

**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT(DCED)**

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<b>Program</b>	Community Revitalization Program
<b>Types of Assistance</b>	Grants
<b>Project Types</b>	The grants are funded through the Community Revitalization Program, which supports local initiatives to improve and enhance communities and their local economies.
<b>Who is Eligible</b>	Local government, municipal and redevelopment authorities and agencies, industrial development agencies, non-profit corporations incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth.
<b>Program Use</b>	Grants are used to acquire land and buildings; to construct or rehabilitate infrastructure; to restore old or under-utilized facilities for immediate reuse; to demolish blighted structures; to purchase machinery and equipment; to promote community assets; and to fund recreation, crime-prevention and safety projects.
<b>Where to Apply</b>	Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Customer Service Center Municipal Programs Division Forum Building Harrisburg, PA 17120 Phone: (717) 783-3405 or (800) 379-7448

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**Program** Small Communities Planning Assistance Program (SCPAP)

**Types of Assistance** Grants

**Project Types** Comprehensive plans and related plans strategies and update.

**Who is Eligible** All Pennsylvania boroughs, incorporated towns and townships are eligible, in accordance with Act 179 or 1984, to apply for planning assistance grants with the exception of the following:

- A. Municipalities designated as Federal Entitlement Communities under the CDBG program or those eligible to receive funds through the HUD Urban County CDBG Program.
- B. Borough, towns and township which are identified as entitlement municipalities under the Pennsylvania CDBG Program and which have populations of 10,000 or more based on the 1990 census.

**Program Use** Grants may be used to develop new or update strategies for, community development, neighborhood revitalization, economic development planning, housing, community conservation planning, or other planning and policy planning management and capacity building activities as eligible under HUD's CDBG regulations.

**Where to Apply** Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED)  
Regional Office

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**Program** State Planning Assistance Grant (SPAG) Program

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**Types of Assistance** Grants

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**Project Types** The SPAG program provides Pennsylvania's municipalities with state matching grant funds to assist in planning for growth; preparing and maintaining up-to-date strategic community development plans; and implementing zoning ordinances, subdivision and land-development regulations.

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**Who is Eligible** Counties and municipalities. Multi-municipal cooperation is encouraged. Financial assistance is available to develop and strengthen community planning and management capabilities. A 50 percent local match is required. The program is subject to state funding availability and projects completion within one year.

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**Program Use** To provide financial aid and incentives to encourage local governments to undertake intermunicipal cooperative efforts. Refer to program guidelines.

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**Program** Local Government Capital Projects Loan Program

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**Types of Assistance** Loans

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**Project Types** Facility loans may be used of purchasing, constructing, renovating or rehabilitating municipal buildings. Equipment loans may be used to acquire cars, trucks, backhoe, lifts, sweepers and other types of mechanized vehicles, as well as data processing equipment.

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**Who is Eligible** Municipalities with populations of 12,000 or less. Priorities are established for projects that impact upon the health, safety or welfare of the residents of a municipality, involve intergovernmental cooperation or benefit financially disadvantaged municipalities. Low interest loans to municipalities with populations of 12,000 or less to be used for municipal facilities and equipment.

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**Program Use** To provide low interest (two percent) loans to those municipal governments which find conventional loans cost prohibitive. Maximum loans of \$50,000 or 50 percent of the project cost can be provided for building projects; and \$25,000 or 50 percent of the projects cost can be provided for equipment purchases.

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**Program** Appalachian Regional Commission Programs (ARC)

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**Types of Assistance** Grants

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**Project Types** Construction tied into regional growth.

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**Who is Eligible** Economic Development procedures within the seven (7) Appalachian Local Development Districts. Municipalities, municipal authorities, school districts, planning commissions, or public, or private non-profit organizations. There are no size or income restrictions. The bulk of funds available to Pennsylvania recipients are used to support enterprise development in Pennsylvania's seven Appalachian Local Development Districts.

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**Program Use** Construction of water systems, sewer systems and treatment plants. Eligible costs include construction, project design and engineering costs, and all legal and administrative fees.

