

# TX-07 GRANTS NEWSLETTER

June 2025

This monthly newsletter is intended to provide a guide to some of the funding opportunities to help ensure our community has access to the information needed to apply for grants to address key priorities in Texas' Seventh Congressional District. President Trump's recent executive orders and actions have directed federal agencies to pause all grant programs under the *IIJA*, however, and other grant programs. This pause creates uncertainty about the timing and availability of funding for infrastructure projects, potentially impacting project planning and implementation timelines.

We want to share what we are seeing, and we also want to hear from you about the experiences you have had with grant funding and grant applications. Your insights into federal grant funding are important to us. Please take a moment to [share](#) your priorities, concerns, and how this pause on federal grants impacts you.

## New Resources

- The Department of Justice Office for Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) has a catalog of internal research publications on various policing topics for grant applicants [here](#).
- The Department of Transportation hosted a webinar to provide a general overview of the Safe Streets for All Implementation grants and action plans which you can find [here](#).
- The Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has a grants management training portal [here](#) where you can access agency specific guidance and resources.
- The Department of Agriculture hosted a webinar on the Farmer's Market Promotion Program which provides a general overview of the program which you can watch [here](#).

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## Active Grant Opportunities

The following grants are active and available as of the publication of this newsletter.

### The Inflation Reduction Act

- **Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP)**
  - Description: This program protects the agricultural viability and related conservation values of eligible land by limiting nonagricultural uses which negatively affect agricultural uses and conservation values, protect grazing uses and related conservation values by restoring or conserving eligible grazing land, and protecting and restoring and enhancing wetlands on eligible land. There are two components of this program. First, Agricultural Land Easements (ALE) help private and tribal landowners, land trusts, and other entities such as state and local governments protect croplands and grasslands on working farms and ranches by limiting non-agricultural uses of the land through conservation easements. Second, Wetland Reserve Easements (WRE) help private and tribal landowners protect, restore, and enhance wetlands which have been previously degraded due to agricultural uses.
  - Who can apply?
    - Eligible partners include Native American Tribes; State and local governments; non-governmental organizations that have farmland, rangeland, or grassland protection programs. Eligible landowners include owners of privately held land, including land that is held by Tribes and Tribal members. All landowners, including required members of landowner-legal entities, must meet adjusted gross income (AGI) limitations and must be compliant with the HEL/WC provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985.
  - Deadline: Year-round

### Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

- **Safe Streets for All Program (SS4A)**
  - Description: The Safe Streets and Roads for All program provides funding for regional, local, and Tribal initiatives aimed at preventing roadway deaths and injuries. This program supports the Department of Transportation's goal of zero roadway deaths through a Safe System Approach. The DOT anticipates posting this funding opportunity soon.
  - Who can apply?
    - County, city or township governments; Special district governments; Independent school districts; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized).
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- **NEW** [Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Grants; Low or No Emissions \(Bus\) Grants](#)
  - Description: The Federal Transit Authority (FTA) seeks to provide funding to state and local governments to purchase, lease, replace, or rehabilitate zero-emission and low-emission transit buses, as well as to acquire, construct, or lease supporting facilities. These programs support technological advancements and innovations to modernize transit systems, including modifications for low or no-emission vehicles and infrastructure.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, and township governments; Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: July 14, 2025
- [Bridge Investment Program, Planning and Bridge Program](#)
  - Description: This grant program aims to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition and keep bridges in fair condition from deteriorating further. The program expands applicant eligibility which allows all levels of government to apply as direct recipients making it easier for local projects to advance the needs of the community.
  - Who can apply?
    - States and federal land management agencies; metropolitan planning organizations; local governments; and Tribal governments.
  - Deadlines:
    - Fiscal Year 2026 Planning Application Due, October 1, 2025
    - Fiscal Year 2026 Application Due, November 1, 2025

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## Other Federal Grants for Diverse Needs

The following grants are active and available as of the publication of this newsletter.

