, non-profit group, or similar entity that is conducting cleanup on a site that they own.

**Application:** Applications can be accessed at

[http://epa.gov/brownfields/cleanup\\_grants.htm](http://epa.gov/brownfields/cleanup_grants.htm), or at

<http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, however, in-between grant cycles, applications will not be posted electronically. Contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below for information on Brownfield cleanup grants and grant cycles.

**Application Period:** The Environmental Protection Agency releases grant cycles and grant information every fiscal year. Visit <http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, or contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator for information on grant cycles and application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Mr. Tim Brincefield, Brownfields Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 ECL-112, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-2100 Fax: (206) 553-0124, [brincefield.timothy@epa.gov](mailto:brincefield.timothy@epa.gov)

**Notes:** The Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Cleanup Grants, enacted in 2003, has already seen a wide range of success stories across the country. In Idaho, Cleanup grants have been awarded to the city of Caldwell, the Capital City Development Corporation in Boise, the Panhandle Health District, the Reuse Idaho Brownfields Coalition, and Washington County.

**Program Title:** Voluntary Cleanup Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** The Voluntary Cleanup Program offers private groups, companies, public and government groups, and organizations a reduction in your property tax base equal to 50% of the difference between the contaminated value and the post-remediated value. Those who participate in a Voluntary Cleanup Program are also given a “covenant not to sue” on behalf of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, and any financiers and lenders to the development of the project are protected under the “Lender Liability” portion of the Voluntary Cleanup Program. Those who participate in a Voluntary Cleanup Program also benefit from an expedited remediation process.

**Funding Range:** Reduction in property tax base.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** You can do what you want with the tax refund, but it is generally used to help offset the costs of cleaning up the contaminated site.

**Type of funds:** Property tax reduction

**Eligibility:** Can be a private individual, corporation, government, public entity, or other business that owns or operates land that has been contaminated by hazardous substances.

**Application:** The Voluntary Cleanup Program application can be accessed at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/download/application.pdf>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), clicking on the “Brownfields Revitalization” link, and then clicking on the “voluntary cleanup” link on the side of the next page. The application requires a \$250 processing and administrative fee, as well as the Phase 1 Environmental Assessment documentation.

**Application Period:** Applications can be submitted any time

**Contacts:** Bruce Wicherski, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Voluntary Cleanup Program Manager, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0246, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [bruce.wichers@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:bruce.wichers@deq.idaho.gov)

**Program Title: Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds; Idaho Clean Water State Revolving Fund**

**Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency; Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Brownfield mitigation to correct water quality issues. However, state administered funds generally go to pollution control projects such as wastewater treatment plants.

**Funding Range:** Up to 100% of project costs. There is no limit to the amount of funding that borrowers can request.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** The EPA lists cleanup of contaminated groundwater due to petroleum or chemical or other contamination, disposal or removal of contaminated structures or otherwise, such as underground fuel storage tanks, phase 1 and phase 2 site assessments, and non-point source pollution control as potential uses for CWSRL funds, but the State of Idaho may differ on exactly how these funds may be used. Idaho has consistently maintained a policy of funding pollution prevention or reduction projects such as municipal wastewater treatment plants and eliminating clear and present public health threats with regard to water quality. Check with the contacts listed below for more information on how funds may be used.

**Type of funds:** Low interest loans generally set at anywhere between 3% and 4% by the State of Idaho. The loans generally have a maximum term of 20 years. No match is required, and loan funds CAN be used as a match to other federal grant programs.

**Eligibility:** Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds are administered differently through each state, and EPA guidelines are usually interpreted broadly. As of now, at the national level, there is no restriction on who may apply for loan funds, leaving it open to non-profit, for-profit, and government entities alike to pursue cleanup, however the state of Idaho might differ from this position. Funds must be used for contamination cleanup and pollution prevention. Check with the local Idaho Department of Environmental Quality contacts listed below.

**Application:** Contacts listed below can provide more information regarding the revolving loan program.

**Contacts:** Tim Wendland, Program Manager, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Telephone: (208) 373-0439, Facsimile: (208) 373-0576, E-mail: [tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov)

Or Barry Burnell, Administrator, Water Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton Street, Boise, Idaho 83706

Daniel Steinborn, CWSRF Specialist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, Telephone: (206) 553-2728, Facsimile: (206) 553-0165, E-mail: [steinborn.daniel@epa.gov](mailto:steinborn.daniel@epa.gov)

**Notes:** the EPA gives CWSRL funds to States, who then administer the funds in their intended use plan, or basically how they see fit. Although Idaho does not have a comprehensive and detailed brownfield loan action plan, make sure to contact the program managers above to find out more information about eligibility and brownfield cleanup. The EPA has provided \$43.5 billion in low interest loans to 14,200 different projects and borrowers. Several successful projects have been developed on former brownfield property, including the Grant Reality Company's utilization of a \$1.6 million loan to clean up an industrial site outside of Cleveland to develop as a cooperate headquarters for their company.

**Program Title:** State and Tribal Response Program Grants

**Entity:** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Programs such as revolving loan funds for Brownfield remediation as well as creating insurance programs to help with response initiatives. Response program grants are generally limited to establishing and enhancing response programs.

**Funding Range:** Up to \$1.5 million for state response programs, and \$1 million to \$1.5 million for Tribal response programs.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Funds may be used to capitalize on a brownfields remediation revolving loan fund listed under CERCLA section 104 (k)(3). Other applications include using funds to maintain and update public records on sites where response programs have been completed or are going to be addressed, enhance statutory elements of a response program, or purchase insurance or develop a risk sharing pool to finance response actions.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no cost share requirement unless direct revolving loan funds are sought through a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) section 104 (k)(3) program, in which case there will be a 20% state or tribal cost share requirement.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state or tribal government. Grant money is not distributed through a competitive process, but instead is given out based on eligible states and tribes under the Grant Funding Guidance for State and Tribal Response Program guidelines. The eligible party must demonstrate that they will include the four elements of a response program (timely survey and inventory of brownfield sites, oversight and enforcement, mechanisms to provide meaningful public participation, and mechanisms to authorize a cleanup plan and show that it has been completed) OR be a party to a voluntary response program Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the U.S. EPA, AND maintain and make available to the public all records regarding brownfield cleanup sites that have been completed within the past year or are going to be initiated within the upcoming year. Contact the district 10 representative listed below for more information regarding eligibility requirements.

**Application:** Visit the EPA website at [http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/state\\_tribal.htm](http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/state_tribal.htm). The grant application can be viewed at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and is listed under the Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 66.817. Contact the district 10 representative listed below for more information regarding applications.

**Application Period:** To view the grant application, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov), which should have a deadline listed. If this is unsuccessful, contact the district 10 representative listed below for more information regarding the application deadline.

**Contacts:** Tim Brincefield, Region 10, Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 6th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553-2100  
Email: [epahotline@bah.com](mailto:epahotline@bah.com)

Susan Morales, Region 10 Environmental Protection Agency Tribal Response Program Coordinator. Phone: (360) 753-9079. Email: [Morales.Susan@epa.gov](mailto:Morales.Susan@epa.gov).

**Program Title:** Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Pilot Grants

**Entity:** US Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Organization of a Revolving Loan Fund at a State, Local, or Tribal level for brownfield cleanup projects

**Funding Range:** Up to \$500,000 for each eligible organization. However, if need is great enough, the EPA has funded coalitions and states in excess of \$1 million for the creation of revolving loan funds.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Funds may be used to create a revolving loan fund at a State, Local, or Tribal levels in order to better facilitate and access funds to clean up brownfield sites at the local level. Grant money is to be used to give low interest loans to organizations or other entities or individuals to clean up brownfield sites. Loan funds are limited to listed brownfield properties that either have a release of toxic substances or have a substantial threat of a release of toxic substances.

**Type of funds:** Competitive grants with no cost share requirement

**Eligibility:** Must be a State, Local (including towns and counties), coalition such as an economic development district, or Tribal government in order to receive funds.

**Application:** Applications are available on-line during grant cycles. Contact the Region 10 Brownfield Coordinator listed below or visit <http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, to find more information regarding the Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Pilot Grants

**Application Period:** Funding grant cycles are announced randomly during each fiscal year. Applications can be found at <http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, or by contacting the Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below for information regarding application deadlines as well as other funding announcements

**Contacts:** Mr. Tim Brincefield, Brownfields Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 ECL-112, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-2100 Fax: (206) 553-0124, [brincefield.timothy@epa.gov](mailto:brincefield.timothy@epa.gov)

**Notes:** The United States Environmental Protection Agency has awarded one Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Pilot Grant to the Re-use Idaho Brownfields Coalition (RIBC), which is a combination of all six of Idaho's Economic Development Districts and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. The fund will be used to provide low interest loans for cleanup activities on brownfield sites across the state. Applying for and obtaining a loan from the RIBC would be recommended in place of trying to obtain a pilot grant from the EPA. Given the rural nature of the state, with only a limited number of areas with a large number of concentrated brownfield sites, seeking a loan from the RIBC would be recommended for rural communities and counties. The best applicant for an EPA Pilot grant would be large cities, preferably over 50,000 in population or with a significant number of brownfield sites, or Native American Tribes. The Re-use Idaho Brownfields Coalition information can be found elsewhere in this manual.

**Program Title:** Brownfield Technical Assistance

**Entity:** The Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technical Support Center

**Funds:** Technical Assistance relating to conducting cleanup, application of cleanup tools, feasibility studies, and other related brownfields applications.

**Funding Range:** Technical assistance only. Offered free of charge

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conducting feasibility studies, developing cleanup strategies, implementing new cleanup tools and techniques, and other applications

**Type of Funds:** Technical assistance only.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government. However non-profit organizations can request information on certain brownfield cleanup applications. Also, to be eligible for funding, Phase 1 and Phase 2 assessments must already be completed on the site.

**Application:** Applications for technical assistance can be accessed at [http://www.brownfieldstsc.org/request\\_support.cfm](http://www.brownfieldstsc.org/request_support.cfm), or by contacting the Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technical Support Center phone number or e-mail center listed below

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** You may contact the Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technical Support Center by calling 1-877-838-7220 (toll free), or by visiting

<http://www.brownfieldstsc.org/contact.cfm>.

**Program Title:** Fish, wildlife, and parks programs on Indian Lands

**Entity:** Bureau of Indian Affairs

**Funds:** Habitat enhancement and protection, resource management, regulation of recreational facilities, and base line inventories.

**Funding Range:** Up to \$12,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Habitat conservation and enhancement and other resource management programs that offer cultural enrichment for Native Americans on Tribal land.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no cost share requirement

**Eligibility:** Must be a Tribal Government

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the Bureau of Indian Affairs representative listed below for application information.

**Application Period:** Year-round

**Contacts:** Gary Rankel, Office of Trust Responsibilities, BIA, 1849 C Street NW, MS 4513 MIB, Washington DC, DC 20240, Phone: (202) 208-4088

Email: [Gary.Rankel@bia.gov](mailto:Gary.Rankel@bia.gov)

**Program Title:** Wyden Amendment

**Entity:** Bureau of Land Management

**Funds:** restoration and enhancement of habitat that will directly benefit biotic resources on public lands within a given watershed

**Funding Range:** Variable. Contact the Oregon/Washington BLM office or representative listed below for more information.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Reclamation of polluted or damaged wild land habitat, reduction of polluted materials being placed in rivers, other projects that can help improve water quality and habitat on public land.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no cost-sharing obligation

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local, tribal, or other governmental agency, private landowner or cooperation, non-profit organization, special district, or intergovernmental group. The Amendment is eligible to private landowners and corporations to make changes on their own land so long as it directly benefits resources that are located on public lands within a given watershed.

**Application:** Contact the Oregon/Washington BLM office listed below for more information, or visit [www.blm.gov](http://www.blm.gov).

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Leslie Frewing-Runyon, Oregon/Washington BLM State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 1515 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97208-

Phone: (503) 952-6088, Email: [lfrewing-runyon@or.blm.gov](mailto:lfrewing-runyon@or.blm.gov)

Glencora Lannen, Oregon/Washington BLM State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 1516 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97208- Phone: (503) 952-6089  
Email: [glannen@or.blm.gov](mailto:glannen@or.blm.gov)

Karl Denison, USDA Forest Service, 1835 Black Lake Blvd SW, Olympia, WA 98512-5623, Phone: (360) 956-2306, Fax: (360) 956-2330,  
Email: [kdenison@fs.fed.us](mailto:kdenison@fs.fed.us)

**Program Title:** Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program

**Entity:** United States Department of the Interior

**Funds:** Reclamation of lands that have been damaged or polluted by mainly coal related mining projects, and to a limited extent non-coal mining, that has occurred prior to August 3, 1977

**Funding Range:** Typically \$100,000 to \$30,000,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Any kind of reclamation related construction such as moving tailing piles, filling in open pit mines, re-contouring terraced and other damaged lands, digging stream channels that have been blocked by mine waste, replanting vegetation, and many other projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a state or tribal government. To possibly gain access to these funds, contact the Idaho Department of Commerce, listed below.

**Application:** States receive money to distribute how they see fit in the most pressing areas. Contact Shannon Murray or Ula Chadd listed below to find out more information on receiving funds to reclaim abandoned mines

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Shannon Murray, Program manager, e-mail: [smurray@idl.state.id.us](mailto:smurray@idl.state.id.us), or Ula Chadd, e-mail: [uchadd@idl.state.id.us](mailto:uchadd@idl.state.id.us), ~ 954 W. Jefferson, P.O. Box 83720, Boise ID 83720-0050, phone: (208) 334-0200, Fax: (208) 334-3698

Office of Surface Mine Reclamation: Email: [getinfo@osmre.gov](mailto:getinfo@osmre.gov).

**Program Title:** Community Based Restoration-Direct Grants

**Entity:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Funds:** Restoration and protection of critical marine life habitat, including that of anadromous fish species like salmon, which live part of their lives in salt water, but breed in freshwater.

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$200,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Habitat restoration due to damage from development or other issues, as well as monitoring and assessment of critical marine habitats. This can include re-establishment of historic hydrology, dam removal, construction of riparian buffer zones, and many other projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one local (non-federal) match.

**Eligibility:** Can be any state, local, or other governmental agency, educational institution, non-profit group, private cooperation or landowner, special district, or tribal government. The focus is on individual grassroots organizations that are trying to restore or protect critical fish habitat, and especially habitat that helps support endangered fish. Emphasis will be placed on those organizations that can best pair up multiple entities, such as public and private organizations, to help support the restoration and protection, and that can demonstrate a net-gain in acres or fish accessible stream miles restored. Unlike the Community Based partners funding, this grant is given directly to organizations to help restore and protect critical marine habitat.

**Application:** The application for this grant can be obtained at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. This will allow you to access all of the other grant opportunities posted there, but more importantly, help in determining your eligibility as an organization to receive funding from the NOAA Habitat Restoration Program. Although it is not required that you submit your application electronically, NOAA requests that you do, since nearly all of their grant making and grant awarding processing is done in that manner.

**Application Period:** Deadline for applications is October 12, 2005, however funding continues on a yearly basis, and new funding opportunities will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Contacts:** Robin Bruckner, NOAA Restoration Center, 1315 East West Highway  
Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-0174, Fax: (301) 713-0184  
Email: [Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov](mailto:Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov)

**Program Title:** Community Based Habitat Restoration-National and Regional Partnerships

**Entity:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Funds:** Restoration and protection of critical marine life habitat, including that of anadromous fish species like salmon, which live part of their lives in salt water, but breed in freshwater.

**Funding Range:** \$200,000 to \$600,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Habitat restoration due to damage from development or other issues, as well as monitoring and assessment of critical marine habitats.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one local (non-federal) match.

**Eligibility:** Can be any state, local, or other governmental agency, educational institution, non-profit group, private cooperation or landowner, special district, or tribal government. The funds are open to current and former NOAA habitat restoration partners as well as groups applying for funding for the first time. In order to receive funding, you must become a NOAA habitat restoration partner, which entails a three year commitment to help restore marine habitat, and the commitment is open to almost anywhere in the United States. If you are interested in receiving funding, NOAA suggests that you form a strong connection with the community restoration plan staff.

**Application:** When the funding is announced for fiscal year 2007, it will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. This will allow you to access all of the other grant opportunities posted there, but more importantly, help in determining your eligibility as an organization to receive funding from the NOAA Habitat Restoration Program. Although it is not required that you submit your application electronically, NOAA requests that you do, since all of their grant making and grant awarding processing is done in that manner.

**Application Period:** The next notification of available funding will be available in June of 2006 for fiscal year 2007 funding and be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Contacts:** Robin Bruckner, NOAA Restoration Center, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-0174, Fax: (301) 713-0184

Email: [Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov](mailto:Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov)

**Notes:** The NOAA Community Habitat Restoration program has been in effect since 1996, and since that time it has funded over 900 projects and dozens of restoration partners, including The Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership, The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, and The Pacific Salmon Watershed Fund.

**Program Title:** Acorn Foundation Grants

**Entity:** Acorn Foundation

**Funds:** Community based projects that help to protect and restore critical habitat as well as prevent or remedy toxic pollution

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$10,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Previous examples of funded projects have included support of a Utah group dedicated to the preservation of Utah's rivers, with special emphasis on protecting the Bear River from dam development, as well as funding Native American groups in the southwest to help fight natural resource exploitation and pollution.

**Type of funds:** Single year grants with a renewable capability

**Eligibility:** Must be a Native American Tribe, or certified non-profit, tax-exempt organization and it is recommended that you serve a middle to low-income population. The Foundation does not generally award grants to organizations with annual budgets that are over \$400,000, technical assistance providers or intermediaries, direct social services, education, capital campaigns, scholarship funds, land acquisition, or organizations with access to mainstream funding. In general only 10% of proposals will receive funding.

**Application:** Prior to being able to submit an application, a tribe or organization must submit a letter of inquiry. The letter of inquiry form can be accessed at

<http://www.commoncounsel.org/Acorn%20Foundation>

**Contacts:** Common Council Foundation, 1221 Preservation Park Way, Oakland, California 94612-1206, Phone: (510) 834- 2995, Fax: (510) 834- 2998, E-mail: [ccouncil@igc.org](mailto:ccouncil@igc.org).

**Notes:** The Acorn Foundation is just one of many family and individual foundations and donors dedicated to economic, social, and environmental justice, that make up the Common Council Foundation. The Acorn Foundation was established in 1978 to support projects to help build a future for the health of the planet.

**Program Title:** Environmental Protection and Conservation Program

**Entity:** Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation

**Funds:** Habitat protection, restoration, as well as general operating support for non-profit action groups

**Funding Range:** \$1,000 to \$15,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Previous grantees have been awarded funds for general operating support, protection of critical habitats, rehabilitation of degraded habitats, and other projects that center on protecting the environment

**Type of funds:** Grants. No matching is required

**Eligibility:** Must be a tax-exempt non-profit or Tribal organization in Idaho, Washington, Oregon, or Alaska. Funds cannot be used to acquire land, provide clinical or health services, benefit one individual, rehabilitate wildlife, or fund scholarships.

**Application:** Before an application can be submitted, a pre-application must be written to the Foundation to determine project eligibility. The letter should contain information about the group requesting aid, a description of the project, and a summary of the projects budget. The pre-application should be no more than 2 pages long, and be mailed to the contact listed below.

**Application Period:** There are two cyclical periods for pre-applications. The deadline for the first cycle is March 16, and the deadline for the second cycle is September 16.

**Contacts:** Aana Agee, Administrator, Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation, 1932 First Ave., Ste. 162, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 448-1874, Fax: (206) 448-1973  
Email: [kjf@kongsgaard-goldman.org](mailto:kjf@kongsgaard-goldman.org)

**Notes:** The Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation is a non-profit organization formed in 1988 with the goal of advancing human rights, civic development, environmental protection, and the arts.

**Program Title:** Bonneville Environmental Foundation Watershed Program

**Entity:** Bonneville Environmental Foundation

**Funds:** Reclamation planning, restoration, and monitoring of certain watersheds that are endangered due to pollution or other concerns.

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$40,000. The Bonneville Environmental Foundation has given out more than \$40,000 to certain projects, including the North Fork of Rock Creek biological assessment in Idaho, which was a \$55,000 grant awarded to the Coeur d' Alene Tribe to create conservation and restoration prerogatives on the north fork of the Rock Creek.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Previous examples of what grants have been used for have included monitoring and assessment of trout creek in Idaho, and systematic restoration and subsequent monitoring of all the sub basins of the Mohawk Watershed in Oregon.

