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GRANTS GUIDE

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The Port of Pittsburgh Commission is pleased to provide you with this Grant Guide on funding programs available from the state and federal government.

Programs contained in this document were aggregated from available public resources.

While not inclusive of all potential funding opportunities, this directory focuses on the programs that we believe are, and have traditionally been, most of interest to our river-industry stakeholders in the Port of Pittsburgh District.

This will be and is a living document which will be regularly updated and accessible from our website at www.portpitt.com, so please check periodically.

Programs that are currently receiving applications will be at the beginning of this guide with an open sign indicator at the top of their page: 

We hope this guide is useful now and in the future. Please let us know if you ever have any questions, suggestions, or need of assistance in pursuing any of these opportunities.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Bucci

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Executive Director



ON THE COVER:
Located in Westmoreland County at the intersection of Interstate 70 and the Monongahela River, and with rail access, Three Rivers Marine & Rail Terminals' Gibsonton Terminal exemplifies intermodal connectivity within the Port of Pittsburgh District.



Currently Opened Programs

Federal Government OPEN!

Program Title: *Port Infrastructure Development Program*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration

Deadline: Applications are due by 11:59pm Eastern on April 28, 2023.

Purpose: The Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) is a discretionary grant program administered by the U.S. Maritime Administration. Funds for the PIDP are awarded on a competitive basis to projects that improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a port.

Website: <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/PIDPgrants>

Contact Information: PIDPGrants@dot.gov; 202-366-7678

Additional Information: Approximately \$612 million will be available for grants to “improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods through port or intermodal connections to ports” under the FY 23 PIDP grant cycle.

Federal Government OPEN!

Program Title: *Small Shipyard Grant Program*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration

Deadline: Applications are due by 5:00pm Eastern on February 27, 2023.

Purpose: The Small Shipyard Grant Program is to foster efficiency, competitive operations, and quality ship construction, repair, and reconfiguration in small shipyards across the United States in addition to fostering employee skills and enhanced productivity related to shipbuilding, ship repair, and associated industries.

Website: <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/grants-finances/small-shipyard-grants>

Contact Information: smallshipyardgrants@dot.gov; 202-366-6988

Additional Information: \$20,800,000 is currently available for Small Shipyard Grants to: (1) make capital and related improvements to qualified shipyard facilities that will be effective in fostering efficiency; competitive operations; and quality ship construction, repair, and reconfiguration; and (2) provide training for workers in shipbuilding, ship repair, and associated industries.

Federal Government OPEN!

Program Title: *The Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grants*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration

Deadline: Final Applications must be submitted by 11:59:59 PM E.D.T. on February 28, 2023 and selections will be announced no later than June 28, 2023.

Purpose: Previously known as the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) and Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grants. Funds for the FY 2023 RAISE grant program will be awarded on a competitive basis, per statute, for surface transportation infrastructure projects that will improve: safety; environmental sustainability; quality of life; mobility and community connectivity; economic competitiveness and opportunity including tourism; state of good repair; partnership and collaboration; and innovation.

Website: <https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants>

Contact Information: RAISEGrants@dot.gov; phone: 202-366-0301

Additional Information: The eligibility requirements of RAISE allow project sponsors at the State and local levels to obtain funding for multi-modal, multi-jurisdictional projects that are more difficult to support through traditional DOT programs. RAISE can fund port and freight rail projects, for example, which play a critical role in our ability to move freight, but have limited sources of Federal funds.

Federal Government

OPENING
SOON

Program Title: *America's Marine Highway Program*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration

Deadline: Expecting next round to open in Jan/Feb. Most recent due date was June 17, 2022.

Purpose: The primary goal of the AMHP is to expand the use of the nation's navigable waters to relieve landside congestion, reduce air emissions, and generate other public benefits by increasing the efficiency of the surface transportation system, and Marine Highway Grants will be awarded to further this purpose.

