

Hello,

I hope that you are doing well and enjoying the start of 2026. This month's Grants Digest includes a range of new and upcoming funding opportunities.

I want to flag the release of the Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund (EIAF), which offers important support for communities experiencing the impacts of energy and mineral development.

As a reminder, Simpler.Grants.gov is now live and can be used to search and track federal funding opportunities in a more streamlined, user-friendly way. The updated platform improves keyword search, filtering, and opportunity summaries, and is designed to reduce some of the complexity of navigating federal Notices of Funding Opportunity. While applications are still submitted through Grants.gov, Simpler.Grants.gov can be a helpful front-end tool for identifying relevant programs, understanding eligibility at a glance, and tracking opportunities over time.

Here are several grants due within the next month:

- [Innovative Local Government Workforce Solutions Grant Pilot Program](#) – January 15
- [Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Program \(IHBG-COMP\)](#) – January 15
- [Community Impact Grant Program](#) – January 15 (concept paper)
- [Land Acquisition Grant Program](#) – January 15 (concept paper)
- [Pathways Grant Program](#) – January 15 (concept paper)
- [Tourism Management Grant Program](#) – January 22
- [Craigslist Charitable Fund](#) – January 31
- [Diversion Measurement Installation Program](#) – Round One applications for Divisions 6 and 7 are due January 31
- [Lodgers' Tax Arts and Culture Funding](#) – January 31
- [Rural Economic Development Initiative \(REDI\)](#) – February 4
- [Grants for Arts Projects](#) – February 12
- [DWE Nonprofit Partners Program](#) – February 9
- [Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund \(EIAF\) Grant Program](#) – February 13
- [The Local Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention \(FFSDP\) Grant](#). – February 13

As always, please feel free to reach out if you'd like to discuss eligibility, timing, or how any of these opportunities may align with your organization or community.

Tiffany

Grants Digest
January 2026

Affordable Housing –

Upcoming Deadlines

[Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Program \(IHBG-COMP\)](#). U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Federal. Project-based / discretionary funding. Eligible entities: Federally recognized Native American tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) that have previously received IHBG formula funding; specific rules apply for Native Alaskan tribes. *Supports affordable housing activities benefiting low-income Tribal families: new construction of housing, rehabilitation of existing housing, and acquisition of housing units; addresses overcrowding, substandard housing conditions, lack of kitchens/plumbing, and homelessness in Indian communities. Provides ~\$150 million total for FY 2025, with individual grant awards ranging from \$500,000 to \$7,500,000.* No matching funds required. **Deadline January 15, 2026.**

[Local Planning Capacity Grant Program](#). Colorado Department of Local Affairs. State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities local governments and tribal governments whose Proposition 123 baseline and commitment have been accepted by DOLA. *Supports local government planning departments to streamline land-use, permitting and zoning processes for affordable housing—through activities such as system upgrades, code revisions, consultant/staff support, and multi-jurisdictional collaborations.* Grants typically up to \$250,000, require a 20 % local match (with hardship waivers available). **Opens January 26, 2026 and closes February 26 at 12pm MST.**

[Accessory Dwelling Unit \(ADU\) Grant Program](#). Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), Division of Local Government. State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities local governments certified as “ADU supportive jurisdictions” under state criteria. *Second round. Supports local government efforts to encourage accessory dwelling unit (ADU) development by reducing barriers and costs, such as developing pre-approved ADU plans, establishing technical assistance programs for homeowners or builders, waiving or reducing ADU fees, and implementing policy or regulatory changes that promote ADU production. Grants reimburse eligible expenses based on units permitted and are intended to catalyze additional ADU construction that increases affordable housing supply across jurisdictions.* **Deadline February 27.**

Resources

[Proposition 123 Reports and Performance Measures Resource](#). Colorado Department of Local Affairs, Division of Housing. *State-level performance and policy resource providing reports, dashboards, and metrics tracking the implementation of Proposition 123, Colorado's affordable housing funding initiative. Includes data on annual allocations, program performance, and compliance with priorities such as affordability, density, and sustainability. Updated regularly to support planning, accountability, and transparency.*