**Type of funds:** Grants or technical planning assistance. A local match is not always required, however the availability of matching or in kind matches would increase the possibility of funding, as it would help contribute to the future viability of the project.

**Eligibility:** Must be a non-profit or Tribal organization located in Idaho, Oregon, or Washington. The foundation also requires that the project have across the board community support, that the restoration and monitoring be done on a comprehensive scientific basis, be implemented on a watershed scale, and be planned for in the long term (monitoring generally lasting for at least 10 years). The foundation also places special emphasis on reclaiming and conserving watersheds that can help aid in the restoration of depressed trout and salmon stocks.

**Application:** Before an application can be submitted, a letter of inquiry must first be sent to the Bonneville Environmental Foundation outlining the proposed or existing watershed restoration and/or monitoring program that is in line with BEF's priorities, as well as all actions necessary to implement the restoration or monitoring program. The letter should be no more than three pages long, and the Bonneville Environmental Foundation recommends that you contact the watershed program officer prior to submitting a letter of inquiry to make sure that the program falls under BEF's credentials. The watershed program officer can be reached at (503) 248-1905 or at [watersheds@b-e-f.org](mailto:watersheds@b-e-f.org)

**Application Period:** The Bonneville Environmental Foundation accepts letters of inquiry throughout the year. Information on applications can be obtained once a letter of inquiry is processed and accepted.

**Contacts:** Mailing Address: Bonneville Environmental Foundation, 133 SW 2nd Avenue, Suite 410, Portland, OR 97204

Todd Reeve, Director of Watershed Programs, Bonneville Environmental Foundation, 133 SW 2nd Ave., Ste. 410, Portland, OR 97204, Phone: (503) 248-1905

Email: [information@B-E-F.org](mailto:information@B-E-F.org)

Website: [www.b-e-f.org](http://www.b-e-f.org)

**Notes:** The Bonneville Environmental Foundation has provided hundreds of thousands of dollars to help restore monitor, and conserve critical watersheds throughout the northwest. The Foundation was created to help restore watersheds and help encourage renewable energy sources. Partnering with the Bonneville Power Administration, the Foundation has helped to reduce carbon emissions through its "green tag" program, as well as supporting many other renewable energy initiatives.

**Program Title:** Water Reclamation and Reuse Program

**Entity:** Bureau of Reclamation

**Funds:** Grants and Technical Assistance relating to water reclamation feasibility and opportunity projects, as well as participation in actual construction of reuse projects pending approval of the project.

**Funding Range:** Varies with different projects.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Feasibility studies on water reclamation and reuse projects as well as opportunities to reclaim and reuse municipal, domestic, industrial, agricultural, and naturally contaminated groundwater as well as construction of permanent facilities.

**Type of funds:** Grants and technical assistance. Grants require local matching funds of one to one.

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local, or tribal government, non-profit organization, or private corporation. Priority is placed on projects that are economically justified and environmentally acceptable. Funding priority is also placed on projects that cannot receive any other funds from the federal government, and that directly address priorities for the Bureau of Reclamation such as instream flows for endangered species.

**Application:** Applications for this program are not available on-line. Contact the Bureau of Reclamation representative listed below to find out more information regarding this program.

**Application Period:** Ongoing.

**Contacts:** Richard Martin, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 25007, D-5000, Denver Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225, Phone: (303) 445-3710, Fax: (909) 695-5319

Email: [rmartin@do.usbr.gov](mailto:rmartin@do.usbr.gov)

Jill Lawrence, Native American Coordinator Snake River Area Office, Boise, ID (208) 334-9000 [jlawrence@pn.usbr.gov](mailto:jlawrence@pn.usbr.gov)

**Program Title:** General Investigation Studies for Environmental Restoration

**Entity:** United States Army Corps of Engineers

**Funds:** Reconnaissance phase studies and feasibility phase studies for ecosystem restoration grant money

**Funding Range:** 100% of reconnaissance phase studies, and up to 50% of feasibility phase studies.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conducting reconnaissance studies and feasibility studies to determine eligibility for Ecosystem Restoration grant money.

**Type of funds:** Grant money for federally led feasibility and reconnaissance studies in order to obtain grant money for ecosystem restoration. Ecosystem restoration example can be viewed under the “Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program” page.

Reconnaissance studies are funded in full by the program, and feasibility studies require a 50% cost share on the part of the recipient.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government, or a special district.

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the Walla Walla District office or the Seattle District office for more information regarding this feasibility program.

**Application Period:** Ongoing. There are no application deadlines for this program.

**Contacts:** Greg Graham, US Army Corps of Engineers - Walla Walla District  
201 N 3rd Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, Phone: (509) 527-7316, Fax: (509) 527-7285, Email: [gregory.s.grahm@usace.army.mil](mailto:gregory.s.grahm@usace.army.mil).

Borah Post Office – Rooms 150/150A, 304 North 8th Street Boise, ID 83702  
Phone: 208-345-2064; 208-345-2065 EMail: [Boise.Office@usace.army.mil](mailto:Boise.Office@usace.army.mil)

**Program Title:** Habitat Conservation: Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Technical assistance to maximize wildlife conservation and to help form partnerships for wildlife and habitat conservation, restoration, and protection.

**Funding Range:** Varies with each project. Annual program budget ranges from \$75,000 to \$150,000.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Maximizing conservation and restoration efforts, such as planting native trees and grasses, installation of fences to protect wetlands and streams from cattle, restoring wetlands, and other restoration projects. The grant goals also include forming partnerships with other agencies, public and private landowners, and Native Americans, as well as improving water quality, removing barriers to wildlife migration, and augmenting the goals of the National Wildlife Refuge System with projects that target species associated with refuge lands.

**Type of funds:** Grants and technical assistance

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local or tribal government, non-profit organization, public or private landowner, or private cooperation.

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the United States Fish and Wildlife Service representative listed below for more information regarding applications.

**Application Period:** Application deadlines vary from year to year. Contact the United States Fish and Wildlife Service representative listed below for more information regarding application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Sally Valdes, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Rm 400, Arlington, VA 22203, Phone: 703-358-2201, Fax: (703) 358-2232

Email: [sally.valdes@fws.gov](mailto:sally.valdes@fws.gov)

**Program Title:** Renewable Energy Development on Tribal Lands

**Entity:** United States Department of Energy

**Funds:** Feasibility studies for sustainable renewable energy sources, or construction of sustainable renewable energy sources.

**Funding Range:** Anticipated award amount, \$200,000. Maximum grant, \$250,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Studies to determine the feasibility of developing renewable and sustainable energy practices on Tribal lands, construction of renewable energy infrastructure.

**Type of Funds:** Competitive grants with Tribal matching funds.

**Eligibility:** Must be a federally recognized Tribe

**Application:** <http://www.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/financial.html>, Grants are allocated annually, and for 2005, the awards have already been distributed. Contact the Department of Energy for more information.

**Application Period:** Deadline passed, February 2005. Up for renewal and re-allocation for 2006.

**Contacts:** Tribal Lands Grant officer e-mail: [triballandsgo94003@go.doe.gov](mailto:triballandsgo94003@go.doe.gov)

Or Contact: **Thomas Sacco, Director**, Weatherization & Intergovernmental Program, U.S. Department of Energy, EE-2K

Forrestal Building, MS 5G-045, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, Telephone: (202) 586-0759, Fax: (202) 586-1605, Email:

[Thomas.Sacco@ee.doe.gov](mailto:Thomas.Sacco@ee.doe.gov)

**Roger Taylor**, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, 1617 Cole Boulevard, M/S 2721, Golden, CO 80401, Telephone: (303) 384-7389, Fax: (303) 384-7445, Email: [roger\\_taylor@nrel.gov](mailto:roger_taylor@nrel.gov)

**Sandra K. Begay-Campbell**, Sandia National Laboratory, P.O. Box 5800, M/S 0753, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87185, Telephone: (505) 844-5418, Fax: (505) 844-6541, Email: [SKBEGAY@sandia.gov](mailto:SKBEGAY@sandia.gov)

**Lizana Pierce**, U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office 1617 Cole Boulevard, M/S 1501, Golden, CO 80401, Telephone: (303) 275-4727 Fax: (303) 275-4753, Email: [lizana.pierce@go.doe.gov](mailto:lizana.pierce@go.doe.gov)

**Program Title:** Clean Water Act Indian Set-Aside Grant Program

**Entity:** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Construction of municipal wastewater treatment facilities and other related infrastructure.

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$75,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Construction of sewer systems, wastewater treatment facilities, filtration systems, sewer and other system rehabilitation, and other related projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no local match requirement

**Eligibility:** Must be a federally recognized Tribe

**Application:** Contact the region 10 representative or the national office to find out more information on applications.

**Application Period:** Varies. Contact the region 10 representative or the national office to find out more information on applications.

**Contacts:** Alan Moomaw, Region 10, Tribal Program Specialist, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 6th Ave, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (360) 753-8071

Email: [Moomaw.Alan@epa.gov](mailto:Moomaw.Alan@epa.gov)

Karen Vanzego, Municipal Support Division (4204M), USEPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20460, Phone: (202) 564-0584

Email: [vanzego.karen@epa.gov](mailto:vanzego.karen@epa.gov)

Dennis Wagner Alaska Operations Office Indian Set Aside Program Coordinator. Phone: (907) 271-3651 e-mail: [wagner.dennisx@epa.gov](mailto:wagner.dennisx@epa.gov)

**Program Title:** Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant Program

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture

**Funds:** Construction of water delivery related infrastructure, treatment plants, well digging, and other related construction and repairs.

**Funding Range:** Maximum \$500,000 for communities experiencing a decline in quality or quantity over a period of two years, and \$150,000 for emergency use to repair or replace existing facilities, but awards vary based on yearly budget forecasts as well as local need.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Construction of water treatment facilities, extension or repair of water delivery pipes, well digging, reservoir construction, construction of transmission lines, and other water infrastructure related construction.

**Type of funds:** Emergency grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a local or state government, non-profit organization, or tribal government located in a town of less than 10,000 or a county of less than 22,000, with a median household income of no more than 100% of the States non-metropolitan median household income, and that has experienced a significant decline in water quality or supply. Funds must be used to bring water quality standards up to those mandated by the safe drinking water act or to increase the availability of water.

**Application:** Contact any USDA representative listed below for application information.

**Application Period:** Generally application deadlines are due by the last day of December every year. Emergency fund applications should not have deadlines. Contact the USDA, listed below, for more information.

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

Area Offices:

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 762-4939

7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C3 Fax: (208) 762-9799 **Coeur d'Alene**, Idaho 83815

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2208 East Chicago, Street, Suite C Fax: (208) 459-0762 **Caldwell**, Idaho 83605

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Jim Maras, Director, USDA, Rural Development, Water  
Programs Division, 1400 Independence Ave, SW, Washington, DC 20250, Phone: (202)  
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Sandi Boughton, RUS Program Director, USDA - Rural  
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Phone: (509) 664-0200, Fax: (509) 664-0202, Email: [sandi.boughton@wa.usda.gov](mailto:sandi.boughton@wa.usda.gov)

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**Program Title:** Public Works Economic Development Program

**Entity:** Department of Commerce; Economic Development Administration

**Funds:** Construction of public infrastructure or infrastructure improvements in selected redevelopment areas

**Funding Range:** Generally funds will cover 50% of the project costs, however in extreme cases, 80% of project costs have been funded. Recognized Native American Tribes can be eligible for 100% of costs.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Infrastructure improvement or construction for industrial development, demolition or recycling of old industrial buildings, any brownfield redevelopment.

**Type of funds:** Project Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government to receive funds.

**Application:** Contact the regional office listed below for pre-application information

**Application Period:** Ongoing.

**Contacts:** **Seattle Regional Office**, Room 1856, Jackson Federal Building, 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98174, Telephone: (206) 220-7660

Or contact: David L. McIlwain, Director, Public Works Division, Economic Development Administration, Room H7326, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Telephone: (202) 482-5265.

**Program Title:** Solid Waste Direct Loans and Grants for Rural Communities

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture

**Funds:** Construction, repair, or expansion of solid waste facilities

**Funding Range:** Grants: up to 75% of eligible costs; Guaranteed Loans: up to 90% of eligible costs

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of sanitary landfills, paying engineering fees, acquisition of right of ways if related to development of the project, repairing old facilities.

**Type of funds:** Grants and guaranteed loans. Loan interest rates are set according to market rates, but not going any lower than 4.5%. Maximum term on the loan is 40 years.

**Eligibility:** Can be a city, town with less than 10,000 in population, or be a non-profit cooperative located in a town of that size. Native American Tribes are also eligible.

**Application:** Application packages are available by contacting an Idaho USDA area office.

**Application Period:** No time limits apply.

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

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Contact: Craig Thurgood E-Mail: [craig.thurgood@id.usda.gov](mailto:craig.thurgood@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title:** Community Facilities Direct and Guaranteed Loans and Grants for Rural Areas

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture

**Funds:** Construction of community facilities

**Funding Range:** up to 90% of all principal and interest, usually no more than \$50,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Purchasing emergency equipment such as fire engines, Ambulances, or their communication equipment, jails, police stations, and all costs associated with those facilities.

**Type of Funds:** Low interest loans set at market rates with a maximum term of 40 years.

**Eligibility:** Must be a rural community, town with less than 20,000 residents. Native American Tribes are also eligible.

**Application:** Request a pre-application package from the USDA Rural Office by contacting an area office listed below. Completion of the pre-application package will determine your projects eligibility and priority ranking.

**Application Period:** No timeline

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

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Contact: Dale Lish E-Mail: [dale.lish@id.usda.gov](mailto:dale.lish@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title:** Indian Loan Guarantee Program

**Entity:** Bureau of Indian Affairs

**Funds:** Assistance in the development of Native-owned businesses and enterprise that can help create jobs and economic opportunity

**Funding Range:** Up to \$500,000 for individual Natives, and up to \$5.5 million for entire Tribes. Funding cannot exceed 90% of the unpaid principal and interest on a loan.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Financing Native owned businesses

**Type of funds:** Loans with a one-time premium charge of 2% on the amount of the loan. Maximum maturity for the loan is 30 years, but actual maturity is worked out between the lender and the borrower. Interest rates for the full 90% loan cannot exceed the New York Prime Rate plus 1.5%, and interest rates for loans of less than 90% cannot exceed the New York Prime Rate plus 2.75%. A minimum 20% cost share equity is required by the borrower.

**Eligibility:** To obtain the loan, you must be a federally recognized tribe or a member of a federally recognized tribe, plan to establish a business that is on or near a reservation and that will contribute to the economy of the reservation, and the borrower may not be delinquent on any federal financial obligation. In the application for the loan, potential applicants must include a business plan, an itemized description of the loan collateral used to secure the loan, the borrower's income tax returns, as well as other personal information. The requirement list can be accessed at <http://www.doi.gov/bia/Loan%20Guaranty%20Brochure.pdf>, or by contacting any of the Bureau of Indian Affairs representatives listed below.

**Application:** Applications for the guaranteed loan are not available on-line, but can be accessed by contacting any of the Bureau of Indian Affairs representatives listed below.

**Application Period:** Year-round

**Contacts:** Woodrow Sneed, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 4640-MIB Washington, DC, Phone: (202) 208-4796, Fax: (202) 208-7419

Email: [Woody.Sneed@bia.gov](mailto:Woody.Sneed@bia.gov)

Richard See, Regional Credit Officer, P.O. Box 25520, Juneau, AK 99802-5520, Phone: (907) 586-7103, Fax: (907) 586-7037, Email: [richardsee@bia.gov](mailto:richardsee@bia.gov)

Marvin Adams, Financial Analyst, U.S. Department of the Interior  
P.O. Box 25520, Juneau, AK 99802-5520, Phone: (907) 586-7103, Fax: (907) 586-7037  
Email: [marvinadams@bia.gov](mailto:marvinadams@bia.gov)

**Program Title:** Supportive Housing Program

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association

**Funds:** Homeless individual and family transitional housing assistance and permanent housing for disabled persons.

**Funding Range:** Rehabilitation, acquisition, and construction funds are limited to \$200,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of homeless transitional shelters, as well as permanent shelters and living spaces for the disabled.

**Type of Funds:** Grants with a 50% match for construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition funds.

**Eligibility:** Must be a form of state or local government or a non-profit organization or Native American Tribe. The project must be made for homeless individuals and homeless families and homeless persons must be involved in policy decisions.

**Application:** [http://www.ihfa.org/grants\\_shp.asp](http://www.ihfa.org/grants_shp.asp), or visit [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org), highlight “grants” and click on the “Stewart B. McKinney Supportive Housing Program.”

**Contacts:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA), P. O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899

Michael Dittenber, Phone: (208) 331-4724 or 1-877-4-GRANTS, Fax: (208) 331-4808, E-Mail: [miked@ihfa.org](mailto:miked@ihfa.org)

Web site: [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org)

**Entity:** Idaho Power

**Funds:** Green Building, energy efficient building features

**Funding Range:** \$20,000 for small commercial buildings to \$100,000 for industrial buildings

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Commercial: Lighting electrical systems, plumbing, building shell restoration; Industrial: Modifications to motor systems, controls, fans, pumps, compressors, lighting, and air conditioning.

**Types of Funds:** Direct cash incentive that covers no more than half of the modifications cost or up to \$20,000 commercial or \$100,000 industrial.

**Eligibility:** Commercial: Must be a small to midrange commercial building on Idaho Power rate schedule of either 7 or 9.

Industrial: Must be an industrial business on Idaho Power rate schedule 9 or 19 to qualify. Idaho Power calculates the financial incentive based on 3 determining factors; 10 cents per kilowatt hour saved, 50 percent of the project cost, or the difference between the projects total cost and the one-year payback amount. Maximum incentive is \$15,000 plus the customer's annual megawatt usage multiplied by 30 cents for a maximum incentive of \$100,000. Projects must be completed within one year of the signing agreement, and funds will only be dispersed as long as they are available.

**Application:**

<http://www.idahopower.com/energycenter/energyefficiency/YourBusiness/industrialincentive.htm> for industrial,

<http://www.idahopower.com/energycenter/energyefficiency/YourBusiness/buildingefficiency.htm> for commercial, or just visit [www.idahopower.com](http://www.idahopower.com), click on energy center, then click on the link "energy efficiency in your business," and select either "building efficiency for commercial construction," or Industrial efficiency incentive program if.

**Application Periods:** Dec 15, 2005. Idaho Power plans to continue a similar program in 2006 and beyond. Applications are viewed and accepted on a first come first served basis.

**Contacts: Industrial**

Boise/Mountain Home

**Wilma Walp**, Idaho Power Corporate Headquarters, 1221 W. Idaho St., Boise, ID 83702, 208-388-2403  
[wwalp@idahopower.com](mailto:wwalp@idahopower.com)

Boise/Meridian

**Bruce Cleveland**, Boise Operations Center, 10790 Franklin Road, Boise ID 83709, 208-388-2524  
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Nampa/Payette

**Jim Hovda**, Canyon Operations Center, 2420 Chacartegui Lane, Nampa, ID 83687, 208-465-8654  
[jhovda@idahopower.com](mailto:jhovda@idahopower.com)

Twin Falls/Sun Valley

**Mike Pohanka**, Twin Falls Office, 273 Blue Lakes Blvd. So., Twin Falls, ID 83301, 208-736-3226  
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Pocatello/Salmon

**John MacKay**, Pocatello Operations Center, P.O. Box 1000, Pocatello, ID 83204, 208-236-7735  
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**Contacts: Commercial**  
**Boise//Meridian/Eagle**

Boise Operations Center, 10790 Franklin Road, Boise ID 83709, 208-388-388-2200

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**Program Title:** Partners for environmental progress

**Entity:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**Funds:** Technical Assistance to determine feasibility of privatizing water infrastructure

**Funding Range:** Technical Assistance

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Feasibility studies and assistance to determine whether or not privatizing water related infrastructure is economically cost efficient and desirable.

**Type of funds:** Technical assistance grants with a one to one match

**Eligibility:** Must be a Local, State, or Tribal government

**Application:** Contact the Army Corps of Engineers, listed below for application information.

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Boise Field Office 304 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St. Rm. 140. Boise, ID 83702. Phone: 345-2155

**Program Title:** RCAC Technical Assistance and Training

**Entity:** Rural Community Assistance Corporation

**Funds:** Technical Assistance relating to financial management, project financing, hiring consultants, board training, and other strategic and comprehensive training programs relating to municipal water systems, wastewater treatment systems, and solid waste management systems.

