

Municipal Funding Opportunities for Transit-Oriented Development



The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) in conjunction with the Regional Transit-Oriented Development Working Group created this document to assist communities with the development of TOD. The document is intended to be used primarily by economic and community development practitioners throughout the northern Illinois region.

Included is a comprehensive directory of funding programs that serve Transit-Oriented Development initiatives in northern Illinois. It includes programs for municipalities, government agencies, businesses, non-profit organizations, and other organizations that work to promote Transit-Oriented development. It should be used by agencies to inform themselves of the various funding opportunities available. Programs are from government agencies as well as philanthropic agencies and financial institutions are included. This guide has been organized by Sources, Agencies, Program Description, and Eligibility.

The majority of information in this guide was compiled from various website sources. Special acknowledgement is given to CMAP's Community and Economic Development Funding Resource Guide. For more information on the contents in this directory or on how RTA is involved in Transit-Oriented Development please call 312-913-3244 or visit our website at www.rtachicago.com/programs.



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Local

Agency	Program	Purpose	Program Description	Eligibility / Funding Range	Website
Local Municipalities	Community Development Tax Increment Financing & Enterprise Zone	Community Development Financing	The established TIF district and enterprise zone can assist with business development through tax credits, exemptions and deductions.	Municipalities / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.illinois-tif.com/about_TIF.asp
Local Municipalities	Special Service Areas	Community Development Financing	A Special Service Area (SSA) is a taxing mechanism that can be used to fund a wide range of special or additional services and/or physical improvements in a defined geographic area within a municipality or jurisdiction. This type of district allows local governments to establish such areas without incurring debt or levying a tax on the entire municipality. In short, an SSA allows local governments to tax for and deliver services to limited geographic areas within their jurisdictions. SSAs are a unique financing tool that can be used to support and implement a wide-array of physical improvements such as roads, water, sewer, storm water, curbs and gutters. Under Special Service Area Bonds, only the property owners that benefit from the improvements are assessed an additional tax that is used to pay debt service and administrative expenses on the bonds. The SSA tax is collected through the property tax system, and is calculated on the basis of benefit, but is NOT a part of the Illinois real property tax system.	Municipalities / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.yorkville.il.us/depts_fin_ss_a.php
Local Municipalities	Business Improvement Districts	Business Financing	A business improvement district (BID) is a public-private partnership in which businesses in a defined area pay an additional tax or fee in order to fund improvements within the district's boundaries. BIDs may go by other names, such as business improvement area, business revitalization zone, community improvement district, special services area, or special improvement district. BIDs provide services, such as cleaning streets, providing security, making capital improvements, and marketing the area. The services provided by BIDs are supplemental to those already provided by the municipality.	Municipalities / <i>Varies</i>	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Business_improvement_district
Local Municipalities	Enterprise Zone Programs	Business Tax Incentive	Contribution Deduction, Dividend Income Deduction, Interest Deduction, Investment Tax Credit, Jobs Tax Credit, Participation Loan Program, Sales Tax Exemption, Utility Tax Exemption	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/Bureaus/Business_Development/Tax-Assistance/Enterprise-Zone.htm
City of Chicago	Small Business Improvement Fund	Business Improvement/ Energy Efficiency - Capital	SomerCor 504 Inc. administers the Small Business Improvement Fund for the City of Chicago. The fund utilizes revenue from Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and supports commercial and industrial properties, as well as tenants, within specific TIF districts to upgrade their facilities. Certain energy efficient upgrades, such as energy efficient windows, HVAC systems, and roofs may qualify for funding under this program and are encouraged.	The grants can cover up to 75% of the costs of the upgrades and are paid after the work is completed and expenses paid-up to a maximum of \$150,000. In order to qualify, industrial tenants must have a maximum of 100 full-time employees, commercial tenants must have maximum sales of \$1.5 million/year for the previous three years, and property owners/landlords must have a maximum personal net worth of \$4.0 million and a maximum total liquidity of \$300,000.	http://www.somercor.com/sbif/
Counties, Municipalities, SSMMA, CMAP and community based housing agencies (pass through funds from HUD)	Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)	Housing - Capital	The Program is designed to revitalize communities through the rehabilitation and redevelopment of vacant and foreclosed properties.	<i>Varies</i> depending on cycle. Contact IHDA or CMAP housing staff for more information. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/neighborhoodspg/ and http://www.chicagosp.org/index.html
Counties	Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)		Funding program with dollars allocated locally or at county level. The CDBG program encourages applicants to use funds help develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. Contact your local county's planning department for specific information.	Municipalities and Counties / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/
Cook County Planning and Development	American Dream Down Payment Initiative Program	Housing - Financing	Program provides financial assistance to income-qualified families, who are first-time home buyers, to purchase single family housing that will serve as the family's principal residence in suburban Cook County. Qualified buyers are eligible to receive assistance to help them meet down payment and closing costs, through a five-year forgivable second mortgage (second lien) held by Cook County.	The applicant must be a first time homebuyer. Home owner qualify if your income is 80% or less of the median income for the area, adjusted for family size. Housing assisted with HOME funds must meet the property standards the maximum appraised value of a HOME assisted property can not exceed \$275,200. / <i>Varies</i>	http://cookcountygov.com/Agencies/pad/cc_pad_addi_brochure.pdf

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Cook County Planning and Development	County Property Tax Incentives	Business Tax Incentive	Property Tax Incentives may be offered to entice development.	Contact the Department of Planning and Development for more information / <i>Varies</i>	www.co.cook.il.us
Cook County Planning and Development and Department of Environmental Control	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant	Infrastructure and Housing	The Cook County Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG) assists businesses, families, and individuals by making grants and loans available to support the following activities: Energy Efficiency Retrofit Program, Single Family Rehabilitation Program, Energy Efficiency Local Government Initiative, Energy Efficiency Audits, Energy Efficiency and Material Conservation, Energy Efficiency and Transportation Incentive Program, Revolving Loan Fund for Energy Efficiency Retrofitting, Electronic Collection Program, Composting Program, and Highway Traffic Signal Retrofit Program.	Municipalities, Homeowners, and Business Owners / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.co.cook.il.us/portal/server.pt/community/community_development_bureau_of/326
Cook County Bureau of Community Development	Recovery Zone Facility Bonds	Business Tax Incentive	Cook County Bureau of Community Development announces the availability of Round 3 of \$196.8 million in bonds through the federal government's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or ARRA, in the form of Recovery Zone Facility Bonds. Recovery Zone Facility Bonds are traditional tax-exempt private activity bonds used by private businesses in designated recovery zones to finance a broad range of depreciable capital projects in areas of significant economic distress. Applications for this new round will be accepted on a first come - first serve bases, until all remaining volume cap is obligated.	Businesses located in designated Recovery Zones / <i>Varies</i> - \$196.8M available	http://www.cookcountygov.com/taxonomy/Planning%20and%20Development/Programs/RZFB_Brochure.pdf
Cook County Bureau of Community Development	Various	Housing and Economic Development - Capital, Planning, and Operating	Various programs including Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, Community Development Block Grant and Emergency Shelter Grant Programs, Recovery Zone Facility Bonds Round 3, Homelessness Prevention Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP), CDBG American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and more	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.co.cook.il.us/portal/server.pt/community/community_development_bureau_of/326
DuPage County Community Development Commission Grant Programs	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Information regarding county initiatives and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) available through the county.	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.co.dupage.il.us/cdc/generic.cfm?doc_id=749
Kane County	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Various grant programs including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Human Services Grant Fund (HSGF).	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.co.kane.il.us/development/
Lake County Community Development Division	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Lake County has grant funds available from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist low-income persons. Funds can be used for the following activities: Public Infrastructure (sewers, roads, etc.) improvements, Affordable Housing development and rehabilitation, Public Service activities, assisting human service organizations, and Homeless Assistance	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://lakecountyil.gov/Planning/CommunityDevelopment/Default.htm
McHenry County Planning/ Community Development Department and Programs	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Various grant programs including Community Development Block Grant, Neighborhood Stabilization Program, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) and Homelessness Prevention Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP).	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.co.mchenry.il.us/departments/CommDev/Pages/HUDProgramsandApplications.aspx
Will County Community Development Division	Various	Housing and Economic Development	Various grant programs including Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Project, and Lead Hazard Grant.	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.willcountylanduse.com/CommDevDiv/overview.htm

