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# GUIDE TO NEW JERSEY AGENCIES

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## FEDERAL AGENCIES

### U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

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The mission of EPA is to protect human health and the environment. The Superfund division of the EPA manages New Jersey's sites on the National Priorities List, while the Brownfields section assists with all other contaminated property. They provide significant funding through their brownfield program for site assessment and cleanup, and also have a number of other programs through the Office of Sustainable Communities which can help with efforts to promote walkable neighborhoods.

#### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Brownfields Assessment Grants – Provide up to \$200,000 per site to assess brownfield sites.
- Brownfields Cleanup Grants – Provide up to \$200,000 per site to cleanup brownfield sites.
- Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grants – Provide up to \$1,000,000 in funding for a grant recipient to capitalize a revolving loan fund and to provide sub grants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites.
- Brownfields Area Wide Planning Grants (AWP) – Provide up to \$200,000 in funding to recipients to conduct research, technical assistance and training that will result in an area-wide plan and implementation strategy for key brownfield sites, which will help inform the assessment, cleanup and reuse of brownfields properties and promote area-wide revitalization. Funding is directed to specific areas, such as a neighborhood, downtown district, local commercial corridor, or city block, affected by a single large or multiple brownfield sites.
- Targeted Brownfields Assessments (TBA) – Free technical assistance from EPA-selected contractor to perform site assessment on brownfield sites.
- Technical Assistance to Brownfields (TAB) – Under contract from the EPA, the Center for Creative Land Recycling, a nonprofit, provides free training and technical assistance to communities with brownfields problems.
- Environmental Workforce Development & Job Training Grants – Provide up to \$200,000 in funding to train low-income and underserved residents from brownfield communities in environmental cleanup.
- Smart Growth Implementation Assistance – Free technical assistance with planning and community outreach to promote smart growth and sustainable development.
- Urban Waters Program – see U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Brownfields Program – Terry Wesley, [wesley.terry@epa.gov](mailto:wesley.terry@epa.gov), 212-637-5027, [www.epa.gov/brownfields](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields)
- Technical Assistance to Brownfields – Sarah Sieloff, Center for Creative Land Recycling, [sarah.sieloff@cclr.org](mailto:sarah.sieloff@cclr.org), 415-398-1080 x110, [www.cclr.org](http://www.cclr.org)
- EPA Region 2 – [www2.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-2](http://www2.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-2)

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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

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HUD's mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. They provide funding for housing development, programs that strengthen businesses and jobs in communities, and planning for growth and development.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. CDBGs are available directly for larger “entitlement” communities, or from the state for small and rural communities.
- Section 108 Loan Guarantee – Federally guaranteed loans that can be used for economic development, housing rehabilitation, public facilities, and large-scale physical development projects. As a portion of CDBG funds, they have similar requirements.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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[portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/comm\\_planning/communitydevelopment/programs](https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs)

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – OFFICE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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USDA Rural Development programs provide a number of funding sources targeted for rural communities. They are designed to support community and brownfield development by providing resources to support community facilities, utilities, business development, and housing. USDA's Rural Housing Service offers loans and grants for community facilities such as public buildings, emergency services, libraries, and hospitals. The Rural Utilities Service administers programs that support community infrastructure improvements like drinking water, storm water, and waste water treatment facilities. USDA-RD funds can support a variety of community assets essential for revitalization and economic growth.

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Rural Housing Service: USDA's Rural Housing Service offers a variety of programs to build or improve housing and essential community facilities in rural areas. USDA-RD offers loans, grants, and loan guarantees for single family housing purchases and repairs, child care centers, fire and police stations, hospitals, libraries, nursing homes, schools, community centers, first responder vehicles and equipment, housing for farm laborers, and much more.
- Rural Utilities Service: USDA's Rural Utilities Service administers programs that provide much-needed infrastructure or infrastructure improvements for rural communities. These include water, storm water, and waste treatment, electric power, and telecommunications/broadband services. All of these services play a critical role in helping to expand economic opportunities and improve the quality of life for rural residents.

- Rural Business-Cooperative Service: USDA’S Rural Business-Cooperative Service offers grant and loan guarantee programs to support business development and job training opportunities for rural residents.

All of the funding for USDA Rural Development’s programs contributes to the strategic goal of assisting rural communities to create prosperity by providing financial and technical assistance to rural residents, businesses, and private and public entities for a broad range of purposes that bring prosperity and better living to Rural America. USDA Rural Development has a \$212 billion portfolio of loans. USDA-RD will administer \$38 billion in loans, loan guarantees and grants through its programs in FY 16.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Rural Development Website: [www.rd.usda.gov](http://www.rd.usda.gov)
- Program Eligibility: <http://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do>
- Program Matrix: [http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/RD\\_ProgramMatrix.pdf](http://www.rd.usda.gov/files/RD_ProgramMatrix.pdf)

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) & FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA)

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The DOT works to ensure a fast, safe, efficient, accessible and convenient transportation system that meets our vital national interests and enhances the quality of life of the American people. They are a great resource for any project involving roads, rail, ports, or cycling.

#### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- TIGER Grants – Competitive grants that provide funding for road, rail, transit, and port projects
- Federal Highway Administration Resource Center Planning Team – Provide technical assistance and expertise with GIS, planning, modeling and analysis

#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- Transportation Capacity Building Peer Exchange – By application, provides assistance via peer exchanges, roundtables, workshops and webinars to Metropolitan Planning Organizations, transit operators, State Departments of Transportation, tribal governments, and other transportation decision makers. Details available at [https://www.planning.dot.gov/peer\\_app.asp](https://www.planning.dot.gov/peer_app.asp)

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Calvin Edghill, [calvin.edghill@dot.gov](mailto:calvin.edghill@dot.gov), 609-637-4230
- FHWA Resource Center Planning Team – [www.fhwa.dot.gov/resourcecenter/teams/planning](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/resourcecenter/teams/planning)

### U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA)

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The EDA partners with distressed communities throughout the United States to foster job creation, collaboration and regional innovation. Any projects building jobs or businesses will find strong support from the EDA.

## FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Economic Development Assistance Program – Provides Public Works Grants and Economic Adjustment Grants for construction, non-construction, and revolving loan fund investments to leverage regional assets to support the implementation of regional economic development strategies designed to create jobs, leverage private capital, encourage economic development, and strengthen America's ability to compete in the global marketplace.
- Planning & Local Technical Assistance Grants – Assists recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to stimulate and guide the economic development efforts of a community or region.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Edward Hummel, [EHummel@eda.gov](mailto:EHummel@eda.gov), 215-316-2124 (NY State and Northern NJ -- Mercer and Middlesex Counties north.)
- Andrew Reid, [AREid@eda.gov](mailto:AREid@eda.gov), 267-687-4317 (PA, DE and Southern NJ -- Monmouth and Burlington Counties south.)

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## U.S. FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION (FEMA)

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The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from and mitigate all hazards.

### Preparing for Future Disasters

National preparedness is a shared responsibility—everyone has a role to play to ensure that our nation can address its greatest risks. A key element to successfully responding to and recovering from a major disaster is the overall preparedness of individual citizens and their families.

- Ready is a National public service campaign designed to educate and empower the American people to prepare for, respond to and mitigate emergencies, including natural and man-made disasters. The goal of the [ready.gov](http://ready.gov) campaign is to promote preparedness through public involvement.
- The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) serves as the national focal point for the development and delivery of emergency management training to enhance the capabilities of state, territorial, local, and tribal government officials to minimize the impact of disasters and emergencies on the American public. (<https://training.fema.gov/emi.aspx>)

### The Public Assistance Program

The Public Assistance (PA) Grant Program provides federal grants to government organizations and certain private nonprofit (PNP) organizations following a Presidential disaster declaration. The supplemental grant program assists with the repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged publicly-owned facilities, and the facilities of certain PNP organizations. The Public Assistance program is administered through a coordinated effort between the FEMA, the state or tribe (grantee), and the applicants (subgrantees).

Additional information: <https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit>

### **FEMA's Role in Supporting Mitigation**

The Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration (FIMA) implements numerous congressionally authorized programs that address the effects of natural hazards through mitigation activities and provide funding to support these activities, including:

#### *Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program*

FEMA's Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM) is designed to assist states, U.S. Territories, federally-recognized tribes, and local communities in implementing a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program. The goal is to reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding in future disasters. The PDM program awards planning and project grants and provides opportunities for raising public awareness about reducing future losses before a disaster strikes.

Additional information: <http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program>

#### *Hazard Mitigation Grant Program*

The purpose of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) is to help communities implement hazard mitigation measures following a Presidential major disaster declaration. Applications are submitted to the state, which receives HMGP funds from FEMA. HMGP recipients (states, federally-recognized tribes, or territories) have the primary responsibility for prioritizing, selecting, and administering state and local hazard mitigation projects.

Additional information: <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program>

#### *Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program*

The Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program's goal is reducing or eliminating claims under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). FMA funding is available through the National Flood Insurance Fund (NFIF) for flood hazard mitigation projects as well as plan development and is appropriated by Congress. Local governments are considered subapplicants and must apply to their Applicant State.

Additional information: <https://www.fema.gov/flood-mitigation-assistance-grant-program>

#### *Community Resiliency Toolkit*

The Community Flood Resiliency Toolkit is intended to serve as a roadmap for municipal leaders working to make their communities more resilient to the impacts of a flood disaster. The Toolkit outlines actions you should take as you progress along the journey.

Additional information: <https://www.fema.gov/region-ii-mitigation>

### **Assistance to Firefighters Grants Programs**

The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire-related hazards by providing direct financial assistance to eligible fire departments, nonaffiliated Emergency Medical Services organizations, and State Fire Training Academies. This funding is for critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operations efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience.

Additional information: <https://www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program>

FEMA Region II serves the states of New Jersey and New York, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the territory of the U.S. Virgin Islands and eight Tribal Nations. For additional information on any of the programs listed above please email [FEMA-R2-ExternalAffairs@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R2-ExternalAffairs@fema.dhs.gov)

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## U.S. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (NPS)

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The National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program supports community-led natural resource conservation and outdoor recreation by connecting community groups, nonprofits, tribes and state governments with their network of conservation and recreation planning professionals. Through these partnerships the program aims to assist in the design of trails and parks, conserve and improve access to rivers, and create recreational opportunities. RTCA is a resource to communities – both urban and rural – that seek to leverage redevelopment to improve quality of life by creating recreational infrastructure.