Website: <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/grants/marine-highways/marine-highway>

Contact Information: mh@dot.gov; 202-366-1123

Additional Information: POTENTIAL OHIO RIVER (M-70) PROJECTS ONLY IN PORTPITT DISTRICT. To better understand how the process worked in prior years, please consider viewing the full FY2022 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for additional information about the program. Can be found here: <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/grants/marine-highways/notice-funding-opportunity-america%E2%80%99s-marine-highway-projects>

**Coming
Later
This Year**

Winter 2023	Charging and Fuel Infrastructure	USDOT - Federal Highway Administration
March/April 2023	Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure	USDOT - Pipeline & HAZMAT Safety Admin.
April 2023	Safe Streets & Roads For All Grant Program	USDOT - Office of the Secretary
April 2023	Ferry Program - Rural & Passenger	USDOT - Federal Transit Administration
Spring 2023	Multimodal Grants - INFRA, MEGA & Rural	USDOT - Office of the Secretary
Spring 2023	Thriving Communities	USDOT - Office of the Secretary
Spring 2023	Port Security Grant Program	US Dept of Homeland Security - FEMA
Summer 2023	Railroad Crossing Elimination Program	USDOT - Federal Railroad Administration
Fall 2023	Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety (CRISI)	USDOT - Federal Railroad Administration

Currently Closed Programs

State Government

Program Title: *PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund grant program*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

Deadline: Currently closed. Most recent deadline was November 14, 2022 at 4:00pm.

Purpose: The program is intended to provide financial assistance to municipalities, councils of governments, businesses, economic development organizations, public transportation agencies, and ports and rail freight entities to improve transportation assets that enhance communities, pedestrian safety, and transit revitalization.

Website: <https://www.penndot.pa.gov/ProjectAndPrograms/MultimodalProgram/Pages/default.aspx>

Contact Information: David J. Bratina, RA-PDMultimodalFund@pa.gov, 717-705-1230

Additional Information: Railroad owner, railroad lessee/operator, railroad user, port terminal operators, and businesses are eligible applicants.

Federal Government

Program Title: *Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration

Deadline: Currently closed. Most recently deadline was December 1, 2022 at 5:00pm.

Purpose: This program funds projects that improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of intercity passenger and freight rail.

Website: <https://railroads.dot.gov/grants-loans/competitive-discretionary-grant-programs/consolidated-rail-infrastructure-and-safety-2>

Contact Information: douglas.gascon@dot.gov; phone: 202-493-0239

Additional Information: See the latest Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for additional information about the program. You can find it here: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/09/02/2022-19004/notice-of-funding-opportunity-for-the-consolidated-rail-infrastructure-and-safety-improvements>

Federal Government

Program Title: *Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration

Deadline: Currently closed. Last closing date was October 11, 2022.

Purpose: The purpose of the RCE Program is to provide funding for highway-rail and pathway-rail grade crossing improvement projects that focus on improving the safety and mobility of people and goods.

Website: <https://railroads.dot.gov/grants-loans/competitive-discretionary-grant-programs/railroad-crossing-elimination-grant-program>

Contact Information: douglas.gascon@dot.gov; phone: 202-493-0239

Additional Information: See the latest Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for additional information about the program. You can find it here: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/07/06/2022-14344/notice-of-funding-opportunity-for-the-railroad-crossing-elimination-program>

Federal Government

Program Title: *Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) Grants*

Assistance Type: Competitive Grant

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

Deadline: Currently closed. Last closing date was May 23, 2022.

Purpose: This USDOT-wide program provides funding for highway and freight projects of national or regional significance. USDOT seeks INFRA applications for projects that apply innovative technology, delivery, or financing methods with proven outcomes to deliver projects in a cost-effective manner. INFRA was previously known as the Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) Grant Program (FY 2016).

Website: <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/infra-grants-program>

Contact Information: MPDGrants@dot.gov; 202-366-1092

Additional Information: See the latest Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for additional information about the program through their website above.



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