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WCWRPC TO HOST STRONG TOWNS EVENT
SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for a Strong Towns event on Thursday, April 20, 2017 in Eau Claire. Learn more and register [here](#).

EVENTS & FUNDING

MARCH 2017

Upcoming Events: March - April, 2017

National Groundwater Awareness Week

March 5-11, 2017

2017 Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Awareness & Waste Disposal Training Seminar

March 8, 2017 - Camp Douglas, WI (no walk-ins)

March 9, 2017 - Wausau, WI

March 16, 2017 - West Bend, WI

March 21, 2017 - Green Bay, WI

March 23, 2017 - Madison, WI

March 28, 2017 - Fond du Lac, WI

April 5, 2017 - Menomonie, WI

April 6, 2017 Hayward, WI

April 11, 2017 - Madison, WI

Momentum West 2017 Annual Luncheon

Menomonie, WI

March 8, 2017

Red Cedar Watershed Conference

Menomonie, WI

March 9, 2017

2017 Annual Meeting - Water Resources Association Wisconsin Section

Elkhart Lake, WI

March 9-10, 2017

UW-Extension Cooperative Boundary Agreements Teleconference

March 15, 2017

UW-Extension Managing Public Records Teleconference

March 21, 2017

Wisconsin Counties Association West Central Regional Legislative Meeting

Eau Claire, WI

March 23, 2017

Wisconsin Economic Development Association (WEDA) 2017 Legislative Day

Madison, WI

March 29, 2017

International Economic Development Council 2017 Fed Forum

Washington, DC

April 9-11, 2017

UW-Extension Manure Management: Issues for Local Officials Teleconference

April 18, 2017

11th Annual Nelson Institute National Earth Day Conference

Madison, WI

April 18, 2017

Transportation Information Center Asphalt Road Maintenance - Chip Seals & Other

Surface Treatments Workshops

April 18, 2017 - Eau Claire WI

April 19, 2017 - Weston, WI

April 20, 2017 - Fond du Lac, WI

April 21, 2017 - Barneveld, WI

UW-Extension Case Law and Legislative Update Teleconference

April 19, 2017

2017 Wisconsin Rural Partners Summit

Green Lake, WI

April 19-20, 2017

Transportation Information Center Gravel Road Maintenance Workshop

April 20, 2017 - Weston, WI

April 21, 2017 - Rice Lake, WI

Funding Opportunities: March 2017 - May 2017

FY 2017 Economic Development Assistance Programs (EDAP)

No submission deadlines – Economic Development Administration

Contact the WCWRPC for additional information

2017 Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA) Designation

Petitions may require months to prepare – Petition deadline 6/10/2017

Dept. of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection

Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Nonprofit Conservation Organization (NCO) Grants

March, 2017 (deadline not yet established) – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Worker Training Grants for Wisconsin Small Business Occupations

March 3, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Workforce Development

Worker Training Grants for Wisconsin Construction Trades & Related Occupations

March 3, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Workforce Development

Rural Broadband Access Loans and Loan Guarantees Program

March 24, 2017 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Farmers Market Promotion Program

March 27, 2017 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Freshwater Future - Project Grants

March 31, 2017

Rural Broadband Access Loans and Loan Guarantees Program

March 31, 2017 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Rural Energy for America (REAP)

March 31, 2017 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Rural Business Development Grants

March 31, 2017 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Specialty Crop Block Grant

March 31, 2017 – US Dept. of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection

Meetings Mean Business! Grants Program

April 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

Joint Efforts Marketing (JEM) Grants

April 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

Ready, Set, Go! Grants

April 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

Baseball Tomorrow Fund

April 1, 2017 – MLB Community.org

National Geographic Grants

April 1, 2017 – National Geographic Society

Challenge America

April 13, 2017 – National Endowment for the Arts

State Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance

Letter of Interest by 4/15/17

October 15, 2017 for municipalities with populations under 50,000 and for municipalities with populations of 50,000 or more – Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation

Notice of Discharge Grants

April 15, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Wisconsin Humanities Council Major Grants

April 15, 2017 – National Endowment for the Humanities

Nonpoint Pollution Abatement Program - Targeted Runoff Management Program

April 15, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Nonpoint Pollution Abatement Program - Urban Nonpoint Source and Stormwater

April 15, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV) Trail Aids

April 15, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Snowmobile Trail Aids

April 15, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Regional Conservation Partnership Program

April 21, 2017 – Natural Resources Conservation Services USDA

Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust

April 28, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Community Economic Development Projects

April 28, 2017 – US Dept. of Health and Human Services

The Lawrence Foundation

April 30, 2017

Patagonia Environmental Grants and Support

April 30, 2017

Aids for the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks

May 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Land and Water Conservation Fund

May 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Recreational Trails Program

May 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Urban Green Space

May 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Urban Rivers Grant

May 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Fund for Wild Nature

May 1, 2017

American Honda Foundation

May 1, 2017 (Returning Organizations)

Wisconsin Humanities Council Mini Grants

May 1, 2017 – National Endowment for the Humanities

Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions

May 2, 2017 – National Endowment for the Humanities

Preservation and Access Education and Training Grants/Research & Development Grants

May 2, 2017 – National Endowment for the Humanities

Humanities Access Grants

May 3, 2017 – National Endowment for the Humanities

Walmart Foundation State Giving Program

May 8, 2017

Acres for America

May 18, 2017 – National Fish & Wildlife Foundation

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning Program

May 25, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Administration

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Facilities Program

May 25, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Administration

Safe Places to Play (Summer Cycle)

May 26, 2017 (letter of intent – with application deadline June 2, 2017) – US Soccer Foundation

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*

Costco Wholesale Grants - *Focus on children, education, and health and human services*

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*

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

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

Georgia-Pacific Foundation - *Education, enrichment, environment, entrepreneurship*

Freight Rail Infrastructure Improvement Program (FRIIP)

Proposals accepted on an on-going basis - Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation

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

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

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*

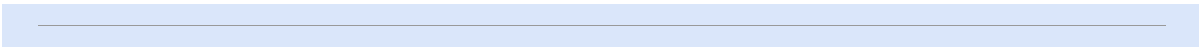
WEDC Grant Opportunities - *Help communities spur local economic development*

Wells Fargo Clean Technology and Innovation Grant Program

Throughout the year – invitation only

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

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