- **Emerging Markets Program**
  - Description: This program aims to promote exports of U.S. agricultural products to countries with emerging or developing market-oriented economies. It provides cost-share funding for technical assistance activities such as feasibility studies, market research, training, and trade workshops. These efforts aim to strengthen the potential for long-term commercial export relationships in new and growing markets.
  - Who can apply?
    - State, city and local governments; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Private institutions of higher education; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Forprofit organizations other than small businesses, and small businesses.
  - Deadline: June 6, 2025
- **NEW Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program**
  - Description: This program funds transitional housing and support services for victims who are homeless or in need of transitional housing or other housing assistance because of a situation of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, and township governments; Nonprofits that do and do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, and Native American Tribal governments and organizations (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: June 9, 2025
- **NEW Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response Program**
  - Description: This program aims to improve criminal justice responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking as serious violations of criminal law, and to seek safety and autonomy for victims.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, and township governments; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, and Native American Tribal governments and organizations (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: June 16, 2025

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- **NEW** [Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration \(FMCSA\) Grants](#)
  - Description: This program aims to support and evaluate Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) safety programs and to target unsafe driving of CMVs and non-CMV in high risk crash corridors. The program also aims to secure safe movement of hazardous materials, demonstrate new technologies to improve CMV safety, support participation in the Performance Registration Information Systems Management (PRISM) program, and increase public awareness on CMV safety.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, township, and special district governments; Institutions of High Education; Nonprofit organizations with a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS and Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: June 20, 2025
- **NEW** [Blue Alert Program](#)
  - Description: This program supports efforts to enhance coordination and awareness of the Blue Alert Network by documenting Blue Alert activations, highlighting acts of heroism, collecting data on officers shot in the line of duty, and preparing reports and materials for public and advisory group use.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - All public governmental agencies; Forprofit (commercial) organizations; Nonprofit organizations; Institutions of higher education; Community groups, and faith-based organizations.
  - Deadline: June 24, 2025
- **NEW** [Community Policing Development: Law Enforcement Products and Resources](#)
  - Description: This funding supports the collaborative development of products and resources on law enforcement topics, specifically designed for national distribution that offer creative ideas to advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes in support of community policing. This includes providing guidance on promising practices, developing and testing innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - Forprofit (commercial) organizations; Nonprofit organizations; Institutions of Higher Education, and community groups and faith-based organizations.
  - Deadline: June 24, 2025

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- **NEW** [Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Hiring and Training Program](#)
  - Description: This program supports efforts to establish or expand access to sexual assault forensic exams by funding the salaries of full- and part-time sexual assault nurse and forensic examiners.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, and township governments; Nonprofits that do and do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American Tribal governments and organizations (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: June 24, 2025
- **NEW** [Continuum of Care Builds \(CoC Builds\)](#)
  - Description: This program aims to address and reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness by adding new units of permanent supportive housing (PSH) through new construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, township governments and special district governments; Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American Tribal organizations and governments (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: June 26, 2025
- **NEW** [Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Research Initiative](#)
  - Description: This grant funds research to improve understanding of the availability, accessibility, and quality of sexual assault forensic exams and the professionals who conduct them, such as Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners. The initiative supports studies on provider training, facility staffing, patient access barriers, state standards, and related costs, with the goal of informing policy and enhancing care for sexual assault survivors.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - Private institutions of higher education; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
  - Deadline: June 27, 2025

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- **NEW** [Regional Food System Partnerships](#)
  - Description: This program supports collaborative efforts to strengthen and develop local or regional food systems by connecting public and private resources. Funded partnerships work together to set priorities, align services, and pursue sustainable, measurable goals that enhance food system resilience. Projects may include planning, outreach, technical assistance, and coordination with USDA programs to expand participation and impact.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - County, city, township, and special district government; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Public benefit corporations; Food councils; Producer or majority-controlled producer-based business ventures; Producer networks or associations; Regional farmers market authorities, and Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized); and eligible partners.
  - Deadline: June 27, 2025
- **NEW** [Farmers Market Promotion Program \(FMPP\)](#)
  - Description: This grant supports projects that expand and strengthen direct producer-to-consumer markets, such as farmers markets and online sales, to improve access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products. The program also promotes value-added product development, food safety improvements, and innovative marketing strategies, including efforts to reduce food waste and respond to evolving technology needs.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - County, city, township, and special district government; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Public benefit corporations; Food councils; Producer or majority-controlled producer-based business ventures; Producer networks or associations; Economic development corporations; Agricultural business or cooperatives; Regional farmers market authorities, and Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: June 27, 2025
- **NEW** [Prevent and Respond to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking Against Children and Youth Program](#)
  - Description: This program supports comprehensive, community-based efforts to develop or expand prevention, intervention, treatment, and response strategies to address the needs of children and youth (ages 0-24) impacted by domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - County, city, and townships; Independent school districts; Nonprofits that do and do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American Tribal governments and organizations (Federally recognized).
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- **NEW Collaborative Reform Initiative (CRI)**
  - Description: This grant supports law enforcement agencies in implementing organizational improvements aligned with community policing principles. It aims to enhance officer expertise through training, peer learning, and expert consultation, while promoting data-informed practices and sharing lessons learned from the Collaborative Reform Initiative.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - Forprofit (commercial) organizations; Nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education.
  - Deadline: June 30, 2025
- **NEW Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships to Stimulate (RAMPS) Cybersecurity Education and Workforce Development**
  - Description: This program is seeking to establish community-based partnerships to develop cybersecurity career pathways that address local workforce needs. Effective multistakeholder workforce partnerships will organize multiple employers with skill shortages in specific occupations to focus on developing the skilled workforce to meet industry needs within the local or regional economy.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, township, and special district governments; Independent school districts; Institutions of higher education; Nonprofit organizations; Forprofit organizations incorporated in the United States, and Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: July 1, 2025
- **NEW Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S)**
  - Description: The purpose of the FP&S Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards. The FP&S Program offers grants to support activities in both activities designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate incidences of death and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards as well as research and development activities aimed at improving firefighter safety.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - County, city, and townships; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education.
  - Deadline: July 3, 2025

