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F1. United States Department of Transportation

Infrastructure for Rebuilding America, U.S. Department of Transportation

This grant aims to create opportunities for all levels of government and the private sector to fund infrastructure, using innovative approaches to improve the necessary processes for building significant projects, and increasing accountability for the projects that are built.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD

Link: https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/financing/infra-grants/infrastructure-rebuilding-America

Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE), U.S. Department of Transportation

RAISE Discretionary Grant program provides an opportunity to invest in road, rail, transit, and port projects that promise to achieve national objectives. 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.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: July 2021

Link: https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants

U.S. Department of Transportation Transit, Highway, and Safety Funds: Pedestrian and Bicycle Opportunities Matrix

As of January 2021, the US Department of Transportation (USDOT) includes fifteen different funding sources that could potentially fund bicycle and pedestrian projects, including trails and trail related facilities. The matrix on the USDOT website lists 46 types of projects (everything from trail construction in general to specific items like maps) and indicates which of the fifteen sources those projects may be eligible for.

Updated: January 21, 2021

Link: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/funding/funding_opportunities.cfm
F2. National Park Service

Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program

The National Park Service – Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program (NPS_RTCA) assists local agencies, tribes, nonprofit organizations or citizen groups with community-led outdoor recreation and natural resource conservation projects. Experienced staff can support everything from trail planning and community outreach to conceptual design. Applications are on an annual cycle due March 1st every year.

Link: https://www.nps.gov/orgs/rtca/index.htm
F3. California Grants

California Grants Portal Overview
Grants.ca.gov is managed and hosted by the California State Library. State grantmaking agencies input and update their information into prescribed data fields to make all state grant opportunities searchable on grants.ca.gov. The Grant Information Act requires state agencies to provide summaries of each of their grant or loan opportunities, including, among other items, information about how to apply and links that grant seekers can follow for more details.

Link: https://www.grants.ca.gov/

California Proposition 68 Overview
California voters passed the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) on June 5, 2018. Proposition 68 authorized the Legislature to appropriate $18.5 million to the California Natural Resources Agency (the “State”) for competitive grants for multi-benefit green infrastructure investments in or benefiting disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged communities (see map below). State Parks Prop 68 Funding gives priority to projects located in severely disadvantaged communities that are represented in gold on the map below.

F4. California Department of Parks and Recreation Office of Grants and Local Services (OGALS) Programs

Regional Parks Program, Proposition 68 (2018)
Regional Parks Program (RPP) creates, expands, or improves regional parks and regional park facilities. Eligible projects include trails, with preference given to multiuse trails over single-use trails; regional sports complexes; visitor and interpretive facilities; and other types of recreation and support facilities in regional parks. Eligible applicants include counties, regional park districts and regional open-space districts, open-space authorities, joint powers authorities where at least one of the members is otherwise eligible on this list, and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: November 2021

Link: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=29940
Figure F-1: Map of Disadvantaged Communities in and around the Delta Trail Master Plan Study Area

Prop 68 Community FactFinder Map

- Delta Trail Master Plan Study Area
- Parks and Open Space (from CPAD)

**Disadvantaged Communities**
- Disadvantaged Community
- Severely Disadvantaged Community

**Great Delta Trail Segments**
- Existing
- Planned (by EBRPD)

Rural Recreation and Tourism Program, Proposition 68 (2018)

Rural Recreation and Tourism Program (RRT) creates new recreation opportunities within rural communities to support health-related and economic goals. Eligible projects include: acquisition and development, or development of land to (1) create new recreational opportunities in rural communities that have a lack of outdoor recreation infrastructure; projects that support both economic and health-related goals for residential recreation and attract out-of-town visitors are given priority; and (2) new opportunities are the creation of facilities that currently do not exist. Projects in Solano and Yolo Counties are only eligible. County populations must be less than 500,000.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: November 2021
Link: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=28439

Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP), National Park Service under the authority of the Land and Water Conservation Fund

These grants aim to acquire and/or develop public lands for outdoor recreation purposes consistent with the purposes of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The ORLP program can fund acquisition and/or development projects. Preference is given to projects that will acquire and/or develop land to create a new park in 2010 Census-delineated urbanized areas. The nationwide ORLP program funding is for urban areas (jurisdictions of at least 50,000 people). Priority is given to projects located in economically disadvantaged areas that lack outdoor recreation opportunities. Eligible applicants include cities, counties, federally recognized native American tribes, joint powers authorities where all members are otherwise eligible under the LWCF Park districts, and special districts with authority to acquire, operate and maintain public park and recreation areas. The grant can fund up to, but not more than, 50% of the total project cost.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD, Last Cycle: June 2021
Link: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30578

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Local Agency Competitive, LWCF

The grants will provide funding for the acquisition or development of land to create new outdoor recreation opportunities for the health and wellness of Californians.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: February 2022
Link: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24324

