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Florida Main Street Guide to Grants

Searching for grants can be an overwhelming task. This document outlines relevant grants to Florida Main Street communities. This is not an exhaustive list of grants, and may be subject to change.

Florida Division of Historical Resources – Grant Applications Window Open April to May

The Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, provides state and federal funds for historic preservation. The purpose of this program is to provide funding, in the form of grants, to assist local, regional and state-wide efforts to preserve significant historic and archaeological resources, and to promote knowledge and appreciation of the history of Florida. This program provides historic preservation grants on a competitive basis. The Division offers both small matching and special category grants.

- [Small Matching Grants](#): Types of historic preservation projects that can be funded include: Survey, Planning, National Register Nomination, Education and Publication, Main Street Start Up and Restart, Historical Markers, and Special Statewide Projects. **No match required for Florida Main Street Communities.**
- [Main Street Small Matching Grants Information Packet](#)
- [Special Category Grants](#): Types of historic preservation projects that can be funded include: Development, Archaeology Research, Museum Exhibits, Acquisition of Historical Property or Archaeological Site.

Visit Florida – Grant Applications Window Opens Mid December

Visit Florida administers several reimbursement grant programs to assist tourism businesses with marketing their business and publicizing the tourism advantages to the State of Florida.

- [Advertising Matching Grants Program](#): Grants program to publicize the tourism advantages of the State of Florida
- [Cultural, Heritage, rural and Nature Tourism](#): Reimbursement program designed to provide funding for multi-county multi-partner marketing projects for the promotion of Florida’s cultural, heritage, rural, nature and education efforts.
- [Minority Convention Grant Program](#): Offered to local governments and non profit corporations to attract national minority conferences and conventions
- [Small Business Grant Program](#): Grant Program to assist small businesses in publicizing their programs and tourism advantages of the State of Florida.



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Florida Department of Economic Opportunity

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity combines the state's economic, workforce and community development efforts. This new approach helps expedite economic development projects to fuel job creation in competitive communities.

- [Competitive Florida Partnership Grant](#) : **Grant Application Window Opens Mid April.** The grant program provides technical assistance, additional resources and staff support to help identify local assets and create asset-based economic development strategies for communities. The grants are for one year and are available to municipalities and counties across the state.
- [Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant](#) : **Grant Window generally opens in Mid April.** The grants assist municipalities and counties in creating economic development strategies, addressing critical local planning issues and promoting innovative planning solutions to local challenges. Regional planning councils may also be eligible for grant projects at a regional scale that benefit more than one community. CPTA grant funding is delivered to the community or regional planning council after it completes deliverables identified in the grant agreement.
- [Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program](#): **Grant Application Window from June to August.** The Department of Economic Opportunity administers the State Program in Florida through the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program. This is a competitive grant program that awards funds to units of local government in small urban and rural areas. Florida receives between 18 and 26 million dollars annually from HUD to award subgrants to eligible units of local government.
- [Florida Defense Infrastructure Grant Program](#): **Grant Application Due in March.** The purpose of this grant is to support local infrastructure projects deemed to have a positive impact on the military value of installations within the state.
- [Florida Defense Reinvestment Grant Program](#): **Grant Application Due in March** The Florida Defense Reinvestment Grant Program is established to respond to the need for this state to work in conjunction with defense-dependent communities in developing and implementing strategies and approaches that will help communities support the missions of military installations, and in developing and implementing alternative economic diversification strategies to transition from a defense economy to a nondefense economy.

Walmart Community Grant Program - Grant Application Window Open from February to December

Through the Community Grant Program, our associates are proud to support the needs of their communities by providing grants to local organizations. Awarded grants range from **\$250 to \$5,000.**



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Florida Division of Cultural Affairs – Grant Application Window April to June

Division grants support Florida's cultural organizations and individual artists. All funding for the Division's grant programs are pending appropriation from the Florida Legislature.

- **General Program Support**: General Program Support funding is designed to support the general program activities of an organization that is realizing its stated mission and furthering the state's cultural objectives by: conducting, creating, producing, presenting, staging, or sponsoring cultural exhibits, performances, education programs or events OR providing professional services as a State Service Organization or Local Arts Agency
- **Specific Cultural Projects**: The Division offers four project types: arts in education, discipline based, underserved cultural community development, artist performances on tour and individual artists.
- **Fast Track Project**: **There are two application deadlines for this program. Applicants may only receive one grant per fiscal year. The deadlines are March 1 and September 1.** The Fast Track Project Grant Program is designed to provide expedited access to funds supporting small organizations through arts and cultural projects. This program is not intended to fund the general programming activities of your organization. Instead, this program supports projects including, but not limited to, artist residencies, performances, or exhibitions.
- **Cultural Facilities**: A cultural facility is a building which shall be used for the programming, production, presentation, exhibition of any of the arts and cultural disciplines. These disciplines include music, dance, theatre, creative writing, literature, architecture, painting, sculpture, folk arts, photography, crafts, media arts, visual arts, and programs of museums.
- **Cultural Endowment**: The purpose of the Cultural Endowment Program is to create an endowment matching funds program that will provide operating resources to participating cultural organizations.

Wells Fargo Florida Grants - Application Window Varies Based on Application Area of Interest

Wells Fargo makes grants in two primary areas: community development and education. They also consider grants in human services, arts and culture, civic engagement, and environmental resources.

Bank of America Foundation – Grant Applications Window Opens in June

The Bank of America Funding program addresses critical issues to ensure communities are resilient and poised for growth. This includes support for affordable housing, sustainable development, strong business corridors, the arts and environmental investments.