EVENTS & FUNDING

Upcoming Events: August - September 2019

**Ins & Outs of Business Improvement Districts Webinar** - Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
August 6, 2019

**2019 Small Community Forums** - Wisconsin Rural Partners
August 8, 2019 - Crivitz, WI
August 21, 2019 - Independence, WI
August 28, 2019 - Pardeeville, WI
September 11, 2019 - Nekoosa, WI

**2019 Momentum West Housing Conference**
August 15, 2019
Rice Lake, WI

**Changing Demographics and Their Effect on Wisconsin Counties Seminar** - Wisconsin Counties Association
August 19, 2019
Stevens Point, WI

**Town and Village Workshops** - Wisconsin Towns Association
September 9, 2019 - Wabeno, WI
September 10, 2019 - Stevens Point, WI
September 11, 2019 - De Pere, WI
September 16, 2019 - Cable, WI
September 17, 2019 - Minocqua, WI
September 18, 2019 - Ripon, WI
September 25, 2019 - Barneveld, WI
September 26, 2019 - Eau Claire, WI
September 27, 2019 - Tomah, WI

**Four Points Best Practices Workshop** - Wisconsin Main Street
September 17-18, 2019
Tomahawk, WI

**Wisconsin Counties Association 2019 Annual Conference**
September 22-24, 2019
Wisconsin Dells, WI

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**Funding Opportunities: August - October 2019**

**Our Town Grants**
August 8, 2019 – National Endowment for the Arts

**Public Humanities Project**
August 14, 2019 – National Endowment for the Humanities

**Notice of Discharge Grants**
August 15, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

**Wisconsin Humanities Council Major Grants**
August 15, 2019

**Enabling Federal Technology Transfer Program**
August 16, 2019 – US Dept. of Commerce

**Agriculture and Food Research Initiative – Education and Workforce Development**
August 22, 2019 – US Dept. of Agriculture

**FY19 Advanced Manufacturing Office Multi-Topic FOA**
August 29, 2019 – US Dept. of Energy

**Patagonia Corporation and Media Grants Programs**
August 31, 2019

**Ready, Set, Go! Grants**
September 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

**C.D. Besadny Conservation Grant**
September 1, 2019 – Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin

**Safe Places to Play** (fall cycle)

**Rural Community Outreach Program**
September 13, 2019 – Foundation for Rural Service

**Agriculture and Food Research Initiative-Sustainable Agricultural Systems**
September 26, 2019 – US Dept. of Agriculture
Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program
September 27, 2019 (preliminary proposals) - Institute of Museum and Library Services

National Leadership Grants for Libraries
September 27, 2019 (preliminary proposals) - Institute of Museum and Library Services

Certified Local Government Historic Preservation Fund Subgrants
September 27, 2019 (letter of intent) – Wisconsin Historical Society

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Farm Bill Broadband Loans & Loan Guarantees
September 30, 2019 – US Dept. of Agriculture

National Trust Preservation Funds
October 1, 2019 - National Trust for Historic Preservation

Fund for Wild Nature
October 1, 2019

Urban Forestry Grant
October 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Recycling Consolidation Grant
October 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Basic Recycling Grants to Responsible Units (full funding)
October 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Creation and Presentation Program Grants
October 10, 2019 – Wisconsin Arts Board

Rental Housing Development (RHD)
October 15, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Administration

North American Wetlands Conservation Act U.S. Small Grants
October 17, 2019 – US Fish & Wildlife Service

Climate Program Office 2020
October 28, 2019 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Safe Drinking Water Loan Program
October 31, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Clean Water Funds
October 31, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Environmental Remediation Tax Incremental Financing (ER TIF) Districts
October 31, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue

The following state or federal funding agencies have various programs and deadlines:

Community Development Block Grant Planning (PLNG) Program
Applications accepted on a continuous basis – Wisconsin Dept. of Administration

Community Development Investment Grant Program
No submission deadlines – Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
**EDA Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program**
Contact the WCWRPC if interested

**EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment Assistance Program**
Contact the WCWRPC if interested

**Rural Business Development Grants**
Contact your local USDA Office for timelines, eligibility, requirements, etc.

**Rural Energy for America Program**
Contact your local USDA Office for timelines, eligibility, requirements, etc.

**Idle Sites Redevelopment Program**
Continuous application process – Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation

**Growing Rural Communities Fund**
Ongoing – RURAL LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation)

**Agricultural Conservation Easement Program**
Ongoing – US Dept. of Agriculture

**Water & Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program**
Ongoing – US Dept. of Agriculture

The following funding agencies have various programs and deadlines:

**Cedar Tree Foundation** - Environmental health and sustainable agriculture

**Charles Stewart Mott Foundation** - Support efforts that promote a just, equitable, and sustainable society

**CN Stronger Communities Fund** - Building safer, stronger communities

**Community Engineering Corps** - Infrastructure engineering assistance for underserved communities

**Cornell Douglas Foundation** - Advocating for environmental health and justice, encouraging stewardship of the environment, and furthering respect for sustainability of resources

**Doris Duke Charitable Foundation** - Improve the quality of people’s lives through grants supporting the performing arts, environmental conservation, medical research and child well-being

**Environmental Research and Educational Foundation** - Sustainable waste management practices

**Ford Family Foundation** - Funding opportunities for small or rural communities

**Freight Rail Infrastructure Improvement Program (FRIIP)** - Encouraging a broader array of improvements to the rail system

**Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas Grants** - Promoting environmental causes

**SBA 7a Loans** - Loans to small businesses for working capital; equipment purchase; real estate purchase; building construction or renovation; business acquisition; and debt refinancing

**USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program** - Develop essential community facilities in rural areas

**US Dept. of Energy Office of Indian Energy On-Request Technical Assistance**
Provides federally recognized Indian tribes, tribal energy resource development organizations, and other organized tribal groups and communities, with technical assistance to advance tribal energy projects
The Regional Business Fund, Inc. (RBF, Inc.) is a non-profit economic development corporation whose purpose is to promote business and economic development in west central Wisconsin. The RBF, Inc. offers low-interest loan funds to businesses that expand within the region, diversify the economy, add new technology, revitalize buildings in the region’s downtowns, create or retain quality jobs, and increase capital investment in the region. The RBF, Inc. offers the following programs:

- Revolving Loan Fund
- Growth Loan Fund
- Micro Loan Fund
- Downtown Facade Fund
- Technology Enterprise Fund
- EDA Fund

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