**Funding Range:** Technical Assistance only

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** financial management, project financing, hiring consultants, board training, and other strategic and comprehensive training programs relating to municipal water systems, wastewater treatment systems, and solid waste management systems.

**Type of funds:** Technical assistance

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government in Hawaii, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Montana, Utah, or Colorado.

**Application:** Contact the Rural Community Assistance Corporation representative listed below for information regarding applications. Applications for technical assistance are not available on-line.

**Application Period:** All application information, including application deadlines, can be found by contacting the Rural Community Assistance Corporation representative listed below.

**Contacts:** Joy Gannon RDS Environmental Email: [jgannon@rcac.org](mailto:jgannon@rcac.org) Phone: (208) 855-2310

**Program Title:** Eagle Staff Fund Grants

**Entity:** First Nations Development Institute:

**Funds:** Technical and financial assistance to tribes and non-profit tribal organizations to help develop culturally appropriate development, training, and technical assistance efforts to help spur tribal growth in the private sector.

**Funding Range:** \$1,500 to \$300,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Currently Eagle Staff Funds are only being appropriated to the three special initiatives, which include...

Assets for the Future: a program aimed at helping Native American individuals help to save money for school, homes, and businesses. (Currently NOT accepting proposals at this time. Visit [www.firstnations.org](http://www.firstnations.org) to find out more)

Native Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative: a program that helps to support and encourage the Native agricultural food sector by providing technical and financial support to programs that seek to address agricultural and food related issues in Native communities, and by participating in public policy forums related to the production of agricultural goods. The program is currently open to applications. Visit <http://www.firstnations.org/gEagle.asp> to receive a copy of the Letter of Intent required to determine funding availability.

Native Non-profit capacity building initiative: a program that supports existing initiatives that are in the most need of assistance and will have a high rate of success in increasing the well-being of Native communities. Support comes in the form of organizational assistance. (Program is only open to INVITED proposals)

Each of these areas represents a funding area for the Eagle Staff Fund. The Eagle Staff Fund will not assist projects that fall out of the realm of any of these three special initiative programs. However, these programs are subject to change, eligibility of application, and numerous other factors that could increase any group's ability to access Eagle Staff Funds. Past funding has included assistance the Loudon Tribal Council/ Yukaana Development Foundation for the implementation of their environmental stewardship program, which included cleaning up toxic waste while simultaneously providing employment opportunities, and the groups were also funded to help create a natural resource management program. Check back with [www.firstnations.org](http://www.firstnations.org), or contact any of those listed below for more information regarding eligibility for Eagle Staff Grants or any other of the many funding resources that the First Nations Development Institute has available.

**Type of funds:** Grants. A local match is not required.

**Eligibility:** Must be a reservation based tribal community or non-profit organization. A list of the available funding programs is presented above. Projects that fall out of the realm of the three special initiative programs are most likely not eligible for funding.

**Application:** Contact any of the representatives below or visit [www.firstnations.org](http://www.firstnations.org) to find out more information regarding applications for any of the grant and loan programs provided by the First Nations Development Institute.

**Application Period:** Contact any of the representatives below or visit [www.firstnations.org](http://www.firstnations.org) to find out more information regarding applications for any of the grant and loan programs provided by the First Nations Development Institute.

**Contacts:** Main Office: First Nations Development Institute 703 3rd Avenue Suite B  
Longmont, CO 80501 Tel/303.774.7836 Fax/303.774.7841 [info@firstnations.org](mailto:info@firstnations.org)  
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*Jacqueline Tiller, Grantmaking Associate, 540-371-5615 Extension 18*  
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**Program Title:** Seventh Generation Fund Grants

**Entity:** Seventh Generation Fund

**Funds:** General Support for emerging and established tribal organizations as well as technical assistance and training to help deal with issues of capacity building and project management. Mini grants are also offered to community-based projects.

**Funding Range:** General Support grants range from \$600 to \$10,000; Training and Technical Assistance grants range from \$600 to \$5000; and Mini grants are anywhere from \$50 to \$500.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** General Support grants can be used for expenses that an organization incurs to put on a specific program or provide a service, to help cover general operating expenses and service expenses, and to use as seed money to help establish new organizations. Training and Technical support grants can be used to help hire experts to facilitate project specific training as well as for consulting expertise, to provide organizational capacity building needs, and to acquire new skills through regional workshops and special conferences. Mini grants are directed toward community-based projects. All projects must be focused on the Native community, and must promote aspects of the Native culture including the language, customs, and traditional ways of life of the Tribe. Projects must not promote racism, sexism, intolerance, oppression, or exploitation of humans or the environment.

**Type of funds:** Grants and Technical Assistance.

**Eligibility:** Must be a tribal organization. Non-profit status is not required for mini grants. Check with the Seventh Generation representative listed below to find out more eligibility information regarding organizational status.

**Application:** To print off the application, visit [http://www.7genfund.org/we\\_help.html](http://www.7genfund.org/we_help.html), or contact the Seventh Generation Fund representative listed below for more information.

**Application Period:** Application deadlines for general support, training and technical assistance, and mini grants are on March 1<sup>st</sup>, June 1<sup>st</sup>, September 1<sup>st</sup>, and December 1<sup>st</sup> of every year.

**Contacts:** Elaine M. Quitiquit-Palmer, Program Associate and Grants Administrator  
Seventh Generation Fund, P.O. Box 4569, Arcata, CA 95518, Phone: (707) 825-7640  
Fax: (707) 825-7639, Email: [eq7gen@pacbell.net](mailto:eq7gen@pacbell.net)

**Program Title:** Regional Geographic Initiative

**Entity:** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Geographically based projects that help to fill in the gaps in the EPA's ability to protect human health and the environment.

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Funds should be used to address a 'multi-media' problem such as wastewater, air pollution, hazardous waste, etc., or fill in critical gaps in the EPA's protection of human health and the environment. This leaves the topic fairly broad and open to interpretation.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no matching requirement.

**Eligibility:** Any local, state, regional, or other government agency, as well as non-profit organizations, private corporations and landowners, educational institutions, individuals, special districts, and Native American Tribes may apply for a Regional Geographic Initiative grant.

**Application:** Applications for this grant are only available to areas or projects that fall under regional priorities that are established annually. Contact the EPA region 10 representative listed below for more information on regional priorities and application information.

**Application Period:** Varies by region. Contact the EPA region 10 representative listed below for application information.

**Contacts:** Dan Phalen, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553-8578, Fax: (206) 553-1775

Email: [phalen.dan@epa.gov](mailto:phalen.dan@epa.gov)

**Program Title: Community Development and Social Change Program;**  
**Public/Private partnerships**

**Entity:** Paul G. Allen Foundation

**Funds:** Projects that enhance the quality of life in a state or region and effect a broad range of people, such as improving or removing barriers to services such as healthcare, or enhancing service standards for other community programs.

**Funding Range:** There is no set limit on how much or how little the foundation will grant an organization. Funding is reviewed and set on a case-by-case basis and is based on budgetary analysis, scope of the impact, and other criteria, and should be proportional to the budget projections of the project.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Improving access to healthcare facilities by updating their ability to provide their services, removing barriers to such things as healthcare, job planning, and youth programs.

**Type of Funds:** Single year and multi year grants with a commitment of in-kind financial contributions by all parties involved.

**Eligibility:** The public/private partnership grant program must involve at least three different organizations located within Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. At least one must be a non-profit organization and the other a public organization. The third can be either of those two as well as Tribal organizations. Proposals are evaluated based on the organization(s) past history of success, effectiveness, and engagement of the public, diversity of funding sources, community need, scope of the project in terms of how many people it can reach, or how those people may be disadvantaged, and likelihood of success. Check with the foundation's website listed below for more criteria as well as application information.

**Application:** Before an application can be submitted, a letter of inquiry must be completed and sent in to determine the viability and success potential of the project. Application forms are located at <http://www.pgafoundations.com>, scroll to the left of the screen and click on how to apply. There is also information here regarding the Community Development program and the eligibility requirements that come along with it.

**Application Period:** Letter of inquiry submissions are ongoing. Application deadlines are March 31 and September 30 of every year. Two awards are given out every year. Grant awards are usually announced between January and March, and July through September.

**Contacts:** Grants Administrator, The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, 505 5th Avenue South, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98104 , Tel: 206.342.2030, Fax: 206.342.3030

Email: [info@pgafamilyfoundation.org](mailto:info@pgafamilyfoundation.org)

**Notes:** The Paul G. Allen Foundation has been making philanthropic grants and support since 1986 with the mission of meeting the needs that they saw in their community. The foundations mission is best achieved through success, and pursuing collaborations with successful organizations has allowed them to maximize their efforts to help the community. The foundation focuses on funding programs that support the arts and culture, responding to the needs of underserved and vulnerable populations, environmental education and sustainability, and youth programs. Some examples of previously funded projects include the Oregon Shakespeare Festival's performance of David Edgar's plays, the Children's Access to Healthcare program, and

Reinvesting in Youth, a program designed to keep Seattle youth out of the juvenile justice system.

# **Funding Opportunities for Non-Profit and Government Organizations**



**Program Title:** Targeted Brownfield Assessment

**Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Assessment of potentially contaminated sites that are abandoned or underused and have potential for redevelopment

**Funding Range:** No funds are awarded. Cleanup assessments are valued at \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Assessment of potentially contaminated areas.

**Type of funds:** Assessment and technical assistance.

**Eligibility:** Must be a government, tribal, non-profit or quasi-public entity, and the site must have a good potential for contamination. Sites that are deemed only to have petroleum contamination are not eligible for Targeted Brownfield Assessment.

**Application:** <http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/>, go to the left side of the screen and click on “cleanup” and then on the next page, go over to the left and click “brownfields,” then scroll down and click on “Targeted Brownfields Assessment”

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** TARGETED BROWNFIELDS SITE ASSESSMENTS, c/o Joanne LaBaw  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 10, 1200 Sixth Ave. (ECL-115)  
Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553- 2594, E-mail: [labaw.Joanne@epa.gov](mailto:labaw.Joanne@epa.gov)

**Program Title:** Brownfield Assessment Grant

**Entity:** US Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Pre-Cleanup Environmental Assessment Studies

**Funding Range:** up to \$200,000, but large sites may be eligible for up to \$350,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Cleanup assessments that include, amount and extent of contamination, inventory, contamination characterization, community outreach, and cleanup planning and design. Funds may not be used for paying penalties or fines, as a federal cost share-matching requirement, administrative costs, for brownfield projects and applicants that may be eligible under CERCLA, costs associated with complying to federal regulations, and funds may not be used for lobbying, fund raising, and other unallowable projects listed under OMB circulars A-21, A-87, and A-122.

**Type of Funds:** Competitive grants that last for a period of two years

**Eligibility:** Must be a State, Local, Tribal, or other government or governmental agency such as a redevelopment agency to apply for assessment pilot grants.

**Application:** Some application information can be obtained at [http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/assessment\\_grants.htm](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/assessment_grants.htm), however, in-between grant cycles, applications will not be posted electronically. Contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Grant Coordinator listed below to find out more information regarding applications and grant cycles

**Application Period:** Application periods change on a yearly basis. Check with the EPA's website at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov), or contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below, to find out more information regarding application periods and grants announcements

**Contacts:** Mr. Tim Brincefield, Brownfields Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 ECL-112, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-2100  
Fax: (206) 553-0124, [brincefield.timothy@epa.gov](mailto:brincefield.timothy@epa.gov)

**Notes:** Assessment Grant requests are all reviewed by a panel consisting of EPA members as well as members of other federal agencies to determine the eligibility of the project and if it meets all the threshold and ranking criteria outlined by the EPA's proposals and guidelines. All applications are reviewed and accepted on a pass/fail basis, and applications will not be evaluated if they do not meet the threshold basis.

**Program Title:** DEQ Brownfields Assessment

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Assessments to determine type and extent of contamination on brownfield sites

**Funding Range:** No funds are provided. DEQ offers the site assessment free of charge

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Assessment of contaminated brownfield properties to determine the nature and the extent of the contamination problem, or if there is a contamination problem at all. Since brownfields are defined as sites where redevelopment may be complicated due to presence or possible presence of contaminants, a site does not need to be confirmed as contaminated in order to receive the assessment. Assessments will determine if there is contamination, and the extent of that contamination

**Type of Funds:** No funds are awarded. Assessments are offered free of charge by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Eligibility:** Must be a unit of local government, land clearance authority, unit of government created by the state legislature, quasi-governmental entity, or a non-profit organization to receive a site assessment from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. Any entity applying for a Brownfields Assessment does NOT need to own the property in which they wish to have assessed.

**Application:** The Brownfields Assessment application can be located at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/index.cfm?site=brownfields.htm>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), and clicking on the “Brownfields Revitalization” link on the main page.

**Application Period:** Application requests for Brownfields Assessments are ongoing

**Contacts:** Aaron Scheff, Brownfields Response Program Manager, DEQ Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0420, Email: [aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov)

**Program Title:** Community Brownfield Assessment Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Assessments of brownfield properties to determine contamination presence on behalf of communities and individuals.

**Funding Range:** No funds are provided. DEQ offers the site assessment free of charge

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Assessment of contaminated brownfield properties to determine the nature and the extent of the contamination problem, or if there is a contamination problem at all. Since brownfields are defined as sites where redevelopment may be complicated due to presence or possible presence of contaminants, a site does not need to be confirmed as contaminated in order to receive the assessment. Assessments will determine if there is contamination, and the extent of that contamination

**Type of Funds:** No funds are awarded. Assessments are offered free of charge by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Eligibility:** Any individual or organization that is threatened or lives in an area that is threatened by a release of contaminants from a brownfield may file a request with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for a Community Brownfield Assessment.

**Application:** The application or request form can be accessed at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/CommunityAssessmentForm.pdf>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), and clicking on the “Brownfields Revitalization” link

**Application Period:** Application requests for the Community Brownfield Assessment Program are ongoing.

**Contacts:** Kristi Lowder, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Brownfields Program, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0347, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [klowder@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:klowder@deq.idaho.gov)

Aaron Scheff, Brownfields Response Program Manager, DEQ Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, Phone: (208) 373-0420, Email: [aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:aaron.scheff@deq.idaho.gov)

**Notes:** The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will try to process all requests for assessments as quickly as possible. If upon completion of the assessment contamination is found, DEQ will work with the community to locate funding to re-develop the contaminated site and return it to productive use.

**Program Title:** EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grants

**Entity:** US Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Cleanup activities on contaminated brownfield sites

**Funding Range:** up to \$200,000 may be requested

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Cleanup of hazardous substances on brownfield sites such as cleanup of petroleum, dangerous chemicals, hazardous substances, or other contaminants. This includes hazardous substances that are mixed with petroleum.

**Type of Funds:** Competitive grants with a 20% match, which will be waived in case of hardship. The cost sharing can be in the form of money, labor, material, or services, but must match the 20% requirement.

**Eligibility:** Can be a city, development agency, non-profit group, or similar entity that is conducting cleanup on a site that they own.

**Application:** Applications can be accessed at

[http://epa.gov/brownfields/cleanup\\_grants.htm](http://epa.gov/brownfields/cleanup_grants.htm), or at

<http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, however, in-between grant cycles, applications will not be posted electronically. Contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below for information on Brownfield cleanup grants and grant cycles.

**Application Period:** The Environmental Protection Agency releases grant cycles and grant information every fiscal year. Visit <http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, or contact the EPA Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator for information on grant cycles and application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Mr. Tim Brincefield, Brownfields Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 ECL-112, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-2100 Fax: (206) 553-0124, [brincefield.timothy@epa.gov](mailto:brincefield.timothy@epa.gov)

**Notes:** The Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Cleanup Grants, enacted in 2003, has already seen a wide range of success stories across the country. In Idaho, Cleanup grants have been awarded to the city of Caldwell, the Capital City Development Corporation in Boise, the Panhandle Health District, the Reuse Idaho Brownfields Coalition, and Washington County.

**Program Title:** Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program

**Entity:** United States Department of the Interior

**Funds:** Reclamation of lands that have been damaged or polluted by mainly coal related mining projects, and to a limited extent non-coal mining, that has occurred prior to August 3, 1977

**Funding Range:** Typically \$100,000 to \$30,000,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Any kind of reclamation related construction such as moving tailing piles, filling in open pit mines, re-contouring terraced and other damaged lands, digging stream channels that have been blocked by mine waste, replanting vegetation, and many other projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a state or tribal government. To possibly gain access to these funds, contact the Idaho Department of Commerce, listed below.

**Application:** States receive money to distribute how they see fit in the most pressing areas. Contact Shannon Murray or Ula Chadd listed below to find out more information on receiving funds to reclaim abandoned mines

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Shannon Murray, Program manager, e-mail: [smurray@idl.state.id.us](mailto:smurray@idl.state.id.us), or Ula Chadd, e-mail: [uchadd@idl.state.id.us](mailto:uchadd@idl.state.id.us), ~ 954 W. Jefferson, P.O. Box 83720, Boise ID 83720-0050, phone: (208) 334-0200, Fax: (208) 334-3698

**Program Title:** Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds; Idaho Clean Water State Revolving Fund

**Entity:** Environmental Protection Agency; Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Brownfield mitigation to correct water quality issues. However, state administered funds generally go to pollution control projects such as wastewater treatment plants.

**Funding Range:** Up to 100% of project costs. There is no limit to the amount of funding that borrowers can request.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** The EPA lists cleanup of contaminated groundwater due to petroleum or chemical or other contamination, disposal or removal of contaminated structures or otherwise, such as underground fuel storage tanks, phase 1 and phase 2 site assessments, and non-point source pollution control as potential uses for CWSRL funds, but the State of Idaho may differ on exactly how these funds may be used. Idaho has consistently maintained a policy of funding pollution prevention or reduction projects such as municipal wastewater treatment plants and eliminating clear and present public health threats with regard to water quality. Check with the contacts listed below for more information on how funds may be used.

**Type of funds:** Low interest loans generally set at anywhere between 3% and 4% by the State of Idaho. The loans generally have a maximum term of 20 years. No match is required, and loan funds CAN be used as a match to other federal grant programs.

**Eligibility:** Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds are administered differently through each state, and EPA guidelines are usually interpreted broadly. As of now, at the national level, there is no restriction on who may apply for loan funds, leaving it open to non-profit, for-profit, and government entities alike to pursue cleanup, however the state of Idaho might differ from this position. Funds must be used for contamination cleanup and pollution prevention. Check with the local Idaho Department of Environmental Quality contacts listed below.

**Application:** Contacts listed below can provide more information regarding the revolving loan program.

**Contacts:** Tim Wendland, Program Manager, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

Telephone: (208) 373-0439, Facsimile: (208) 373-0576, E-mail:

[tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov)

Or Barry Burnell, Administrator, Water Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton Street, Boise, Idaho 83706

Daniel Steinborn, CWSRF Specialist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, Telephone: (206) 553-2728, Facsimile: (206) 553-0165, E-mail

[steinborn.daniel@epa.gov](mailto:steinborn.daniel@epa.gov)

**Notes:** The EPA gives CWSRL funds to States, who then administer the funds in their intended use plan, or basically how they see fit. Although Idaho does not have a comprehensive and detailed brownfield loan action plan, make sure to contact the program managers above to find out more information about eligibility and brownfield cleanup. The EPA has provided \$43.5 billion in low interest loans to 14,200 different projects and borrowers. Several successful projects have been developed on former brownfield property, including the Grant Reality

Company's utilization of a \$1.6 million loan to clean up an industrial site outside of Cleveland to develop as a cooperate headquarters for their company.

**Program Title:** Voluntary Cleanup Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** The Voluntary Cleanup Program offers private groups, companies, public and government groups, and organizations a reduction in your property tax base equal to 50% of the difference between the contaminated value and the post-remediated value. Those who participate in a Voluntary Cleanup Program are also given a "covenant not to sue" on behalf of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, and any financiers and lenders to the development of the project are protected under the "Lender Liability" portion of the Voluntary Cleanup Program. Those who participate in a Voluntary Cleanup Program also benefit from an expedited remediation process.

**Funding Range:** Reduction in property tax base.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** You can do what you want with the tax refund, but it is generally used to help offset the costs of cleaning up the contaminated site.

**Type of funds:** Property tax reduction

**Eligibility:** Can be a private individual, corporation, government, public entity, or other business that owns or operates land that has been contaminated by hazardous substances.