Northeastern Illinois

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)	Transportation - Capital and Operating	This grant program provides funding for projects that improve air quality, such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities or projects promoting greater transit ridership, including new additional commuter parking. These are federal funds administered locally by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), and applications are submitted to CMAP yearly, with competition for funds only within the 6-county region.	Transportation agencies, counties, municipalities, townships, park districts, forest preserve districts, local unit of government, and library districts. Project proposals from the public and private sector are welcome, however private sector applicants must have a sponsor approved by CMAP. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/cmaq/default.aspx
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)	Local Technical Assistance Program	Planning	In late 2010 CMAP was awarded a \$4.25 M Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant from HUD to implement their GOTO 2040 Plan. CMAP will use some of these funds for their Local Technical Assistance Program. The program will include both staff assistance and grants, and will cover a wide range of planning-related services. It will include components that provide assistance directly to individual communities, as well as broader training and coordination components.	Project must be located in the CMAP planning region. Eligible project types and related services will be available in early 2011. Visit CMAP's website for detailed information. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/
CMAP / IDOT	Surface Transportation Program (STP)	Transportation - Capital	This grant program provides funding for road projects that improve public transportation or bicycle and pedestrian facilities. It is administered locally by CMAP, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), and the Council of Mayors. Applications are submitted to the local Council of Mayors, with competition for funds only among the other members of that council. These are federal funds administered locally by CMAP.	Contact your CMAP Planning Liaison for more information. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/com/planning_liaisons.aspx
Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)	Community Planning Program	Planning	The Community Planning program provides funding and planning assistance to communities at the local level for planning projects that benefit both the local communities and the transportation network. CMAP and RTA have combined their call for projects for the 2012 Community Planning Program. Applicants will fill out an application and if selected will have a study funded by the RTA or CMAP. RTA will fund Transit Oriented Development or Transit Improvement Projects. CMAP will fund Integrated Transportation and Land Use Projects. Following the completion of Community Planning Studies, RTA and CMAP staff will follow up with community staff to help implement recommendations.	Municipalities located within the RTA six-county service region are eligible to apply / <i>Varies requires 20% match</i>	www.rtachicago.com/cp
Regional Transportation Authority	Subregional Planning	Planning	The Subregional Planning program provides funding and planning assistance to communities at a subregional/county level for planning projects that benefit both the local communities and the RTA transit system. Following the completion of Subregional Planning Studies, RTA staff will follow up with community staff to help implement recommendations.	Counties, townships, Councils of Government/Municipal Associations and groups of two or more municipalities located in the RTA six-county service area, the City of Chicago and the RTA Service Boards (Chicago Transit Authority, Metra and Pace) / <i>Varies requires 20% match</i>	www.rtachicago.com/srp
Regional Transportation Authority	Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC)	Transportation - Capital and Operational	This program provides financial assistance for transportation services planned, designed, and carried out to meet the transportation needs of eligible low-income individuals and of reverse commuters regardless of income. These are federal funds administered locally by RTA.	Private Non-profit Organizations, or Public and Private Operators of Public Transportation Services / <i>Varies requires match</i>	www.rtachicago.com/jarcnf
Regional Transportation Authority	New Freedom	Transportation - Capital and Operational	This program seeks to reduce barriers to transportation services and expand the transportation mobility options available to persons with disabilities beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. These are federal funds administered locally by the RTA.	Private Non-profit Organizations, or Public and Private Operators of Public Transportation Services / <i>Varies requires match</i>	www.rtachicago.com/jarcnf
Regional Transportation Authority	Innovation, Coordination and Enhancement (ICE)	Transportation - Capital and Operating	Operating or capital grants that advance the goals and objectives of the RTA's strategic plan. Projects must be cost-effective and promote innovation, coordination and enhancement of the regional public transportation system in northeastern Illinois.	Service Boards of the Regional Transportation Authority (CTA, Metra, and Pace), Transportation Agencies that provide public transportation services, or Units of Local Government / <i>Varies requires match</i>	www.rtachicago.com/ice