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- **NEW** [Grants to Engage Men and Youth in Preventing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program](#)
  - Description: This program aims to combat human trafficking and support victims who have also experienced domestic or sexual violence with a project that focuses on encouraging men and youth to serve as allies in preventing gender-based violence.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - County, city, township and special district governments; Independent school districts; Nonprofits that do and do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, and Native American Tribal governments and organizations (Federally recognized)
  - Deadline: July 8, 2025
- [North American Wetlands Conservation Act \(NAWCA\) Standard Grants Program](#)
  - Description: This program supports partnerships to conserve wetlands and associated upland habitats across the United States. Projects must focus on the long-term protection, restoration, enhancement, and/or establishment of these habitats to benefit wetlands-associated migratory birds. Eligible activities support healthy wetland ecosystems and diverse bird populations, including waterfowl, shorebirds, and other migratory species.
  - Who can apply?
    - State, county, city, township, and special district governments; Independent school districts; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized) and organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS; Private institutions of higher education, and small businesses.
  - Deadline: July 10, 2025
- **NEW** [Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund](#)
  - Description: This program provides funding for the recovery of historic and cultural resources in areas impacted by natural disasters that have received a major disaster declaration pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act) in calendar years 2023 and/or 2024.
  - Who Can Apply?
    - State, county, city, township governments and special district governments; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Private institutions of higher education; Independent school districts; Nonprofits that do and do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS and Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: July 15, 2025

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- **Fire Science Innovations through Research and Education (FIRE)**
  - Description: The FIRE program supports multidisciplinary research and education focused on wildland fire. Proposals should address innovative approaches in areas like data collection, modeling, community adaptation, and infrastructure vulnerability related to wildland fire. Collaboration among diverse groups, including academics, industry, and local communities, is encouraged to advance research.
  - Who can apply?
    - Unrestricted.
  - Deadline: September 5, 2025
- **The Coastal Program**
  - Description: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Program is a community-based program that helps coastal areas with technical and financial support to address complex conservation challenges of priority coastal ecosystems. The program protects at-risk species by improving habitats, enhancing connectivity for wildlife migration, and building resilient ecosystems through collaborative conservation efforts.
  - Who can apply?
    - State, county, city, township and special district governments; Independent school districts; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; private institutions of higher education; Public housing authorities/Tribal housing authorities; Small businesses; Individuals; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American Tribal governments and organizations (Federally recognized).
  - Deadline: September 30, 2025
- **Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW)**
  - Description: This is a voluntary program that fosters partnerships to support both communities and the conservation of fish, wildlife, and their habitats. Through cooperative agreements with private landowners, the program offers technical assistance and financial support to restore and protect vital habitats, benefiting federal trust resources.
  - Who can apply?
    - State, county, city, township, or special district governments; independent school districts; private, public and state controlled institutions of higher education; public housing authorities/Tribal housing authorities; small businesses; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized) and organizations; and individuals.
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- [The Research-on-Research Security Program](#)
  - Description: The program encourages interdisciplinary, evidence-based projects that foster collaboration among STEM researchers, research security experts, and practitioners, including potential international partners. Projects may explore topics such as threat identification, policy impact, human behavior, and systemic or cultural factors affecting research security.
  - Who can apply?
    - Unrestricted
  - Deadline: Rolling applications
- [Education and Broadening Participation in Earth Sciences](#)
  - Description: This grant supports a range of programs aimed at engaging diverse audiences in Earth Sciences through education, research, and professional development opportunities. It funds undergraduate and teacher research experiences, postdoctoral fellowships, and early-career faculty who integrate research with education, especially those focused on broadening participation in the geosciences.
  - Who can apply?
    - Unrestricted
  - Deadline: Rolling applications