**Application:** The Voluntary Cleanup Program application can be accessed at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/Applications/Brownfields/download/application.pdf>, or by visiting [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), clicking on the "Brownfields Revitalization" link, and then clicking on the "voluntary cleanup" link on the side of the next page. The application requires a \$250 processing and administrative fee, as well as the Phase 1 Environmental Assessment documentation.

**Application Period:** Applications can be submitted any time

**Contacts:** Bruce Wicherski, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Voluntary Cleanup Program Manager, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Phone: (208) 373-0246, Fax: (208) 373-0154, E-mail: [bruce.wichers@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:bruce.wichers@deq.idaho.gov)

**Program Title:** Bullitt Foundation Grant

**Entity:** Bullitt Foundation

**Funds:** Cleanup of areas scarred by mine damage or other toxic substances that endanger ecosystems

**Funding Range:** \$1,000 to \$150,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** elimination of toxic substances into the environment, cleanup of toxic substances.

**Types of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a non-profit organization actively working to protect, restore, and maintain the physical ecosystems of the Pacific Northwest. The foundation only grants money to organizations with charitable tax status, and individuals are not eligible for grants.

**Application:** <http://www.bullitt.org>

**Contacts:** The Bullitt Foundation at 1212 Minor Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101-2825, phone: 206-343-0807, fax: 206-343-0822, by e-mail at [info@bullitt.org](mailto:info@bullitt.org) Visit their website at <http://www.bullitt.org>

**Program Title:** Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Pilot Grants

**Entity:** US Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Organization of a Revolving Loan Fund at a State, Local, or Tribal level for brownfield cleanup projects

**Funding Range:** Up to \$500,000 for each eligible organization. However, if need is great enough, the EPA has funded coalitions and states in excess of \$1 million for the creation of revolving loan funds.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Funds may be used to create a revolving loan fund at a State, Local, or Tribal levels in order to better facilitate and access funds to clean up brownfield sites at the local level. Grant money is to be used to give low interest loans to organizations or other entities or individuals to clean up brownfield sites. Loan funds are limited to listed brownfield properties that either have a release of toxic substances or have a substantial threat of a release of toxic substances.

**Type of funds:** Competitive grants with no cost share requirement

**Eligibility:** Must be a State, Local (including towns and counties), coalition such as an economic development district, or Tribal government in order to receive funds.

**Application:** Applications are available on-line during grant cycles. Contact the Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below or visit <http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, to find out more information regarding the Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Pilot Grants

**Application Period:** Funding grant cycles are announced randomly during each fiscal year. Applications can be found at <http://epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm>, or by contacting the Region 10 Brownfields Coordinator listed below for information regarding application deadlines as well as other funding announcements

**Contacts:** Mr. Tim Brincefield, Brownfields Coordinator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 ECL-112, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-2100 Fax: (206) 553-0124, [brincefield.timothy@epa.gov](mailto:brincefield.timothy@epa.gov)

**Notes:** The United States Environmental Protection Agency has awarded one Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Pilot Grant to the Re-use Idaho Brownfields Coalition (RIBC), which is a combination of all six of Idaho's Economic Development Districts and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. The fund will be used to provide low interest loans for cleanup activities on brownfield sites across the state. Applying for and obtaining a loan from the RIBC would be recommended in place of trying to obtain a pilot grant from the EPA. Given the rural nature of the state, with only a limited number of areas with a large number of concentrated brownfield sites, seeking a loan from the RIBC would be recommended for rural communities and counties. The best applicant for an EPA Pilot grant would be large cities, preferably over 50,000 in population or with a significant number of brownfield sites, or Native American Tribes. The Re-use Idaho Brownfields Coalition information can be found elsewhere in this manual.

**Program Title:** State and Tribal Response Program Grants

**Entity:** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Programs such as revolving loan funds for Brownfield remediation as well as creating insurance programs to help with response initiatives. Response program grants are generally limited to establishing and enhancing response programs.

**Funding Range:** Up to \$1.5 million for state response programs, and \$1 million to \$1.5 million for Tribal response programs.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Funds may be used to capitalize on a brownfields remediation revolving loan fund listed under CERCLA section 104 (k)(3). Other applications include using funds to maintain and update public records on sites where response programs have been completed or are going to be addressed, enhance statutory elements of a response program, or purchase insurance or develop a risk sharing pool to finance response actions.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no cost share requirement unless direct revolving loan funds are sought through a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) section 104 (k)(3) program, in which case there will be a 20% state or tribal cost share requirement.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state or tribal government. Grant money is not distributed through a competitive process, but instead is given out based on eligible states and tribes under the Grant Funding Guidance for State and Tribal Response Program guidelines. The eligible party must demonstrate that they will include the four elements of a response program (timely survey and inventory of brownfield sites, oversight and enforcement, mechanisms to provide meaningful public participation, and mechanisms to authorize a cleanup plan and show that it has been completed) OR be a party to a voluntary response program Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the U.S. EPA, AND maintain and make available to the public all records regarding brownfield cleanup sites that have been completed within the past year or are going to be initiated within the upcoming year. Contact the district 10 representative listed below for more information regarding eligibility requirements.

**Application:** The grant application can be viewed at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and is listed under the Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 66.817. Contact the district 10 representative listed below for more information regarding applications.

**Application Period:** To view the grant application, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov), which should have a deadline listed. If this is unsuccessful, contact the district 10 representative listed below for more information regarding the application deadline.

**Contacts:** Tim Brincefield, Region 10, Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 6th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553-2100

Email: [epahotline@bah.com](mailto:epahotline@bah.com)

Myra Blakely, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (MC 5105-T), Washington, DC 20005, Phone: (202) 566-2777, Fax: (202) 566-2757, Email: [blakely.myra@epa.gov](mailto:blakely.myra@epa.gov)

**Program Title:** Brownfield Technical Assistance

**Entity:** The Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technical Support Center

**Funds:** Technical Assistance relating to conducting cleanup, application of cleanup tools, feasibility studies, and other related brownfields applications.

**Funding Range:** Technical assistance only. Offered free of charge

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conducting feasibility studies, developing cleanup strategies, implementing new cleanup tools and techniques, and other applications

**Type of Funds:** Technical assistance only.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government. However non-profit organizations can request information on certain brownfield cleanup applications. Also, to be eligible for funding, Phase 1 and Phase 2 assessments must already be completed on the site.

**Application:** Applications for technical assistance can be accessed at [http://www.brownfieldstsc.org/request\\_support.cfm](http://www.brownfieldstsc.org/request_support.cfm), or by contacting the Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technical Support Center phone number or e-mail center listed below

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** You may contact the Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technical Support Center by calling 1-877-838-7220 (toll free), or by visiting <http://www.brownfieldstsc.org/contact.cfm>.

**Program Title:** Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program

**Entity:** United States Army Corps of Engineers

**Funds:** Aquatic ecosystem restoration and protection. Included in this are wetland rehabilitation and river restoration.

**Funding Range:** The federal cost of the program can be no more than \$5 million or 65% of total project costs.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Rehabilitation of aquatic habitats, such as restoring wetlands, mitigating effects of development, feasibility studies designed to determine whether a restoration program is appropriate, and other related projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants with at least a 35% local cost share match.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state or local government, special district, or non-profit organization. Educational institutions might be eligible to partner with projects as well. All projects must undergo a detailed investigation that will prove that the project will be environmentally appropriate and will improve the quality of the environment, is in the best interest of the public, and clearly show environmental justification and engineering feasibility. Projects must have formal assurance of local support and cooperation, and the sponsoring organization must provide all the land that is to be restored and not hold the United States Federal Government accountable for any damages.

**Application:** Contact the Walla Walla USACE representative for information regarding applications

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Greg Graham, US Army Corps of Engineers - Walla Walla District, 201 N 3rd Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, Phone: (509) 527-7316, Fax: (509) 527-7285

Email: [gregory.s.grahm@usace.army.mil](mailto:gregory.s.grahm@usace.army.mil)

**Notes:** The US Army Corps of Engineers have successfully completed several projects in Idaho, including Indian Creek in Caldwell, The Boise River at Eagle Island (now a state park), and Paradise Creek in Moscow Idaho. Currently the ACE is working on feasibility studies relating to a 12-mile stretch of the Salmon River near Challis Idaho. The Corps is working with the University of Idaho, The Custer Soil and Water Conservation District, Idaho Fish and Game, The Bonneville Power Administration, and others to help meet habitat needs for Spring/Summer Chinook Salmon, Steelhead, and Bull trout. For information regarding this project, visit

<http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/salmonriver/overview.htm>.

**Program Title:** Wyden Amendment

**Entity:** Bureau of Land Management

**Funds:** restoration and enhancement of habitat that will directly benefit biotic resources on public lands within a given watershed

**Funding Range:** Variable. Contact the Oregon/Washington BLM office or representative listed below for more information.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Reclamation of polluted or damaged wild land habitat, reduction of polluted materials being placed in rivers, other projects that can help improve water quality and habitat on public land.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no cost-sharing obligation

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local, tribal, or other governmental agency, private landowner or cooperation, non-profit organization, special district, or intergovernmental group. The Amendment is eligible to private landowners and corporations to make changes on their own land so long as it directly benefits resources that are located on public lands within a given watershed.

**Application:** Contact the Oregon/Washington BLM office listed below for more information, or visit [www.blm.gov](http://www.blm.gov).

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Leslie Frewing-Runyon, Oregon/Washington BLM State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 1515 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97208-

Phone: (503) 952-6088, Email: [lfrewing-runyon@or.blm.gov](mailto:lfrewing-runyon@or.blm.gov)

Glencora Lannen, Oregon/Washington BLM State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 1516 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, OR 97208- Phone: (503) 952-6089  
Email: [glannen@or.blm.gov](mailto:glannen@or.blm.gov)

Karl Denison, USDA Forest Service, 1835 Black Lake Blvd SW, Olympia, WA 98512-5623, Phone: (360) 956-2306, Fax: (360) 956-2330,  
Email: [kdenison@fs.fed.us](mailto:kdenison@fs.fed.us)

**Program Title:** Challenge Cost Share Program

**Entity:** Bureau of Land Management

**Funds:** Mainly habitat restoration and monitoring programs on BLM land

**Funding Range:** 50% of project costs. Funds generally are around \$3,000 to \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Funds have been used for raptor monitoring, salmon monitoring, and multiple projects involving habitat restoration

**Type of funds:** Grants with the local group or groups paying 50% of the project costs

**Eligibility:** Can be a non-profit group, educational institution, or governmental body

**Application:** Call any of the BLM contacts listed below for information regarding this funding source. The application is not available on-line.

**Application Period:** Varies. Application processing generally takes roughly 2 months. Call any of the BLM contacts listed below to find out more information on application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1387 S. Vinnell Way  
Boise, Idaho 83709, (208) 373-4000

Joan Seevers, Oregon State Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management  
PO Box 2965, Portland, OR 97208, Phone: (503) 952-6048,

Email: [joan\\_seevers@blm.gov](mailto:joan_seevers@blm.gov)

**Notes:** Started in 2003, the Cost Share Program has the goal of meeting the four C's, Conservation through Cooperation, Consultation, and Communication. The program has funded multiple projects, including partnering with the Arizona and California Fish and Game department, as well as angling groups, to help increase recreational fishing opportunities on lake Havasu, working with the Montana Heritage group to assess abandoned mine and cave usage for bats and other animals, working with the State Museum of New Mexico to help build an interpretive center for the El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro trail that Connects Mexico City with Santa Fe, and was established in 1598 by Juan de Onate, and pairing with Wyoming Weed Control to help treat invasive species and replant the land with native vegetation.

**Program Title:** North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grants Program

**Entity:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Conservation and restoration of critical wetlands, with special emphasis on protecting wetlands that offer sanctuary for migrating waterfowl

**Funding Range:** Standard funding is around \$950,000, and \$50,000 for small grants

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conservation, protection, restoration, and enhancement of wetlands that offer critical habitat for migrating waterfowl.

**Type of funds:** Grants that require 1 to 1 local or organization matching funds.

**Eligibility:** Can be a state or local government, special district, non-profit organization, or individual that has made partnerships to help protect and restore wetland habitat in the United States, Canada, and/or Mexico.

**Application:** Contact the grant program managers listed below or visit [birdhabitat.fws.gov](http://birdhabitat.fws.gov) for more information regarding the grants program.

**Application Period:** Contact the grant program managers listed below or visit [www.birdhabitat.fws.gov](http://www.birdhabitat.fws.gov) for more information regarding the grants program deadline.

**Contacts:** Bettina Sparrowe, Standard Grants Coordinator - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, USFWS, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 110, Arlington, VA 22203

Phone: (703) 358-1784, Email: [r9arw\\_nawwo@fws.gov](mailto:r9arw_nawwo@fws.gov)

David Buie, Standard Grants Coordinator - U.S. Department of the Interior USFWS, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 110, Arlington, VA 22203, Phone: (703) 358-1784 , Email: [r9arw\\_nawwo@fws.gov](mailto:r9arw_nawwo@fws.gov)

Keith Morehouse, Small Grants Coordinator - North American Waterfowl and Wetlands Office (NAWWO) , USFWS, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 110, Arlington, VA 22203, Phone: (703) 358-1784, Email: [r9arw\\_nawwo@fws.gov](mailto:r9arw_nawwo@fws.gov)

**Notes:** The North American Wetlands Conservation Act was created in 1989 to support activities under the North American Waterfowl Protection Plan that partnered Canada, Mexico, and the United States in an international conservation strategy aimed at protecting critical migratory waterfowl habitat. In 2002, congress extended the budget allocations for the plan through 2007, with an appropriation budget cap set at \$75 million. The act also created the North American Wetlands Conservation Council, which has the power to submit proposals to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, a group that has the power to approve funding to protect migratory bird wetland habitat. In all, over \$600 million has been invested in protecting, restoring, and enhancing migratory waterfowl habitat in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. The small grants program, nearly identical to the standard grant but with grants of less than \$50,000, has an annual budget appropriation of two million, and since 1996, when the small grants program was created, over 750 partnerships have been formed and funded with total financial partnerships reaching nearly \$100 million and protected over 90,000 acres of land in Mexico, Canada, and the United States.

**Program Title:** Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition Grants

**Entity:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Land acquisitions that compliment private mitigation responsibilities, have important benefits for listed or proposed listed endangered species, or to fund acquisitions or habitats and ecosystems that give benefits to endangered species.

**Funding Range:** Varies with each project. The yearly budget allocation for the entire program is nearly \$50 million.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Acquisition of land that offers critical benefits to endangered species.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a 25% local match or estimated project costs, or if two or more states or territories implement the program, 10% or estimated project costs.

**Eligibility:** State government. Organizations and local areas should contact the region 1 Fish and Wildlife representative listed below for information regarding submitting proposals to individual states, to then be sent to the national office of Fish and Wildlife for approval or denial. Funding requests must come accompanied by a Habitat Conservation Plan, which is an agreement between a private landowner and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in which the landowner agrees to implement conservation measures intended to protect endangered species. This could also be extended to include plans implemented by states and counties that address the issues of multiple private landowners and cover a variety of endangered species. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service representative listed below for eligibility information.

**Application:** Applications must be submitted by states to the U.S. Fish and wildlife service. Organizations and local areas should contact the region 1 Fish and Wildlife representative listed below for information regarding submitting proposals to individual states, to then be sent to the national office of Fish and Wildlife for approval or denial.

**Application Period:** Contact the region 1 F&W representative listed below for information regarding application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Heather Hollis, US Fish & Wildlife Service - Region 1 (OR, ID, WA)  
Eastside Federal Complex - 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181  
Phone: (503) 231-6241, Email: [heather\\_hollis@r1.fws.gov](mailto:heather_hollis@r1.fws.gov)

Diane Lynch, Division of Endangered Species, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, MA 01035-9589, Phone: (413) 253 8628  
Email: [northeast@fws.gov](mailto:northeast@fws.gov)

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Pacific Region 911 NE 11th Ave Portland,  
Oregon (503) 231-6120

**Notes:** The Habitat Conservation Land Acquisition Grants Program, administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, has helped to conserve over 30 million acres of land in the United States, which represents 330 different conservation plans already in place. Currently, there are another 320 conservation and land acquisition proposals awaiting approval and funding. The program has helped fund projects ranging from forest and grassland protection, to watershed conservation. Recently, the Washington Department of Natural Resources received a nearly \$10 million grant to purchase 3,400 acres of mature

coniferous forest on the Olympic Peninsula, and will provide protection for many species as well as expanding protection for already preserved areas.

**Program Title:** Recovery Land Acquisition Grants USFWS Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Acquisition of land to be used as habitat for endangered species

**Funding Range:** Varies with every project. Funding allocation for the whole of fiscal year 2005 is \$13.4 million.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Acquisition of land for use as habitat for endangered species

**Type of funds:** Grants with a state match of 25%, or if more than one state or territory is involved, a cost share match is only 10%

**Eligibility:** Must be a state government that will purchase land in compliance with a pre-approved recovery plan. Since the program is similar to the Habitat Conservation Plan or HCP grant program, the Recovery Land Acquisition Grant program cannot be used in conjunction with any HCP grant program. Organizations and local areas should contact the region 1 Fish and Wildlife representative listed below for information regarding submitting proposals to individual states, to then be sent to the national office of Fish and Wildlife for approval or denial.

**Application:** Applications must be submitted by states to the U.S. Fish and wildlife service. Organizations and local areas should contact the region 1 Fish and Wildlife representative listed below for information regarding submitting proposals to individual states, to then be sent to the national office of Fish and Wildlife for approval or denial.

**Application Period:** Contact the region 1 F&W representative listed below for information regarding application deadlines.

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery and State Grants 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 420 Arlington, VA 22203 Phone: 703-358-2061

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Pacific Region 911 NE 11th Ave Portland, Oregon (503) 231-6120

**Program Title:** Private Stewardship Grants

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Voluntary conservation efforts that benefit endangered species and the habitats that they live in.

**Funding Range:** Varies from project to project. Grants have typically ranged from around \$20,000 to over \$200,000

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conservation and restoration efforts aimed at protecting and preserving endangered species and their habitats. Some projects have included building streams and wetlands, removing small dams, and other reclamation, restoration, and habitat protection projects.

**Type of funds:** Competitive grants with at a very minimum of 10% non-federal cash or in-kind match

**Eligibility:** Must be an individual, private landowner, or non-profit organization that will help to restore and protect critical endangered species habitat on privately owned land. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also encourages partnerships between individual groups that are working with private landowners wishing to preserve habitat to submit their proposals. Grants will not be awarded to public agencies or governments.

**Application:** Applications can be downloaded at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov), and its Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number is 15.632. If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. Although FWS does not require that applications be submitted on-line, it does streamline the process and could result in a quicker notification of the projects status. If you have any trouble accessing the application for the grant, contact any of the FWS representatives listed below for more information.

**Application Period:** Visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) to find out application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Michael Roy, Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99503-6199, Phone: (907/786-3925)  
Email: [michael\\_roy@fws.gov](mailto:michael_roy@fws.gov)

Heather Hollis, US Fish & Wildlife Service - Region 1 (OR, ID, WA)  
Eastside Federal Complex - 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181  
Phone: (503) 231-6241, Email: [heather\\_hollis@r1.fws.gov](mailto:heather_hollis@r1.fws.gov)

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery and State Grants, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 420, Arlington, VA 22203 703-358-2061

**Notes:** The Private Stewardship Grants program has funded dozens of projects all across the country, including Idaho, and is expected to contribute over \$7 million in fiscal year 2005 for habitat restoration and conservation projects. Projects that have been funded include a \$97,000 grant to The Badger Creek Channel Restoration, in Butte County Idaho, and submitted by Trout Unlimited, to help design and construct a half-mile fully functioning stream channel through lower Badger Creek to help protect and connect bull trout spawning grounds. Bull trout protection will also be accomplished by constructing fences to keep cattle from grazing along the streambed. Other projects include a \$23,400 grant to the Iron Creek Reconnection and Habitat Restoration Project in Lemhi County Idaho, to remove four irrigation dams on Iron Creek to

achieve greater in stream flows into the Salmon River and to preserve and restore the passage for federally threatened Bull Trout, summer Chinook Salmon, and Steelhead.

**Program Title:** Community Based Habitat Restoration-National and Regional Partnerships

**Entity:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Funds:** Restoration and protection of critical marine life habitat, including that of anadromous fish species like salmon, which live part of their lives in salt water, but breed in freshwater.

**Funding Range:** \$200,000 to \$600,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Habitat restoration due to damage from development or other issues, as well as monitoring and assessment of critical marine habitats.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one local (non-federal) match.

