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EVENTS & FUNDING

JULY 2019

Upcoming Events: July - August 2019

Impact Through Redevelopment - Wisconsin Economic Development Association

July 17, 2019

Milwaukee, WI

Mid-America Economic Development Council 2019 Best Practices Conference

July 17-19, 2019

Milwaukee, WI

2019 Momentum West Housing Conference

August 15, 2019

Rice Lake, WI

Funding Opportunities: July - September 2019

North American Wetlands Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants

July 3, 2019 – US Fish and Wildlife

Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Program

July 5, 2019 – US Environmental Protection Agency

Art Works

July 11, 2019 – National Endowment for the Arts

Assistance for Local Emergency Response Training Grants JUST ADDED

July 12, 2019 – US Department of Transportation

ReConnect Rural Broadband Program (Low-Interest Loans)

July 12, 2019 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Wisconsin Federal Lands Access Program

July 15, 2019 to October 15, 2019 – Federal Highway Administration

FY 2019 National Infrastructure Investments

July 15, 2019 – US Dept. of Transportation

Veteran Housing Grants

July 22, 2019 – The Home Depot

Virtual Business Center JUST ADDED

July 26, 2019 – US Dept. of Commerce

People for Bikes Community Grants – Fall Cycle

July 26, 2019 (letter of interest due); October 18, 2019 (full applications)

Access Fund Climbing Preservation Grant Program

August 1, 2019

Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) Program

August 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

Meetings Mean Business! Grants Program

August 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

American Honda Foundation

August 1, 2019 (New Organizations)

Wisconsin Humanities Council Mini Grants

August 1, 2019

Snowmobile Trail Aids

August 1, 2019 (supplemental maintenance) – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Community Impact Grants Program (rolling application process)

August 1, 2019 – Home Depot

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 JUST ADDED

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

The following state/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

USDOT Bus and Bus Related Equipment and Facilities Program
Contact Local Region Department of Transportation

Waste Management Charitable Giving - *Promote civic pride, economic development, and revitalization*

Wisconsin Fast Forward Grant Program - *Customized worker training projects*

Xcel Energy Focus Area Grants - *Economic sustainability, education, arts & culture, environment*



**REGIONAL
BUSINESS FUND, INC.**

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

For more information, visit our [website](#), or please contact:

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