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- The NPS-RTCA program provides technical assistance, not grants. RTCA staff provide hands-on planning assistance, working in collaboration with community groups and local and state governments on locally-driven projects to conserve rivers, preserve open space, create new parks, and establish trails and greenways.
- The role of NPS-RTCA staff is tailored to local needs. Some typical forms of collaborative assistance have included:
  - Inventory and map community resources
  - Identify and analyze key issues and opportunities
  - Engage collaborative partners and stakeholders
  - Design community outreach and participation strategies
  - Develop concept plans for trails, parks, and natural areas
  - Set priorities and build consensus
  - Identify funding sources
  - Develop a sustainable organizational framework to support the project
- Assistance is provided on a year-by-year basis, according to the federal fiscal year (October 1 to September 30), and is renewable for up to 3 years. Applications are due by August 1 of each year, for assistance during the following federal fiscal year (beginning October 1).

## U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA)

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The SBA supports efforts to start and grow small businesses in all sectors of the economy. They provide a variety of loan and grant programs for specific purposes, and can also serve as a great resource for questions about managing your business and complying with regulations.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (USACE)

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The Army Corps of Engineers is the body charged with maintaining and protecting America’s navigable waterways, and will be an important partner of any project near rivers or the ocean.

#### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Urban Waters Program – A multi-agency partnership provides grants and technical assistance for redeveloping brownfields near urban waterways, connecting communities to revitalize their water assets.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Stephen Ryba, [Stephan.A.Ryba@usace.army.mil](mailto:Stephan.A.Ryba@usace.army.mil), 917-790-8411
- Urban Waters Partnership – [www.urbanwaters.gov](http://www.urbanwaters.gov)

## NEW JERSEY STATE AGENCIES

### NEW JERSEY BUSINESS ACTION CENTER (BAC)

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The New Jersey Business Action Center (BAC) serves as a “one-stop” shop for businesses helping companies to stay and grow in New Jersey, as well as locate in our great state. The Center’s business advocates work to encourage entrepreneurship by supporting businesses of all sizes, advancing the global competitiveness of New Jersey companies, and promoting the State’s attractiveness as a vacation destination and business investment location nationally and internationally. The BAC promotes the State’s attractiveness as a vacation destination and business investment to grow New Jersey’s tourism.

The Office for Planning Advocacy (OPA) sits within the State Business Action Center (BAC). OPA coordinates statewide planning to protect the environment and guide future growth into compact, mixed-use development and redevelopment. OPA implements the goals of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan to achieve comprehensive, long-term planning; and integrates that planning with programmatic and regulatory land-use decisions at all levels of government and the private sector. OPA coordinates the New Jersey Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force, a group comprised of New Jersey State agencies and private representatives concerned with brownfield redevelopment. OPA also maintains SiteMart, an online multiple listing service of brownfields in New Jersey.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- BAC/OPA – Barry Ableman -[Barry.Ableman@sos.nj.gov](mailto:Barry.Ableman@sos.nj.gov)
- Office of Tourism – Anthony Minick, [Anthony.Minick@sos.nj.gov](mailto:Anthony.Minick@sos.nj.gov), 609-292-2497

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## NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP)

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NJDEP's mission is the protection of the air, waters, land, and natural and historic resources of the State to ensure continued public benefit. They administer a number of programs that can assist with brownfield redevelopment.

### OTHER FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Clean Marina Program - The program encourages marina owners, yacht clubs, boatyards and boaters to adopt practices that help prevent adverse impacts to water quality, sensitive habitats and living resources in proximity to marinas.
- Waterfront Development Planning
- Green Acres – Low interest (2%) loans and grants to municipal and county governments to acquire open space and develop outdoor recreation facilities
- Blue Acres – Acquisition program that targets the buyout of flood prone structures and the preservation of the floodplain. It is a subset of the Green Acres State Land Acquisition (SLA) Program.
- Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants (319h) - Provide grants to reduce water quality impairment through implementation of nonpoint source pollution control projects

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Division of Coastal and Land Use Planning – Elizabeth Semple, Elizabeth.Semple@dep.nj.gov
- Local Government and Nonprofit Assistance Program (Green/Blue Acres)– Martha Sapp, Martha.Sapp@dep.nj.gov
- Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants – Jay Springer, Jay.Springer@dep.nj.gov
- All DEP Grant and Loan Programs – [www.state.nj.us/dep/grantandloanprograms](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/grantandloanprograms)

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## NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION – COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW PROGRAM

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The Combined Sewer Overflow Program works closely with CSO Permittees to assist them in meeting the conditions of the permit. The Program has established multidisciplinary teams to providing ongoing technical assistance, guidance, and training covering a range of topics including green infrastructure, public participation, and financing. On-site meetings, field visits, review of draft permit submittals, development of guidance documents, in person training, and training videos are some of the examples of the type of assistance provided.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Julie Krause, Julie.Krause@dep.nj.gov, 609-292-9977

## NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION – SITE REMEDIATION PROGRAM

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The site remediation program requires almost all remediation in the state to proceed under the supervision of a licensed site remediation professional (LSRP). The goal of this program is to expedite remediation. A function of the Office of Brownfield Reuse (within the Site Remediation Program) is to promote redevelopment.