**Eligibility:** Can be any state, local, or other governmental agency, educational institution, non-profit group, private cooperation or landowner, special district, or tribal government. The funds are open to current and former NOAA habitat restoration partners as well as groups applying for funding for the first time. In order to receive funding, you must become a NOAA habitat restoration partner, which entails a three year commitment to help restore marine habitat, and the commitment is open to almost anywhere in the United States. If you are interested in receiving funding, NOAA suggests that you form a strong connection with the community restoration plan staff.

**Application:** When the funding is announced for fiscal year 2007, it will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. This will allow you to access all of the other grant opportunities posted there, but more importantly, help in determining your eligibility as an organization to receive funding from the NOAA Habitat Restoration Program. Although it is not required that you submit your application electronically, NOAA requests that you do, since all of their grant making and grant awarding processing is done in that manner.

**Application Period:** The next notification of available funding will be available in June of 2006 for fiscal year 2007 funding and be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Contacts:** Robin Bruckner, NOAA Restoration Center, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-0174, Fax: (301) 713-0184

Email: [Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov](mailto:Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov)

**Notes:** The NOAA Community Habitat Restoration program has been in effect since 1996, and since that time it has funded over 900 projects and dozens of restoration partners, including The Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership, The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, and The Pacific Salmon Watershed Fund.

**Program Title:** Community Basted Restoration-Direct Grants

**Entity:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Funds:** Restoration and protection of critical marine life habitat, including that of anadromous fish species like salmon, which live part of their lives in salt water, but breed in freshwater.

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$200,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Habitat restoration due to damage from development or other issues, as well as monitoring and assessment of critical marine habitats. This can include re-establishment of historic hydrology, dam removal, construction of riparian buffer zones, and many other projects.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one local (non-federal) match.

**Eligibility:** Can be any state, local, or other governmental agency, educational institution, non-profit group, private cooperation or landowner, special district, or tribal government. The focus is on individual grassroots organizations that are trying to restore or protect critical fish habitat, and especially habitat that helps support endangered fish. Emphasis will be placed on those organizations that can best pair up multiple entities, such as public and private organizations, to help support the restoration and protection, and that can demonstrate a net-gain in acres or fish accessible stream miles restored. Unlike the Community Based partners funding, this grant is given directly to organizations to help restore and protect critical marine habitat.

**Application:** The application for this grant can be obtained at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). If you are interested in applying for this funding, visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and complete the registration process, which generally takes about two weeks. This will allow you to access all of the other grant opportunities posted there, but more importantly, help in determining your eligibility as an organization to receive funding from the NOAA Habitat Restoration Program. Although it is not required that you submit your application electronically, NOAA requests that you do, since nearly all of their grant making and grant awarding processing is done in that manner.

**Application Period:** Deadline for applications is October 12, 2005, however funding continues on a yearly basis, and new funding opportunities will be posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Contacts:** Robin Bruckner, NOAA Restoration Center, 1315 East West Highway  
Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-0174, Fax: (301) 713-0184  
Email: [Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov](mailto:Robin.Bruckner@noaa.gov)

**Program Title:** Acorn Foundation Grants

**Entity:** Acorn Foundation

**Funds:** Community based projects that help to protect and restore critical habitat as well as prevent or remedy toxic pollution

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$10,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Previous examples of funded projects have included support of a Utah group dedicated to the preservation of Utah's rivers, with special emphasis on protecting the Bear River from dam development, as well as funding Native American groups in the southwest to help fight natural resource exploitation and pollution.

**Type of funds:** Single year grants with a renewable capability

**Eligibility:** Must be a Native American Tribe, or certified non-profit, tax-exempt organization and it is recommended that you serve a middle to low-income population. The Foundation does not generally award grants to organizations with annual budgets that are over \$400,000, technical assistance providers or intermediaries, direct social services, education, capital campaigns, scholarship funds, land acquisition, or organizations with access to mainstream funding. In general only 10% of proposals will receive funding.

**Application:** Prior to being able to submit an application, a tribe or organization must submit a letter of inquiry. The letter of inquiry form can be accessed at

<http://www.commoncounsel.org/pages/application.html>.

**Application Period:** Letter of inquiry deadlines are on January 15 and June 15.

**Contacts:** Common Council Foundation, 1221 Preservation Park Way, Oakland, California 94612-1206, Phone: (510) 834- 2995, Fax: (510) 834- 2998, E-mail: [ccouncil@igc.org](mailto:ccouncil@igc.org).

**Notes:** The Acorn Foundation is just one of many family and individual foundations and donors dedicated to economic, social, and environmental justice, that make up the Common Council Foundation. The Acorn Foundation was established in 1978 to support projects to help build a future for the health of the planet.

**Program Title:** Environmental Protection and Conservation Program

**Entity:** Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation

**Funds:** Habitat protection, restoration, as well as general operating support for non-profit action groups

**Funding Range:** \$1,000 to \$15,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Previous grantees have been awarded funds for general operating support, protection of critical habitats, rehabilitation of degraded habitats, and other projects that center on protecting the environment

**Type of funds:** Grants. No matching is required

**Eligibility:** Must be a tax-exempt non-profit or Tribal organization in Idaho, Washington, Oregon, or Alaska. Funds cannot be used to acquire land, provide clinical or health services, benefit one individual, rehabilitate wildlife, or fund scholarships.

**Application:** Before an application can be submitted, a pre-application must be written to the Foundation to determine project eligibility. The letter should contain information about the group requesting aid, a description of the project, and a summary of the projects budget. The pre-application should be no more than 2 pages long, and be mailed to the contact listed below.

**Application Period:** There are two cyclical periods for pre-applications. The deadline for the first cycle is March 16, and the deadline for the second cycle is September 16.

**Contacts:** Aana Agee, Administrator, Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation, 1932 First Ave., Ste. 162, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 448-1874, Fax: (206) 448-1973

Email: [kjf@kongsgaard-goldman.org](mailto:kjf@kongsgaard-goldman.org)

**Notes:** The Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation is a non-profit organization formed in 1988 with the goal of advancing human rights, civic development, environmental protection, and the arts.

**Program Title:** Bonneville Environmental Foundation Watershed Program

**Entity:** Bonneville Environmental Foundation

**Funds:** Reclamation planning, restoration, and monitoring of certain watersheds that are endangered due to pollution or other concerns.

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$40,000. The Bonneville Environmental Foundation has given out more than \$40,000 to certain projects, including the North Fork of Rock Creek biological assessment in Idaho, which was a \$55,000 grant awarded to the Coeur d' Alene Tribe to create conservation and restoration prerogatives on the north fork of the Rock Creek.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Previous examples of what grants have been used for have included monitoring and assessment of trout creek in Idaho, and systematic restoration and subsequent monitoring of all the sub basins of the Mohawk Watershed in Oregon.

**Type of funds:** Grants or technical planning assistance. A local match is not always required, however the availability of matching or in kind matches would increase the possibility of funding, as it would help contribute to the future viability of the project.

**Eligibility:** Must be a non-profit or Tribal organization located in Idaho, Oregon, or Washington. The foundation also requires that the project have across the board community support, that the restoration and monitoring be done on a comprehensive scientific basis, be implemented on a watershed scale, and be planned for in the long term (monitoring generally lasting for at least 10 years). The foundation also places special emphasis on reclaiming and conserving watersheds that can help aid in the restoration of depressed trout and salmon stocks.

**Application:** Before an application can be submitted, a letter of inquiry must first be sent to the Bonneville Environmental Foundation outlining the proposed or existing watershed restoration and/or monitoring program that is in line with BEF's priorities, as well as all actions necessary to implement the restoration or monitoring program. The letter should be no more than three pages long, and the Bonneville Environmental Foundation recommends that you contact the watershed program officer prior to submitting a letter of inquiry to make sure that the program falls under BEF's credentials. The watershed program officer can be reached at (503) 248-1905 or at [watersheds@b-e-f.org](mailto:watersheds@b-e-f.org)

**Application Period:** The Bonneville Environmental Foundation accepts letters of inquiry throughout the year. Information on applications can be obtained once a letter of inquiry is processed and accepted.

**Contacts:** Mailing Address: Bonneville Environmental Foundation, 133 SW 2nd Avenue, Suite 410, Portland, OR 97204

Todd Reeve, Director of Watershed Programs, Bonneville Environmental Foundation, 133 SW 2nd Ave., Ste. 410, Portland, OR 97204, Phone: (503) 248-1905  
Email: [information@B-E-F.org](mailto:information@B-E-F.org)

Website: [www.b-e-f.org](http://www.b-e-f.org)

**Notes:** The Bonneville Environmental Foundation has provided hundreds of thousands of dollars to help restore monitor, and conserve critical watersheds throughout the northwest. The

Foundation was created to help restore watersheds and help encourage renewable energy sources. Partnering with the Bonneville Power Administration, the Foundation has helped to reduce carbon emissions through its “green tag” program, as well as supporting many other renewable energy initiatives.

**Program Title:** Fish America Foundation Grants

**Entity:** Fish America Foundation

**Funds:** Habitat restoration and other related projects that help to improve fish habitat

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$50,000. Amount depends on the funding partnership.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** clearing channels, breaching dams, planting vegetation, stream-bank stabilization, hatchery construction, and litter removal. Other projects may be funded as well, including things such as pollution mitigation. Contact the Fish America Foundation listed below.

**Type of funds:** Grants with at least a one to one match with the foundation.

**Eligibility:** Must be a non-profit organization vested in protecting and enhancing sport fishing and fish habitat. The foundation will not fund any projects that do not directly enhance water quality, habitat, or sport fish populations. Applications require you to list any sport fish that will benefit from the program, as well as listing out all of the permits received to carry out the project, available public access to the site of restoration, and the amount of funds that are requested. There is also a section for project partners. The Foundation wishes to see strong partnerships when habitat is going to be enhanced or restored.

**Application:** The application can be accessed at

<http://www.fishamerica.org/faf/images/grants/application.pdf>, or by visiting [www.fishamerica.org](http://www.fishamerica.org), clicking on “apply for grants” and then clicking on the grant application link listed under “general conservation projects”

**Application Period:** All project applications are due by 5:00 on July 31 of every year.

**Contacts:** Johanna Laderman, Managing Director, FishAmerica Foundation, 225

Reinekers Lane, Ste. 420, Alexandria, VA 22314, Phone: (703) 519-9691

Fax: (703) 519-1872, Email: [fishamerica@asafishing.org](mailto:fishamerica@asafishing.org)

**Notes:** The FishAmerica Foundation has funded numerous projects throughout the United States and in Idaho. Some of the projects they have supported have been the Oregon Forestry Action Committee’s re-vegetation of part of the Illinois River valley, a \$6,000 grant to the Henry’s Association for re-vegetation of the Henry’s Fork of the Snake River, and a \$25,000 grant to the Washington State Noosack Salmon Enhancement Association to restore in stream habitat and stabilize stream banks on two miles of the Noosack River in the Puget Sound watershed.

**Program Title:** Banrock Station Wines Wetlands Conservation Program

**Entity:** The Conservation Fund and Banrock Station Wines

**Funds:** Wetland conservation or restoration at the local level

**Funding Range:** \$1,000 to \$5,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Wetland conservation and restoration

**Type of funds:** Single year grants. No cost sharing is required, however availability of local funds usually helps in the application process

**Eligibility:** Can be a non-profit organization or public agency. The focus is nationwide but at a local level.

**Application:** Contact the program representative listed below.

**Application Period:** Contact the program representative listed below for deadline information. The 2004-05 funding application deadline was January 15, 2005, however the program continues annually.

**Contacts:** Program Administrator, Banrock Station Wetlands Conservation Program  
1800 North Kent Street, Suite 1120, Arlington, Virginia, 22209-2156,  
[banrock@conservationfund.org](mailto:banrock@conservationfund.org), Ph: (703) 525-6300

**Program Title:** Wildlife Forever conservation and restoration grants

**Entity:** Wildlife Forever

**Funds:** Targeted habitat acquisition, restoration, and protection, as well as research and educational programs

**Funding Range:** \$1,000 to \$10,000 on average. The foundation does not set any minimum or maximum award amount, and the grant may vary in size based on the scope and impact of the proposed project

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Stream and wetland restoration, wildlife habitat restoration, and other land reclamation uses that will reverse the effects of development and extraction on the land and improve wildlife habitat

**Type of funds:** Grants with a one to one match

**Eligibility:** The grant is open to non-profit groups with a special emphasis on grassroots programs that focus on conservation as well as sportsman and recreational outdoor groups. The Foundation does not provide funds to individuals, political organizations, for loans, endowment purposes, for general operating expenses, or for trips.

**Application:** <http://www.wildlifeforever.org/grants/overview.aspx>

**Application Period:** January 1 and July 1 of each year.

**Contacts:** Wildlife Forever, 2700 Freeway Blvd, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Phone: 763-253-0222, Email: [info@wildlifeforever.org](mailto:info@wildlifeforever.org)

Or contact: Pat Conzemius Phone: 763.253.0222

**Notes:** The Wildlife Forever Foundation is a group that promotes outdoor recreation and hunting and uses its grants to help foster knowledge and enjoyment of the outdoors through educational programs, as well as protection and preservation of critical wildlife habitat through wild land acquisitions, restoration programs of threatened ecosystems, and direct species impacts such as raising fish in hatcheries. Since 1987, the Wildlife Forever Foundation has raised over eight million fish, planted over 100,000 trees, constructed nearly 10,000 duck and bluebird wooden boxes, and gotten 600,000 children involved in wildlife and wild land conservation and enjoyment. The foundation has programs operating in every state in the United States as well as a limited number of programs in Canada. In Idaho, the foundation has several programs designed to enhance wildlife habitat, including restoring over 25,000 acres of mule deer habitat that was burned in a wildfire, using controlled prescribed burns to help restore elk habitat in the Payette National Forest, and a comprehensive study of the grazing patterns and lives of bighorn sheep in the Frank Church River of no Return Wilderness. Other projects have included obtaining a critical waterway along the Hoh on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State from Rayonier and Green Crow timber companies, and helping to restore wetland damaged wetland habitat in several states across the country, including in Michigan, Oregon, and California.

**Program Title:** Bring Back the Natives

**Entity:** National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

**Funds:** Conservation and restoration of critical watersheds and other areas that are critical native fish and wildlife habitat.

**Funding Range:** \$10,000 to \$150,000 depending on need.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Land restoration and conservation that will benefit native species and wildlife. Examples of this could include reclamation of mine scarred or other polluted lands, and other factors that have led to habitat degradation or destruction.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a 2 to one non-federal to federal match.

**Eligibility:** Any non-profit, educational institution, state or local government, public landowner, or Native American Tribe can apply. The Foundation will not consider requests that deal with political or legislative issues, cover operating expenses, support research, or support educational programs that don't include "on the ground" project components. The Foundation gives guidelines for submitting project proposals and asks that they all contain: information regarding the threatened species, including its historic and current range, factors that have threatened the species, the importance of the species to the ecosystem, the "on the ground" actions that will be taken to help restore the species habitat, those that will be involved in the project, how the project will be able to be complete within 12-18 months, and a detailed project budget describing all funding sources and how they will be met.

**Application:** Before a formal application can be submitted, a pre-proposal must be sent to the foundation to review and accept or decline. The pre-proposal can be accessed at <https://collective.nfwf.org/pre-proposal/Preproposal.php>, or by visiting [www.nfwf.org](http://www.nfwf.org), clicking on 'apply for a grant', clicking on 'general matching grant guidelines,' and then scrolling down to 'how do I apply for a matching grant,' and clicking on 'this website.'

**Application Period:** Pre-application proposals must be submitted by December 2, 2005, however the program continues each year. Check back with the website to see updated information on new deadlines.

**Contacts:** Northwest Regional Office, 806 SW Broadway, Suite 750, Portland, OR 97205, Phone: (503) 417-8700 Fax: 503-417-8787

Barrett Bohnengel, Program Coordinator [Barrett.Bohnengel@nfwf.org](mailto:Barrett.Bohnengel@nfwf.org)

Application questions: Corey Grace, NFWF Southwest Office, 28 Second Street, 6th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105, 415-778-0999, [corey.grace@nfwf.org](mailto:corey.grace@nfwf.org)

**Notes:** The National Wildlife Foundation is a non-profit organization established in 1984 by the United States Congress to help protect and conserve this nations native plants, fish and wildlife, and their habitats.

**Program Title:** Ifft Foundation Fund Grants

**Entity:** Ifft Foundation; Idaho Community Foundation

**Funds:** Education, beautification, and public benefit projects in southeastern Idaho.

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 for non-landscaping projects, \$10,000 for landscaping projects.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Landscaping and beautification projects, educational programs focusing on history and the arts, and projects that improve the overall quality of life in southeastern Idaho

**Type of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a tax exempt non-profit organization or government entity, or a non tax exempt entity that is being financed by a not for profit organization and be located in Bear Lake, Oneida, Franklin, Caribou, Power, Bingham, or Bannock counties. Grant funds cannot be used to support a private individual, projects located on private property, operating expenses, or purchase of real property.

**Application:** [http://www.idcomfdn.org/iff\\_t\\_guidelines.htm](http://www.idcomfdn.org/iff_t_guidelines.htm)

**Application Period:** Spring grant cycle: proposals must be postmarked before March 15; Fall grant cycle: proposals must be postmarked before August 15

**Contacts:** Idaho Community Foundation: Mail to P.O. Box 8143, Boise, ID 83707; Street Address 210 West State Street, Boise, ID 83702, Phone (208) 342-3535 or 1-800-657-5357, Fax (208) 342-3577, E-mail [grants@idcomfdn.org](mailto:grants@idcomfdn.org)

Website: <http://www.idcomfdn.org/pages/donoradvised.htm>

**Notes:** The Ifft Foundation was created by Nicolas Ifft III and his wife Sara Ifft in 1984. Nicolas' father and grandfather were in publishing for more than a century, and to pay back readers loyalty for so many years, Nick and his wife formed the Ifft Foundation to return the loyalty and benefits back to the people of southeastern Idaho. The Ifft Foundation funds then later became part of an advised fund directed by the Idaho Community Foundation, which oversees the distribution of funds twice every year to accepted organizations and programs.

**Program Title:** Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance Grants

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Planning activities, surveys, and other related documentation relating to a Habitat Conservation Plan that could be used to apply for HCP Land Acquisition Grants from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. A Habitat Conservation Plan is an agreement between a private landowner and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in which the landowner agrees to implement conservation measures intended to protect endangered species. This could also be extended to include plans implemented by states and counties that address the issues of multiple private landowners and cover a variety of endangered species.

**Funding Range:** Varies.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Planning and surveys and final development of a Habitat Conservation Plan. Previous examples have included a partnership between the Idaho Department of Lands and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to minimize the impact of any IDL work on endangered species, as well as for the development of an HCP in Jackson County Oregon to provide the framework for conservation of three endangered species, vernal pool shrimp, and two plants associated with vernal pools.

**Type of funds:** Grants with a 25% local match or estimated project costs, or if two or more states or territories implement the program, 10% or estimated project costs.

**Eligibility:** Must be a State government. Organizations and local areas should contact the region 1 Fish and Wildlife representative listed below for information regarding submitting proposals to individual states, to then be sent to the national office of Fish and Wildlife for approval or denial.

**Application:** Applications must be submitted by states to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Organizations and local areas should contact the region 1 Fish and Wildlife representative listed below for information regarding submitting proposals to individual states, to then be sent to the national office of Fish and Wildlife for approval or denial.

**Application Period:** Contact the region 1 F&W representative listed below for information regarding application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Heather Hollis, US Fish & Wildlife Service - Region 1 (OR, ID, WA)  
Eastside Federal Complex - 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181  
Phone: (503) 231-6241, Email: [heather\\_hollis@r1.fws.gov](mailto:heather_hollis@r1.fws.gov)

Diane Lynch, Division of Endangered Species, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, MA 01035-9589, Phone: (413) 253 8628  
Email: [northeast@fws.gov](mailto:northeast@fws.gov)

**Program Title:** Habitat Conservation: Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program

**Entity:** United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**Funds:** Technical assistance to maximize wildlife conservation and to help form partnerships for wildlife and habitat conservation, restoration, and protection.

**Funding Range:** Varies with each project. Annual program budget ranges from \$75,000 to \$150,000.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Maximizing conservation and restoration efforts, such as planting native trees and grasses, installation of fences to protect wetlands and streams from cattle, restoring wetlands, and other restoration projects. The grant goals also include forming partnerships with other agencies, public and private landowners, and Native Americans, as well as improving water quality, removing barriers to wildlife migration, and augmenting the goals of the National Wildlife Refuge System with projects that target species associated with refuge lands.

