

# **Community Development Infrastructure Projects**

## **Local, Regional, State and Federal**

### **Sources of Funds**

#### **Local**

General Budget  
Local Sales Tax – Special Legislation  
Assessments/User Fees  
Tax Increment Financing  
Tax Abatement Financing

#### **Regional**

Region 5  
Initiative Foundation  
Sourcewell  
Minnesota Power  
Crow Wing Power  
Consolidated Telecommunications Company

#### **State**

MN DEED Business and Community Development

- Public Facilities Authority
- Broadband Initiatives and Funding

Local Sales Tax – Special Legislation

#### **Federal**

USDA – Rural Development Programs  
USEDA – Economic Development Administration

- Public Works
- Economic Adjustment
- Planning

#### **Other**



## Infrastructure Funds and Programs

The PFA manages three revolving loan funds and several other financing programs to help local governments upgrade and construct wastewater treatment and collection facilities, to upgrade and construct drinking water distribution and storage facilities, and to address transportation, public facilities and other high-cost infrastructure needs.

All wastewater and drinking water projects must be included on the Project Priority Lists (PPL) managed by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Department of Health.

### [Clean Water Revolving Fund \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/cleanwaterrevolvingfund.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/cleanwaterrevolvingfund.jsp)

This fund helps communities build or upgrade wastewater treatment plants to comply with discharge standards in the federal Clean Water Act.

### [Drinking Water Revolving Fund \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/drinking-water.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/drinking-water.jsp)

This fund helps communities build drinking water storage, treatment and distribution systems that comply with standards in the Safe Drinking Water Act.

### [Point Source Implementation Grant \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/point-source-grants.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/point-source-grants.jsp)

Provides grants to units of local government to assist with the cost of wastewater treatment or storm water projects.

### [Small Community Wastewater Treatment \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/smallcommunitywastewatertreatmentprogram.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/smallcommunitywastewatertreatmentprogram.jsp)

Funding to help replace non-complying septic systems and straight pipes with systems that will be publicly owned, operated and maintained.

### [Transportation Revolving Loan \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/transportationrevolvingfund.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/transportationrevolvingfund.jsp)

Financing for state, local and other government entities for transportation projects approved by the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

### [Water Infrastructure Fund \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/wastewater.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/wastewater.jsp)

Provides supplemental grants to help communities build water treatment projects that address environmental or public health problems.

• [Credit Enhancement Program \(/deed/pfa/funds-programs/credit-enhancement.jsp\)](/deed/pfa/funds-programs/credit-enhancement.jsp)

This program helps cities and counties reduce the costs of borrowing to build certain public facilities.

# EDA PROGRAMS

## ***Public Works***

Empowers distressed communities to revitalize, expand, and upgrade their physical infrastructure to attract new industry, encourage business expansion, diversify local economies, and generate or retain long-term, private sector jobs and investment.

[Printable Public Works Program \(/pdf/about/Public-Works-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/Public-Works-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF)

## ***Economic Adjustment***

Assists state and local interests in designing and implementing strategies to adjust or bring about change to an economy. The program focuses on areas that have experienced or are under threat of serious structural damage to the underlying economic base. Under Economic Adjustment, EDA administers its [Revolving Loan Fund \(RLF\) Program \(/r/f/\)](/r/f/), which supplies small businesses and entrepreneurs with the gap financing needed to start or expand their business.

[Printable Economic Adjustment Program \(/pdf/about/Economic-Adjustment-Assistance-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/Economic-Adjustment-Assistance-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF)

## ***Planning***

Supports local organizations ([Economic Development Districts \(/edd/\)](/edd/), Indian Tribes, and other eligible areas) with short and long-term planning efforts. The [Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy \(CEDS\) Content Guidelines \(/ceds/\)](/ceds/), provides suggestions, tools, and resources for developing comprehensive economic development strategies.

[Printable Planning Program \(/pdf/about/Planning-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/Planning-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF (<http://www.eda.gov/plugin-ins.htm>))

## ***Regional Innovation Strategies (/oie/ris/)***

Supports innovation and entrepreneurship capacity-building activities by creating and expanding cluster-focused proof-of-concept and commercialization programs and early-stage seed capital funds through the i6 Challenge and the Seed Fund Support (SFS) Grant competition, respectively.

## ***Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms***

A national network of [11 Trade Adjustment Assistance Centers \(http://www.taacenters.org/locations.html\)](http://www.taacenters.org/locations.html) to help strengthen the competitiveness of American companies that have lost domestic sales and employment because of increased imports of similar goods and services.

[Printable Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Program \(/pdf/about/TAAF-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/TAAF-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF)

## ***University Centers (/programs/university-centers/)***

A partnership of the federal government and academia that makes the varied and vast resources of universities available to the economic development community.

[Printable University Centers Program \(/pdf/about/Local-TA-and-UC-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/Local-TA-and-UC-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF)

Report: [Making Connections, Evaluation Project to Assess Best Practices in EDA's University Center Program \(/files/programs/university-centers/uc-tools/Evaluation-of-UC-Best-Practices.pdf\)](/files/programs/university-centers/uc-tools/Evaluation-of-UC-Best-Practices.pdf) (PDF)

## ***Research and National Technical Assistance***

Supports research of leading edge, world class economic development practices and information dissemination efforts.

[Printable Research and National Technical Assistance Program \(/pdf/about/Research-and-Evaluation-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/Research-and-Evaluation-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF)

## ***Local Technical Assistance***

Helps fill the knowledge and information gaps that may prevent leaders in the public and nonprofit sectors in distressed areas from making optimal decisions on local economic development issues.

[Printable Local Technical Assistance Program \(/pdf/about/Local-TA-and-UC-Program-1-Page.pdf\)](/pdf/about/Local-TA-and-UC-Program-1-Page.pdf) (PDF)