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West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission
Serving the counties of Barron, Chippewa, Clark, Dunn, Eau Claire, Polk, and St. Croix

JOB OPENING

Are you or someone you know looking for an exciting new career opportunity in the planning field? WCWRPC just happens to have an opening available for an Associate or Senior Planner! Click [here](#) for more details.

Stand Up and Be Counted - Accurately!

The 2020 Census is right around the corner. In fact, work is already underway to ensure that 2020 Census data will accurately represent your community, county, and region in legislative representation, funding apportionments, and many other important functions. Workshops are currently being offered by the Bureau of the Census to describe the need and options for your town, village, city, and county's participation in the **2020 Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA)** program. The **LUCA** program presents an opportunity to each and every jurisdiction to review and perfect a list of all addresses within your jurisdiction so that 2020 Census forms can reach everyone and costs for follow-up survey efforts can be minimized.

WCWRPC encourages appropriate town, village, city and county staff, and officials to register for one of the webinars listed in the link below to learn more about the LUCA program, and how your community can do their part to ensure an accurate count in 2020. Register soon. They do fill up. To register, click [here](#).

EVENTS & FUNDING

MAY 2017

Upcoming Events: May - June, 2017

American Planning Association National Planning Conference

New York, NY

May 6-9, 2017

2017 Town Officials Workshop

May 9, 2017 - Rice Lake, WI

May 18, 2017 - Eau Claire, WI

Road and Transportation Funding Teleconference

May 16, 2017 - UW Extension

Business Improvement Districts and Main Streets Teleconference

May 17, 2017 - UW Extension

Chippewa County Economic Development Corporation Annual Meeting & Awards

Breakfast

Cadott, WI

May 19, 2017

2017 Local Government 101: Important Basics Workshop

Eau Claire, WI

May 19, 2017 - Wisconsin League of Municipalities

Wisconsin Counties Association Educational Webinar

May 22, 2017 (topic to be determined)

14th Annual Women's Business Conference

Eau Claire, WI

June 8, 2017 - Western Dairyland Community Action Agency

Filling Our Shoes: Where will the next generation of local officials come from?

Teleconference

June 20, 2017 - UW Extension

Funding Opportunities: May 2017 - July 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

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

WHEDA Foundation Housing Grant Program

May 5, 2017 – Wisconsin Housing & Economic Development Authority

Walmart Foundation State Giving Program

May 8, 2017

Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages

May 18, 2017 – US Dept. of Housing & Urban Development

Acres for America

May 18, 2017 – National Fish & Wildlife Foundation

Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program

May 19, 2017 – US Dept. of Homeland Security

Best Buy Community Grants

May 19, 2017

2018 National Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost-Share Grant Program

May 24, 2017 – The US Forest Service

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); June 2, 2017 (application deadline) – US Soccer Foundation

Homeownership Counseling Grant Program

June 1 – 30, 2017 (submission period) – Wells Fargo

Neighborhood Builders

June 1, 2017 – Bank of America

National Trust Preservation Funds

June 1, 2017 – National Trust for Historic Preservation

Recreational Boating Facilities

June 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Rental Housing Development (RHD)

June 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Administration

Call for Changemakers

June 2, 2017 – Medical College of Wisconsin

People for Bikes Community Grants (Fall Cycle)

June 12, 2017 (on-line application opens); July 21, 2017 (letter of interest due); October 13, 2017 (full applications)

Skatepark Grants

June 14, 2017 – Tony Hawk Foundation

Innovation Corps Teams Program (I-Corps)

June 15, 2017 – National Science Foundation

Notice of Discharge Grants

June 15, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Veteran Housing Grants

June 23, 2017 – The Home Depot

Clean Water Fund Program

June 30, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Safe Drinking Water Loan Program

June 30, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program

June 30, 2017 – National Park Service

Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grants

July 1, 2017 – WI Dept. of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection

Basic Recycling Grants to Responsible Units (applications accepted July thru October)

July 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Recycling Consolidation Grant (applications accepted July thru October)

July 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Forest Fire Protection Grant

July 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

Tourist Information Center (TIC) Grant Program

July 1, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

Surface Transportation Program (STP) – Rural

July 10, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation

Surface Transportation Program (STP) – Urban

July 10, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation

Local Bridge Improvement Assistance

July 10, 2017 – Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation

North American Wetlands Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants

July 14, 2017 – US Fish and Wildlife

Art Works

July 13, 2017 – National Endowment for the Arts

People for Bikes Community Grants

July 21, 2017 (letter of interest); October 13, 2017 (full applications)

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) - Encouraging a broader array of improvements to the rail system

Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas Grants - Promoting environmental causes

NFL Foundation

Programs provide funding to support youth football, health and safety for athletes and community programs

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





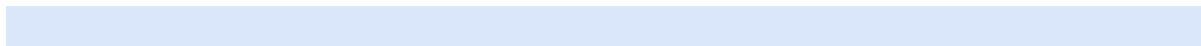
REGIONAL BUSINESS FUND, INC.

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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