Arts & Culture –

Upcoming Deadlines

[Grants for Arts Projects](#). National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). Federal project-based funding. Eligible entities nonprofit organizations, units of state or local government, federally recognized

tribal communities, and public or private institutions of higher education. *Supports arts projects that benefit the public, including performing arts, visual arts, literature, media arts, folk and traditional arts, and multidisciplinary arts activities. Grants may fund creation and presentation of new work, community engagement and arts education, arts programming in underserved communities, partnerships with arts service organizations, and projects that integrate arts into community development or civic life. Typical award amounts range from \$10,000 to \$100,000 (or more) depending on the project category and scope; matching cost share is not required for most applicants. **Deadline for submission in Grants.gov February 12.***

[Lodgers' Tax Arts and Culture Funding](#). City of Durango, CO. Local project-based funding. Eligible entities individuals, artists, nonprofits, businesses, groups, and other organizations creating public arts, cultural events, creative placemaking projects, performances, festivals, exhibits, murals, artisan food projects, arts education, facility upgrades, and related creative work that enhances Durango's cultural vitality and visitor experience. *The program funds projects over \$5,000. Projects must be completed and reimbursements requested by the end of the funding year. Organizations are eligible to apply annually and can receive Lodgers' Tax Arts and Culture funding once per year; projects are evaluated on community benefit, local economic impact, innovation, sustainability, and off-season year-round value. **Deadlines Round 1 January 31 and Round 2 May 31.***

Rolling Deadlines

[Film Festival Support and Promotion Grant](#). Colorado Office of Economic Development & Economic Trade. State. Eligible entities to apply for this sponsorship, your film festival needs to take place in Colorado. *The Film Festival Support and Promotion Grant supports more than 40 film festivals and educational events each year throughout Colorado. With a focus on Colorado's rural areas, film festivals bring economic activity to different areas of the state by attracting new visitors.*

Business/Economic Development –

Rolling Deadlines

[Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance](#). Economic Development Administration. Federal. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: State, local government, nonprofits 501c3 and not, special district governments, Tribes. *The Public Works program provides resources to meet the construction and/or infrastructure design needs of communities to enable them to become more economically competitive. Supported activities under EDA's EAA program include construction and non-construction such as construction or upgrading of public infrastructure, sectoral partnerships for workforce training, design and engineering, technical assistance, economic recovery strategies, and capitalization or re-capitalization of Revolving Loan Funds.*

[Advanced Industries Export Grant](#). Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade. State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: small- and medium-sized Colorado

advanced industry businesses. *Provides up to \$15,000 (50% of eligible costs) for export activities such as trade shows, marketing, translation, export training, and compliance support.*

[Business and Industry Loan Guarantees](#). US Department of Agriculture. Federal. Loan funding. Eligible entities: for-profit and nonprofit businesses, cooperatives, Tribes, public bodies, and individuals engaged or proposed to engage in a business. *Loan guarantees to improve, develop, or finance business, industry, and employment and improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities.*

[Rural Business Investment Program](#). US Department of Agriculture. Federal. Startup funding. Eligible entities: for-profits and subsidiaries of an entity. *Provides a Rural Business Investment Company (RBIC) license to newly formed developmental capital organizations to fill the need for business and development capital in rural areas. The program works with for-profit developmental capital funds.*

[Rural Entrepreneur Grant](#). Startup Colorado. Private. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: rural entrepreneurs in Colorado. *Provides funding for business-related events, education, and technical resources to accelerate growth, covering expenses like registration fees and travel. Up to \$5,000.*

[Strategic Fund Job Growth Incentive](#). Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade. Business incentives. Eligible entities: Businesses considering interstate competitive expansion or relocation projects in Colorado. Project-based funding. *Funds for locating or expanding in the state, signing a lease, hiring employees related to this project, making material expenditures for this project.*

Childcare –

Resource:

[Federal Child Care Funding & Program Integrity Resource \(CCDF / CCCAP\)](#). Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC). State/federal program information and policy update. *This resource provides an overview of how the federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) supports child care access and quality in Colorado. The fact sheet outlines the current federal funding situation, including temporary restrictions on CCDF reimbursement announced in January 2026, potential fiscal impacts to child care assistance, licensing, quality improvement initiatives, and early childhood workforce supports, and the safeguards Colorado has in place to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. It also describes the layered accountability systems used by CDEC, ongoing monitoring and oversight practices, and steps the Department is taking to maintain program integrity and continuity of services. This resource is intended to support partners, local governments, and service providers in understanding the role of CCDF funding in Colorado and the potential implications of federal funding disruptions.*

[Child Care Facility Development Toolkit](#). Colorado Department of Local Affairs. State. Technical assistance resource. *Offers a free, self-guided five-session video series on planning, designing, funding, and developing childcare facilities.*