State of Illinois

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Governor's Office	Illinois Rain Garden Initiative	Infrastructure, Environment - Capital	Award 20 grants of \$500 each to plant rain gardens and/or rain barrels at a reduced price	Communities and Schools / Up to 500, \$25 per rain barrel	http://www.standingupforillinois.org/cleanwater/rg_index.php
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency	Illinois Brownfields Redevelopment Grants & Loans	Brownfield	The Municipal Brownfields Redevelopment Grant Program provides funding to local municipalities to investigate and clean up brownfields properties. The Illinois Brownfields Redevelopment Loan Program is a revolving low-interest loan program that provides funds to municipalities and the private sector for the environmental cleanup of Brownfields sites.	Various / Varies	http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/brownfields/index.html
Illinois EPA & Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal	Underground Storage Tank Fund	Brownfield	This fund assists with the cleanup of contamination from underground storage tanks.	Various / Varies	http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/lust/ust-fund.html
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Business Development Public Infrastructure Program (BDPIP)	Infrastructure Capital & Operational	Provides grants to units of local government for public improvements on behalf of businesses undertaking a major expansion or relocation project. Infrastructure improvements must be made for public benefit on public property and must directly result in the creation or retention of private sector jobs.	General purpose local governments / Varies	http://www.illinoisbiz.biz/dceo/Bureaus/Business_Development/Grants/bdPIP.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Workforce Development Initiatives, grants, etc.	Workforce Development	Program provides various funding and training opportunities to retain and improve Illinois workforce.	Various / Varies	http://www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/Bureaus/Workforce_Development/Resources/
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Energy Efficient Affordable Housing	Housing - Capital	Grants are provided to include energy efficient building practices in the rehab or new construction of affordable housing units. Average energy savings range from 50% to 75%	Illinois based non-profit and for-profit housing developers / \$4000 to \$11000 per structure	http://www.illinoisbiz.biz/dceo/Bureaus/Energy_Recycling/Energy/Energy+Efficiency/housing_energy_program.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP)	Public Buildings and Housing - Capital	Providing grants to local governments to help them in financing economic development projects, public facilities and housing rehabilitation. The program is targeted to assist low-to-moderate income persons by creating job opportunities and improving the quality of their living environment.	Units of general local government may apply for funding. Must have populations of 50,000 or less and must not be located in an urban county or the 38 cities that receive federal "entitlement" funds. The Counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, Madison, McHenry, St. Clair and Will are entitlement counties and not eligible for CDAP funds. / Varies	http://www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/Bureaus/Community_Development/Grants/CDAP.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Economic Development For a Growing Economy Tax Credit Program (EDGE)	Business Tax Incentive	The EDGE program is designed to offer a special tax incentive to encourage companies to locate or expand operations in Illinois when there is active consideration of a competing location in another State. The program can provide tax credits to qualifying companies, equal to the amount of state income taxes withheld from the salaries of employees in the newly created jobs. The non-refundable credits can be used against corporate income taxes to be paid over a period not to exceed 10 years.	To qualify a company must provide documentation that attests to the fact of competition among a competing state, and agree to make an investment of at least \$5 million in capital improvements and create a minimum of 25 new full time jobs in Illinois. For a company with 100 or fewer employees, the company must agree to make a capital investment of \$1million and create at least 5 new full time jobs in Illinois. / Varies	http://www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/Bureaus/Business_Development/Tax+Assistance/EDGE.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Minority, Women, and Disabled Participation Loan	Business Financing	This loan program provides financing for businesses owned and managed by persons who are minorities, women, or disabled.	Illinois small businesses that are 51 percent owned and managed by persons who are minorities, women, or disabled / Loans up to loans up to \$50,000 or 50 % of the total project.	http://www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/Bureaus/Business_Development/Loan+Programs/mwd.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	High Impact Business	Business Tax Incentive	The HIB program is designed to encourage large-scale economic Development activities, by providing tax incentives (similar to those offered within an enterprise zone) to companies that propose to make a substantial capital investment in operations.	\$12 million investment: 500 retained or \$30 million and 1200 jobs retained / Investment tax credit, state sales tax, utility tax exempt businesses	http://www.ildceo.net/dceo/Bureaus/Business_Development/Tax+Assistance/HIB.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Solar Thermal Grant Program	Environmental - Capital and Operating	Support the development and implementation of solar thermal and solar photovoltaic technologies in Illinois	Various / maximum incentive amount of \$250,000	http://www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/Bureaus/Energy_Recycling/Energy/Clean+Energy/02-solar+Energy+Incentive+Program.htm

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Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Enterprise Zone Programs	Business Tax Incentive	Contribution Deduction, Dividend Income Deduction, Interest Deduction, Investment Tax Credit, Jobs Tax Credit, Participation Loan Program, Sales Tax Exemption, Utility Tax Exemption	Various/ <i>Varies</i>	http://www.ildceo.net/dceo/Print/default.htm?uid={B7EAF8A-CE82-433A-A2AB-5FA1D0F204D3}
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Illinois Energy Efficient Affordable Housing	Housing/Environmental - Capital	Grants are provided to Illinois based non-profit housing developers to include energy efficient building practices in the rehab or new construction of affordable housing units.	Not-for-profit housing developers / <i>Varies by building size and type.</i>	http://www.illinoisbiz.biz/dceo/Bureaus/Energy_Recycling/Energy/Energy+Efficiency/housing_energy_program.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Community Service Block Grant Loan Program	Business - Financing	This loan program provides financing for new or expanding small businesses.	Small Businesses in Illinois / <i>CSBG funds usually make up between 20-49% of the entire loan project and have a low interest rate of 5% to 7.5%.</i>	http://www.illinoisbiz.biz/dceo/Bureaus/Business_Development/Loan+Programs/biz-csbg.htm
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity	Illinois Incentives for Renewable Energy Systems	Building/ Construction - Tax Incentive	A tax exemption program that benefits property owners who employ solar-energy and other renewable energy systems.	Commercial, Industrial, Residential / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.dsireusa.org/incentives/incentive.cfm?Incentive_Code=IL01F&state=IL&CurrentPageID=1&RE=1&EE=1
Illinois Department of Transportation	Economic Development Program	Transportation - Capital	The Economic Development Program (EDP) provides assistance in creating or expanding highways that will result in support of an economic development activity. Funding is available for highways that will provide direct access to industrial, distribution, or tourism developments and to projects that would not otherwise be feasible financially.	Local Governments / <i>Up to 50% matching Grant</i>	http://www.dot.state.il.us/edp/edp.html
Illinois Department of Transportation	Safe Routes to School Program	Transportation - Capital and Educational	This grant program provides funding for projects that improve the ability of school aged children to walk and bike to school. These are federal funds administered through IDOT.	Municipalities, Schools, Non-Profits, Counties / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.dot.il.gov/saferoutes/SafeRoutesISRPContent.aspx
Illinois Department of Transportation	Truck Access Route Program	Transportation - Capital	The purpose of the TARP is to help local government agencies upgrade roads to accommodate 80,000 pound trucks. The routes are to provide access to points of loading and unloading and to facilities for food, fuel, and truck repair and driver rest. Projects must connect to a truck route and end at another truck route or truck generator.	Local Government Agencies ? / <i>\$30,000/lane mile \$15,000/intersection 50% or \$600,000 whichever is less</i>	http://www.dot.state.il.us/tarp.html
Illinois Department of Transportation	Corridor Planning Grant Program	Planning	This grant program provides funding for planning projects that reduce traffic congestion, preserve open space, and encourage reinvestment.	Municipalities, Counties, MPO, RPC / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.dot.state.il.us/corridorplanning/corridor_grant.html
Illinois Department of Transportation	Transportation Enhancement Program	Infrastructure - Capital	ITEP funding in the following twelve categories: 1. Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles 2. Scenic or historic highway programs 3. Landscaping and other scenic beautification 4. Historic preservation 5. Rehabilitation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities 6. Provision of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists 7. Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites 8. Preservation of abandoned railway corridors for the conversion and use thereof for pedestrian and bicycle trails 9. Control and removal of outdoor advertising 10. Establishment of transportation museums 11. Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity 12. Archeological planning and research	Local government or state agency / <i>Varies - Funds are allocated on a discretionary basis. Average \$720,000</i>	http://www.dot.il.gov/opp/itep.html

