PROGRAMS OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS:

Department of Community and Economic Development: PA SITES

<u>Who May Apply:</u> Municipalities, economic development organizations, redevelopment authorities, municipal authorities, industrial development agencies, and for-profit organizations.

<u>Use:</u> To develop competitive sites for businesses to relocate or expand within Pennsylvania.

Funds: \$400 million in funding is available.

<u>Application Deadline:</u> Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and approved on a quarterly basis

More information: DCED Website

Department of Community and Economic Development: Manufacturing PA Trainingto-Career Grant

<u>Who May Apply:</u> Technical and trade schools, school districts, post-secondary academic institutions, workforce investment boards, economic development organizations, and non-profit organizations. For-profit entities are not eligible.

<u>Use:</u> Projects must focus on the development and deployment of workforce training programs for individuals with barriers to employment, engage youth or those with barriers in awareness building activities of manufacturing career opportunities, and advance capacity for local or regional manufacturers to meet the needs of local and regional manufacturers that cannot be met through existing programs such as WEDnet and Industry Partnerships.

<u>Funds:</u> Funds are available on an annual basis and vary based on recommendations and constraints set in the annual budget.

<u>Application Deadline:</u> Applications will be accepted and evaluated on an ongoing basis as long as funds remain available.

More information: DCED Website

Department of Environmental Protection: Alternative Fuel Vehicle Rebate Program

Who May Apply: Pennsylvania residents whose total household income is below 400 percent of the Federal Income Poverty Level.

<u>Use:</u> This program provides a rebate to Pennsylvanians who purchase or lease alternative fuel vehicles.

Funds: Rebates vary depending on type of vehicle purchased.

<u>Application Deadline:</u> Applications will be accepted and evaluated on a first come, first served basis as long as funds remain available. Please note applications must be received within six months of the date of the vehicle purchase.

More information: DEP Website

Department of Environmental Protection: WIIN 2107: Voluntary School and Childcare Lead testing and Reduction Grant

Who May Apply: Childcare facilities and schools located in Pennsylvania with lead in drinking water sample results within 36 months of the application date showing water fixtures exceeding the remediation trigger level of 5 ppb (parts per billion).

<u>Use:</u> Reduction activities may include purchasing and installing hydration stations, point-of-use devices designed to remove lead or replacement of faucets. The primary goal of this grant program is to reduce children's exposure to lead in drinking water.

<u>Funds:</u> Funding under this grant has been appropriated under 1464(d) of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. Funding provided will be up to \$3,000 per hydration station per 100 students in one building. Up to \$30,000 may be awarded per building/childcare facility or \$100,000 per school district.

<u>Application Deadline:</u> Applicants are strongly encouraged to schedule a pre-application meeting to discuss their lead reduction plans to ensure they meet applicable program criteria. Meetings can be scheduled by emailing <u>RA-EPWIINLEAD@pa.gov</u>.

More information: DEP Website

Department of Agriculture: Farm Vitality Planning Grant Program

Who May Apply: Farmers, prospective farmers, and others

<u>Use:</u> Create or obtain business plans, management strategies, transition plans, ownership plans, or plans to maintain the long-term economic viability of a farm.

<u>Funds:</u> Up to \$500,000 is available in grant funding. Individual grants shall not exceed \$15,000.

<u>Application Deadline:</u> Applications are accepted until funds are exhausted.

More information: PDA Website

Department of Community and Economic Development: Pennsylvania First

<u>Who May Apply:</u> Businesses, Municipalities, Municipal Authorities, Redevelopment Authorities, Industrial Development Authorities or Corporations, Local Development Districts.

<u>Use:</u> Machinery/equipment; Job training; Infrastructure; Land and building improvements; Environmental assessment/remediation; Acquisition of land, buildings, right-of-ways; Working capital; Site preparation.

<u>Funds:</u> Grants and loans are available assuming an applicant can meet the private investment requirement.

Application Deadline: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

More information: DCED Website

Department of Agriculture: Commonwealth Specialty Crop Block Grant Program

Who May Apply: State and local organizations, producer associations, academia, community-based organizations and other eligible specialty crops stakeholders.

<u>Use:</u> To assist with the growth, certification of seed and marketing of eligible specialty crops.

Funds: \$460,000 is available for funding

Application Deadline: December 19, 2025

More information: PDA Website

Department of Agriculture: Federal Specialty Crop Block Grant Program

Who May Apply: State and local organizations, producer associations, academia, community-based organizations and other eligible specialty crops stakeholders.

<u>Use:</u> To enhance the competitiveness of eligible specialty crops.

Funds: Approximately \$1,000,000 is available for funding

Application Deadline: December 19, 2025

More information: PDA Website

Department of Environmental Protection: Driving PA Forward Initiative: Pennsylvania Freight Innovations in Transportation (PA-FIT) Grant Program

<u>Who May Apply:</u> Businesses, non-profits, state, local or tribal government agencies, air quality or transportation organizations, metropolitan or rural/regional planning organizations, or federal government agencies.

<u>Use:</u> To replace or retrofit fleet diesel-powered highway and non-road vehicles, engines and equipment.

Funds: \$23 million in federal funding is available.

Application Deadline: December 19, 2025

More information: DEP Website

Conservation and Natural Resources: Volunteer Fire Assistance

Who May Apply: Volunteer fire companies in rural areas or communities under 10,000 in population

<u>Use:</u> To prevent, control, and suppress the threat of wildfires through the purchase of wildfire suppression equipment, wildfire protective gear, mobile radios, installation of dry hydrants, wildfire training, or wildfire prevention and mitigation

<u>Funds:</u> Funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The maximum grant for 2025 is \$15,000.

Application Deadline: December 31, 2025

More information: DCNR Website

PennDOT: Green Light-Go Program

Who May Apply: Municipalities and planning organizations.

<u>Use:</u> To improve existing traffic control signals, such as LED replacement, traffic signal retiming, and studies, among other projects.

<u>Funds:</u> Up to \$40 million is available and projects require a 20% match.

<u>Application Deadline:</u> Pre-application scoping forms will be accepted until January 2, 2026. PennDOT will provide comments by February 28, 2026. The full application window will be between March 1, 2026, and March 31, 2026.

More information: PennDOT website

Department of Environmental Protection: Small Business Advantage Grant Program

Who May Apply: Pennsylvania-based small businesses

<u>Use:</u> Adopt processes or acquire equipment which results in energy efficiency, pollution prevention, and natural resource protection.

<u>Funds:</u> Funding can range from 50% or \$7,500 (whichever is less) up to 80% or \$12,000 (whichever is less) and will vary depending on environmental impact and project location. A total of \$1 million is available in this round of funding.

Application Deadline: March 13, 2026, or whenever funds are exhausted.

More information: DEP website