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Funding SWMFY26 2025

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Funding Solid Waste Management Original Closing Date for Dec 31,

Opportunity Grant Program Applications: 2025

Title: Current Closing Date for

Opportunity Discretionary Applications: 2025
Category:

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Opportunity

Category 2026

Explanation: Estimated Total Program \$4,000,000

Funding Grant Funding:

Instrument Award Ceiling: \$1,000,000

Type: Award Floor: \$0

Category of Community Development

Funding

Activity:



Category

The Solid Waste

Explanation:

Management (SWM) Grant

Program has been established to assist

communities through free technical assistance and/or training provided by the grant recipients. Qualified organizations will receive SWM grant funds to reduce or eliminate pollution of water resources in rural areas, and improve

planning and management of solid waste sites in rural

areas.

Expected

40

Number of

Awards:

Listings:

Assistance 10.7

10.762 -- Solid Waste Management Grants

Cost Sharing

No

or Matching

Requirement:

Eligibility

Eligible

Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for

Applicants:

clarification)

Additional

Information on

Eligibility:

An organization is eligible to receive a SWM grant if it: a) is a private, nonprofit organization that has tax-exempt status from the U.S. Internal Revenue

Service (IRS). A nonprofit organization is defined as any corporation, trust,

association, cooperative, or other organization that:(i) Is operated primarily for scientific, education, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public

interest.(ii) Is not organized primarily for profit.(iii) Uses its net proceeds to

maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations.(2) Public bodies.(3) Federally acknowledged or State-recognized Native American tribe or group. (4) Academic institutions.(b) Entities must be legally established and located within a state as defined in § 1775.2.(c) Organizations must be incorporated by December 31 of the year the application period occurs to be eligible for funds.(d) Private businesses, Federal agencies, and individuals are ineligible for these grants.(e) Applicants must also have the proven ability; background; experience, as evidenced by the organization's satisfactory completion of project(s) similar to those proposed; legal authority; and actual capacity to provide technical assistance and/or training on a regional basis to associations as provided in § 1775.63. To meet the requirement of actual capacity, an applicant must either:(1) Have the necessary resources to provide technical assistance and/or training to associations in rural areas through its staff, or(2) Be assisted by an affiliate or member organization which has such background and experience and which agrees, in writing, that it will provide the assistance, or(3)Click to open paragraph tools Contract with a nonaffiliated organization for not more than 49 percent of the grant to provide the proposed assistance.

Additional Information

Agency Name: Rural Utilities Service

Description:

Funds may be used to:

- (a) Provide technical assistance and/or training to reduce the solid waste stream through reduction, recycling, and reuse.
- (b) Provide training to enhance operator skills in maintaining and operating active landfills.
- (c) Provide technical assistance and/or training for operators of landfills which are closed or will be closed in the near future with the development/implementation of closure plans, future land use plans, safety and maintenance planning, and closure scheduling within permit requirements.
- (d) Evaluate current landfill conditions to determine the threats to water resources.

(e) Pay the expenses associated with providing the technical assistance and/or training authorized in <u>paragraphs (a)</u> through (d) of this section.

Grant funds may not be used to:

- (a) Duplicate current services or replace or substitute support normally provided by other means, such as those performed by an association's consultant in developing a project, including feasibility, design, and cost estimates.
- (b) Fund political or lobbying activities.
- (c) Purchase real estate or vehicles, improve or renovate office space, or repair and maintain privately owned property.
- (d) Pay the costs for construction, improvement, rehabilitation, modification, or operation and maintenance of water, wastewater, and solid waste disposal facilities.
- (e) Construct or furnish a building.
- (f) Intervene in the Federal regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings.
- (g) Sue the Federal Government or any other government entities.
- (h) Pay for any other costs that are not allowable under <u>2 CFR part 200</u>, as adopted by USDA through <u>2 CFR part 400</u>.
- (i) Make contributions or donations to others.
- (j) Fund projects that duplicate technical assistance given to implement action plans under the National Forest-Dependent Rural Communities Economic Diversification Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6613). Applicants cannot receive both grants made under this part and grants that the Forest Service makes to implement the action plans for five continuous years from the date of grant approval by the Forest Service.
- (1) The Forest Service helps rural communities that are dependent upon national forest resources diversify existing industries and economies. It establishes rural forestry and economic diversification action teams that prepare technical assistance plans for these rural communities to expand their local economies and reduce their dependence on national forest resources. The Forest Service provides assistance to implement the action plans through grants, loans, cooperative agreements, or contracts.
- (2) To avoid duplicate assistance, applicants must contact the Forest Service to find out if any geographical areas or local areas in a State have received grants for technical assistance to an economically disadvantaged community. These areas are defined as national forest-dependent communities under <u>7 U.S.C. 6612</u>. Applicants will provide documentation to

the Forest Service and Rural Utilities Service that they have contacted each agency.

- (k) To pay an outstanding judgment obtained by the United States in a Federal Court (other than in the United States Tax Court), which has been recorded. An applicant will be ineligible to receive a loan or grant until the judgment is paid in full or otherwise satisfied.
- (l) Recruit applications for the RUS's water and waste loan or any other loan or grant program. Grant funds cannot be used to create new business; however, they can be used to assist with application preparation.

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