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Illinois Department of Natural Resources	Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program	Bike Trail - Capital	This grant program provides funding for bike trail construction and renovation.	Unit of local government with statutory authority to provide lands for public bicycle path purposes i.e. counties, townships, municipalities, park districts, conservation districts and forest preserve districts. / <i>Varies</i>	http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/newbike2.htm
Illinois Department of Natural Resources	Recreational Trails Program	Trail - Capital	This grant program provides funding for recreational trail construction and renovation.	Local government or state agency / <i>Varies - Funds are allocated on a discretionary basis.</i>	http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/newrtp2.htm
Illinois Housing Development Authority	Reach Illinois: Employer Assisted Housing	Housing - Financing	An employer can leverage a dollar-for-dollar match from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA).	For Profit and non-profit businesses. / <i>will match an employer's down payment assistance up to \$5,000 for households earning less than 50 percent of the region's Area Median Income (AMI) or up to \$3,000 for households earning between 50 and 80 percent of AMI.</i>	http://reachillinois.webtects.com/incentives.asp
Illinois Housing Development Authority	Housing Trust Fund	Housing - Construction	Projects eligible for consideration include, but are not limited to: * Acquisition and rehabilitation of existing housing * New construction (single family and multifamily) * Adaptive reuse of non-residential buildings * Special housing needs for the: mentally ill, developmentally disabled, elderly, physically disabled, single-parent families * Technical Assistance (for non-profit organizations only)	Not-for-profits and for-profit corporations as well as units of local government may seek Trust Fund dollars. Individual citizens are not eligible for Trust Fund financing. / <i>The maximum award from the Trust Fund for a project is typically \$750,000. Sponsors are generally limited to applying for up to \$1.5 million in any 12-month period.</i>	http://www.ihda.org/ViewPage.aspx?PageID=46
Illinois State Treasury	Employ Illinois Programs	Employment - Financing and Grant	Various Programs Including: Job Creation, Business Loans Business Owners, Business Loans TV and Movie Makers, Child Care Providers, Small Business	<i>Various/ Varies</i>	http://www.treasurer.il.gov/programs/employ-illinois/employ-illinois.aspx
Illinois State Treasury	Opportunity Illinois Program	Various Capital and Financing	Various Programs Including: Banking Development Program, Community Development Program, Community Development Loans, Disaster Recovery, Hospital Development	<i>Various/ Varies</i>	http://www.treasurer.il.gov/programs/opportunity-illinois/opportunity-illinois.aspx

Federal

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Economic Development Administration	Economic Adjustment Assistance Program	technical, planning and infrastructure assistance	Economic Adjustment Assistance investments are intended to enhance a distressed community's ability to compete economically by stimulating private investment in targeted areas.	State, city, county, institution of higher education, for and non profits, Indian tribes / <i>Matching Grant of up to 50%</i>	http://www.eda.gov/AboutEDA/RLF.xml
Economic Development Administration	Economic Development Support for Planning	Planning	Intended to strengthen economic development planning capacity and establish comprehensive economic development strategies designed to reduce unemployment and increase incomes.	States, Cities, (and other municipal units), Indian Tribes, Higher Education, Not-for profit / <i>\$8000-\$750,000 Average reward \$62,000</i>	http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/Investments.xml
Economic Development Administration	Economic Development Technical Assistance	Business and Development - Technical Assistance	EDA oversees three technical assistance programs (National, Local and University Center) that promote economic development and alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and out-migration in distressed regions.	State, Cities, (other municipalities), Higher Education, Not-for Profits / <i>Matching up 50%</i>	http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/Investments.xml
Economic Development Administration	Global Climate Change Mitigation Incentive Fund	Environmental Capital	Finance projects that foster economic development by advancing the green economy in distressed communities. Supports projects that create jobs through, and increase private capital investment in, efforts to limit the nation's dependence on fossil fuels, enhance energy efficiency, curb greenhouse gas emissions and protect natural systems.	State, Cities, Counties / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.eda.gov/PDF/GCCMIF_20OnePager_External%20081409.pdf
Economic Development Administration	Planning Program	Planning	The Planning Program helps support planning organizations, including District Organizations and Indian Tribes, in the development, implementation, revision or replacement of comprehensive economic development strategies (CEDs), and for related short-term planning investments and State plans designed to create and retain higher-skill, higher-wage jobs, particularly for the unemployed and underemployed in the nation's most economically distressed regions. (CFDA No. 11.302)	Planning Organizations / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.eda.gov/ImageCache/EDAPublic/documents/pdfdocs2008/13cfrchapter_20iii_2d2006andifr_2epdf/v1/13cfrchapter_20iii_2d2006andifr.pdf
Economic Development Administration	Public Works and Economic Development Program	Infrastructure - Capital	Public Works and Economic Development investments help support the construction or rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and facilities necessary to generate or retain private sector jobs and investments.	State, Cities, (other municipalities), Higher Education, Not-for Profits / <i>Matching up 50%</i>	http://www.eda.gov/ImageCache/EDAPublic/documents/pdfdocs2008/13cfrchapter_20iii_2d2006andifr_2epdf/v1/13cfrchapter_20iii_2d2006andifr.pdf
Environmental Protection Agency	Brownfields Assessment Grants	Brownfield - Planning	Assessment grants provide funding for a grant recipient to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct planning and community involvement related to Brownfield sites.	State, Local, Tribal governments. / <i>Up to \$200,000 or exceptions to grant \$350,000</i>	http://www.epa.gov/region04/brownfieldstoolkit/federal/fed14.pdf
Environmental Protection Agency	Brownfields Cleanup Grants	Brownfield - Capital and Operational	Cleanup grants provide funding for a grant recipient to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites.	State, Local, tribal, non-profit / <i>up to \$200,000</i>	http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/applikat.htm
Environmental Protection Agency	Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Program	Brownfield - Financing	Revolving low-interest loan program that provides funds to municipalities and the private sector for the environmental cleanup of Brownfields sites. Limited to brownfields determined to have hazardous materials or pose threat to public health.	State, local, tribal governments, land clearance authorities, quasi governmental entities / <i>Up to \$1,000,000</i>	www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/riflst.htm
Fannie Mae	American Communities Fund	Housing and Community - Capital and operating	This fund provides financing assistance for housing developments and community revitalization efforts.	Municipalities and Community-based financial institutions and intermediaries that directly support affordable housing development. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.fanniemae.com/housingcommdev/commdev/acf.ihtml?p=Affordable+Housing+%26+Community+Development&s=Community+Development&t=Community+Lending
Great Lakes Regional Pollution Prevention Roundtable	Database of Funding Opportunities	Environmental, housing, social, and educational	Database of Funding Opportunities to improve environmental quality, particular water quality in and around the Great Lakes. Database also has a wide variety of funding sources for housing, social, and educational grants.	<i>Varies/ Varies</i>	http://www.glrppr.org/funding/
National Park Service	Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program	Historic - Tax Incentives	Tax incentives are available for the rehabilitation of income-producing certified historic structures.	Property owners of historical properties / <i>20% Tax Credit</i>	http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/TPS/tax/incentives/essentials_1.htm
U.S. Department of Energy	Business Credit of Energy-Efficient New Homes	Housing / Environmental - Financing	This tax credit benefits contractors who construct new energy-efficient homes that reduce annual energy consumption by 50%.	Businesses, Utilities, and Governments / <i>Varies depending on type of structure and type of improvement</i>	http://www.energy.gov/taxbreaks.htm