### Funding Program:

- **Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund** – The Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF), administered through a partnership between the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA), is a grant and loan program available to public and private entities for the investigation and cleanup of a suspected/known discharge of a hazardous substance. The HDSRF is a valuable resource for municipalities and counties to evaluate and cleanup properties identified as areas in need of redevelopment and to facilitate reuse of brownfield properties. The many types of grants and loans available to public entities as part of the remediation process are listed below. Municipalities, Counties, and Redevelopment Entities authorized to exercise redevelopment powers pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 1992, c. 79 (C.40A:12A-4) are eligible to apply.
  - Grants for Brownfield Investigations - Grants are available to conduct Preliminary Assessment (PA), Site Investigation (SI), and Remedial Investigation (RI) activities and are provided at 100% of the eligible costs.
  - Grants for Brownfield Development Area (BDA) - Grants are available to conduct PA, SI, and RI activities at 100% of the eligible costs and 75% of eligible costs for Remedial Action (RA) activities.
  - Matching Grants for Remedial Action:
    - Open Space and Recreation - Grants for up to 75% of the costs of an RA if the property will be redeveloped for recreation and conservation purposes. Property to be preserved for recreation/conservation by easement permanently restricting development.
    - Renewable Energy - Grants for up to 75% of the costs of an RA for properties developed for renewable energy purposes.
    - Affordable Housing - Grants for up to 50% of the costs of an RA for properties developed for affordable housing.
    - Innovative Technology - Grants for up to 25% of the costs for the portion of an RA that uses an innovative technology. Typically approved following completion of the RI and are capped at \$250,000 per project.
    - No Further Action - Limited Restricted/Unrestricted Use - Grants for up to 25% of the costs for the portion of an RA that achieves a limited restricted use or unrestricted use final soil remediation document (No Further Action determination or Response Action Outcome). Typically approved following completion of the RI and are capped at \$250,000 per project.

- Municipal Grants are capped at \$3 million per municipality per calendar year. Municipalities with a BDA are eligible for an additional \$2 million in grant funding per year.
  - Loans - Imminent and Significant Threat - Loans for up to 100% of the funding needed to remediate a contaminated site if there is an imminent and significant threat to public health and environment. Capped at \$3 million per year per site.
  - Loans - Remedial Action - Loans for up to 100% of the RA costs if a public entity owns the property and has completed the PA, SI, and RI phases of the project.
- Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Remediation, Upgrade and Closure Fund ("Petroleum UST Fund" or "UST Fund")
  - Spill Compensation Fund ("Spill Fund") – Assists innocent individuals, businesses and local governments suffering direct or indirect damages from the discharge of hazardous substances.
  - NJ Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Program – Provides funding to nonprofit community groups to employ independent Licensed Site Remediation Professionals as technical advisors to perform activities to improve the public’s understanding of environmental conditions and remediation of contaminated sites in their communities.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Office of Brownfield Reuse, Site Remediation Program – William (Bill) Lindner, [William.Lindner@dep.nj.gov](mailto:William.Lindner@dep.nj.gov), (609) 633-1223.

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## NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION – OFFICE OF PERMIT COORDINATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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The mission of DEP's Office of Permit Coordination and Environmental Review (PCER) is to coordinate all Federal NEPA and State EO 215 reviews for the Department by the Environmental Review Unit, and to coordinate and facilitate the permitting of large complex projects across multiple Department permitting programs by the Permit Coordination Unit.

Specifically, the Permit Coordination Unit’s mission is to:

- 1) Be the primary manager/driver for several large cross- program projects at any given time.
- 2) Provide a “One Stop”/single point of entry for a second tier of smaller cross- program projects where we will coordinate and facilitate multi program permits but not be primary manager of those projects. Applicants will leave our Permit Readiness Process with confidence that:
  - there is no fatal flaw (early 'no' if needed) in their site or project,
  - certainty they are in fact ready to submit permit applications (that no preliminary approvals like LOIs or consistency with WQMPs) are needed or if so that they have been obtained),

- their project has had the benefit of an informal review and comment on their project by permit reviewers prior to submitting a formal application,
- they have been introduced to individual program contacts,
- they have an approximate predictable schedule for permit issuance assuming the submission of a complete and approvable application and fees.

3) Provide an early, informal review and comment on 'ideas' or conceptual projects for smaller project applicants before they invest time and money into more detailed project design ie - a general GIS overall of site limitations or encumbrances to determine if it is worth further investing in a project.

4) Identify and resolve initial/overarching policy or rule interpretation or process questions by the Department needed to determine the viability of a project prior to entering the permit application process.