Community Development –

Upcoming Deadlines

[Innovative Local Government Workforce Solutions Grant Pilot Program](#). State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities local governments. *Supports development, testing, and scaling of innovative workforce strategies that help local governments build a skilled, resilient, and sustainable workforce. The program is designed to identify replicable best practices, concepts, and models that can be applied by other local government organizations of similar size or complexity. Funding prioritizes creative approaches to recruitment, retention, training, and workforce development challenges facing local governments. **Deadline January 15.***

[Rural Economic Development Initiative \(REDI\)](#). Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) – Division of Local Government. State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities rural local governments (such as counties with populations under 50,000 or municipalities under 25,000) and their partners (nonprofits, housing authorities, economic development organizations, private employers, Tribes) in Colorado. *Supports job creation, economic diversification, infrastructure and placemaking efforts, business accelerators/incubators, and workforce development to build resilient rural economies. **Deadline February 4.***

[DWE Nonprofit Partners Program](#). Southwest Colorado Community Foundation (SWCCF). Local philanthropic funding. Eligible entities nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status (or fiscally sponsored projects) serving the Southwest Colorado region. *The DWE (Durango Wine Experience) Nonprofit Partners Program provides collaborative fundraising support by connecting local nonprofits with proceeds from the annual Durango Wine Experience event; funds are distributed to participating nonprofits to support their operating or program priorities, including arts and culture, human services, youth and family support, environmental stewardship, and community engagement. Grant amounts vary annually based on event proceeds and partner participation. **Deadline February 9.***

[Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund \(EIAF\) Grant Program](#). Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities local governments, special districts, Native American tribes, and other eligible political subdivisions impacted by energy and mineral severance activities in Colorado. *Supports community infrastructure and economic stabilization projects in energy-impacted communities, including capital improvements for public facilities, transportation infrastructure, water and wastewater systems, broadband deployment tied to community resilience, housing, and other locally prioritized initiatives that mitigate impacts of energy and mineral downturns. **Deadline February 13.***

[19th Hole Concerts Fund](#). Southwest Colorado Community Foundation. Local philanthropic project-based funding. Eligible entities nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status (or fiscally

sponsored projects) serving Archuleta County. *Supports nonprofit operating and program needs through community fundraising tied to the Foundation's annual 19th Hole Concerts series; funds are distributed to local nonprofits selected by the Foundation to advance community benefit in areas such as arts and culture, human services, youth programs, environment, and community engagement. Grant amounts vary based on the annual fundraising results from the concert series and participating nonprofit allocations. **Deadline March 5.***

[Ballantine Family Fund](#). Ballantine Family Fund (private foundation). Local / regional philanthropic funding. Eligible entities nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations or projects under a nonprofit fiscal sponsor serving Southwest Colorado. *Support charitable causes that enhance quality of life in the region, the fund awards grants for general operations and specific programs across a broad range of community needs, including arts and culture, education, human services, environment/animal welfare, youth, and community development. Typical grant sizes range from \$500 to \$5,000. **Deadlines quarterly March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.***

[Hometown Grants](#). T-Mobile. Foundation. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: local government, tribal leaders, or nonprofit community leaders. *The program will fund projects to build, rebuild, or refresh community spaces that help foster local connections in small towns (with populations less than 50,000), including town squares, historic buildings, outdoor parks, ball fields, or libraries. Elected leaders, town managers or employees, or nonprofit leaders are eligible to submit project details. **Deadline: Awards will be made quarterly. Applications will be open on a quarterly basis and the portal will close on the last day of each quarter and reopen for the new quarter on the first of the month.***

[Spark Good Local Grants](#). Walmart Spark Good. Foundation funding. General. Eligible entities: Deed-verified organizations with a Spark Good account, including nonprofit organization (c3) government entities, schools, and faith-based groups with community-wide benefit. *Provides local cash grants ranging from \$250 to \$5,000 to support community-specific needs through an open application process. **Deadline applications are accepted quarterly.***

Rolling Deadlines

[Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program](#). US Department of Agriculture. Federal. Project-based funding. Eligible entities rural local governments and Tribes. *This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial, or business undertakings. Detailed list of essential community facilities included in link.*

[Craigslist Charitable Fund](#). Private. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: nonprofit organizations, fiscally sponsored projects, and individuals addressing animal exploitation and related issues with scalable, long-lasting impact. *Supports projects advancing animal protection, environmental sustainability, and social good initiatives. Grants generally cover no more than*