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U.S. Department of Energy	Energy-Efficient Commercial Building Deduction	Building/ Construction - Tax Credit	This tax credit is given for the construction of new commercial buildings that reduce annual energy and power consumption by 50%.	Businesses, Utilities, and Governments / <i>Varies depending on type of structure and type of improvement</i>	http://www.energy.gov/taxbreaks.htm
U.S. Department of Energy	Database of Incentives/Policies for Renewables & Efficiency	Energy Efficiency Business and Public Sector Improvements	Extensive database of Incentives energy efficiency grants and assistance programs at the state, federal, and local levels.	<i>Varies / Varies</i>	http://www.dsireusa.org/incentives/index.cfm?re=1&ee=1&spv=0&st=0&srp=1&state=IL
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Brownfields Economic Development Initiative	Brownfield - Financing	Enhance development of brownfields to productive economic sites through financial assistance to public entities and enhance security or improve viability of project financed with section 108 guaranteed loan.	CBDG and non CBDG recipients / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/bedi/index.cfm
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Community Development Block Grant	Community Development - Capital and Financing	Annual Grant provided to municipalities to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environments. Primarily for low and middle income areas.	Municipalities 50k-200k annual grants / <i>Formula set by HUD determines need. Ultimate range varies</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Empowerment Zone Employment Credit	Business/ Housing - Tax Credit	Credit against Federal taxes up to \$3,000 for businesses for each year of Empowerment Zone designation for every employee who lives and works in the Empowerment Zone. Business must be located in an Empowerment Zone.	Businesses, Must be in empowerment zone / <i>Credit against taxes up \$3,000</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/library/taxguide2003.pdf
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Enterprise Zone Facility Bonds	Business - Financing	State and local governments can issue Enterprise Zone Facility Bonds (a type of tax exempt bond) to make loans at lower interest rates to Enterprise Zone Businesses to finance Qualified Zone Property. 35 percent of employees must be Enterprise Zone residents.	Businesses with 35% of employees as EZ or EC residents / <i>Does not specify</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/news/taxincentives051701.pdf
U.S. Department of the Treasury	Business Start Up Cost Amortization	Business - Tax Credit	Business start-up and organizational costs are generally capital expenditures. However, you can elect to deduct up to \$5,000 of business start-up and \$5,000 of organizational costs paid or incurred after October 22, 2004.	For-profit organizations / <i>Deductions of up to \$5,000</i>	http://www.irs.gov/publications/p535/ch07.html#d0e4896
U.S. Department of the Treasury	Community Development Financial Institutions Fund - Capital Magnet Fund	Housing - Financial Assistance	Provides competitively awarded grants to CDFIs and qualified nonprofit housing organizations to finance affordable housing and related community development projects.	CDFIs and qualified nonprofit housing / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.cdfifund.gov/what_we_do/overview.asp
U.S. Department of the Treasury	New Market Tax Credits	Housing - Financial Assistance	The New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program permits taxpayers to receive a credit against Federal income taxes for making qualified equity investments in designated Community Development Entities (CDEs).	Must be certified as a CDE by the Fund (Information about becoming a CDE are documented on the website) / <i>up to \$5,000,000</i>	http://www.cdfifund.gov/what_we_do/programs_id.asp?programID=5
U.S. Department of the Treasury	Work Opportunity Tax Credits (WOTC)	Business/ Housing - Tax Credit	Businesses can take a tax credit of up to \$2,400 for each 18-39 year-old new employee who lives in an EZ.	Businesses that hire 18-39 year old employees that live in an EZ / <i>Up to \$2,400</i>	http://www.doleta.gov/business/incentives/opptax/
U.S. Small Business Administration	Basic 7(a) Loan Guaranty	Business - Financing	This program helps qualified small business obtain financing when they might be eligible for business loans through normal lending channels.	For profit, demonstrate need <i>Max \$2 million loan. SBA will absorb \$1.5 million.</i>	http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/sba-loan-programs/7a-loan-program
U.S. Small Business Administration	CDC/504 Program	Business - Financing	Program helps qualified small businesses obtain financing when they might not be eligible for business loans through normal lending channels	Manufactures are for profit, standard SBA business size. / <i>1 created/retained job for \$50,000 loaned.</i>	http://www.sba.gov/content/cdc504-loan-program
U.S. Small Business Administration	Microloan Program	Business - Financing	Provides very small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Under this program, SBA makes funds available to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers.	Startup, for-profit / <i>\$500-\$25,000</i>	http://www.sba.gov/content/microloan-program
U.S. Small Business Administration	Prequalification Program	Business - Financing	Assists prospective borrowers in developing viable loan application packages and securing loans. Program targets low income borrowers, disabled business owners, new and emerging businesses, veterans, exports, rural and specialized industries.	Businesses / <i>Up to \$250,000</i>	http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/sba-loan-programs/sba-loan-queue

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US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Enterprise Zone Facility Bonds	Business - Financing	State and local governments can issue Enterprise Zone Facility Bonds (a type of tax exempt bond) to make loans at lower interest rates to Enterprise Zone Businesses to finance Qualified Zone Property. 35 percent of employees must be Enterprise Zone residents.	Businesses with 35% of employees as EZ or EC residents / <i>Does not specify</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/news/taxincentives051701.pdf
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Low Income Housing Tax Credits	Housing - Financial Assistance	The LIHTC program gives State and local LIHTC-allocating agencies the equivalent of nearly \$5 billion in annual budget authority to issue tax credits for the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of rental housing targeted to lower-income households.	State and local LIHTC-allocating agencies / <i>Varies but projects are traditionally large in scale</i>	http://www.huduser.org/datasets/lihtc.html
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Renewal Community Commercial Revitalization	Business - Tax Credit	Deduction of either one-half of (QREs) in the first year a building is placed in service or all of (QREs) on ratable basis over 10 years if QREs have been allocated to revitalization of a commercial building located in an RC.	Qualified Revitalized expenditures buildings / <i>Up to \$12 million in reductions</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/library/taxguide2003.pdf
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Renewal Community Employment Credit	Business - Tax Credit	Credit against Federal taxes up to \$1,500 for businesses for each year of Renewal Community designation for every existing employee and new hire who lives and works in the Renewal Community	Businesses in Community Renewal / <i>Up to \$1500</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/library/taxguide2003.pdf
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Section 108 Loan Guarantee	Business - Financing	Section 108 is the loan guarantee provision of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Section 108 provides communities with a source of financing for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects.	Urban areas and Metropolitan Counties / <i>Varies by size of project</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/108/index.cfm
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	Hope VI Main Street Grants	Housing - Capital	This grant program provides financing assistance for affordable housing in conjunction with the revitalization of downtown business districts.	Units of General Local Government / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/hope6/grants/mainstreet/
US Department of Transportation	Bus and Bus Facilities Program	Transportation	This grant program provides funding for new and replacement buses and facilities.	Public bodies and agencies (transit authorities and other state and local public bodies and agencies thereof) including states, municipalities, other political subdivisions of states; public agencies and instrumentalities of one or more states; and certain public corporations, boards and commissions established under state law. / <i>Varies - Funds are allocated on a discretionary basis.</i>	http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3557.html