We generally accomplish this initially for 1 and 2 above through the use of the Permit Readiness Checklist (PRC) form, the submission of which to Ruth.Foster@dep.nj.gov usually starts those processes. This document serves as an early planning, fatal flaw screen of major approvals and site conditions like land use, site remediation, water, sewer and local approvals. This document generally provides the Department with the minimum necessary information to informally review what permits may be needed for the project. After receipt of the completed PRC, the Department generally invites the applicant to present an overview of the project, discuss the conclusions of the individual DEP programs who have reviewed the PRC, allow the programs to offer informal suggestions on how to minimize or qualify for permits, and to project an anticipated schedule for permit review assuming a good application.

The Readiness Checklist form is available on our website at <http://www.nj.gov/dep/pcer.htm>.

Please include with any Permit Readiness Checklist submittal, as appropriate, a short (1-2 page) summary of the project with project water allocation intake and wastewater needs, air emissions, a site location map, a site map indicating development outlines and environmental features, a wetlands Letter of Interpretation and/or wetlands and flood hazard lines and buffers (if applicable), and any other documents or information which will allow us to conduct a thorough pre-review your project. Please also identify any overarching preliminary or policy questions or decisions the Department must make prior to the project going forward.

If a project receives more than 1 million dollars in State or federal funding, or require a Federal Permit, an environmental assessment may be required according to Executive Order EO-215 or the National Environmental Policy Act. As our goal is to provide superior customer service, please do not hesitate to contact Supervisor Ruth Foster, at 609-292-3600 at any time with any questions or comments.

We hope you will have the opportunity to utilize our permit coordination services. There is no fee associated with this service. Please don't hesitate to call our Office at any time at 609 292 3600.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST & ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM (NJEIFP)

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The EIFP which is jointly administered by NJDEP and New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust (NJEIT) provides and administers nine different low interest loans for water quality infrastructure projects. NJEIFP will finance a wide range of cleanup and remediation activities for brownfield redevelopment.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Long Term Traditional Loan Program – Low interest financing for the construction of environmental infrastructure projects
- Planning and Design Loan Program – Provides financing for early stage eligible engineering costs which are incurred in completing Environmental Planning, and Engineering Design work

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- David Zimmer, [dzimmer@njeit.org](mailto:dzimmer@njeit.org), 609-219-8600
- Eugene Chebra, [Eugene.Chebra@dep.nj.gov](mailto:Eugene.Chebra@dep.nj.gov), 609-633-1169

## NEW JERSEY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (NJRA)

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The NJRA provides loans and technical assistance to the 69 eligible urban municipalities and serves as a facilitator for municipalities, community groups and developers to access State resources and information.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Redevelopment Investment Fund – Offers direct loans, real estate equity, loan guarantees and other forms of credit enhancements for business and real estate ventures.
- Urban Site Acquisition Program – Provides funds for the acquisition, site assembly and redevelopment of properties that are part of urban redevelopment plans.
- Bond Program – Provides qualified small issue bonds for acquiring, constructing and renovating capital facilities.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Darryl Godfrey, [Dgodfrey@njra.us](mailto:Dgodfrey@njra.us), 609-278-5175
- [www.NJRA.US](http://www.NJRA.US)

### TRAINING PROGRAMS

- NJRA Redevelopment Training Institute (RTI) – Offers public officials, developers, professionals and non-profits intermediate courses to better understand the redevelopment process and resources that exist to support real estate and redevelopment projects.
- Municipal Consultation - In partnership with industry experts the RTI can provide one-on-one consultation services to ensure that your municipality's redevelopment goals are achieved.

- Customized Training - In partnership with industry experts the RTI can provide one-on-one consultation services to ensure that your company's redevelopment knowledge is current and sound.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Kim Avant-Babb, Kavant-babb@njra.us, 609-278-5174
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## NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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NJDOT supports projects that enhance safety, renew aging infrastructure, and support new transportation opportunities. NJDOT also administers a number of federally funded programs.

#### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Developers interested in brownfields redevelopment should contact their municipal governments to discuss funding for transportation-related projects.
- Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) – Allocates state and federal transportation funding for the period of ten federal fiscal years (which begins October 1).
- Capital Program – The program allocates state and federal transportation funding for the period of one State fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) for NJDOT and NJ TRANSIT.
- Local Aid – Federal Programs Administered by NJDOT.
  - Transportation Enhancement Program – Transportation Enhancement (TE) projects are designed to foster more livable communities, preserve and protect environmental and cultural resources and to promote alternative modes of transportation. Funds are available for design, right of way acquisition and construction. This program has been carried forward under the Transportation Alternatives program.
  - Local Lead – Provides an opportunity for the MPO sub-regions to apply for federal funding for the advancement of projects through final design, right-of-way and/or construction. This is a competitive program.
  - Safe Routes to School (SRTS) – A federally-funded program that provides highway funds to State Departments of Transportation. Under the most recent legislation, funding does not provide for a standalone SRTS Program. The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) has elected to continue funding the SRTS program separately. The SRTS program is funded through the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Federal Aid Program and is being administered by the NJDOT, in partnership with the North Jersey Transportation Planning authority (NJTPA), the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC), and the south Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO). County, municipal governments, school districts, and schools are eligible to apply to the program. Non-profit organizations are not eligible as direct grant recipients for this solicitation. However, non-profit organizations may partner with a local public agency that will assume responsibility and administration for the grant. The SRTS Program provides funding for infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects.