Recreational Trails Program, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

This program provides funds annually for recreational trails and trails-related projects. The RTP is administered at the federal level by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). It is administered at the state level by the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Active Transportation Program (ATP). Non-motorized DPR projects are administered by the Office of Grants and Local Services and motorized projects are administered by DPR’s Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division. Eligible applicants include cities and counties, districts, state agencies, federal agencies, and non-profit organizations with management responsibilities of public lands. The maximum amount of RTP funds allowed for each project is 88% of the total project cost. The applicant is responsible for obtaining a match amount that is at least 12% of the total project cost.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: February 2022
Link: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24324
Division of Boating and Waterways

Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) allows local agencies to renew deteriorated facilities (e.g. boat launch ramps, boarding floats, parking lots, restrooms, lighting for boaters) or to develop new public access. Boating safety education grants to universities and colleges, nonprofit organizations, local government, and public agencies help in training, basic boating education and boating instruction safety centers, and equipment grants assist law enforcement agencies with the purchase of patrol boats and other safety equipment.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: Varies

Link: http://olga.dbw.parks.ca.gov/egrams_dbw/user/categoryprograms.aspx
F5. California Transportation Commission (CTC) and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Senate Bill 1 (SB 1): The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

*Link: https://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1*

**Active Transportation Program, Federal and State Funding Sources, Senate Bill 1 (2017)**

The Active Transportation Program consolidated various transportation programs into a single program and was originally funded from a combination of state and federal funds. The goals of the ATP include increasing the proportion of trips accomplished by walking and biking, increasing the safety and mobility of non-motorized users, advancing efforts of regional agencies to achieve greenhouse gas reduction goals, enhancing public health, and providing a broad spectrum of projects to benefit many types of users including disadvantaged communities.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: January 2022
*Link: https://catc.ca.gov/programs/active-transportation-program*

**Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants, Caltrans**

The Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program includes:

- **Sustainable Communities Grants** ($29.5 million) to encourage local and regional planning that furthers state goals, including, but not limited to, the goals and best practices cited in the Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission.

- **Strategic Partnerships Grants** ($4.5 million) to identify and address statewide, interregional, or regional transportation deficiencies on the State highway system in partnership with Caltrans. A sub-category funds transit-focused planning projects that address multimodal transportation deficiencies.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: Late Summer 2021
*Link: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-planning/regional-planning/sustainable-transportation-planning-grants*

**Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (Congested Corridors Program), SB 1 (2017)**

This program provides funding to achieve a balanced set of transportation, environmental, and community access improvements to reduce congestion throughout the state. Regional transportation planning agencies, county transportation commissions and Caltrans are eligible to apply for program funds through the nomination of projects. All projects nominated must be identified in a currently adopted regional transportation plan and an existing comprehensive corridor plan. The Commission developed Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines (plan guidelines) to provide guidance to eligible program applicants regarding the statutory requirements for comprehensive corridor plans utilized by agencies to apply for funding through the Congested Corridors Program. Eligible project elements within the corridor plans may include improvements to state highways, local streets and roads, rail facilities, public transit facilities, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and restoration or preservation work that protects critical local habitat or open space.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD
*Link: https://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/solutions-for-congested-corridors-program*
Local Partnership Program – Competitive, SB 1 (2017)

The Local Partnership Program provides funding to local and regional agencies to improve aging infrastructure, road conditions, active transportation, transit and rail, and health and safety benefits. Eligible applicants are public agencies in jurisdictions with voter approved taxes, tolls, or fees, which are dedicated solely to transportation improvements or that have imposed fees, including uniform developer fees, which are dedicated solely to transportation improvements. Projects funded will require at least a one-to-one match of private, local, federal, or state funds.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: 2022
Link: https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/local-partnership-program-competitive/
F6. California Natural Resources Agency

Green Infrastructure Program, Proposition 68 (2018)

This program aims to fund green infrastructure projects (e.g., green streets, tree planting, parks, commuter trails, etc.). All projects must achieve measurable benefits by a) acquiring, creating, enhancing or expanding community parks and green spaces, or b) use natural systems, or systems that mimic natural systems to achieve multiple benefits to create sustainable and vibrant communities. A competitive project will maximize opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through project design and implementation, incorporate green infrastructure solutions that improve the sustainability and function of existing hardscapes and landscapes and will provide multiple additional benefits including, but not limited to, decrease in air and water pollution, reduction in the consumption of natural resources and energy, increase in the reliability of local water supplies, and increased adaptability to climate change. Eligible applicants include local agencies, nonprofit organizations, non-governmental land conservation organizations, federally recognized Native American tribes, or non-federally recognized California Native American tribes listed on the California Tribal Consultation List maintained by the Native American Heritage Commission.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD

Link: http://resources.ca.gov/grants/green-infrastructure/

Urban Greening Program, California Climate Investments

This program funds urban greening projects to create sustainable and vibrant communities. The Urban Greening Program is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment — particularly in disadvantaged communities. All projects must demonstrate greenhouse gas emission reductions by doing one of the following: sequester and store carbon by planting trees; reduce building energy use from strategically planting trees to shade buildings; reduce commute vehicle miles traveled by constructing bicycle paths, bicycle lanes, or pedestrian facilities that provide safe routes for travel between residences, workplaces, commercial centers, and schools. 80% of award funds MUST meet one of the following: 65% Disadvantaged Communities (CalEnviroScreen 3.0); 10% Low-income; or 5% Low-income community within ½ mile of a disadvantaged community.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD

Link: http://resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening/

Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program (EEM)

This program offers grants to local, state, and federal governmental agencies and to nonprofit organizations for projects to mitigate the environmental impacts caused by new or modified public transportation facilities. Eligible projects must fit one of the following categories: urban forestry, resource lands, or mitigation projects beyond the scope of the lead agency responsible for assessing the environmental impact of the proposed transportation improvement.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: Summer 2021

Link: http://resources.ca.gov/grants/environmental-enhancement-and-mitigation-eem/
F7. The State Coastal Conservancy

Proposition 1 Grants

Proposition 1 grants fund multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects. Priority project types include: water sustainability improvements, anadromous fish habitat enhancement, wetland restoration and urban greening.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: July 2021

Link: http://scc.ca.gov/grants/proposition-1-grants/

Coastal Resource and Public Access Program, Propositions 12, 40, 68, 84, Habitat Conservation Fund, and General Fund

The State Coastal Conservancy issues grants on an on-going basis to non-profit organizations, public agencies, and federally-recognized tribes for projects that restore and protect the California coast, increase public access to it, and increase communities’ resilience to climate change. The Conservancy funds a wide variety of capital improvement projects along the California coast, in the San Francisco Bay Area, along the Santa Ana River, and in coastal watersheds, to increase availability of beaches, parks and trails for the public, protect and restore natural lands and wildlife habitat, preserve working lands, and increase community resilience to the impacts of climate change. The Conservancy will fund most stages of a capital improvement project including: pre-project feasibility studies, property acquisition, project planning including community involvement, design, environmental review, permitting, construction, and project-related monitoring. The Conservancy typically does not fund operation and maintenance activities. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, public agencies, and tribal governments.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: Ongoing

Link: https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/coastal-resource-and-public-access-program/

San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program Climate Adaptation Funds, Proposition 68 (2018)

This grant round will award competitive grants for projects that plan, develop, and implement climate adaption and resiliency projects in the San Francisco Bay. Eligible projects shall improve a community’s ability to adapt to the unavoidable impacts of climate change; improve and protect coastal and rural economies, agricultural viability, wildlife corridors, or habitat; develop future recreational opportunities; or enhance drought tolerance, landscape resilience, and water retention. Projects could include, for example, land conservation for wildlife corridors, enhancement of bay area agriculture to increase carbon sequestration or protect farmworkers from extreme heat, or urban greening. Projects that use natural infrastructure and provide multiple benefits will be prioritized. Tidal wetlands restoration projects will not be considered under this round, as there are ongoing funding sources at this time that are specifically for baylands restoration (for example, see the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority grant opportunities; applications accepted in the fall of each year). Eligible applicants include nonprofits, public agencies, and tribal governments.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD

Link: https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/proposition-68-san-francisco-bay-area-conservancy-program-climate-adaptation-funds/
F8. Other State Grants

**Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program, Proposition 1 (2014)**
The goal of this program is to improve the environmental conditions of the Delta and Suisun Marsh. To do this, the Conservancy will fund projects that address at least one of the following priorities: 1) ecosystem protection, restoration, and enhancement; 2) water quality; and 3) water-related agricultural sustainability.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: August 2021

**Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)**
Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) will support states, local communities, tribes and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the risks they face from disasters and natural hazards. Eligible applicants include businesses, nonprofits, public agencies, and tribal governments.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: December 2021

**Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program**
The Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program (SCFRRP) is a cost-share local assistance program with primary goal of reducing flood risk for small communities (with 200 to 10,000 residents), including legacy and disadvantaged communities, protected by the State Plan of Flood Control facilities. Eligible applicants are local public agencies with land use authority for the small community areas. Soliciting design/construction proposals, the grant may award 50% of eligible project costs.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD

**Floodplain Management, Protection, and Risk Awareness Grant Program, Proposition 68 (2018)**
The Floodplain Management, Protection and Risk Awareness Grant Program supports local agency efforts to prepare for flooding events by providing financial assistance for flood risk reduction activities related to stormwater flooding, mudslides, and other flash flood related protections. This Program will incorporate an increased focus on economically disadvantaged community assistance and multi-benefit project features.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: Summer 2021