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Abbott Laboratories	Abbott Laboratories Fund	Various	Provides support through cash grants to recipients who operate in the areas of health and welfare, education, culture, art, civic and public policy	501 (c) (3) U.S. Internal Revenue Service / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.abbottfund.org/
Alcoa Foundation	Alcoa Foundation	Various	Majority of their grants fit within one of the following areas: Conservation and Sustainability; Safe and Healthy Children and Families; Global Education in Science, Engineering, Technology, and Business; Business and Community Partnerships, and Workforce Skills Today for Tomorrow.	Alcoa Foundation gives priority consideration to programs and organizations in or near communities where Alcoa has a presence. / \$21 million in grants around the world	http://www.alcoa.com/global/en/community/foundation/overview.asp
Allstate	The Allstate Foundation	Various	Personal safety and security, neighborhood revitalization and financial planning and education. Examples of funded projects include: fire safety; child safety advocacy; structured after-school programs with initiatives safeguard against gangs and delinquency; automobile passenger safety; and anti-drinking and driving programs.	The Allstate Foundation makes grants to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.allstate.com/foundation/
American Institute of Architects	Sustainable Design Assessment Teams (SDAT)	Planning	The SDAT program is a community assistance program that focuses on the principles of sustainability. SDATs bring teams of volunteer professionals (such as architects, urban designers, landscape architects, planners, hydrologists, economists, attorneys, and others) to work with community decision-makers and stakeholders to help them develop a vision and framework for a sustainable future.	Municipalities / <i>Technical Assistance</i>	http://www.aia.org/about/initiatives/AIAS075425?dvid=&recspec=AIAS075425
AmeriDream Inc.	Various Programs	Various	Through down payment assistance and community redevelopment programs, AmeriDream, Inc. expands affordable housing opportunities not only to first-time homebuyers but to all low- and moderate-income individuals and families who wish to achieve homeownership. Additionally, as a non-profit organization, AmeriDream works to promote the value of homeownership as a strong foundation that supports lasting communities and individual prosperity.	Various / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.ameridream.org/WhoWeAre/Accomplishments/
Annenberg Foundation	Civic and Community Grants	Various	Education and youth development; arts, culture and humanities; civic and community life; health and human services; and animal services and the environment.	Communities and Non-Profits / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.annenbergfoundation.org/grants/grants_show.htm?doc_id=210575
Bank of America Foundation	Bank of America Foundation Grant Program aimed at improving local communities	Various	To be a catalyst by investing in community catalysts to ensure economic vibrancy and growth. In fact, more than 85% of our total philanthropic spend directly impacts local communities. In addition to our general community funding priorities of Arts and Culture, Community Development, Education, and Health and Human Services, our local market presidents and their local community leaders also support Environment and Youth Development programs.	Non profits - National and Targeted Chicago and Southern Illinois Markets / 1.5 billion 10 year giving goal started in 2004	http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation
Bank of America Foundation	Community Catalyst Grants	Various	Funds efforts that support issues such as: literacy, school readiness, economic education, teacher preparation, need-based and merit scholarships, work readiness, economic revitalization efforts, environmental awareness and urban planning, disaster relief, diversity and multicultural awareness, and arts education.	Unknown / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/
Bike Belong Coalition	Various avenues for funding; must team up with a local bicycling Non-Profit Organization	Infrastructure	Funding important and influential projects that leverage federal funding. Projects include bike paths, lanes, and routes, as well as bike parks, mountain bike trails, BMX facilities, and large-scale bicycle advocacy initiatives.	Municipalities and Non-Profits / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.bikesbelong.org/grants

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Bikes Belong	Bikes Belong Grant Program that Promotes Bicycle Usage	Bicycle	Putting more people on bicycles more often. Fundable projects include paved bike paths and rail-trails as well as mountain bike trails, bike parks, BMX facilities, and large-scale bicycle advocacy initiatives.	Nonprofit organizations whose missions are bicycle and/or trail specific. Also accept applications from public agencies and departments at the national, state, regional, and local levels; municipalities must partner with a local bicycle advocacy. / Applicants can request up to \$10,000 each.	http://www.bikesbelong.org/grants
Calvert Foundation	Calvert Foundation	Various	Calvert Foundation makes loans to community development organizations that focus on affordable housing, small business, microcredit and other community development.	Community development financial institutions (CDFI), and other organizations, including community development corporations, community loan funds, community banks and credit unions, social enterprises and micro finance institutions. / Varies	http://www.calvertgiving.org/overview/documents.html
Citi Group	Citi Foundation	Various	Citi Foundation supports Community Development programs to help physically revitalize neighborhoods and create economically vibrant communities	Unknown / Varies	http://www.citigroup.com/citi/foundation/index.htm
Clinton Foundation	Clinton Economic Opportunity Initiative - Entrepreneurship Programs	Economic Development	Entrepreneurship is a critical pathway to the middle class for individuals and economic growth for communities. CEO's entrepreneurship efforts are promoting economic growth in economically distressed and emerging communities. Learn more about CEO's Entrepreneurship Programs.	Various / Varies	http://www.clintonfoundation.org/what-we-do/clinton-economic-opportunity-initiative
Duany Plater-Zyberk (DPZ) & Company	Fund For New Urbanism	Capital	The architecture and town planning firm Duany Plater-Zyberk (DPZ) & Company has created a \$5-million venture capital fund which seeks to invest in 5 to 10 municipalities throughout the US that intend to direct their growth along the lines of new urbanism rather than suburban sprawl. Specifically, the Fund seeks to work with local governments to: * Identify sites ideally located for smart growth, traditional neighborhood development and transit-oriented development. * Design plans and codes for their construction. * Secure entitlements so that construction may occur as-of-right. * Develop the properties collaboratively or transfer the approved plans to developers prepared to follow the plans.	The Fund is especially interested in municipalities that would like to see new urbanism but have been unsuccessful or disappointed in previous attempts at introducing it to their communities. / Varies	http://www.dpz.com
Enterprise, Enterprise Social Investment Corporation & the Natural Resources Defense Council	Green Communities Grants & Loans	Building/ Construction	These grants and loans provide assistance for the development of affordable housing using green building technologies.	501(c)(3) nonprofits; public housing authorities; tribally designated housing entities; for-profit entities; and for-profit entities participating through joint ventures with qualified organizations. / In general, the grant amount will range from \$20,000 to \$75,000 per project.	http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/
Enterprise Foundation	Green Communities Initiative - Charrette Grants	Planning	Assist housing developers with integrating green building systems in their developments and engage in a serious discussion of green design possibilities. Enterprise will award planning grants to affordable housing developers to coordinate a green design charrette.	501(c)(3) nonprofits / Grants for up to \$5,000	http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/charrette.asp
Enterprise Foundation	Green Communities Planning and Construction Grants	Green Housing - Planning and Capital	Green Communities is a five-year, \$550 million initiative developed through a partnership between the Enterprise Foundation/Enterprise Social Investment Corporation and the Natural Resources Defense Council to ensure smarter, healthier homes for Americans with limited incomes. The goal of the Initiative is to transform the way communities think about, design, and build affordable homes. The Initiative offers grants to help cover the costs of planning and implementing green components of affordable housing projects, as well as tracking their costs and benefits. Capital funding opportunities are also available.	The Initiative will provide financing, grants, and technical assistance to developers to build more than 8,500 rental and for-sale homes that promote health, conserve energy, and natural resources, and enhance access to jobs, schools, and services. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. / Varies	http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/index.asp