30% of an organization's annual budget, though exceptions may be made. Academic institutions may allocate up to 10% for indirect costs. Applications are reviewed in quarterly cycles beginning in 2026, with decisions typically issued within two months of the close of each submission window. Funds are generally disbursed within one to two weeks of notification. Fiscal sponsorship is permitted for applicants without 501(c)(3) status. **Projects submitted Nov 1, 2025 – Jan 31, 2026 will be decided by March 31, 2026.**

[Thriving Communities Technical Assistance](#). Department of Housing & Urban Development. Federal. Eligible entities are those that are eligible under specific grants. Technical assistance funding. To receive HUD's Thriving Communities technical assistance (TA), jurisdictions must be a unit of general local government that is receiving federal transportation funding (directly or indirectly through the state) and use that funding to support a project that coordinates transportation and housing plans, programs or investments to benefit residents and businesses.

Resources

[DOLA Local Community Funding Guide](#). Created by Colorado Department of Local Affairs. This tool can help local communities in Colorado track potential upcoming funding opportunities. Very user friendly, easy to break down by funding category, program, award type, agency, etc.

Emergency & Disaster –

Upcoming Deadlines

[The Local Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention \(FFSDP\) Grant](#). Eligible entities fire departments, fire protection districts, emergency response organizations, local governments, and other first responder agencies across Colorado. Supports a variety of fire and emergency services needs including equipment purchases, training, wildfire mitigation and preparedness, emergency response capacity building, personal protective gear, vehicle and apparatus upgrades, and community risk reduction initiatives. Maximum award \$20,000. **Deadline February 13.**

Rolling Deadlines

[Disaster Supplemental Grant](#). Economic Development Administration. Federal. Project-based. Grants for areas in a Presidentially declared disaster region may be eligible for highly flexible grants to use building up a strong and modern workforce. EDA's role in disaster recovery is to facilitate the timely and effective delivery of federal economic development assistance to support long-term community economic recovery planning and project implementation, redevelopment and resiliency.

Energy & Environment –

Upcoming Deadlines

[Climate Smart Communities Initiative \(CSCI\) Grants](#). Climate Smart Communities Initiative (CSCI). National philanthropic/federal partnership. Project-based funding. Eligible entities U.S.-based project teams comprised of (1) a local or regional government partner, (2) a community-

based organization, and (3) a qualified climate adaptation practitioner listed in the CSCI Registry of Adaptation Practitioners. *Supports community-based climate resilience planning and implementation work across the United States for communities facing significant climate-related vulnerabilities. Grants are designed to advance climate resilience planning, risk assessments, community engagement, and project prioritization or implementation, and include access to technical assistance, training, and cohort support. **Deadline March 12.***

Rolling Deadlines

[Brownfields Program](#). Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) State, federal pass through. Project-based and financing support. Eligible entities local governments, nonprofit organizations, watershed or community groups, and other public or nonprofit stakeholders. *Supports activities such as environmental site assessments (Phase I/II), cleanup planning, property reuse planning, and revitalization efforts that transform blighted properties into productive community assets. Contact CDPHE for current application processes and eligibility details.*

[Energy Code Adoption Grant](#). Colorado Energy Office (CEO). State. Project-based funding for local governments. Eligible entities: municipalities, counties and other local government entities in Colorado looking to adopt or enforce updated building energy codes (e.g. 2021 IECC plus Colorado Model Electric-Ready & Solar-Ready codes). *Supports direct financial assistance covering costs of code adoption and enforcement, staff or consultant time, and related training/technical assistance. **Quarterly deadlines.***

Open Spaces, Recreation, and Tourism –

Upcoming Deadlines

[Tourism Management Grant Program](#). Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade (OEDIT). State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: local governments, destination marketing or management organizations, nonprofits, and other community-based organizations involved in tourism management in Colorado. Supports projects that help communities manage tourism impacts while sustaining economic benefits, including visitor management planning, infrastructure and amenity improvements, data collection and analysis, community engagement, stewardship strategies, and implementation of destination management plans. Funding is intended to support balanced, sustainable tourism that aligns with community values and long-term resilience. Grant amounts and match requirements vary by cycle. **Deadline January 22.**

[Community Impact Grant Program](#). Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO). State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities Colorado cities, towns, counties, Title 32 special districts eligible for Conservation Trust Fund distributions, land conservation organizations, and other political subdivisions. *Supports development or enhancement of community parks, trails, natural areas, outdoor education facilities, and recreation infrastructure that improves access to the outdoors and quality of life. Funding can support planning and construction projects. **Deadline concept***

papers due January 15. Invited applications due January 30, 2026, and full applications due March 5, 2026, with awards anticipated in June 2026.