**Type of funds:** Grants and technical assistance

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local or tribal government, non-profit organization, public or private landowner, or private cooperation.

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the United States Fish and Wildlife Service representative listed below for more information regarding applications.

**Application Period:** Application deadlines vary from year to year. Contact the United States Fish and Wildlife Service representative listed below for more information regarding application deadlines.

**Contacts:** Sally Valdes, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Rm 400, Arlington, VA 22203, Phone: 703-358-2201, Fax: (703) 358-2232

Email: [sally.valdes@fws.gov](mailto:sally.valdes@fws.gov)

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240

Pacific Region Headquarters: Portland, OR. Phone: 503.231.6120

**Program Title:** Water Reclamation and Reuse Program

**Entity:** Bureau of Reclamation

**Funds:** Grants and Technical Assistance relating to water reclamation feasibility and opportunity projects, as well as participation in actual construction of reuse projects pending approval of the project.

**Funding Range:** Varies with different projects.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Feasibility studies on water reclamation and reuse projects as well as opportunities to reclaim and reuse municipal, domestic, industrial, agricultural, and naturally contaminated groundwater as well as construction of permanent facilities.

**Type of funds:** Grants and technical assistance. Grants require local matching funds of one to one.

**Eligibility:** Can be a state, local, or tribal government, non-profit organization, or private corporation. Priority is placed on projects that are economically justified and environmentally acceptable. Funding priority is also placed on projects that cannot receive any other funds from the federal government, and that directly address priorities for the Bureau of Reclamation such as instream flows for endangered species.

**Application:** Applications for this program are not available on-line. Contact the Bureau of Reclamation representative listed below to find out more information regarding this program.

**Application Period:** Ongoing.

**Contacts:** Richard Martin, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 25007, D-5000, Denver Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225, Phone: (303) 445-3710, Fax: (909) 695-5319

Email: [rmartin@do.usbr.gov](mailto:rmartin@do.usbr.gov)

Bill McDonald, Regional Director [Pacific Northwest Regional Office](#) 1150 North Curtis Road, Suite 100 Boise, Idaho 83706-1234 Phone: 208-378-5012 fax 208-378-5019

**Program Title:** General Investigation Studies for Environmental Restoration

**Funds:** United States Army Corps of Engineers

**Funding Range:** 100% of reconnaissance phase studies, and up to 50% of feasibility phase studies.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Conducting reconnaissance studies and feasibility studies to determine eligibility for Ecosystem Restoration grant money.

**Type of funds:** Grant money for federally led feasibility and reconnaissance studies in order to obtain grant money for ecosystem restoration. Ecosystem restoration example can be viewed under the “Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program” page.

Reconnaissance studies are funded in full by the program, and feasibility studies require a 50% cost share on the part of the recipient.

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government, or a special district.

**Application:** Applications are not available on-line. Contact the Walla Walla District office or the Seattle District office for more information regarding this feasibility program.

**Application Period:** Ongoing. There are no application deadlines for this program.

**Contacts:** Greg Graham, US Army Corps of Engineers - Walla Walla District  
201 N 3rd Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, Phone: (509) 527-7316, Fax: (509) 527-7285, Email: [gregory.s.grahm@usace.army.mil](mailto:gregory.s.grahm@usace.army.mil).

Mona Thomason, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, PO Box C-3755  
Seattle, WA 98124-2255, Phone: (206) 764-3600, Fax: (206) 764-3600  
Email: [mona.j.thomason@usace.army.mil](mailto:mona.j.thomason@usace.army.mil)

**Program Title:** Solid Waste Direct Loans and Grants for Rural Communities

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture

**Funds:** Construction, repair, or expansion of solid waste facilities

**Funding Range:** Grants: up to 75% of eligible costs; Guaranteed Loans: up to 90% of eligible costs

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of sanitary landfills, paying engineering fees, acquisition of right of ways if related to development of the project, repairing old facilities.

**Type of funds:** Grants and guaranteed loans. Loan interest rates are set according to market rates, but not going any lower than 4.5%. Maximum term on the loan is 40 years.

**Eligibility:** Can be a city, town with less than 10,000 in population, or be a non-profit cooperative located in a town of that size. Native American Tribes are also eligible.

**Application:** Application packages are available by contacting an Idaho USDA area office.

**Application Period:** No time limits apply.

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

Area Offices:

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 762-4939

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Contact: Margaret Hair E-Mail: [margaret.hair@id.usda.gov](mailto:margaret.hair@id.usda.gov)

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**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 459-0761

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Contact: Richard Carrig E-Mail: [richard.carrig@id.usda.gov](mailto:richard.carrig@id.usda.gov)

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Contact: Becky Dean E-Mail: [becky.dean@id.usda.gov](mailto:becky.dean@id.usda.gov)

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Contact: Dale Lish E-Mail: [dale.lish@id.usda.gov](mailto:dale.lish@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title:** Public Works Economic Development Program

**Entity:** Department of Commerce; Economic Development Administration

**Funds:** Construction of public infrastructure or infrastructure improvements in selected redevelopment areas

**Funding Range:** Generally funds will cover 50% of the project costs, however in extreme cases, 80% of project costs have been funded. Recognized Native American Tribes can be eligible for 100% of costs.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Infrastructure improvement or construction for industrial development, demolition or recycling of old industrial buildings, any brownfield redevelopment.

**Type of funds:** Project Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government to receive funds.

**Application:** Contact the regional office listed below for pre-application information

**Application Period:** Ongoing.

**Contacts:** Seattle Regional Office, Room 1856, Jackson Federal Building, 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98174, Telephone: (206) 220-7660

Or contact: David L. McIlwain, Director, Public Works Division, Economic Development Administration, Room H7326, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Telephone: (202) 482-5265.

**Program Title:** Public Works and development facilities assistance

**Entity:** Economic Development Administration

**Funds:** projects designed to provide economic expansion or diversification through infrastructure improvement, with special emphasis placed on rural areas.

**Funding Range:** 50% to 80% of the costs of the project.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Administered through the six local Economic Development Districts(EDD) in the state of Idaho, the funds can be used for public infrastructure construction such as sewer and water lines and other infrastructure improvements needed to operate businesses in mainly rural areas.

**Types of Funds:** Grants or loans, the type of funds allocated depends on the extent and severity of the problem as well as each Economic Development District's policy. However communities that offer the most matching local funds increase their competitive edge when applying for financial assistance.

**Eligibility:** Each of the six Economic Development Districts has different standards of eligibility, but programs must provide room for economic development through infrastructure improvement. Contact your local EDD listed below for more information.

**Application/Contacts:** Plans vary in each of the six economic development districts. To receive printed information about applying for financial assistance, contact your local economic development district.

The current plan for your area and other information is available from one of the following EDDs:

- Panhandle Area Council – Hayden (772-0584), [www.pacni.org](http://www.pacni.org), counties served: Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Benewah, and Shoshone

- Clearwater Economic Development Assn. – Lewiston (746-0015), [www.clearwater-eda.org](http://www.clearwater-eda.org), counties served: Clearwater, Idaho, Latah, Lewis, and Nez Perce

- Sage Community Resources – Boise (322-7033), [www.sageidaho.com](http://www.sageidaho.com), counties served: Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, and Washington

- Region IV Development Assn. – Twin Falls (732-5727), [www.rivda.org](http://www.rivda.org), counties served: Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls

- Southeast Idaho Council of Governments – Pocatello (233-4032), [www.sicog.org](http://www.sicog.org), counties served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Caribou, Franklin, Oneida, and Power

- East-Central Idaho Planning & Dev. Assn. – Rexburg, call Ted Hendricks, (356-4524), counties served: Bonneville, Butte, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, and Teton

**Program Title:** Rural Community Development Block Grant

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Commerce

**Funds:** Job growth and economic development

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$500,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Public infrastructure improvement such as water supply or sewage treatment, property acquisition for lease/sale to private company, or other activities which specifically help out certain businesses in order to spur job growth.

**Types of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a city or town with less than 10,000 in population. Towns near large cities are not eligible for grant assistance. Counties may also apply for assistance on behalf of unincorporated communities. Indian Tribes are also eligible.

**Application:** visit <http://www.idoc.state.id.us>, highlight “communities” on the left side of the page, click “community development,” click “grants, training/technical assistance,” scroll down to the “rural initiative programs” and click on the rural community development bock grant handbook. Or visit

<http://www.idoc.state.id.us/idcomm/comdev/index.html>, scroll down, and click on the rural community development handbook link. A popup will appear asking you to open, save, or close the file, select open, agree to the terms of the “WinZip” popup, and open the third file down.

**Application Period:** Applications are due on the third Monday of the month prior to the Economic Advisory Council’s quarterly meetings in January, April, July, and October.

**Contacts:** Idaho Commerce and Labor, 700 W. State Street, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0093, (208) 334-2650(phone), (208) 334-2631(Fax), [www.idoc.state.id.us](http://www.idoc.state.id.us)

Idaho Commerce & Labor, Division of Rural and Community Development  
P. O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0093, (208) 334-2470, or (800) 842-5858,  
Fax: (208) 334-2631, <http://community.idaho.gov>

**Program Title:** Idaho Gem Rural Development Grant

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Commerce

**Funds:** Economic development planning and implementation

**Funding Range:** up to \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Job creation through infrastructure improvements, economic diversification, or removal of blighted areas for redevelopment, directly in line with the efforts of the Brownfields program.

**Types of Funds:** Grants with a minimum 20% match that are paid on a reimbursement basis.

**Eligibility:** Must be a certified Idaho Gem Community. To apply to become a certified Gem Community, visit <http://www.idoc.state.id.us/idcomm/gem/how.html>, or go to <http://community.idaho.gov>, click “Idaho Gem Communities” and click on the link that takes you to the Gem Community Certification procedure. Idaho Gem communities must be under 10,000 in population and can be either a city, county, or tribal nation, and programs must focus on economic development only. The Idaho Department of Commerce also recommends that you “test the waters” and contact the IDOC “rural team” before you find out you wasted a whole lot of your time filling out an application only to find it ineligible. Despite the noticeable lack of restrictions listed publicly for this program, the IDOC apparently has some they want to hide from you. Contact Hank Ebert, listed below, about questions regarding eligibility and the Idaho Gem program.

**Application:** You can find the application at

<http://www.idoc.state.id.us/idcomm/comdev/pdfs/GCI2004.pdf>, or by visiting [www.idoc.state.id.us](http://www.idoc.state.id.us), scrolling to the left and highlighting “communities,” clicking on the “Idaho Gem Community” link, then clicking “gem implementation grant program,” and then clicking on the “gem community implementation grant handbook” link in the middle of the page.

**Application Period:** The Idaho Department of Commerce recommends that you submit bids in February, for construction reasons.

**Contacts:** Idaho Commerce and Labor, 700 W. State Street, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0093, (208) 334-2650(phone), (208) 334-2631(Fax).

Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor, Division of Rural and community development, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0093, (208) 334-2470, [www.idoc.state.id.us](http://www.idoc.state.id.us).

Hank Ebert, Gem Community Coordinator, Idaho Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0093, (208) 332-3570(phone), (208) 334-2631(Fax).

**Program Title:** Rural Community Development Block Grant

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Commerce

**Funds:** Job growth and economic development

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$500,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Public infrastructure improvement such as water supply or sewage treatment, property acquisition for lease/sale to private company, or other activities which specifically help out certain businesses in order to spur job growth.

**Types of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a city or town with less than 10,000 in population. Towns near large cities are not eligible for grant assistance. Counties may also apply for assistance on behalf of unincorporated communities. Indian Tribes are also eligible.

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**Program Title:** Solid Waste Management Grants

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Division

**Funds:** Evaluation and technical assistance to improve solid waste disposal sites

**Funding Range:** Technical assistance, training, and evaluation.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Determining threats to nearby water resources, training solid waste disposal operators in proper maintenance of landfills, Training for proper closure of a landfill, and Training and education to communities to reduce solid waste.

**Types of Funds:** Training Grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a public body or non-profit organization located within a town of less than 10,000 in population, and have the legal authority and experience to provide training for this purpose.

**Application:** Request a pre-application package from the USDA Rural Office by contacting an area office listed below. Completion of the pre-application package will determine your projects eligibility and priority ranking.

**Application Period:** Submit the pre-application between October 1 and December 31 to the Idaho State office or the Rural Development National office in Washington D.C.

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

Area Offices:

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 762-4939

7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C3 Fax: (208) 762-9799 **Coeur d'Alene**, Idaho 83815

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Contact: Dave Flesher E-Mail: [david.flesher@id.usda.gov](mailto:david.flesher@id.usda.gov)

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Contact: Terry Stigile E-Mail: [terry.stigile@id.usda.gov](mailto:terry.stigile@id.usda.gov)

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Contact: Craig Thurgood E-Mail: [craig.thurgood@id.usda.gov](mailto:craig.thurgood@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title: Water and Waste disposal direct and guaranteed loans and grants for rural communities.**

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development

**Funds:** Construction, improvement, or acquisition of water supply and disposal

**Funding Range:** Loans, up to 90% of eligible costs. Grants, up to 75% of costs.

**Examples of what the funds might be used for:** Construction of water distribution or disposal systems, acquisition of a water or land right, relocation of buildings associated with the project, cost of labor for project construction.

**Types of Funds:** Grants and guaranteed loans. Loan interest rates are calculated based on market conditions, with the lowest rate being set at 4.5%. The maximum term on all loans is 40 years.

**Eligibility:** Must be a non-profit organization, government organization, city, tribe, or cooperative and be located in a rural town with less than 10,000 in population.

**Application:** Request an application from the appropriate area office listed below

**Application Period:** No time limits

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

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Contact: Dale Lish E-Mail: [dale.lish@id.usda.gov](mailto:dale.lish@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title: Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant Program**

**Entity: United States Department of Agriculture**

**Funds:** Construction of water delivery related infrastructure, treatment plants, well digging, and other related construction and repairs.

**Funding Range:** Maximum \$500,000 for communities experiencing a decline in quality or quantity over a period of two years, and \$150,000 for emergency use to repair or replace existing facilities, but awards vary based on yearly budget forecasts as well as local need.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Construction of water treatment facilities, extension or repair of water delivery pipes, well digging, reservoir construction, construction of transmission lines, and other water infrastructure related construction.

**Type of funds:** Emergency grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a local or state government, non-profit organization, or tribal government located in a town of less than 10,000 or a county of less than 22,000, with a median household income of no more than 100% of the States non-metropolitan median household income, and that has experienced a significant decline in water quality or supply. Funds must be used to bring water quality standards up to those mandated by the safe drinking water act or to increase the availability of water.

**Application:** Contact any USDA representative listed below for application information.

**Application Period:** Generally application deadlines are due by the last day of December every year. Emergency fund applications should not have deadlines. Contact the USDA, listed below, for more information.

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**Program Title:** Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Construction of drinking supply systems

**Funding Range:** up to 100% of project planning and construction

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of new drinking water supply systems, water treatment plants, repairing old drinking water facilities, and water storage sites.

**Type of Funds:** Low interest, revolving loans, currently at 3.25%. Interest for the loan is calculated on the basis of 75% of the index of 20-year obligation bonds. All bonds must be paid within 20 years of their issue, however some especially disadvantaged areas may be eligible for no interest loans and a 30-year payback deadline.

**Eligibility:** For a project to be eligible, it must be on Idaho's annual priority list, which determined by DEQ, which does regular inspections and queries of drinking water systems around the state. A project must also be a community water system, or a non-profit, non-community water system to be eligible. Community Water systems serve at least 15 water connections used by year round residents. Non-community water systems serve at least 25 year round persons over a period of 6 months. To find out if you are on Idaho's priority list, visit

[http://www.deq.idaho.gov/water/assist\\_business/pws/construction\\_loans.cfm](http://www.deq.idaho.gov/water/assist_business/pws/construction_loans.cfm), or visit [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), highlight water on the left side, click programs and issues, scroll down to grants and loans, and click drinking water loans. The list is at the bottom of the page after you click the link.

**Application:** The State Priority list is the key to the loan

**Contacts:** Visit [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov) to find out your eligibility for the drinking water loan. If you are eligible, and you have further questions, contact: Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, ph: (208) 373-0502, fax: (208) 373-0417

**Program Title:** Water Pollution Control State Revolving Loan Fund

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Construction or improvement of municipal wastewater treatment systems

**Funding Range:** up to 100% of project costs

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Repair or replacement of old municipal wastewater treatment plants that are not compliant with state and federal regulations, repair or replacement of individual septic tanks, or some non-point pollution control measures can be funded, such as wetland renewal, and storm water treatment

**Types of Funds:** Low interest, revolving loans, currently at 3.25%. Interest for the loan is calculated on the basis of 75% of the index of 20-year obligation bonds. All bonds must be paid within 20 years of their issue, however some especially disadvantaged areas may be eligible for no interest loans and a 30-year payback deadline.

**Eligibility:** Counties, Cities, non-profit organizations, and other governmental organizations with the ability to control, transport, and treat wastewater are eligible.

**Application:** For a project to be eligible, it must be on Idaho's annual priority list, which determined by DEQ, which does regular inspections and queries of water systems around the state. To find out if you are on Idaho's priority list, visit [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov), highlight water on the left side, click programs and issues, scroll down to grants and loans, and click wastewater loans. The list is at the bottom of the page after you click the link.

**Contacts:** Visit [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov) to find out your eligibility for the wastewater loan. If you are eligible, and you have further questions, contact: Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, ph: (208) 373-0502, fx: (208) 373-0417

**Program Title:** Idaho Water Resource Board Funding Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Water Resources

**Funds:** Water System infrastructure improvements

**Funding Range:** \$7,500 for grants, up to \$500,000 for loans

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Irrigation projects, community water systems. Grants are limited to technical assistance such as construction and design assistance.

**Type of Funds:** Grants up to \$7,500 with at least 50% matching by the project sponsor. Up to \$500,000 low interest loans fixed at 5.5% for agricultural purposes and 6% for non-agricultural purposes. The Water Resource Board reserves the right to adjust the rates of any loan on a case-by-case basis.

**Eligibility:** Any municipality, irrigation district, water associations, canal companies, cooperatives, or water companies are eligible.

**Application:** <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/waterboard/financial.htm>

**Contacts:** Brian Patton, Financial Program Coordinator, 322 East Front Street, Boise, ID 83720, Ph: (208) 287-4837, Fax: (208) 287-6700, [brian.patton@idwr.idaho.gov](mailto:brian.patton@idwr.idaho.gov)

Rita I. Fleck, Administrative Assistant, E-Mail: [rfleck@idwr.state.id.us](mailto:rfleck@idwr.state.id.us), Phone: (208) 327-7900, Fax: (208) 327-7866, Web site: [www.idwr.state.id.us](http://www.idwr.state.id.us)

State Office Boise The Idaho Water Center 322. E. Front Street Boise, Idaho 83720-0098 Tel: (208) 287-4800 Fax: (208) 287-6700

**Program Title:** Rural Community Assistance Corporation Loan Program

**Entity:** Rural Community Assistance Corporation

**Funds:** Critical funding gaps in typically underserved rural areas to help create and expand municipal water systems, wastewater treatment facilities, and other related water infrastructure improvements.

**Funding Range:** Varies depending on project size and need.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** RCAC loans are unique in that they offer small communities funds prior to receiving any type of federal or state aid, so that they may do feasibility studies to determine their need for federal or state aid. Short-term funds may also be used to acquire unimproved land, conduct rehabilitation, and also for income stabilization. RCAC also gives out long-term funds, which may be used for system improvements and repairs and there is a lack of availability of state and federal dollars for the project.

**Type of funds:** Loans. Interest rates and repayment schedules are all negotiated between the Rural Community Assistance Corporation and the party wishing to take out the loan. There is a 0.25 percent commitment fee upon entering into a loan with the RCAC. For more information regarding the loan program and any fees and time constraints associated with it, contact the RCAC representative listed below.

**Eligibility:** Must be a local government located within Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, or Wyoming. Long term funds are restricted to communities with populations numbering less than 20,000.

**Application:** To obtain the application for small and long-term environmental loans, visit <http://www.rcac.org/programs/fsforms/>, or contact the RCAC representative listed below.