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FedEx Social Responsibility Program	FedEx Social Responsibility Program	Bikes and Peds	Pedestrian and Child Safety - Safety is a core value of FedEx, and it is the first consideration in all operations. We currently partner with the National SAFE KIDS Campaign to promote child and pedestrian safety around the world. We also support other organizations that work to enhance the safety of children and transportation systems.	Selected charities must be registered 501(c)(3) organizations in good financial and public standing. / <i>Varies</i>	http://about.fedex.designcdt.com/charitable_contribution_guidelines
Ford Foundation	Ford Foundation	Various	Types of support include grants, recoverable grants, loans and loan guarantees. Issue Areas: Democratic and Accountable Government, Peace and Social Justice, Human Rights, Social Justice Philanthropy, Economic Fairness and Opportunity, Asset Building and Community Development, Natural Resources and Sustainable Development, Access to Education, Knowledge, Creativity and Freedom, Freedom of Expression, Sexuality and Reproductive Health and Rights	501 c 3, Government Agencies, Universities and more / <i>Funding amount varies based on project</i>	http://www.fordfound.org/
Georgia-Pacific	Georgia-Pacific Foundation	Various	The Foundation invests our resources primarily in four key areas (the Four Es) that help create and sustain strong communities: Education, Environment, Entrepreneurship and community Enrichment.	Applicants must be located within thirty miles of a Georgia-Pacific community (Manufacturing facility). / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.gp.com/gpfoundation/index.html
Google	Google Grants	Advertising/ Information Sharing	Provides in-kind keyword advertising using Google AdWords so you can connect directly with your target audience.	501(c)(3) / <i>In-Kind Programming/ Advertising</i>	http://www.google.com/grants/details.html
Grand Victoria Foundation	Core Program	Economic Development and Environment	Highest priority is given to efforts that focus on long-term solutions; are multidisciplinary and collaborative; that effectively address barriers of race and class, promote civic engagement, and attract additional investment. Grand Victoria is interested in programs that strengthen and build the fields of practice the foundation supports; help identify emerging trends; and/or test new ways to solve persistent problems in those fields. Core areas include Economic Development, Education and Environment.	To be considered for funding, an organization must be registered with the IRS as a 501(c)(3) public charity. They support organizations in Illinois whose work is a strong fit with their guidelines and strategies.	http://www.grandvictoriafdn.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=89
Home Depot	Building Healthy Communities Grant Program	Various	Grants are for community improvement projects that include activities such as construction or refurbishment of affordable or transitional housing, building, rebuilding, painting, refurbishing, increasing energy efficiency or sustainability, landscaping, planting of native trees, community facility improvements, and the development and/or improvement of green spaces. Grants must support work completed by community volunteers in the United States.	Only registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, tax-exempt public schools, and tax-exempt public agencies in the U.S. are eligible to apply. / <i>Awards grants of up to \$2,500. Grants are made in the form of the Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools or materials.</i>	http://corporate.homedepot.com/wps/portal/lut/p/c1/04_SB8K8xLLM9MSSzPy8xBz9CP0os3gDdwNHH0sFE3M3AzMPJ8MAVxcDKADKR2LKmxrD5fHr9vPlz03Vl8iNKAcASzGzVw!!/dl2/d1/L2dJOSEvUUt3QS9ZQnB3LzZfMEcwQUw5TDQ3RjA2SEixUE9EMDAwMDAwMDA!/
HSBC	HSBC in the Community Foundation	Environment	Focusing on education and the environment, HSBC also has a focus on participating in local community initiatives in which they operate.	501(C)3 public charities. In addition, public schools and school districts or other government agencies are eligible to receive grants under IRS rules. / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.hsbcusa.com/corporateresponsibility
IL Clean Energy Foundation	Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation Grant	Environment, Structure	The Foundation funds projects in three core program areas: improving energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources, and preserving and enhancing natural areas and wildlife habitat throughout Illinois.	Funding to federally recognized 501c3 nonprofit organizations and state and local government agencies serving Illinois residents. / <i>Varies</i>	www.illinoiscleanenergy.org
Kaboom Playground Opportunities	Kaboom Playground Opportunities	Park - Playground Equipment	Work with communities to build new safe playgrounds.	Ideal Community Partners are usually child-serving, nonprofit organizations but could be community development organizations, neighborhood coalitions, charter schools, or any organization that can mobilize a volunteer force and is in need of a playground. / <i>Varies but require a substantial amount of public participating and some funding from communities</i>	http://www.kaboom.org

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Kresge Foundation	Community Development	Community Development, Infrastructure and Environment	Support the capital needs of community development organizations working in rural, urban and older-suburban neighborhoods to enhance grassroots participation, resident empowerment, physical revitalization, neighborhood cohesion, wealth-building, housing, and, in some cases, youth opportunity.	Government entities, 501(c)(3) organizations that are not classified as private foundations and more / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.kresge.org/index.php/what/community_development/
Local Government Commission	Customized Technical Assistance	Technical Assistance	The non-profit Local Government Commission provides customized, fee-based technical assistance to communities through contract planning and design services. The LGC staff has expertise in planning, public participation, visioning, renewable energy resources and development of livable communities. Technical assistance is offered in three broad categories: Educational Services, Participatory Planning and Visioning, Policy Development Assistance	Municipalities / <i>Technical Assistance</i>	http://www.lgc.org/services/index.html
Metropolitan Life Foundation	Metropolitan Life Foundation	Various	Supporting various educational, health and welfare, and civic and cultural organizations. Their goals are to strengthen communities, promote good health and improve education. The Foundation makes grants nationally in the areas of health, education, culture, civic affairs, and social investment programs.	501(c)3 / <i>In 2000, the Metropolitan Life Foundation awarded 253 grants totaling \$13.1 million</i>	http://www.metlife.com/about/corporate-profile/citizenship/metlife-foundation/index.html?SCOPE=Metlife&MSHiC=65001&L=10&W=Foundation%20Life%20Metropolitan%20The%20&Pre=%3CFONT%20STYLE%3D%22backgr ound%3A%23fff00%22%3E&Post=%3C /FONT%3E
National Association of Realtors (NAR)	Smart Growth Action Grants	Planning, Policy, Community Organization	NAR's Smart Growth Action Grant program is available to support your efforts to implement programs and activities that position REALTORS as leaders in improving their communities by advancing smart growth. NAR's Smart Growth Action Grants are intended to help your association and members initiate and sustain an active role in bringing smart growth development principles to your community.	Municipalities and home owner associations / <i>Maximum of \$5,000 per year</i>	www.realtor.org/government_affairs/smart_growth/grants
National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)	Your Town: The Citizens' Institute on Rural Design	Planning	The Your Town program consists of two-and-a-half-day participatory workshops held in different locations around the country. These sessions bring architects, landscape architects, and other design professionals together with community members. Each year, four workshops are funded by the National Endowment.	Municipalities / <i>Technical Assistance</i>	http://www.yourtowndesign.org
The Oak Hill Fund	Environmentally Sustainable Affordable Design program	Planning	The Oak Hill Fund provides support to national, regional, and local organizations through several grant making programs. The Environmentally Sustainable Affordable Design program promotes the incorporation of the principles of sustainable development into the design of affordable construction, with a primary focus on residential housing.	Requests are accepted from throughout the U.S. The Application Process begins with a Letter of Inquiry submitted through their online system. / <i>Various</i>	http://www.oakhillfund.org/