Infrastructure projects include the planning, design and construction or installation of sidewalks, crosswalks, signals, traffic-calming and bicycle facilities. Non-infrastructure projects include activities such as public awareness campaigns, walk and bike to school events and training, traffic education and enforcement, and student lessons on bicycle and pedestrian safety, health and the environment. Federal regulations require that the states devote at least 10% of SRTS funding to the non-infrastructure component of the program.

- Transportation Alternatives - The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) was established by Congress in 2012 under MAP-21 and FAST Act in 2015, and is funded through a set-aside of the Federal-aid Highway Program. TAP provides federal funds for community based "non-traditional" projects designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic and environmental aspects of the nation's intermodal system. TAP projects must relate to surface transportation. This program is being administered by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), in partnership with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA), the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) and the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO).
- Local Safety/High Risk Rural Roads – Administered by the three New Jersey MPOs (DVRPC, NJTPA, SJTPO), these programs use federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-National Highway System and non-State-owned public roads, and roads on tribal lands. Projects supported by the Local Safety Program have included new and upgraded traffic signals, signage, pedestrian indications, crosswalks, curb ramps, pavement markings and other improvements to increase the safety of drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians. Projects supported by this program have included but not limited to skid-resistant surface treatments, guiderail, reflective pavement markings, rumble strips and rumble stripes, safety edge, enhance and advanced warning signs.
- Local Aid – State Programs
  - Municipal Aid – The Municipal Aid program is a competitive program intended to provide municipalities with transportation based grants to supplement their transportation programs. Funds are allocated to the county based on a formula considering population and road mileage. Municipalities submit applications for funding within each county. Additional funding is allotted for Urban Aid municipalities.
  - County Aid – County Aid funds are appropriated by the Legislature annually for the improvement of public roads and bridges under county jurisdiction. Funds are allocated to the county based on a formula considering population and road mileage. Counties submit annual transportation plans to apply for funds
  - Local Aid Infrastructure Fund – Subject to funding for appropriation, the program is established to address emergencies or regional needs throughout the State. Any county or municipality may apply at any time. These projects are approved at the discretion of the Commissioner of Transportation.

- Local Freight Impact Fund Program – The New Jersey Department of Transportation’s (NJDOT) Local Freight Impact Fund Grant Program provides funds to the counties and municipalities that are committed to the advancement of freight projects and the movement of large truck traffic that emphasizes and enhances safety, renews aging infrastructure, promotes economic development and supports new transportation opportunities. The Freight Impact fund is intended to identify and elevate the opportunities and challenges that are associated with the movement of goods along county and/or local roadway systems to the level of importance attached to the safe and efficient movement of people.
- Local Bridges, Future Needs - The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), Local Bridges, Future Needs program provides funds for the improvement of county jurisdiction bridges. As part of its Statewide Capital Investment Strategy, the NJDOT is focusing on preventive maintenance, rehabilitation and selective replacement of bridges. This program was initiated in recognition of funding needs that goes beyond what is currently available at the local level. The Program is managed by both the Division of Local Aid and the Bureau of Structural Engineering. It is recommended that applicants consult with the Manager of Bureau of Structural Engineering to determine project eligibility for funding.
- Bikeways Program – Provides funds to counties and municipalities to promote bicycling as an alternate mode of transportation in New Jersey.
- Safe Streets to Transit Program – Provides funding to counties and municipalities in improving access to transit facilities and all modes of public transportation.
- Transit Village Grant Program - The Transit Village Grant Program is designed to assist municipalities who have been formally designated as Transit Villages by the Commissioner of Transportation and the inter-agency Transit Village Task Force. The Transit Village Grant program will award grants for non-traditional transportation-related projects to New Jersey municipalities designated as Transit Villages. These are municipalities which have made a commitment to grow in the area surrounding a transit facility. The facility can service commuter rail, bus, ferry, or light rail.
- Transit Village Initiative – A community revitalization partnership spearheaded by NJDOT and NJ TRANSIT in partnership with eight other state agencies, in which New Jersey municipalities may apply for Transit Village designation by making a commitment to grow in the area surrounding a transit facility. The program strives to help redevelop and revitalize communities around transit facilities and make them an appealing choice for people to live, work and play, thereby reducing reliance on the automobile.

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## NEW JERSEY TRANSIT

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NJ TRANSIT is New Jersey's public transportation corporation. Its mission is to provide safe, reliable, convenient and cost-effective transit service with a skilled team of employees, dedicated to their customers' needs and committed to excellence. NJ TRANSIT's Transit-Friendly Planning, Land Use and Development Program (TFPLUD) supports growth and development where public transportation already exists. Transit-oriented development reduces the growth of traffic congestion and improves air quality. In addition, communities benefit as areas surrounding passenger facilities, stations and terminals are revitalized, making them attractive places for people to live, work and socialize.