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The following grants and funding opportunities are upcoming and are not yet accepting applications. As more details become available for each of these programs, our team will be sure to include them in upcoming issues of this newsletter. *Please note that these dates are target announcement dates, and therefore subject to change. Please also note some of these programs may be subject to change due to the current Administration's Executive Orders.*

## Upcoming Notices and Funding Opportunities

- Electric Drive Vehicle Battery Improving Economics, Recovery and Reuse, and State of Health
  - Description: The Electric Drive Vehicle Battery Recycling and Second-Life Applications Program focuses on the research, development, and demonstration of second life uses for electric vehicle batteries after they have powered electric vehicles, as well as technologies and processes for their recycling and final disposal. The Department of Energy anticipates posting this funding opportunity soon.
- Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization (NGDISM)
  - Description: Through the NGDISM grant, the Department of Transportation (DOT) will provide funding to repair, rehabilitate, or replace natural gas distribution pipeline systems or portions thereof, or to acquire equipment to either reduce incidents and fatalities or avoid economic losses. This program aims to reduce the risk profile of existing pipeline systems with pipes prone to leakage of methane, create related well-paying jobs, promote economic growth, and benefit disadvantaged rural communities with the safe provision of natural gas. The DOT anticipates posting this funding opportunity in Spring of 2025.
- National Digital Newspaper Program
  - Description: This program creates a national digital resource of historically significant newspapers published between 1690 and 1963 from all 56 states and U.S. jurisdictions. The Library of Congress (LOC) maintains this freely accessible, searchable online database. The National Endowment for the Humanities anticipates posting this funding opportunity in Fall of 2025.
- Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI)
  - The purpose of the CRISI Program is to invest in a wide range of projects within the United States to improve railroad safety, efficiency, and reliability; mitigate congestion at both intercity passenger rail and freight rail chokepoints to support more efficient travel and goods movement; enhance multi-modal connections; and lead to new or substantially improved Intercity Passenger Rail Transportation corridors. The FTA anticipates posting this funding opportunity in Spring of 2025

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- National Training and Technical Assistance Partner (NTTAP)
  - This program provides training and technical assistance focused on behavioral health and delivers high-impact T/TA to help health centers deliver comprehensive health services, address emergent public health issues and needs as they relate to behavioral health care, improve operational effectiveness, efficiency, and quality, and reduce health disparities. HRSA anticipates posting this notice of funding opportunity in Spring 2025.
- Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Technical Assistance Grant Program
  - This program aims to provide technical assistance to employers and labor unions to increase women's participation in apprenticeable and non-traditional occupations (A/NTO). It supports the development of training programs, resources, and support services that prepare and retain women in industries such as manufacturing, construction, technology, and transportation. The Department of Labor anticipates posting this funding opportunity soon.
- Advanced Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies to Drive National Decarbonization
  - This funding opportunity aims to advance development and demonstration of clean hydrogen and fuel cell technologies, particularly in hard-to-decarbonize sectors like heavy-duty transportation and industrial applications and to enable long duration energy storage for a clean electric grid. The Department of Energy anticipates posting their deadlines soon.
- **NEW** Peer Supports for Augmentative and Alternative Communication
  - This grant will fund a three-year project to develop sustainable peer support models for individuals who use or could benefit from Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC). The program aims to create communities where people with speech disabilities, including those with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), can access support as well as increase AAC awareness and usage. The Department of Health and Human Services anticipates posting this funding opportunity soon.

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## General Resources

- [Grants.gov](#): This is the most complete list of federal grant opportunities. It is searchable and updated frequently.
- [Department of Transportation Competitive Grant Funding Matrix](#): Look through program descriptions on the chart to identify programs for which you have relevant projects.
- [Department of Transportation Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Program Guide](#): Search by keyword to identify relevant programs that will open throughout the next five years.
- [Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations Funding Opportunity Exchange](#): OCED has a number of funding opportunities for clean energy projects through the IRA and IIJA, and this page has a funding matrix with grant information.
- [Department of Labor Grants](#): DOL has a grant platform to connect, protect, train, support, and empower workers and job seekers.

Should you have any questions, please contact our Grants Manager, Grace Kuperman, at [Grace.Kuperman@mail.house.gov](mailto:Grace.Kuperman@mail.house.gov) or (713) 353-8680

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