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<b>Program</b>	Industrial Sites Reuse Program (ISRP)
<b>Types of Assistance</b>	Grants and Low Interest Loans
<b>Project Types</b>	Environmental assessment and remediation of hazardous substances on former industrial sites.
<b>Who is Eligible</b>	Companies, public non-profit economic development entities, private non-profit economic development entities.
<b>Program Use</b>	This program provides grant and low interest loan financing to perform environmental site assessment and remediation work at former industrial sites. A 25% match is required for projects. ISRP also provides grants and loans up to \$200,00 for environmental assessments and \$1,000,000 for remediation. Funds much be used to finance up to 75% of costs of environmental assessment or remediation.
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**Program** Infrastructure Development Program (IDP)

**Types of Assistance** Grants and Loans

**Project Types** Installation of specific infrastructure improvements necessary to complement industrial investment by private companies which increase Pennsylvania's share of domestic and international commerce and create new jobs.

**Who is Eligible** Eligible sponsors include local governments (boroughs, townships and cities), councils of governments, municipal authorities and redevelopment authorities. Eligible private businesses include agricultural, industrial and manufacturing businesses and research development enterprises.

Individual grants and loans may not exceed \$1,250,000. Interest rates are determined by DCED, loan term shall be no greater than 20 years. Eligible costs include construction, site clearance, demolition, engineering and design expenses, legal costs and administration expenses.

**Program Use** Construction, expansion, improvement and rehabilitation is limited to : drainage systems, energy facilities, fire and safety facilities, transportation facilities, water systems and waste disposal facilities. Infrastructure improvement projects must be necessary for the operation of an eligible business or businesses at a specific job-generating site to be eligible. The infrastructure improvement must net one new full-time job ( at the specific job site) within three years for every \$15,000 loaned or granted. The private business must be providing \$2 in investment for every \$1 in IDP funding. Also used for cleaning and preparation of land, site clearance and cleanup, environmental remediation, water and sewer systems, energy facilities, parking lots, storm sewers and bridges at transportation facilities, rail facilities, and port facilities. Land and building acquisition, construction, renovation, demolition and clearance by private developers at former industrial sites, are also eligible.

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**Program** Shared Municipal Services Program (Formerly Council of Governments/Inter Municipal Projects Program)

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**Types of Assistance** Grants

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**Project Types** Projects promoting cooperation between neighboring municipalities and encouraging communities to work together to provide municipal services more efficiently and effectively i.e. shared public facilities operators, water studies, traffic studies, LMI surveys.

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**Who is Eligible** Any group of two or more municipalities or councils of government. Would have to involve the Borough and at least one other municipality i.e. French Creek. The DPW may be involved but does not count in the enumeration of participating governments. Grants are limited to a maximum of 50 percent of project costs with a local match. The grantee share may be provided in cash, municipal labor, and other in-kind contributions. The match for personnel projects must be provided in cash. Funding is typically up to 10,000.

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**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP)**

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<b>Program Act</b>	Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning Grants
<b>Types of Assistance</b>	Grants for 50% to 85% of eligible costs.
<b>Project Type</b>	Act (Act 537) and Act 149 including sewage management plans and programs i.e. ordinances. Funds preparation of a sewage facilities plan in accordance with the PA Sewage Facilities Act.
<b>Who is Eligible</b>	Pennsylvania cities, towns, boroughs, townships, counties and municipal authorities.
<b>Program Use</b>	Financial assistance to assist the preparation of official sewage facilities plans and updates to official plans.
<b>Where to Apply</b>	DEP Regional Office  Contact: Mr. Dave Milhous DEP Project Engineer Northwest Regional Office Third Floor 230 Chestnut Street Meadville, PA 16335 (814) 332-6945

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**Program Act** Act 537 Sewage Enforcement Reimbursement Grants

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**Types of Assistance** Annual Grants

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**Project Type** Funds (50% - 80% of the eligible expenses for performing the on-lot sewage permitting provisions of Section 7 of Act 537, the Sewage Facilities Act). This program is funded by an annual appropriation of state funds.

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**Who is Eligible** Pennsylvania cities, towns, boroughs, townships, counties and other entities created by law and enforcing the Sewage Facilities Act shall receive reimbursement for expenses incurred pursuant to Department regulations.

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**Program Use** Enables applicants to keep the application costs for permits to install new or repair existing on-lot sewage systems at a minimum.

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