### PROGRAMS

- NJ TRANSIT welcomes opportunities to facilitate Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) and Joint Development projects with both public and private entities. Such projects serve to support local and regional economic development goals, NJ TRANSIT's fiscal well-being, and sustainable land use practices.
- NJ TRANSIT also administers several publicly funded transit programs for people with disabilities, senior citizens and people living in the state's rural areas who have no other means of transportation.
- NJ TRANSIT also provides planning assistance to interested communities through on-call consultants with expertise in transportation planning, urban design, market analysis, economic development, downtown revitalization, parking and community engagement. The result has been the creation of countless consensus-based, transit supportive land use "vision plans" that communities are using to guide development and redevelopment at and surrounding existing or proposed transit facilities. By creating local "transit-friendly vision plans," NJ TRANSIT has successfully demonstrated how statewide transportation investments can enhance the environment, create strong community centers, encourage private reinvestment in the local economy and improve the quality of life.
- See also NJ DOT Transit Village Initiative (<http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/community/village/>)

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY

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The NJTPA is the federally authorized Metropolitan Planning Organization for 6.6 million people in the 13-county northern New Jersey region. Each year, the NJTPA oversees more than \$2 billion in transportation improvement projects and provides a forum for interagency cooperation and public input. It also sponsors and conducts studies, assists county planning agencies and monitors compliance with national air quality goals. NJTPA also works with a host of agencies around the state in promoting improved mobility, environment protection and other goals. This includes support for county and local governments which operate shuttles and community bus systems.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Local Capital Delivery Program (LCPD): Provides funding to NJTPA Subregions to prepare proposed transportation projects for eventual construction with federal funding. Sponsors will identify problems and needs within their respective subregions, and develop projects through the Local Concept Development and Local Preliminary Engineering phases of this program. This work enables a project to be considered for inclusion in the NJTPA's annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Projects must be included in the TIP to receive federal funding for final design, right-of-way acquisition and construction. Once federal funding through the TIP is obtained, subregions oversee these final phases of work to implement the project.
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP): Provides federal funds for community based "non-traditional" projects designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of the nation's intermodal system.
- Local Safety Program (LSP): Supports construction of quick-fix, high-impact safety improvements on county and local roadway facilities in the NJTPA region. Projects funded by this program have included new and upgraded traffic signals, signage, pedestrian indications, crosswalks, curb ramps, pavements markings and other improvements to increase the safety of drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians. Projects on State, U.S. and Interstate highways are not eligible.
- High Risk Rural Roads Program (HRRRP): Provides federal funds for construction improvements to address safety problems ONLY on roadways that are functionally classified as rural major collector, rural minor collector or rural local roads and have a crash rate that exceeds the statewide average for those functional classes of roadways.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- LCPD:  
<http://www.njtpa.org/project-programs/project-development/local-capital-project-delivery-process.aspx>

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## NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (EDA)

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NJEDA finances small and mid-sized businesses, administers tax incentives to retain and grow jobs, revitalizes communities through redevelopment initiatives, and supports entrepreneurial development.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Grow New Jersey Assistance Program – Provides grants of corporate business tax credits to businesses creating or retaining jobs in New Jersey.
- Economic Redevelopment and Growth (ERG) Program – Provides an incentive for developers and businesses to address revenue gaps in development projects.
- Real Estate Impact Fund – Financing for small and mid-sized real estate development projects located within targeted areas.

### ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES

- Brownfields and Contaminated Site Remediation Program - Developers in New Jersey who need financial assistance to clean up and redevelop polluted sites and closed municipal landfills may enter into a redevelopment agreement with the EDA and be eligible to recover a portion of their remediation costs.
- The New Jersey Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) – Finances the investigation and cleanup of contaminated sites through grants (for investigation) and low interest loans (for cleanup) to municipalities, businesses and responsible parties who discharge hazardous substances.
- The Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Remediation Upgrade and Closure Program – A hardship fund specifically created to provide loans and grants to business owners, homeowners and municipalities for upgrades, closures and remediation of underground storage tanks.
- Revenue Allocation District (RAD) Funding – Available to municipalities to encourage revenue generating development projects in RADs as part of a locally approved redevelopment plan.
- Redevelopment Area Bond Financing – Long-term, low-interest bonds are available for infrastructure improvements and other predevelopment costs, including demolition and remediation.

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## NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (DCA)

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DCA provides administrative guidance, financial support and technical assistance to local governments, community development organizations, businesses and individual to respond to issues of public concern including fire and building safety, housing production, community planning and development, and local government management and finance.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Main Street New Jersey – Provides selected communities with technical assistance and training of proven value in revitalizing historic downtowns.
- Small Cities Community Development Block Grant – Provides funds for economic development, housing rehabilitation, community revitalization and public facilities designed to benefit people of low- and moderate-income or to address recent local needs for which no other source of funding is available.
- Urban Enterprise Zone (UEZ) Program – Provides funds for infrastructure improvements, brownfields planning and remediation, and other projects that support economic growth. This program’s goal is to revitalize local, regional and state economies.
- Local Planning Assistance Program – DCA staff offers general land use planning and special planning services at no cost to qualified local governments.
- CHOICE – Choices in Home Ownership Incentives Created for Everyone
- Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits
- Hurricane Sandy Recovery
- Multifamily Housing Loans – New Construction
- Special Needs Housing Financing Programs