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The Orton Family Foundation and Placematters.com	Community Viz	Planning and Consensus Building	The Orton Family Foundation is an "operating" foundation, which means that instead of making grants, they bring resources together in creative entrepreneurial ways to create tools, educational programs and templates that can be replicated in rural communities that are actively grappling with growth community planning issues. The foundation provides one-on-one assistance to communities and regions to improve their capacity for decision-making. They've also created "CommunityViz"-an interactive software tool for professional planners, citizen planners, landowners, and interested citizens. With this software, communities can visualize and evaluate different land use patterns and make informed decisions on issues specific to their own communities.	Communities and Regions / <i>Technical Assistance</i>	http://www.orton.org
Project for Public Spaces (PPS)	Project for Public Spaces (PPS)	Planning and Research	PPS is a non-profit organization dedicated to creating and sustaining public places that build communities. PPS provides technical assistance, education, and research through programs in parks, plazas and central squares; buildings and civic architecture; transportation and public markets.	Municipalities / <i>Technical Assistance</i>	http://www.pps.org
Public Welfare Foundation	Public Welfare Foundation	Various	Funding is focused in eight program areas: criminal justice, disadvantaged elderly, disadvantaged youth, environment, health, population and reproductive health, community economic development and participation, and human rights and global security.	501(c)3 / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.publicwelfare.org/
Rails to Trails Conservancy	Lists a myriad of funding sources	Bike Ped	Organization lists a large variety of state, federal, and foundation grants for funding trails.	<i>Varies depending on grant source / Varies depending on source and program.</i>	http://www.railstotrails.org/whatwedo/trailbuilding/technicalassistance/toolbox/20080710_funding_financing.html
Rockefeller Foundation	Various programs, including environment, transportation, urban development	Various	A focus area is: Addressing the risks of accelerating urbanization - shaping efforts in planning, finance, infrastructure, and governance to manage a world in which, for the first time in history, more people live in urban communities than rural ones.	Open - submit ideas / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.rockfound.org/grants/grants.shtml
Rohm and Haas	Rohm and Haas	Various	Rohm and Haas Company focuses their support in five key philanthropic categories: including Education, Environment, Civic and Community, Health and Human Services and Arts and Culture.	<i>Various / Varies</i>	http://www.rohmhaas.com/history/ourstory/social_planet.htm
Surdna Foundation	Surdna Foundation	Community Development	Environment, community revitalization, effective citizenry, the arts, and the nonprofit sector	501(c) (3) or 501(c)(4) / <i>Varies</i>	http://www.surdna.org/grants/grants-overview.html

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Smart Growth America (SGA), Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), the International City and County Management Association (ICMA), and the Metropolitan Institute at Virginia Tech (MI)	National Vacant Properties Campaign	Technical Assistance	National Vacant Properties Campaign is a collaboration of four leading national organizations, Smart Growth America (SGA), Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), the International City and County Management Association (ICMA), and the Metropolitan Institute at Virginia Tech (MI). NVPC is leveraging the expertise of partners, practitioners, and national experts to offer a range of training and technical assistance services to communities seeking to improve state and local systems for revitalizing vacant and abandoned properties.	Municipalities / <i>Technical Assistance</i>	http://vacantproperties.org/technical/index.html
The Enterprise Foundation	Green Communities Initiative - Planning & Construction Grants	Housing	Cover planning and construction expenses including additional costs of architectural work, engineering, site surveys and costs associated with items such as a more efficient HVAC system, green materials and energy efficient appliance.	Open to 501(c)(3) nonprofits; public housing authorities; tribally designated housing entities; for-profit entities; and for-profit entities participating through joint ventures with qualified organizations. / <i>Grants up to \$75,000</i>	http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/
The Enterprise Foundation	Green Communities Initiative - Sustainability Training Grants	Post-Planning	Funding is available to cover the design and distribution of an operations and maintenance.	501(c)(3) nonprofits / <i>\$5,000 for affordable housing developers</i>	http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/sustainability/index.asp
US Green Building Council	Affordable Green Neighborhoods Grant Program	Housing - Green Buildings	With support from the Bank of America Foundation, the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is offering a grant program that recognizes affordable housing developers who are committed to building sustainable communities. The Affordable Green Neighborhoods Grant Program awards grants and provide educational resources to affordable housing developers and related public agencies who choose to pursue LEED for Neighborhood Development certification. Preference will be given to qualifying projects that meet additional goals, including the redevelopment of infill and previously developed sites, effort to strengthen the surrounding neighborhoods, commitment to engage stakeholders in the development process, and the provision of green housing for a range of income levels.	Affordable housing developers and related public agencies who choose to pursue LEED for Neighborhood Development certification. / <i>A cash award of approximately \$25,000, which may be used to pursue LEED-ND certification and many other extras.</i>	http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CMSPageID=2184
Wachovia Foundation	Wachovia Foundation	Community Development	Two primary and two secondary focus areas (Primary Focus Areas: Education and Community Development; Secondary Focus Areas: Health and Human Services and Arts and Culture). Their mission is to build strong and vibrant communities, improve the quality of life, and make a positive difference where they have banking institutions.	501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; be located or provide service in Wachovia's markets / <i>Varies</i>	https://www.wachovia.com/foundation/v/index.jsp?vgnextoid=7fc710a2090aa110VgnVCM1000004b0d1872RCRD&vgnextfmt=default
Wal-Mart Foundation	Wal-mart Store and Sam's Club Giving Programs	Various	Supports programs and initiatives in four main areas of focus: Education, Workforce Development / Economic Opportunity, Health & Wellness and Environmental Sustainability.	Municipalities, Schools, Non-Profits, Churches / <i>Varies</i>	http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8916.aspx
Wells Fargo	Wells Fargo Housing Foundation	Housing	Increasing low-income homeownership through the development of affordable housing, and to providing shelter and supportive services for homeless and disabled adult populations. Areas of interest include: homeownership (construction and home improvement opportunities), supportive housing, and transitional housing.	501(c) (3) or tax exempt / <i>\$5,000 - \$10,000</i>	https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/wfh/about_wfhf.jhtml;jsessionid=Z3K50S2N1DUAYCQ10C3E3NQKBRKTMUM0