**Application Period:** The RCAC loan program is ongoing.

**Contacts:** Rural Community Assistance Corporation. 3120 Freeboard Drive, Suite 201 - 2nd Floor West Sacramento, CA 95691 tel: (916) 447-2854 fax: (916) 447-2878

**Program Title:** Idaho Planning Grant: Wastewater Facilities

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Planning for municipal wastewater disposal system construction or upgrades

**Funding Range:** Maximum of 50% of eligible planning costs

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Planning costs associated with upgrading a local or municipal wastewater treatment plant and its associated parts.

**Types of Funds:** Grants with a one to one local match

**Eligibility:** Counties, Cities, non-profit organizations, and other governmental organizations with the ability to control, transport, and treat wastewater are eligible.

**Application:** Applications are not given out; rather, DEQ solicits eligible communities and systems to find out if they are interested in a grant. Then DEQ will rate the system based on several factors including public health risks and compliance with state and federal standards for wastewater treatment. The rating will then be put on the State Priority list and the highest rated communities are eligible to apply for a grant.

**Contacts:** Visit [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov) to find out your eligibility for the wastewater loan. If you are eligible, and you have further questions, contact: Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, ph: (208) 373-0502, fax: (208) 373-0417

**Program Title:** Idaho Planning Grant: Drinking Water

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

**Funds:** Project planning for drinking water facilities

**Funding Range:** up to 50% of eligible costs

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Developing engineering reports, creating environmentally sound delivery designs.

**Funding Type:** Grants with one to one match by local sources

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be either a community or non-profit, non-community water systems. Most of Idaho's municipalities will fall under these categories. To be considered for a grant, you must be on DEQ's priority list, see application below.

**Application:** Applications are not given out; rather, DEQ solicits eligible communities and systems to find out if they are interested in a grant. Then DEQ will rate the system based on several factors including public health risks and compliance with state and federal standards for drinking water quality. The rating will then be put on the State Priority list and the highest rated communities are eligible to apply for a grant.

**Contacts:** Visit [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov) to find out your eligibility for the drinking water loan. If you are eligible, and you have further questions, contact: Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706, ph: (208) 373-0502, fax: (208) 373-0417

**Program Title:** Partners for environmental progress

**Entity:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**Funds:** Technical Assistance to determine feasibility of privatizing water infrastructure

**Funding Range:** Technical Assistance

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Feasibility studies and assistance to determine whether or not privatizing water related infrastructure is economically cost efficient and desirable.

**Type of funds:** Technical assistance grants with a one to one match

**Eligibility:** Must be a Local, State, or Tribal government

**Application:** Contact the Army Corps of Engineers, listed below for application information.

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Mona Thomason, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, PO Box C-3755  
Seattle, WA 98124-2255, Phone: (206) 764-3600, Fax: (206) 764-3600

Email: [mona.j.thomason@usace.army.mil](mailto:mona.j.thomason@usace.army.mil)

**Program Title:** RCAC Technical Assistance and Training

**Entity:** Rural Community Assistance Corporation

**Funds:** Technical Assistance relating to financial management, project financing, hiring consultants, board training, and other strategic and comprehensive training programs relating to municipal water systems, wastewater treatment systems, and solid waste management systems.

**Funding Range:** Technical Assistance only

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** financial management, project financing, hiring consultants, board training, and other strategic and comprehensive training programs relating to municipal water systems, wastewater treatment systems, and solid waste management systems.

**Type of funds:** Technical assistance

**Eligibility:** Must be a state, local, or tribal government in Hawaii, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Montana, Utah, or Colorado.

**Application:** Contact the Rural Community Assistance Corporation representative listed below for information regarding applications. Applications for technical assistance are not available on-line.

**Application Period:** All application information, including application deadlines, can be found by contacting the Rural Community Assistance Corporation representative listed below.

**Contacts:** Skip Rand, Rural Community Assistance Corporation, 4305 Lacey Blvd SE Olympia, WA 98503, Phone: (360) 493-0785, Fax: (360) 438-0614

Email: [hrend@rcac.org](mailto:hrend@rcac.org)

Rural Community Assistance Corporation 3120 Freeboard Drive, Suite 201 - 2nd Floor West Sacramento, CA 95691 tel: (916) 447-2854

**Program Title:** Brownfields Economic Development Initiative

**Entity:** Housing and Urban Development

**Funds:** Economic redevelopment of brownfield sites, with special emphasis on creating economic opportunity for low and middle-income families

**Funding Range:** Maximum grant for any BEDI is \$2 million

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Generally BEDI funds are used to secure or enhance the viability of projects funded by a section 108 loan, and funds **MUST** be used in conjunction with a Section 108 loan.

**Type of funds:** Grants

**Eligibility:** In order to receive BEDI funds, you must be either an entitlement area already receiving direct Community Development Block Grant funds from HUD like Boise, Nampa, or Pocatello, or a non entitlement local government such as a town of fewer than 50,000 or an eligible rural county. Once Community Development Block Grant funding is secured, you must request a Section 108 loan, listed previously, in order to submit an application for BEDI funds. BEDI funds **MUST** be used in conjunction with a Section 108 loan.

**Application:** Contact the field office manager for Housing and Urban Development listed below for more information regarding Section 108 loans and Brownfield Economic Development Initiative grants.

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** Contact Jerry Royster at the HUD Idaho field office at (208) 334-1088 ext.3017. Or contact Dianna Clough, Program Manager, Department of Rural and Community Development, Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor, P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0093, Phone: (208) 334-2650 ext.2140, Fax: (208) 334-2631, E-mail: [dianna.clough@community.idaho.gov](mailto:dianna.clough@community.idaho.gov)

To find out more about Community Development Block Grants, Section 108 loans, or Brownfield Economic Development Initiative grants, visit [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov), scroll to the left side and click on “economic development,” listed under “Communities” then click on “HUD’s economic development programs,” and scroll down and click on the “Brownfield Economic Development Initiative” link.

**Notes:** HUD evaluates proposals based on near term measurable economic effects. They tend to accept applications that are for contaminated sites but already have a redevelopment plan in the works. HUD will generally not fund projects only targeted at land acquisition and/or remediation.

**Program Title:** Housing Site Loans

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development

**Funds:** Acquisition and construction of sites intended for low-income residential use

**Funding Range:** Maximum \$200,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Purchasing land for a residential development, construction of utility services if they are to become part of the development, pay engineering and legal fees.

**Type of Funds:** Loan.

**Eligibility:** Can be a public/governmental or private non-profit organization in a town of less than 10,000 with the legal ability to buy, sell, and develop property. Need for sites must be clearly stated in the application, and sites must be sold to either non-profit organizations or low-income individuals and families.

**Application:** Application information is available by contacting a USDA area office listed below.

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

Area Offices:

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 762-4939

7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C3 Fax: (208) 762-9799 **Coeur d'Alene**, Idaho 83815

Contact: Margaret Hair E-Mail: [margaret.hair@id.usda.gov](mailto:margaret.hair@id.usda.gov)

Jeff Beeman E-Mail: [jeff.beeman@id.usda.gov](mailto:jeff.beeman@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, Shoshone

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 459-0761

2208 East Chicago, Street, Suite C Fax: (208) 459-0762 **Caldwell**, Idaho 83605

Contact: Richard Carrig E-Mail: [richard.carrig@id.usda.gov](mailto:richard.carrig@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette Valley, Washington

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 733-5380

1441 Fillmore, Suite C Fax: (208) 734-0428 **Twin Falls**, Idaho 83301

Contact: Becky Dean E-Mail: [becky.dean@id.usda.gov](mailto:becky.dean@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Twin Falls

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 785-5840

725 Jensen Grove Drive, Suite 1 Fax: (208) 785-6561, **Blackfoot**, Idaho 83221

Contact: Dale Lish E-Mail: [dale.lish@id.usda.gov](mailto:dale.lish@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title:** Low income housing tax credit

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Administration

**Funds:** Construction and development of low-income rental housing

**Funding Range:** dollar for dollar reduction in federal tax liability: federal tax credit

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of low-income rental housing, rehabilitation projects, and property acquisition.

**Type of funds:** Federal Tax Credit

**Eligibility:** Must provide 20% of the housing to persons living under 50% of the area median income or 40% or more to persons living below 60% of the area median income. Projects must also comply with tax credit regulations for 15 to 30 years. Rent rates are restricted based on county-by-county restrictions and also depend on how many bedrooms are in the unit.

**Application:** [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org), highlight “housing compliance,” and scroll over to and click “tax credits” the application is a pdf link.

**Contacts:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA), P. O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899,

Or call Ernie Watkins, Phone: (208) 331-4741 or 1-800-219-2285 Fax: (208) 331-4808, E-Mail: [erniew@ihfa.org](mailto:erniew@ihfa.org),

Or, Robert E. Reed, Jr., Phone: (208) 331-4889 Fax: (208) 331-4808 E-Mail: [bohr@ihfa.org](mailto:bohr@ihfa.org),

Web site: [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org)

**Program Title:** HOME Investment Partnerships Program

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association

**Funds:** Constructing and upgrading low-income rental units, or providing home purchase assistance.

**Funding Range:** Funds are calculated based on population, poverty, and housing need. Minimum funding for each housing unit is \$1,000. Maximum assistance varies by county and by how many bedrooms are in one unit and are only limited by the amount of HOME funds allocated for the state.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of low-income rental housing, rehabilitation of low-income rental housing, providing financial down payment assistance

**Type of Funding:** Grants

**Eligibility:** Governments, non-profit organizations, developers, housing authorities. For Homeowners, must supply to those who are at 80% or less of area median income. 20% of rental units must be supplied to those who are at 50% or less of area median income, and the remaining units must be used for those who are at 60% or less of area median income. Visit <http://www.ihfa.org/pdfs/HOME.pdf> to learn more.

**Application:** State wide grant competitions are held two to three times a year, and notices are sent out about financing availability. Developers or interested groups should contact the Idaho Housing and Finance Association listed below for more information.

**Contacts:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association, HOME Program, P.O. Box 7899 (565 W. Myrtle), Boise, Idaho 83707-1899, Phone: (208) 331-4881, 1-877-447-2687, Hearing Impaired, 1-800-545-1833, Ext. 400

**Program Title:** Supportive Housing Program

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association

**Funds:** Homeless individual and family transitional housing assistance and permanent housing for disabled persons.

**Funding Range:** Rehabilitation, acquisition, and construction funds are limited to \$200,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of homeless transitional shelters, as well as permanent shelters and living spaces for the disabled.

**Type of Funds:** Grants with a 50% match for construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition funds.

**Eligibility:** Must be a form of state or local government or a non-profit organization or Native American Tribe. The project must be made for homeless individuals and homeless families and homeless persons must be involved in policy decisions.

**Application:** [http://www.ihfa.org/grants\\_shp.asp](http://www.ihfa.org/grants_shp.asp), or visit [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org), highlight “grants” and click on the “Stewart B. McKinney Supportive Housing Program.”

**Contacts:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA), P. O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899 Phone: 331-4882 (General Information)

Michael Dittenber, Phone: (208) 331-4724 or 1-877-4-GRANTS, Fax: (208) 331-4808, E-Mail: [miked@ihfa.org](mailto:miked@ihfa.org)

Web site: [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org)

**Program Title:** Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation

**Entity:** Idaho Housing and Finance Association, Agent for the ICRC

**Funds:** Construction and rehabilitation of multifamily low-income rental units and refinancing for projects to maintain affordability

**Funding Range:** No more than 10% of the revolving loan pool to any one project, and no more than 20% of the revolving loan pool to a single borrower. The interest rate fixed and calculated by adding a fixed margin to the current 20-year bond yield. Contact the Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation for details on the size of the revolving loan and the current interest rate.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction or rehabilitation of multi-family low-income rental units, or for single parent households, the disabled, the mentally ill, and the elderly.

**Type of funds:** Fixed, low interest loans.

**Eligibility:** For profit sponsors, non-profit organizations, and community based developers.

**Application:** Contact the Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation listed below for an application packet and other information pertaining to eligibility and financing.

**Contacts:** Idaho Community Reinvestment Cooperation, P.O. Box 2002, Boise, Idaho 83701-2002, Phone: (208) 336-8847, Fax: (208) 331-4808

**Program Title: Community Facilities Direct and Guaranteed Loans and Grants for Rural Areas**

**Entity:** United States Department of Agriculture

**Funds:** Construction of community facilities

**Funding Range:** up to 90% of all principal and interest, usually no more than \$50,000.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Purchasing emergency equipment such as fire engines, Ambulances, or their communication equipment, jails, police stations, and all costs associated with those facilities.

**Type of Funds:** Low interest loans set at market rates with a maximum term of 40 years.

**Eligibility:** Must be a rural community, town with less than 20,000 residents. Native American Tribes are also eligible.

**Application:** Request a pre-application package from the USDA Rural Office by contacting an area office listed below. Completion of the pre-application package will determine your projects eligibility and priority ranking.

**Application Period:** No timeline

**Contacts:** State Office: USDA Rural Development Idaho, 9173 W. Barnes Drive, Suite A1, Boise, Idaho 83709, Phone: (208) 378-5600, Fax: (208) 378-5643

Area Offices:

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 762-4939

7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C3 Fax: (208) 762-9799 **Coeur d’Alene**, Idaho 83815

Contact: Margaret Hair E-Mail: [margaret.hair@id.usda.gov](mailto:margaret.hair@id.usda.gov)

Jeff Beeman E-Mail: [jeff.beeman@id.usda.gov](mailto:jeff.beeman@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, Shoshone

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 459-0761

2208 East Chicago, Street, Suite C Fax: (208) 459-0762 **Caldwell**, Idaho 83605

Contact: Richard Carrig E-Mail: [richard.carrig@id.usda.gov](mailto:richard.carrig@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette Valley, Washington

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 733-5380

1441 Fillmore, Suite C Fax: (208) 734-0428 **Twin Falls**, Idaho 83301

Contact: Becky Dean E-Mail: [becky.dean@id.usda.gov](mailto:becky.dean@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Twin Falls

**USDA**, Rural Development Phone: (208) 785-5840

725 Jensen Grove Drive, Suite 1 Fax: (208) 785-6561, **Blackfoot**, Idaho 83221

Contact: Dale Lish E-Mail: [dale.lish@id.usda.gov](mailto:dale.lish@id.usda.gov)

Counties Served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, Teton

**Program Title:** Healthcare Facilities Loan Authority

**Entity:** Idaho Health Facilities Authority

**Funds:** Construction and capital building needs for healthcare facilities

**Funding Range:** The Idaho Health Facilities Authority will determine loan amounts based on the individual needs of prospective borrowers. In the past the Idaho Health Facilities Authority has loaned anywhere from \$7 to \$115 million in one year.

**Examples of what funds may be used for:** Construction or expansion of healthcare facilities, purchase of equipment for construction, and other capital needs.

**Type of Funds:** Tax-exempt interest loans

**Eligibility:** Must be a government operated health care facility or a not for profit healthcare facility. However the Health Facilities Authority interprets facility in a broad sense, extending loans to such things as clinics, nursing homes, laboratories, dining halls, auditoriums, mental health care facilities, and many other types of facilities.

**Application:** <http://www.idhfa.org/>, click on “loan programs”

**Contacts:** Web site: <http://www.idhfa.org/>

Address: Idaho Health Facilities Authority, 1607 West Jefferson, Boise, ID 83702-5111

Contact: Neil P. Moss, Phone: (208) 342-8772, Fax: (208) 345-9583, E-Mail: [npmoss@idhfa.org](mailto:npmoss@idhfa.org)

**Program Title:** M.J. Murdock General Purpose Grant

**Entity:** M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust

**Funds:** Projects that serve northwest communities by helping to foster art, culture, education, expanding the reach of healthcare and human services, or by providing needed services to the disadvantaged

**Funding Range:** Funds are allocated on a case-by-case basis. Grants ranging from less than \$50,000 all the way up to over \$500,000 have been awarded.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Past examples of grant usage have been purchase and renovation of buildings for use as community centers or cultural centers, purchasing healthcare equipment, Building expansion, building construction, infrastructure improvements for certain buildings, and other improvements associated with the ability to deliver needed services and/or community support by a non-profit organization.

**Type of funds:** Competitive grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a certified tax-exempt non-profit organization located within Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, or Washington. Grant money will not be used to support political organizations or influence legislation, for religious organizations for the sole purpose of promoting the religion, for the benefit of specific individuals, for organizations that discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, or religion, or for loan or debt repayment. The M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust reviews applications and letters of inquiry and accepts programs based on the greatest amount of benefit that they can deliver.

**Application:** The M.J. Murdock Trust must receive a letter of inquiry before it accepts any applications for funding. The guidelines for a letter of inquiry can be found at <http://www.murdock-trust.org>, by clicking on “grant program information” The downloadable application can also be accessed by that website, however a password that comes with approval of a letter of inquiry must be given in order to access and submit the application.

**Application Period:** Letters of inquiry are accepted year round, and upon approval, another 6-9 months are required for the final decision on funding.

**Contacts:** All letters of inquiry should be mailed to: John Van Zytveld, Ph.D. Senior Program Director, M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, P.O. Box 1618, Vancouver, WA 98668. For any further questions about the Trust or its grant program, visit [www.murdock-trust.org](http://www.murdock-trust.org) or call 360-694-8415, or (503) 285-4086

**Program Title:** Cultural Facilities

**Entity:** Idaho Commission on the Arts

**Funds:** Construction or renovation of cultural facilities

**Funding Range:** Up to \$10,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction or renovation of cultural facilities, public art projects, planning for art or cultural facilities

**Types of funds:** Grants with a one to one matching funds. In kind contributions not accepted except for in the case of feasibility studies.

**Eligibility:** Must be a certified non profit organization that has been in Idaho for at least one year, be an organization whose primary goal is the support and production of the arts, or be a school, form of local government, and have an independent board of directors who formulate policies for the direction and administration of the organization and its programs.

**Application:** <http://www.arts.idaho.gov/grants/applic.aspx> or visit [www.arts.idaho.gov](http://www.arts.idaho.gov) and click “grants and awards” on the left of the page and then click application forms.

**Application Period:** Generally the last week of January for postmarking. The Idaho Commission on the Arts requests at least a three-week courtesy mailing before the postmark date.

**Contacts:** Phone: 208/334-2119 or 800/278-3863 Fax: 208/334-2488

Mailing address: P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0008

Street address: 2410 North Old Penitentiary Rd., Boise, ID 83712

E-mail: [info@arts.idaho.gov](mailto:info@arts.idaho.gov)

**Program Title:** Tax exempt bond financing for green buildings, renewable energy, and brownfield redevelopment

**Entity:** Department of the Treasury, EPA

**Funds:** Purchase and use of photovoltaic and related technology used for water heating or solar heat.

**Funding Range:** Unspecified. Contact the EPA for more details.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Purchase and use of photovoltaic and related technology

**Types of Funds:** Low interest loans. The government is able to offer these loans at a much lower rate because tax-exempt bonds fund them.

**Eligibility:** The project must be nominated by a state in order to receive the loan. The project must also be located on a brownfield site, and have at least 75% of the commercial space registered with LEED, the U.S. Green Building council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. The project must be at least a 1 million square foot building, or 20 acres, and must demonstrate that it can create 1500 permanent jobs (150 for rural states), and 1,000 construction jobs (100 for rural states)

**Application:** State nomination.

**Contacts:** Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101  
<http://www.epa.gov/region10/>, Phone: (206) 553-1200, Fax: (206) 553-0149, Toll free: (800) 424-4372

**Program Title:** Energy Conservation Loan Program

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Water Resources

**Funds:** Resource and energy conservation

**Funding Range:** \$1,000-\$10,000 for residential, \$1,000-\$100,000 for commercial

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** new lighting systems, daylight/occupation sensors, low pressure nozzles for irrigation, photovoltaics, solar water heaters, hydro power, geothermal heat pumps, wind, and biomass.

**Type of Funds:** Low interest loans of 4%, repayable over no more than five years.

**Eligibility:** Government, commercial, residential, agricultural, are all acceptable. Must demonstrate that the energy saving measures will be able to account for the cost of repaying the loan within 10 years.

**Application:** <http://www.energy.idaho.gov/loans/>

**Contacts:** Idaho Office of Energy Resources 322 East Front Street P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, Idaho 83720 Phone: (208) 287-4891

Terry Hoebelrinrich. Email: [terry.hoebelheinrich@oer.idaho.gov](mailto:terry.hoebelheinrich@oer.idaho.gov).

**Entity:** Idaho Power

**Funds:** Green Building, energy efficient building features

**Funding Range:** \$20,000 for small commercial buildings to \$100,000 for industrial buildings

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Commercial: Lighting electrical systems, plumbing, building shell restoration; Industrial: Modifications to motor systems, controls, fans, pumps, compressors, lighting, and air conditioning.

