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West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

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EVENTS & FUNDING

SEPTEMBER 2019

JOIN US FOR A FREE VIRTUAL BROWNBAG PRESENTATION ON Community Housing Studies

West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission will be hosting a virtual brownbag luncheon webinar exploring community-wide housing studies and needs assessments.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2019

12:00 – 1:00 pm

The session is free, but you are asked to register by Friday, September 20, 2019. For more information and to register, click [here](#). Learn about why your community might want to conduct a housing study and how it might help you in looking at ways to address needs.

Upcoming Events: September - October 2019

Local Foods, Local Places Technical Assistance Webinar

September 4, 2019

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

2019 Small Community Forums - Wisconsin Rural Partners

September 11, 2019 - Nekoosa, 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

Fostering Entrepreneurial Food and Agriculture Enterprises Workshop - Wisconsin

Economic Development Academy

October 2, 2019 - Stevens Point, WI

2019 American Planning Association Upper Midwest Planning Conference

October 2-4, 2019 - Eau Claire, WI

Wisconsin Economic Development Association Fall Conference

October 2-4, 2019 - Stevens Point, WI

International Economic Development Council 2019 Annual Conference

October 13-16, 2019 - Indianapolis, IN

2019 Wisconsin Towns Association Annual Convention

October 13-15, 2019 - Wisconsin Dells, WI

2019 Downtown Summit - Wisconsin Downtown Action Council

October 15-16, 2019 - Green Bay, WI

Wisconsin League of Municipalities Annual Conference

October 23-25, 2019 - Green Bay, WI

Governor's Conference on Diverse Business Development - Wisconsin Economic

Development Corporation

October 23-24, 2019 - Milwaukee, WI

Wisconsin Land Information Association 2019 Fall Regional Meeting

October 24-25, 2019 - Bayfield, WI

Funding Opportunities: September - November 2019

Community Development Block Grant-Emergency Assistance Program **JUST ADDED**

Varies - Wisconsin Dept. of Administration

Emergency Watershed Protection-Floodplain Easement **JUST ADDED**

Contact local Natural Resources Conservation Service field office

Safe Places to Play (fall cycle) - Letter of interest due 9/3/19, letter of intent due

9/27/19, application due 10/4/19 - US Soccer Foundation

Rural Community Outreach Program

September 13, 2019 – Foundation for Rural Service

Urban Forestry Catastrophic Storm Grants JUST ADDED

September 16, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

FY19 Brownfields Training, Research, and Technical Assistance Grant JUST ADDED

September 20, 2019 – US Environmental Protection Agency

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) JUST ADDED

September 20, 2019 – US Dept. of Commerce

Community Innovation Grant JUST ADDED

September 24, 2019 – Headwaters Foundation for Justice

Apprenticeships: Closing the Skills Gap JUST ADDED

September 24, 2019 – US Dept. of Labor

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

Historic Preservation Fund Grants

September 27, 2019 (letter of intent) – Wisconsin Historical Society

Farm Bill Broadband Loans & Loan Guarantees

September 30, 2019 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Local Foods, Local Places JUST ADDED

September 30, 2019 – US Environmental Protection Agency

County Conservation Aids JUST ADDED

October 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

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

Research Grants in the Arts JUST ADDED

October 3, 2019 - National Endowment for the Arts

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

FY20 and FY21 Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Phase I RFA

October 23, 2019 – US Dept. of Agriculture

Climate Program Office 2020

October 28, 2019 – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

The Lawrence Foundation **JUST ADDED**

October 31, 2019

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

Local Road Improvement Program

November 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation

Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) Program

November 1, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism

Wisconsin Humanities Council Mini Grants

November 1, 2019

Historic Preservation Fund Subgrants for Certified Local Governments

November 9, 2019 (application) – Wisconsin Historical Society

Museums for America

November 15, 2019 – Institute of Museum and Library Services

Stewardship Property Development Grant

November 15, 2019 – Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources

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 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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