

Honoring Our Community

GRANTS

October – December 2022

OPPD is pleased to support the communities we serve by identifying and sharing grant-funding opportunities. Quarterly, we highlight grants that may be of interest to you. If you have a specific grant need, please let us know.

Community Betterment

Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grants

Deadline: Nov. 2, 2022, or when the 600-application limit is met

Eligibility: All types of public safety agencies, including fire departments, law enforcement, EMS, public safety organizations, nonprofits, and schools.

Description: Purchase equipment between \$15,000 - \$50,000.

Website: <https://firstrespondergrants.com/firehouse-subs-public-safety-foundation-grant/>

Gary Sinise Foundation First Responder Grants

Deadline: Ongoing

Eligibility: Law enforcement departments, fire departments, and paramedic or EMS departments.

Description: For equipment and training, and provide critical funding for emergency relief, training and essential equipment to ensure first responders can perform to the best of their abilities.

Website: <https://www.garysinisefoundation.org/first-responders-outreach>

T-Mobile Hometown Grants – Q4

Deadline: Dec. 1, 2022

Eligibility: Nonprofits and government organizations.

Description: To support the people and organizations who help small towns, with 50,000 people or less, across America thrive and grow. These are given every quarter, up to 25 small towns. Apply for funding to support a community project of your choice. E.g.: revitalizing a town hall, a senior center, a local little league field or any space where friends and neighbors gather.

Website: <https://www.t-mobile.com/brand/hometown-grants>

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Deadline: Spring 2023

Eligibility: Political subdivision, such as a city, county government or Natural Resource District, etc.

Description: Provides reimbursable matching grants for up to 50%

of total project costs that include, but are not limited to, ballfields, soccer fields, swimming pools, picnicking facilities, playgrounds, pool renovations, splash pads, park acquisitions and development and park-related support facilities.

Website: <https://outdoornebraska.gov/lwcf/>

USDA Community Facilities and Direct Loan and Grant Program

Deadline: Ongoing

Eligibility: Public bodies, community-based nonprofit organizations and federally-recognized tribes.

Description: To develop essential community facilities – which provide an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area. This does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

Qualifying examples include:

- health care facilities – hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities
- public facilities – town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements
- community support services – child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing
- public safety services – fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks or public works vehicles or equipment
- educational services – museums, libraries or private schools
- utility services – telemedicine or distance learning equipment
- local food systems – community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses

Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-directloan-grant-program/ne>

Transportation

USDA Rural Development: Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive (HBIIP) Program

Deadline: Nov. 21, 2022

Eligibility: Fueling stations, convenience stores, hypermarket fueling stations, fleet facilities, (including rail and marine), similar entities with capital investments, and fuel distribution facilities.

Description: Increase significantly the sales and use of higher blends of ethanol and biodiesel by expanding the infrastructure for renewable fuels derived from U.S. agricultural products.

Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs/higher-blends-infrastructure-incentive-program>