**San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority**
The Board will fund projects that qualify as one or more of the following project types: a habitat project that aims to restore, protect, or enhance tidal wetlands, managed ponds, or natural habitats on the shoreline in the San Francisco Bay Area; a flood management project that is part of a habitat project; or a public access project that will provide or improve access or recreational amenities that are part of a habitat project.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: October 2021
Link: [https://www.sfbayrestore.org/restoration-authority-grants](https://www.sfbayrestore.org/restoration-authority-grants)
F9. Private Sources

Rails to Trails Conservancy
The Rails-to-Trails Conservancy (RTC) Trail Grants Program supports strategic projects, including small scale or scope, that provide significant regional or community trail development goals. The Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund is a specific RTC Trail Grant Program that supports implementation or improvement of multi-use trails.

Link: https://www.railstotrails.org/our-work/grants/

RTC also provides technical assistance to trail advocates and trail builders through their online resources, trail planning services, and trail funding strategy analysis services.

Link: https://www.railstotrails.org/build-trails/trail-building-services/

PeopleForBikes
This program aims to fund projects with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development, including bike paths, lanes, and trails. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations with a focus on bicycling, active transportation, or community development, city or county agencies or departments, and state or federal agencies working locally.

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: July 2021

Link: https://peopleforbikes.org/apply-now/

Trail Accelerator Grants
These grants provide funds for single-site and community-wide trail plans. Projects should serve mountain bikers as the primary users, though multi-purpose human-powered trail uses are viable as well. Local, municipal, state, or federal government agencies, and nonprofits that actively manage parks and trails may apply. Mountain bike clubs and IMBA local partners with the capacity to match and manage a grant of this scale are eligible to apply. Grants typically range from $5,000-$30,000 and they require a one-to-one match. Each grant is an award of in-kind professional services from the IMBA Trail Solutions team (with assistance from qualified subcontractors as needed).

Deadline/Next Funding Cycle: TBD; Last Cycle: July 2021

Link: https://www.imba.com/trails-for-all/trail-accelerator-grants
F10. Community Action Plan Funding Sources


Arbor Day Foundation
www.arborday.org/programs/tdgreenstreets/

California Capital Access Program ADA Financing Program
www.treasurer.ca.gov/cpcfa/calcap/

California Department of Education
www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire)
https://www.fire.ca.gov/grants/

California Department of Housing and Community Development
https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/index.shtml

California Department of Parks and Recreation
www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=1008

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
https://dot.ca.gov/programs

Caltrans - Active Transportation Program
https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program

Caltrans - Division of Local Assistance
www.dot.ca.gov/localassistance/

Caltrans - State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) and Minor Program

Caltrans - Sustainable Transportation Planning Program
https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-planning/regional-planning/sustainable-transportation-planning-grants

Caltrans - State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/state-transportation-improvement-program

California Department of Water Resources
www.water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans

California Department of Water Resources Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program
www.water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/Small-Communities-Flood-Risk-Reduction

California Division of Boating and Waterways
https://dbw.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=28715

California Energy Commission
www.energy.ca.gov/newnav/funding_links.html

California State Parks
www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=25028

California State Parks Foundation
www.calparks.org/whatwedo/grants/
California Wildlife Conservation Board  
https://wcb.ca.gov/Grants

California Wildlife Conservation Board Public Access Program  
https://wcb.ca.gov/Programs/Public-Access/Grants

Delta Protection Commission  
http://delta.ca.gov/

Delta Stewardship Council  
https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/

Dignity Health  
https://www.dignityhealth.org/about-us/community-health/grant-programs/community-grants

Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Program  
www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance

Health Resources and Services Administration  
www.hrsa.gov/grants/index.html

Kaboom!  
https://kaboom.org/grants

Kaiser Permanente  
https://about.kaiserpermanente.org/community-health/communities-we-serve/northern-california-community/service-areas

National Center for Safe Routes to School  
http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/

National Trust for Historic Preservation  
https://savingplaces.org/grants#.YS_oetNKibg

Pacific Gas and Electric  

Sacramento Area Council of Governments  
www.sacog.org/funding

Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency  
www.shra.org/safe-at-home-program/neighborhood-resources

Sacramento San Joaquin Delta Conservancy  
http://deltaconservancy.ca.gov/programs/

Sacramento Tree Foundation  
www.sactree.com/programs

Sutter Health  
www.checksutterfirst.org/community/programs.html

Target Brands  

Teichert Foundation  
https://www.teichert.com/teichert-foundation/

UC Davis Health System  
www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/sponsorship/
US Department of Agriculture

US Department of Housing and Urban Development
https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/spm/gmomgmt/grantsinfo

US Department of Transportation
www.transportation.gov/grants