**Types of Funds:** Direct cash incentive that covers no more than half of the modifications cost or up to \$20,000 commercial or \$100,000 industrial.

**Eligibility:** Commercial: Must be a small to midrange commercial building on Idaho Power rate schedule of either 7 or 9.

Industrial: Must be an industrial business on Idaho Power rate schedule 9 or 19 to qualify. Idaho Power calculates the financial incentive based on 3 determining factors; 10 cents per kilowatt hour saved, 50 percent of the project cost, or the difference between the projects total cost and the one year payback amount. Maximum incentive is \$15,000 plus the customer's annual megawatt usage multiplied by 30 cents for a maximum incentive of \$100,000. Projects must be completed within one year of the signing agreement, and funds will only be dispersed as long as they are available.

**Application:**

<http://www.idahopower.com/energycenter/energyefficiency/YourBusiness/industrialincentive.htm> for industrial,

<http://www.idahopower.com/energycenter/energyefficiency/YourBusiness/buildingefficiency.htm> for commercial, or just visit [www.idahopower.com](http://www.idahopower.com), click on energy center, then click on the link "energy efficiency in your business," and select either "building efficiency for commercial construction," or Industrial efficiency incentive program if.

**Application Periods:** Dec 15, 2005. Idaho Power plans to continue a similar program in 2006 and beyond. Applications are viewed and accepted on a first come first served basis.

**Contacts: Industrial**

Boise/Mountain Home

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Boise/Meridian

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**Project Title:** StEPP Foundation Project Awards

**Entity:** Strategic Environmental Project Pipeline

**Funds:** Projects that incorporate energy conservation and renewable energy development through implementation of resource saving technology in building design or project construction.

**Funding Range:** Unspecified. The StEPP foundation has previously granted anywhere from \$10,000 to over \$250,000 for certain projects. Award size is generally calculated based on the maximum environmental benefit to be attained by the project.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Purchase of renewable energy power sources such as photovoltaics, implementation of green building techniques, water conservation measures such as plants that use less water, etc.

**Type of Funds:** Grants. Matching funds are not required, however proposals look better and are more likely to be accepted if there is a good level of local matching funds.

**Eligibility:** Must be a government entity, academic institution, or tax exempt non-profit organization.

**Application:** <http://www.steppfoundation.org/>

**Contacts:** The StEPP Foundation, 1536 Wynkoop St., Suite 403, Denver, CO 80202, USA, Phone: (303) 277-0932, Fax: (303) 384-3636, E-mail: [info@steppfoundation.org](mailto:info@steppfoundation.org).

**Program Title:** Solar For our Schools

**Entity:** Bonneville Environmental Foundation

**Funds:** Construction, installation, and education of photovoltaic equipment for schools.

**Funding Range:** Small, 1.1 Kw Photovoltaic systems are given and installed free of charge by the Bonneville Environmental Foundation, and larger systems are eligible for up to 33% of capital costs on larger renewable energy projects.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** purchase, installation, and education of renewable energy resources, focusing on solar power generation

**Type of Funds:** Cost free purchase and installation of small photovoltaic systems, up to 33% of costs for larger systems in the form of grants.

**Eligibility:** Must be a middle or High school located within Washington, Oregon, Idaho, or Montana.

**Application:** Applications are given out after reviewing letters of inquiry sent to the Bonneville Environmental Foundation

**Application Period:** Letters of inquiry are accepted on a year round basis, no deadlines or application periods apply.

**Contacts:** Letters of Enquiry may be downloaded at <http://www.b-e-f.org/grants/solar.shtm> and should be emailed to: [info@b-e-f.org](mailto:info@b-e-f.org). The letter of inquiry is in a Word format, and may appear in a “windings” font. If these illegible symbols should appear on your screen, simply highlight the entire document, hold down ctrl and press “c”, open a new Word document, hold down ctrl and press “v”, then highlight the text, scroll up to the font window, and select a font such as “Times New Roman” to be able to read the text.

All other correspondence should be addressed to: Renewable Energy Programs, Bonneville Environmental Foundation, 133 SW Second Avenue, Suite 410, Portland, OR 97204, Phone (503) 248-1905, Fax (503) 248-1908

**Notes:** In order to receive any funding or photovoltaic equipment, the Bonneville Environmental Foundation requests that every accepted school be able to give “deliverables” that give indications of the goal of educating the public about renewable energy sources. Some of these deliverables include putting a student written article in the school newspaper, adding renewable energy to science curriculum, constructing solar powered cars to race, or creating a student club focused on renewable energy.

**Entity:** Idaho State Historical Society, Idaho State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO)

**Funds:** Protection of Historic Sites through planning and education

**Funding Range:** \$45,000 is distributed annually statewide in the form of small grants and technical assistance through the Certified Local Governments Program. The State Historical Preservation Office is also in control of the administration of federal tax incentives to developers looking to preserve historical buildings for commercial purposes, and can also provide technical and planning assistance to those who are looking to preserve historical buildings.

**Funds can be used for:** Preservation of Historic Sites. Examples include a survey of an historic area, Preparing nominations for the National Register of Historic Places, or publishing educational materials such as pamphlets and walking tours

**Type of Funds:** Grants and technical assistance.

**Eligibility:** To obtain financial assistance, you must be a certified local government. To determine your eligibility or if you wish to become a CLG, visit [www.idahohistory.net/shpo.html](http://www.idahohistory.net/shpo.html) and click “certified local governments” and click the “CLG program booklet”

**Application:** [www.idahohistory.net/shpo.html](http://www.idahohistory.net/shpo.html) click on certified local governments and click on the CLG program booklet

**Application Period:** July 15- September 30

**Contacts:** A list of Certified Local Government contacts around Idaho is located at [www.idahohistory.net/CLG\\_compliance\\_list.pdf](http://www.idahohistory.net/CLG_compliance_list.pdf) or by visiting the application site listed above and clicking “certified local governments” and clicking on the list of certified local governments, or contact:

CLG Coordinator State Historic Preservation Office Idaho State Historical Society  
210 Main Street Boise, Idaho 83702 Phone: (208) 334-3861 Fax: (208) 334-2775  
E-mail: [aswanson@ishs.state.id.us](mailto:aswanson@ishs.state.id.us)

Idaho State Historical Society 2205 Old Penitentiary Road Boise, Idaho 83712 Boise,  
Idaho 83712 Phone 208-334-2682 Fax 208-334-2774

**Notes:** Formed in 1881 as the Historical Society of Idaho Pioneers, and later created as a state agency in 1907, the Idaho State Historical Society’s mission is “To educate by the identification, preservation, and interpretation of Idaho’s cultural heritage. Their programs directly impact over a quarter of a million people in the State of Idaho and they maintain several historic sites in cities and towns across the state.

**Program Title:** Land and Water Conservation Fund

**Entity:** Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation/National Park Service

**Funds:** Acquiring and/or developing then preserving property for outdoor recreation purposes

**Funding Range:** 50% of project costs

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Construction of recreational facilities, acquisition of land for recreational purposes, other land development for recreational use, and rehabilitation of existing facilities.

**Types of funds:** Grants with one to one matching funds

**Eligibility:** Any county, city, recreation district, school district, State agency, or other non-federal government agency certified to deliver recreational services to the public can apply.

**Application:** Applications can be found at

[http://www.idahoparks.org/about/grants\\_landwater.html](http://www.idahoparks.org/about/grants_landwater.html), or by visiting [www.idahoparks.org](http://www.idahoparks.org) and clicking on 'grants' and then 'community parks and recreation' Contact the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Aid Coordinator listed below.

**Application Period:** Ongoing

**Contacts:** State and Federal Aid Coordinator, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0065-0065, Phone # 208-514-2430

**Program Title:** CHC Foundation Grant

**Entity:** CHC Foundation

**Funds:** Projects that support the social, cultural, and community service needs

**Funding Range:** Unspecified. Contact the CHC Foundation listed below

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Real estate and machinery acquisition and other fixed material assets, as well as using funds for part time or short term projects to support the culture and social needs of a community.

**Type of Funds:** Grants. Long-term projects are analyzed to check for availability of matching funds over time.

**Eligibility:** Must be a tax-exempt non-profit organization or a government entity that is located within Bonneville, Bingham, Butte, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Madison, Lemhi, or Teton counties. The foundation does not provide funds to other charities, churches or religious organizations, political groups, for scholarships, operating costs, fund drives, or educational services.

**Application:** The application information can be received by calling or e-mailing the CHC foundation listed below.

**Application Period:** Grant deadlines are February 1 and September 1.

**Contacts:** CHC Foundation, 245 North Placer, PO Box 1644, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403

Phone: (208) 522-2368

Email: [info@chcfoundation.net](mailto:info@chcfoundation.net)

**Entity:** Idaho Fish and Wildlife

**Funds:** Sustaining Idaho's fishing, hunting, and wildlife heritage.

**Funding Range:** Maximum \$5000 grant

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Educational Projects, Land acquisition for wildlife habitat.

**Type of Funds:** maximum \$5000 dollar grant with a 1 to 1 match

**Eligibility:** Must be a tax-exempt organization located in Idaho, or using the money to fund projects within Idaho. Idaho Fish and Wildlife will not fund projects relating to higher education research, fundraising or advocacy, or administrative costs.

**Application:** <http://www.greatlodge.com/idFoundation/ProjectFundingApplication.pdf>, or by visiting <http://www.greatlodge.com> and scrolling down on the right and clicking on Idaho Fish and Wildlife, where you can find the link to the application.

**Application Period:** Applications must be postmarked or received by Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 2005.

**Contacts:** Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation, P.O. Box 2254, Boise, Idaho 83701

Or call (208) 334-2648. email [gvalentine@idfg.idaho.gov](mailto:gvalentine@idfg.idaho.gov) or [tturcotte@idfg.idaho.gov](mailto:tturcotte@idfg.idaho.gov).

**Notes:** Established in 1990, the Idaho Fish and Wildlife foundation is an organization dedicated to the conservation of natural resources; fish, wildlife, and habitat. It has helped to fund such projects as the MK nature center in Boise, the Waterlife Discovery Center near Sandpoint, and the Windmill Bluff Conservation Easement near Fairfield. For a look at all the projects Idaho Fish and Wildlife has helped to fund statewide, visit [http://www.greatlodge.com/cgi-bin/donations/donation\\_info.cgi?st=ID&pg=Project](http://www.greatlodge.com/cgi-bin/donations/donation_info.cgi?st=ID&pg=Project) or go to <http://www.greatlodge.com> and click on Idaho Fish and Wildlife on the right side of the page and click Statewide Projects on Fish and Wildlife's home page.

**Program Title:** Idaho Community Foundation Regional Grants

**Entity:** Idaho Community Foundation

**Funds:** Projects, services, or activities of existing non-profit organizations that enrich the quality of life in Idaho

**Funding Range:** \$500 to \$5000. In certain circumstances however, the foundation will consider granting more funds to certain projects.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Projects that serve especially underprivileged citizens, such as community centers, seed money to meet urgent needs in a community, helping to sustain a current charitable organization for the long term

**Type of funds:** Single year grants

**Eligibility:** Must be a non-profit organization or governmental agency located within one of the three regions in the state of Idaho. The northern region consists of Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, and Shoshone Counties; The eastern region consists of Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, and Teton Counties; And the southwestern region consists of Ada, Adams, Blaine, Boise, Camas, Canyon, Cassia, Elmore, Gem, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Owyhee, Payette, Twin Falls, Valley, and Washington Counties. The foundation will not fund religious organizations for the sole purpose of promoting that religion, political activities, national organizations, or projects that only benefit a donor or a donor's family

**Application:** <http://www.idcomfdn.org/grants.htm#DOWNLOADING>

**Application Period:** Northern region application period: November 1 to January 15; Eastern region application period: February 1 to April 1; Southwestern region application period: May 1 to July 1.

**Contacts:** Idaho Community Foundation: Mail to P.O. Box 8143, Boise, ID 83707; Street Address 210 West State Street, Boise, ID 83702, Phone (208) 342-3535 or 1-800-657-5357, Fax (208) 342-3577, E-mail [grants@idcomfdn.org](mailto:grants@idcomfdn.org)

**Notes:** The Idaho Community Foundation was formed in 1988 with support from the Whittenberger Foundation. The Foundations mission is "To enrich life's quality throughout Idaho," and does not define what that incorporates, leaving the interpretation up to local Idaho communities to decide how best to serve those living in their area. Currently the Foundation has over \$54 million in assets and distributed over \$3 million in grants and awards were distributed in 2004, and over the course of its lifetime, the Foundation has donated nearly \$30 million in grants and awards to communities and organizations around Idaho. Although grant money is limited to \$5,000, the Idaho Community Foundation has repeatedly funded projects on a non-competitive basis with a much larger allotment of funds. Projects such as the snow tubing park in Hailey, and the Idaho Shakespeare Festival have received much larger grants based on their positive and far-reaching impacts for communities in Idaho. Much of this additional funding is based on donor recommendations, and then occasionally on the scope of the impact of the project, and the immediate necessity for the services that the project can provide. The foundation highly suggests applying for a

competitive grant, even if you don't think you can receive one, because often donor connections can be made and funds received through those same donor advised funds.

**Program Title:** Community Development and Social Change Program; Effective Organization funding

**Entity:** Paul G. Allen Foundation

**Funds:** Capital costs associated with expanding or improving on the services of a non-profit organization, and the training or other needs for capacity building to serve constituents.

**Funding Range:** There is no set limit on how much or how little the foundation will grant an organization. Funding is reviewed and set on a case-by-case basis and is based on budgetary analysis, scope of the impact, and other criteria, and should be proportional to the budget projections of the project.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** improvement of an organizations facilities to better provide services, increase the organizations effectiveness, capacity building plans to benefit constituents, training and management services.

**Type of funds:** Single year and multi year grants with a commitment of in-kind financial contributions by all parties involved.

**Eligibility:** To be eligible for grant funding, you must be a non-profit or public agency located within Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, or Washington. The Paul G. Allen Foundation reviews and accepts applications based on how many people the project will impact, the organizations positive portrayal by the community, have a strong staff and board, and meet a critical need in the area. The Foundation also reviews the organizations history of success, diversity of funding sources, likelihood of success of the project, and the effectiveness of the program. Check with the programs website for more information regarding eligibility and application information.

**Application:** Before an application can be submitted, a letter of inquiry must be completed and sent in to determine the viability and success potential of the project. Application forms are located at <http://www.pgafoundations.com>, scroll to the left of the screen and click on how to apply. There is also information here regarding the Community Development program and the eligibility requirements that come along with it.

**Application Period:** Letter of inquiry submissions are ongoing. Application deadlines are March 31 and September 30 of every year. Two awards are given out every year. Grant awards are usually announced between January and March, and July through September.

**Contacts:** Grants Administrator, The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, 505 5th Avenue South, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98104 , Tel: 206.342.2030, Fax: 206.342.3030

Email: [info@pgafamilyfoundation.org](mailto:info@pgafamilyfoundation.org)

**Notes:** The Paul G. Allen Foundation has been making philanthropic grants and support since 1986 with the mission of meeting the needs that they saw in their community. The foundations mission is best achieved through success, and pursuing collaborations with successful organizations has allowed them to maximize their efforts to help the community. The foundation focuses on funding programs that support the arts and culture, responding to the needs of underserved and vulnerable populations, environmental education and sustainability, and youth

programs. Some examples of previously funded projects include the Oregon Shakespeare Festival's performance of David Edgar's plays, the Children's Access to Healthcare program, and Reinvesting in Youth, a program designed to keep Seattle youth out of the juvenile justice system.

**Program Title:** Title IX Economic Adjustment Assistance

**Funds:** Planning and implementation of economic recovery projects

**Funding Range:** 50% to 80% of costs for project

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Developing an economic recovery plan for a town that has lost its primary employer, constructing infrastructure to help seed growth in depressed areas.

**Type of Funds:** Grants are given to State EDA's, which in Idaho are then Distributed to each of the six Economic Development Districts(EDD), who can then turn it into either a low interest or revolving loan program, or into small grants. Contact your local EDD listed below to find out more information.

**Eligibility:** Contact your local EDD to find out project eligibility as well as the type of funds that they can distribute.

**Application/Contacts:** Loan/Grant applications can all be found by contacting your local EDD.

- Panhandle Area Council – Hayden (772-0584), [www.pacni.org](http://www.pacni.org), counties served: Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Benewah, and Shoshone

- Clearwater Economic Development Assn. – Lewiston (746-0015), [www.clearwater-eda.org](http://www.clearwater-eda.org), counties served: Clearwater, Idaho, Latah, Lewis, and Nez Perce

- Sage Community Resources – Boise (322-7033), [www.sageidaho.com](http://www.sageidaho.com), counties served: Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, and Washington

- Region IV Development Assn. – Twin Falls (732-5727), [www.rivda.org](http://www.rivda.org), counties served: Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls

- Southeast Idaho Council of Governments – Pocatello (233-4032), [www.sicog.org](http://www.sicog.org), counties served: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Caribou, Franklin, Oneida, and Power

- East-Central Idaho Planning & Dev. Assn. – Rexburg, call Ted Hendricks, (356-4524), counties served: Bonneville, Butte, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, and Teton

**Program Title:** Regional Geographic Initiative

**Entity:** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Funds:** Geographically based projects that help to fill in the gaps in the EPA's ability to protect human health and the environment.

**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$50,000

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Funds should be used to address a 'multi-media' problem such as wastewater, air pollution, hazardous waste, etc., or fill in critical gaps in the EPA's protection of human health and the environment. This leaves the topic fairly broad and open to interpretation.

**Type of funds:** Grants with no matching requirement.

**Eligibility:** Any local, state, regional, or other government agency, as well as non-profit organizations, private corporations and landowners, educational institutions, individuals, special districts, and Native American Tribes may apply for a Regional Geographic Initiative grant.

**Application:** Applications for this grant are only available to areas or projects that fall under regional priorities that are established annually. Contact the EPA region 10 representative listed below for more information on regional priorities and application information.

**Application Period:** Varies by region. Contact the EPA region 10 representative listed below for application information.

**Contacts:** Dan Phalen, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, Phone: (206) 553-8578, Fax: (206) 553-1775  
Email: [phalen.dan@epa.gov](mailto:phalen.dan@epa.gov)

**Program Title:** Community Development and Social Change Program;  
Public/Private partnerships

**Entity:** Paul G. Allen Foundation

**Funds:** Projects that enhance the quality of life in a state or region and effect a broad range of people, such as improving or removing barriers to services such as healthcare, or enhancing service standards for other community programs.

**Funding Range:** There is no set limit on how much or how little the foundation will grant an organization. Funding is reviewed and set on a case-by-case basis and is based on budgetary analysis, scope of the impact, and other criteria, and should be proportional to the budget projections of the project.

**Examples of what funds can be used for:** Improving access to healthcare facilities by updating their ability to provide their services, removing barriers to such things as healthcare, job planning, and youth programs.

**Type of Funds:** Single year and multi year grants with a commitment of in-kind financial contributions by all parties involved.

**Eligibility:** The public/private partnership grant program must involve at least three different organizations located within Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. At least one must be a non-profit organization and the other be a public organization, the third can be either of those two as well as Tribal organizations. Proposals are evaluated based on the organization(s) past history of success, effectiveness, and engagement of the public, diversity of funding sources, community need, scope of the project in terms of how many people it can reach, or how those people may be disadvantaged, and likelihood of success. Check with the foundation's website listed below for more criteria as well as application information.

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- The United States Environmental Protection Agency: [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov).
- The United States Department of the Interior: [www.doi.gov](http://www.doi.gov)
- The United States Department of Energy: [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)
- The United States Department of Agriculture: [www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov).
- The United States Bureau of Indian Affairs: [www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html](http://www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html).
- The Boise State Environmental Finance Center: [www.efc.boisestate.edu](http://www.efc.boisestate.edu).
- The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality: [www.deq.idaho.gov](http://www.deq.idaho.gov).
- The Idaho Department of Water Resources: [www.idwr.state.id.us](http://www.idwr.state.id.us).
- The Idaho Small Business Administration: [www.sba.gov/id](http://www.sba.gov/id).
- The Idaho State Department of Agriculture: [www.agri.state.id.us](http://www.agri.state.id.us).
- The Idaho State Historical Society: [www.idahohistory.net](http://www.idahohistory.net).
- The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance: [www.gsa.gov](http://www.gsa.gov).
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