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GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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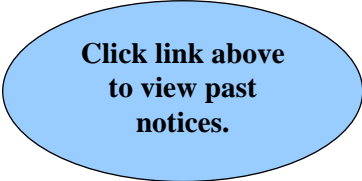
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**National Grid
Economic Development**

<http://www.shovelready.com/programs.asp#anchor 6>

National Grid's 2010 Economic Development Plan maintains a strong focus on site development, urban revitalization, strategic marketing, and facilitating customer growth through infrastructure assistance, energy efficiency and productivity improvement. The Plan utilizes the following programs and services:

The Industrial Building Assistance program provides grants of up to \$250,000 to building owners undertaking efforts to retrofit the interior electric and gas infrastructure required to convert these buildings to multi-tenant industrial use.

The Shovel Ready Infrastructure program provides grants of up to \$100,000 for the installation of electric and natural gas infrastructure by local development agencies.

The Brownfield Redevelopment program provides grants to fund utility related infrastructure improvements and other costs that are necessary to progress the redevelopment of a brownfield site or vacant building.

The Main Street/Commercial District Revitalization program is designed to assist communities in realizing their goals and promote "smart growth" investment in central business districts and commercial corridors.

The Urban Corridor Revitalization program provides matching grants of up to \$1,000,000 over a two year period to municipalities, local development corporations, universities and medical complexes undertaking major neighborhood revitalization projects.

The Capital Investment Incentive program provides grants to fund electric and natural gas improvements on National Grid owned or required natural gas and electric infrastructure for certain businesses projects that involve major capital investment in plant and equipment.

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The 3-Phase Power Incentive program provides grants of up to \$50,000 to help fund the extension of 3-phase electric service to eligible National Grid customers.

The Power Quality Enhancements program offers financial incentives to qualified customers for the installation of power quality mitigation equipment and controls. Qualifying applicants must demonstrate their facility has a power quality problem that results in production, operational, or quality constraints.

The Renewable Energy and Economic Development program will fund a limited number of projects in the National Grid service territory that demonstrate alternative generation technologies while producing significant economic development benefits for the region.

The Energy Efficiency in Empire Zones program provides assistance to Empire Zone businesses in the service territory of Niagara Mohawk. The program provides incentives to eligible customers for installation of systems that reduce energy use and/or enhance productivity.

The Small Business Demand Charge Reduction program provides eligible businesses 2 years of electric service demand charge discounts.

The Agri Business Productivity program provides rebates to fund energy efficiency, renewable energy delivery and/or productivity improvements undertaken by dairy businesses, dairy farms and controlled environment agricultural facilities located within the service territory of National Grid New York.

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Homeownership Grant Program**

https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/wfhf/homeownership_guideline

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Education

**U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Administration for Children & Families
Child Welfare -- Education System Collaborations to Increase Educational Stability**
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2011-ACF-ACYF-CO-0183>

These 17-month infrastructure building grants will support collaborative initiatives between State, local, or tribal child welfare agencies and education systems to improve educational stability and permanency outcomes for youth between the ages of 10 to 17 years old in the child welfare system. Educational and medical services are crucial supports for many families adopting children from foster care, especially children who have special education needs or extensive medical or mental health treatment needs. Through this funding opportunity communities can develop infrastructure to address barriers to permanency for youth as well as implement multi-disciplinary interventions to improve the socio-emotional and behavioral well-being youth in care. Applicants will propose viable partnerships between child welfare agencies, education systems, and other critical stakeholders, such as courts, health and mental health agencies to ensure youth in care are afforded the ability to succeed and thrive in educational settings to facilitate permanency including adoption and other post-permanency supports.

Deadline: July 26, 2011

Health

**Foundation of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children Access to Care Grants**
<http://www.aapd.org/foundation/grants.asp>

Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children seeks to support and promote services, education, and research with potential to improve the oral health of infants and children through adolescence, including those with special health care needs. HSHC Access to Care Grants are matching/challenge grants of up to \$20,000 per year to support local service initiatives that provide dental care to underserved children. Special consideration will be given to programs that have demonstrated success and/or have potential for replication in other communities. Initiatives demonstrating collaboration with other institutions and organizations will be given priority consideration. HSHC funds may be applied to cover costs of clinic supplies and instruments, patient and parent education materials, take-home supplies (toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.), education and/or outreach to recruit dentist participation in program activities, and other activities with clear, direct impact on child oral care. Eligible applicant organizations include nonprofit 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) organizations; local health jurisdictions; county health departments; hospitals and clinics; national, state, and local pediatricians' groups; and others.

Deadline: Letters of Intent are due August 15, 2011

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U.S. Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP)
Healthy People 2020 Community Innovations Project
<http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/implementing/funding.aspx>

The purpose of this RFP is to solicit community-level projects that use Healthy People 2020 overarching goals, topic areas and objectives to promote improved health at a community level. Funding is intended to support activities above and beyond general operations. This is a one-time funding opportunity; awards will range from \$5,000 to \$10,000, and up to 170 projects will be funded. Eligibility: Non-profit, community-based organizations with budgets less than \$750,000 can apply.

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Christopher D. Smithers Foundation
Supports Programs Addressing Alcoholism Issues
<http://www.smithersfoundation.org/>

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**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
NAWCA U.S. Small Grants Program**

<http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/index.shtm>

The U.S. Small Grants Program is a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United States that further the goals of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act. These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, enhancement and/or establishment of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds. A 1:1 match is required. Research funding is ineligible.

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Miscellaneous

NYSERDA

New York State Small windExplorer

<http://www.powernaturally.org/programs/wind/incentives.asp?i=8>

Funding is available to help New Yorkers install small-scale wind turbines that will cut their energy costs and reduce their carbon footprint. The program is available to individual consumers, developers, farmers and others who wish to install "on-site" wind turbines to generate electricity. It will provide funding to support approximately 30 percent of the purchase- and installation cost of wind turbines. Funding totaling \$16.6 million will be offered over the next five years and allocated based on the estimated annual electrical output of the turbine. The new program will provide incentives for systems up to 600kW per site not to exceed \$400,000 per turbine. Incentives are only available to Eligible Installers and incentives must be passed on to customers. Incentives will not be provided directly to customers who purchase and install their own wind energy systems.

Deadline: Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

National Park Service

Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program (RTCA)

http://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/rtca/contactus/cu_apply.html

The mission of the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program (RTCA) is to assist community-led natural resource conservation and outdoor recreation initiatives. RTCA staff provides guidance to communities so they can conserve waterways, preserve open space, and develop trails and greenways. Eligibility: a state or local agency, tribe, non-profit organization, or citizens' group. RTCA does not provide financial assistance to support project implementation. Applicants should discuss their project with RTCA staff before applying for assistance. It can be helpful to schedule an advance field visit by our staff to best understand how RTCA can be of assistance.

Deadline: August 1, 2011

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