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- All funding and technical assistance programs from DCA – [www.nj.gov/dca/publications/pdf/dcagrantsandresourcesbook.pdf](http://www.nj.gov/dca/publications/pdf/dcagrantsandresourcesbook.pdf)
- Main Street New Jersey – Jef Beuhler, [Jef.Buehler@dca.nj.gov](mailto:Jef.Buehler@dca.nj.gov) or [MSNJ@dca.nj.gov](mailto:MSNJ@dca.nj.gov), 609-633-9769 or 609-633-9648, [www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dhcr/offices/msnj.html](http://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dhcr/offices/msnj.html)
- Small Cities Community Development Block Grant – 609-633-6276
- Local Planning Assistance Program – [www.state.nj.us/dca/services/lps](http://www.state.nj.us/dca/services/lps)
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## NEW JERSEY BUSINESS ACTION CENTER (BAC)

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The New Jersey Business Action Center (BAC) serves as a “one-stop” shop for businesses helping companies to stay and grow in New Jersey, as well as locate in our great state. The Center’s business advocates work to encourage entrepreneurship by supporting businesses of all sizes, advancing the global competitiveness of New Jersey companies, and promoting the State’s attractiveness as a vacation destination and business investment location nationally and internationally. The BAC promotes the State’s attractiveness as a vacation destination and business investment to grow New Jersey’s tourism. In addition, the BAC is an invaluable resource for communities seeking brownfield redevelopment assistance. They manage the Brownfields Redevelopment Interagency Team (BRIT) to provide the tools for interested parties to develop brownfields in an efficient and timely manner.

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## NEW JERSEY COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

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The New Jersey State Council on the Arts, created in 1966, is a division of the New Jersey Department of State. The State Arts Council’s volunteer members and professional staff work to encourage and give financial support to New Jersey artists and arts organizations, and to strengthen New Jersey communities through the arts. The Council receives direct appropriations from the State of New Jersey through a dedicated, renewable Hotel/Motel Occupancy fee, as well as grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. As the largest funder of the arts in New Jersey, this year the Council awarded \$16 million in competitive grants, reaching over 700 arts organizations, projects and artists. Strategic cross- sector partnerships help extend the Council’s reach to traditionally underserved populations and in key areas such as education, healthcare, community revitalization and economic development.

The Council participates in inter-agency collaborations that include the Department of Transportation’s Transit Village Initiative, the Interagency Working Group – IAWG (formerly the Department of Community Affairs’ Office of Smart Growth Brownfields Redevelopment Interagency Team), Together North Jersey and the northern NJ Regional Planning Association. Through its participation, the Council encourages city mayors, planners, environmental consultants and developers to plan for infrastructure improvements, mixed-use centers and open space that could accommodate public art, arts and cultural facilities and activities/events and affordable live and work space for individual artists, as vehicles for community and economic growth.

### RELEVANT FUNDING PROGRAMS

● Local Arts Program: The Council awards multi-year Local Arts Program Grants to County Arts Agencies (CAAs) to support their local arts development programs, activities, planning, administration and professional development; and to regrant funds to community-based arts organizations and projects.

Over 550 such grants are made annually under grant programs designed and administered by the respective CAA.

● **Operating Grants to Organizations:** The Council's General Operating and General Program Support grants are awarded to New Jersey based, nonprofit organizations or units of local government with a multi-year commitment, designed to help underwrite the expense of their total operation including the expense of producing and presenting artsevents.

● **Cosponsored Project Grants:** The Council partners with New Jersey based, nonprofit organizations or units of local government to carry out priority projects that address shared goals. These partnership grants, or co-sponsored projects, are single or multi-year commitments, depending on the specific program goals.

● **Arts Project Support:** The Council awards APS grants to support single arts events, such as a concert, theatre production, exhibition or dance performance.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

[www.artscouncil.nj.gov](http://www.artscouncil.nj.gov)

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## NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST

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The Mission of the Trust is to advance historic preservation in New Jersey for the benefit of future generations through education, stewardship and financial investment programs that save our heritage and strengthen our communities. Millions of dollars have been invested and hundreds of buildings having been restored. But, in New Jersey, there are many additional historic preservation needs to be addressed. The preservation and revitalization of historic neighborhoods and communities have become as important as the preservation of individual sites. Sprawl development and demolition in urban areas are now the major forces eroding New Jersey's historic buildings, sites and countryside.

### FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Corporate Business Tax (CBT) Historic Preservation Fund: Provides grants for historic preservation projects. The program launched in the 2016 fiscal year with 54 applications requesting a total of \$6 million.
- Cultural Trust Capital Preservation Grant Program: Provides grants for the repair, preservation, restoration, rehabilitation and improvement of historic properties owned by organizations with a history or humanities mission.
- 1772 Foundation, in cooperation with the New Jersey Historic Trust, is offering matching grants up to \$15,000 for exterior preservation projects. Only nonprofit organizations are eligible. The 2016 grant deadline is December 16, 2015.
- Revolving Loan Fund provides low-interest, long-term financing for the preservation, improvement, restoration, rehabilitation, and acquisition of historic properties. Applications are accepted year-round.
- Emergency Grant and Loan Fund provides small grants or loans for the stabilization of historic property.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- <http://www.njht.org/dca/njht/programs/>