[Land Acquisition Grant Program](#). Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO). State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities Colorado local governments, special districts, and land conservation organizations. *Supports acquisition of high-priority open space, natural areas, wildlife habitat, and outdoor recreation lands that protect key landscapes and expand public access. Projects must demonstrate strong conservation value and long-term stewardship.* **Deadline concept papers due January 15. Invited applications due January 30, 2026, and full applications due March 5, 2026, with awards anticipated in June 2026.**

[Pathways Grant Program](#). Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO). State. Planning and capacity-building funding. Eligible entities Colorado local governments, special districts, nonprofits, and land conservation organizations. *Supports research, planning, visioning, and pilot projects that address emerging trends in conservation, outdoor recreation access, equity, and stewardship. Funding focuses on building knowledge, partnerships, and momentum for future implementation projects.* **Deadline concept papers due January 15. Invited applications due January 30, 2026, and full applications due March 5, 2026, with awards anticipated in June 2026.**

Transportation/Infrastructure –

Upcoming Deadlines

[Highway Safety Improvement Program \(HSIP\)](#). Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT). State/Federal project-based funding. Eligible entities local governments, counties, tribal governments, and state agencies responsible for public roadways in Colorado. *Supports safety planning, data analysis, and capital improvements to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries on public roads, including projects such as traffic calming measures, intersection improvements, pedestrian and bicycle safety enhancements, signage and signal upgrades, guardrail installation, and other evidence-based safety countermeasures. HSIP funding is allocated through a federal formula and requires a local match; projects are selected based on crash data and safety performance targets.* **Deadline February 20.**

[BUILD Grants \(Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development\)](#). U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). Federal competitive infrastructure funding. Eligible entities states; local governments; federally recognized Tribes and Tribal consortia; public agencies; special purpose districts with transportation functions; transit agencies; and multi-jurisdictional groups with a lead applicant. *Supports planning and construction of surface transportation infrastructure projects with significant local or regional impact, including highways, bridges, public transportation, passenger and freight rail, intermodal facilities, port infrastructure, and eligible surface transportation components of airport access projects. Planning activities (environmental analysis, feasibility studies, benefit-cost analysis) are also eligible. For FY 2026, approximately \$1.5 billion in funding is available, with individual awards typically ranging from \$1 million to*

*\$25 million and flexible federal cost share up to 80 percent (up to 100 percent for rural, persistent poverty, or historically disadvantaged communities). **Deadline February 24, 2026.***

Resources

[Department of Transportation Navigator](#). US Department of Transportation. *Helps communities navigate the best ways to apply for grants, and plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services. Provides an overview of grant programs under the Resources for [Grant Seekers tab](#).*

Water –

Upcoming Deadlines

[State Revolving Fund \(SRF\) Loan Program](#). Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority. State/federal partnership. Loan funding with grants and technical assistance components. Eligible entities local governments and eligible nonprofit community drinking water systems in Colorado. *The SRF currently has increased capacity to fund wastewater and stormwater projects, with design and engineering grants and principal forgiveness available for disadvantaged communities. Funding requests remain subject to availability, prioritization, caps, and approval by the Authority’s Board of Directors. Nonprofit water systems remain eligible; however, new policies are being implemented to account for the additional administrative and financial capacity required of nonprofits, affecting planning and preliminary needs assessments, loan application and credit review processes, and loan terms. Free technical assistance is available through WaterNow Alliance, which provides one-on-one support to help communities plan and secure SRF financing for sustainable drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater projects, including green stormwater infrastructure, water efficiency, reuse, watershed protection, and lead service line replacement. **Deadline February 5.***

[Diversion Measurement Installation Program](#). Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) in coordination with the Colorado Division of Water Resources (DWR). State/federally funded water infrastructure support. Eligible entities: water users in Colorado’s Upper Colorado River Basin (Divisions 4, 5, 6, and 7) who own or use an active water right at a point of diversion and have a missing or faulty measurement device. Supports installation of measurement structures (such as flumes, weirs, or pumps) at points of diversion to increase accurate water measurement and compliance with statewide measurement rules. The program covers the full cost of design, structure, and installation with no cost share required. Questions can be sent to DNR_diversionmeasurement@state.co.us; interested users should apply even if unsure of eligibility to start the conversation. **Round One applications for Divisions 6 and 7 are due January 31; future application rounds for Divisions 4 and 5 will be available after 2026.**

[Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant Program \(EC-SDC\)](#). U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), administered by the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE). Federal/state. Project-based funding. Eligible entities non-transient, non-community or community regulated public water systems participating in the Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF) that meet state and federal definitions of small or

disadvantaged communities. *Supports planning, design, and infrastructure projects that reduce public health risks from emerging contaminants in drinking water, including PFAS, manganese, and other contaminants. Two funding tiers are available: Tier 1 Planning and Design Grants provide up to \$300,000 for planning, design, and pilot testing over up to 24 months; Tier 2 Infrastructure Grants support near-ready projects for design and construction of treatment facilities, consolidation infrastructure, or new potable water sources, with awards up to \$30 million per project (not to exceed \$10 million in a single year). Assessment sampling is not eligible under this program but may be funded separately through the PFAS Grant Program.*
Deadline February 4 at 11:59 pm MST.

[PFAS Grant Program](#). Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE). State. Project-based funding. Eligible entities governmental agencies, Tribes, public water systems (including private nonprofit water systems), counties or local health departments, fire departments, domestic wastewater treatment works, nonprofit organizations, and educational institutions. *Supports efforts to identify, assess, and reduce the impacts of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in groundwater, surface water, drinking water, wastewater, and the environment through three main categories: sampling and assessment, emergency assistance to affected communities or systems, and infrastructure for treatment or mitigation.*
Application opens January 5. Deadline March 13.

[Small Surface Water and Groundwater Storage Projects \(Small Storage Program\)](#). U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation. Federal. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: include state, county, city or township, and special district governments; joint powers authorities; federally recognized Tribal governments and tribal organizations; and IRS 501c3 nonprofits (excluding institutions of higher education) located in the 17 western U.S. states, Alaska, or Hawaii. *The program supports planning, design, and/or construction of small surface or groundwater storage projects with capacities between 200 and 30,000 acre-feet, offering up to 25 percent federal cost-share. Priority is given to multi-benefit, regional, and multi-stakeholder projects that enhance reliability, ecosystem resilience, groundwater management, or water quality.* **Deadline April 17, 2026, by 4:00 pm EST.**

Rolling Deadlines

[Source Water Assessment and Protection \(SWAP\) Program](#). Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE), Water Quality Control Division. State. Grant and technical assistance funding. Eligible entities public water systems and community stakeholders working to develop or implement source water protection plans. *Supports assessment of drinking water sources to identify potential contaminant threats, and development and implementation of community-based source water protection plans to safeguard drinking water quality. The program also provides funding and support for related activities such as wildfire preparedness and recovery planning for water systems and digitizing infrastructure assets at risk. Typical support includes planning grants and technical assistance; separate funding and grant amounts are available to systems that complete protection planning.*

[Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants in Colorado](#). US Department of Agriculture. Federal. Emergency funding. Eligible entities: local government, nonprofits, Tribes. *Emergency-based funding. This program helps eligible communities prepare, or recover from, an emergency that threatens the availability of safe, reliable drinking water. Water transmission line grants up to \$150,000 to construct waterline extensions, repair breaks or leaks in existing water distribution lines, and address related maintenance necessary to replenish the water supply. Water source grants up to \$1,000,000 for the construction of new wells, reservoirs, transmission lines, treatment plants, and/or other sources of water (water source up to and including the treatment plant).*

[Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program](#). US Department of Agriculture. Federal. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: local government, nonprofits, Tribes. *This program provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. Funds may be used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage, and distribution; sewer collection, transmission, treatment, and disposal; solid waste collection, disposal, and closure; storm water collection, transmission, and disposal.*

[Community Funding Partnership](#). Colorado River District. Project-based funding. Eligible entities: include local governments, nonprofits, irrigation districts, and other stakeholders within the Colorado River District's 15-county Western Slope region. *Provides funding for multi-benefit water projects in five categories: productive agriculture, infrastructure, healthy rivers, watershed health and water quality, and conservation and efficiency. Grants aim to support projects that enhance water resilience and leverage additional funding from state, federal, and private sources. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis; however, for funding requests exceeding \$50,000, applications must be submitted at least six weeks prior to the quarterly board meetings held in January, April, July, and October.*