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Funding & Program Finder

Welcome to the Funding & Program Finder, the most popular tool on our site for entrepreneurs and business owners! If you're seeking funding for a business venture, community project or site revitalization in Pennsylvania, the Funding & Program Finder puts the information you need right at your fingertips. Your search will return all of the grants, loans, and initiatives offered through the Department of Community and Economic Development that may be relevant to your initiative.

Effective September 1, 2008, the Department of Community and Economic Development will require all funding applications to be submitted using the Electronic Single Application. Paper applications will no longer be accepted. A copy of the submitted electronic application, the signature page and any supplemental/addenda information should be forwarded to DCED's Customer Service Center, 400 North Street, 4th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120. Any questions regarding addenda submissions should be directed to the Customer Service Center at 1-800-379-7448.

To download the Business Assistance Programs Brochure, [click here](#). To order printed copies of the brochure, [click here](#).

Grant Close Out Requirements

If the amount of the Contract is less than \$100,000, the grant contract will require that an acceptable Grant Closeout Report be filed 30 days after the grant funds are spent, but no later than 30 days after the contract expires. For a copy of the Standard Grant Closeout Report, [click here](#). For a copy of the Local Government Grant Closeout Report, [click here](#). For a copy of the Neighborhood Assistance Closeout Report, [click here](#).

If the amount of the Contract is \$100,000 or more, a final audit of the entire contract (Project Audit) is required within earlier of 120 days after completion of project activities or 120 days after the contract termination date.

For any questions about Close Out Requirements, contact the Audit and Compliance Division via e-mail ra-audits@state.pa.us.

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Accredited Zoos Program

The Accredited Zoos Program provides funding to Pennsylvania accredited zoos designated by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums. The mission of the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA) Accreditation Commission is to establish, uphold, and raise the highest zoological and aquarium industry standards through self-evaluation, on-site inspection, and peer review.

Agile Manufacturing

The Agile Program uses the resources of Lehigh University to include professors, students, and equipment to help industry solve manufacturing issue and complex manufacturing processes.

Alternative and Clean Energy Program

The Alternative and Clean Energy Program provides financial assistance in the form of grant and loan funds that will be used by eligible applicants for the utilization, development and construction of alternative and clean energy projects in the Commonwealth. The Program is administered jointly by the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), under the direction of the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority (BFTDA) - Venture Investment Program

Investment in venture capital partnerships investing in early-stage PA technology companies.

Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority (BFTDA) -Technology Development Grant

Grants to help groups or consortia of Pennsylvania companies position themselves at the cutting edge of emerging technologies and establish a competitive advantage through the use of advanced e-business systems.

Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority (BFTDA) –University Research Funding

Grants designed to promote stronger synergy between university-based research and development and the transfer of technology as it relates to economic and work force development

Ben Franklin Technology Partners - Challenge Grant

Funding to invest in the transformation of the Pennsylvania Economy through technology, innovation, and strategic partnerships that foster a favorable business environment for high-growth companies.

Broadband Outreach & Aggregation Fund (BOAF)

Through Act 183 of 2004, Pennsylvania is working to encourage the provision of telecommunications services as a means to enhancing the quality of life of the residents of Pennsylvania and the vitality of its businesses, to ensure that broadband communications become available to residents in a more equitable and accelerated fashion, to promote and encourage the provision of competitive services by a variety of providers on equal terms throughout all geographical areas of this Commonwealth, to encourage the competitive supply of broadband services in any region where there is market demand, and to provide resources to generate such demand. The Broadband Outreach & Aggregation Fund (BOAF) program provides grant assistance to qualified applicants to implement outreach and aggregation programs to speed the deployment of broadband service throughout Pennsylvania.

[Click here for a listing and description of prior BOAF projects.](#)

Building PA

Provides mezzanine capital for developers for real estate assets in small to mid-sized Pennsylvania communities.

Business Opportunities Fund (BOF)

Installment loans, lines of credit and technical assistance for minority business enterprises, women-owned business enterprises and small businesses.

Business Retention and Expansion Program (BREP)

The Pennsylvania Business Retention Program (BREP) was established in 1997 to forge better working relationships and stronger collaboration among various public, private, state and local economic development organizations, with the goal of enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness

of efforts to retain and grow existing Pennsylvania businesses. The Pennsylvania Business Retention and Expansion Program is the most aggressive & job retention program in the country. Since its inception, representatives of the BREP have completed over 73,400 visits. Click to view the BREP Report - 2007, which provides a brief history and an overview of the program.

Business in Our Sites Grants and Loans

Empowers communities to attract growing and expanding businesses by helping them build an inventory of ready sites

Community Economic Development Loan Program

Low-interest loans for projects in distressed communities.

Community and Business Development Program

The Community and Business Assistance Program provides grants for community and business assistance projects that, in the judgment of the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), are consistent with the authorizing legislation and these program guidelines, and meet all requirements of the DCED Single Application for Assistance.

Cultural Activities, Exhibits and Expositions

The Cultural Activities, Exhibits and Expositions Program provides funding to support activities that positively stimulate the local and regional economy by promoting, sponsoring and/or operating cultural festivals, fairs and events. Cultural events promote the local tourism industry. By enhancing quality of life factors, communities are made more attractive to business relocation.

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<http://www.newpa.com/find-and-apply-for-funding/funding-and-program-finder/index.aspx>