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Executive Director
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Introduction

The State of Illinois provides local governments with both technical services and cash assistance through programs administered by many state agencies. More than 200 financial assistance programs administered by the state include grants for many purposes, such as: public library services for the blind and physically handicapped, soil and water conservation, housing, fire protection, museums, and drug enforcement. The state also shares revenue with local jurisdictions, which is used for a variety of programs at the discretion of the local governments. The state provides salary subsidies and bonuses to many local officials, including state’s attorneys, assessment officers, county clerks, police officers, and probation officers.

In addition to financial aid, state agencies also provide various kinds of technical assistance. This includes training for local officials, answering inquiries, and providing services such as computerized data, group health insurance information, or provision of surplus property. This Catalog is a summary of more than 250 state financial and technical assistance programs provided to local governments in Illinois. It is intended to provide legislators and their staffs, community organizations, and local officials with the most comprehensive information on state assistance to local governments. This is the seventeenth edition of the Catalog.

This Catalog describes the state programs available to local governments. The agencies providing assistance are divided into three sections (Elected Officers, Code Agencies, and Other Agencies), and the agencies and programs within each group are arranged alphabetically. Each program summary is outlined as follows:

Objective: Outlines the purpose and objective of the assistance and any qualifications.

Eligibility: Identifies which types of local governments are eligible for assistance.

Funding: Lists the amounts of funds available for distribution, where applicable.

*Note: N/A = The number was not available or was not provided at the time of request. This designation was also used for programs whose funding was phased out.

Further Information: Lists the appropriate state agency address and phone number.

To make the Catalog easy to use, there is an alphabetical program directory at the back and a Table of Contents that lists all the programs and their page numbers. These features should allow readers to readily locate information in which they are interested.
ATTORNEY GENERAL, OFFICE OF THE

NOTE: The Office of the Attorney General did not provide updated program information for this edition of the Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth). For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 782-1090.

COMPTROLLER, OFFICE OF THE

COMPTROLLER CONNECT INTERNET FILING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITE

Objective: The Comptroller maintains a website that provides local government officials with access to information about required financial reporting. The website allows local officials to file financial data via the Internet, print copies of blank financial reports, view submitted financial reports, and obtain information about financial reporting, training, and other outreach activities from the Comptroller.

Eligibility: Counties, townships, municipalities, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

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(877) 304-3899 (Hotline)

COUNTY TREASURER TRAINING PROGRAM

Objective: The Comptroller conducts a training program for county treasurers every four years. The training is a comprehensive program designed to provide the treasurers with valuable information regarding their responsibilities and strategies to accomplish them. The office reimburses county treasurers for reasonable expenses incurred in completing the training program.

Eligibility: Counties.
**Funding:** Technical services only.

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**FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY REPORT CARD/DATA COLLECTION**

**Objective:** The Comptroller assists local governments in fulfilling the financial reporting requirements of the Fiscal Responsibility Report Card Act. The Act requires local governments to file an annual financial report with the Comptroller. The Comptroller then uses the financial information and compiles data on annual revenue, expenditures, fund balances, and debt. The financial condition of local governments is annually summarized in the Fiscal Responsibility Report Card and Individual Data Summaries. The Comptroller files the report with the General Assembly and county clerks. Completed data submitted to the Comptroller is available at www.ioc.state.il.us.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Office of the Comptroller  
Local Government Division  
James R. Thompson Center  
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 15-500  
Chicago, Illinois 60601  
(312) 814-2451

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

**Objective:** Illinois statute provides for the Comptroller to appoint a local government advisory board consisting of 10 local officials, 5 certified public accountants, and 15 public members. The board advises the Comptroller on issues related to local government finances and assists in the development of an overview of spending practices. Members of the board serve in an advisory capacity and may submit recommendations to the Comptroller regarding local government finances. Board positions are non-paid, though members are reimbursed for reasonable expenses tied to the role.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.
Further Information:
Office of the Comptroller
Local Government Division
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 15-500
Chicago, Illinois  60601
(312) 814-2451

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE HOTLINE

Objective: The Comptroller’s Local Government Assistance Hotline provides local governments with access to general information, helps with compliance issues, and assists in completing required state financial reports. The hotline also offers technical assistance for electronic filings and identifies the appropriate staff person to help local officials with their specific needs. The hotline is staffed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CT.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Office of the Comptroller
Local Government Division
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 15-500
Chicago, Illinois  60601
(312) 814-2451
(877) 304-3899 (Hotline)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEBT RECOVERY PROGRAM

Objective: The Illinois Local Debt Recovery Program (LDRP) allows the state to enter into partnerships with local government entities to collect outstanding debt. Since its beginning in 2012, the LDRP has helped more than 400 governmental organizations recover over $200 million. The LDRP is free to enrolled participants and structured to work within privacy protection and fair debt collection laws.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Office of the Comptroller
Local Government Debt Recovery
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 15-500
Chicago, Illinois  60601
(312) 814-2313
OBJECTIVE:

Illinois statute requires the Comptroller to provide educational and training programs to assist local governments in complying with financial reporting requirements. The programs are designed to address the most common problems experienced by local officials and to answer their most frequently asked questions. Topics covered in training programs have included annual financial reporting, the Comptroller Connect Internet Filing Program, tax-increment finance reporting, and updates regarding statutory reporting requirements.

ELIGIBILITY:

Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

FUNDING:

Technical services only.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Office of the Comptroller
Local Government Division
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 15-500
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-2451

GOVERNOR, OFFICE OF THE

OBJECTIVE:

The Illinois Green Government Coordinating Council provides technical information, training, advice, and counseling to local governments on matters including water management, energy efficiency, pollution and waste control, and green building practices.

ELIGIBILITY:

No set requirements.

FUNDING:

Technical services only.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Office of the Governor
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 15-200
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-5220
**GOVERNOR’S RURAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

**Objective:** The Governor’s Rural Affairs Council (GRAC) is a multi-agency effort to promote rural development. Created in 1986, the GRAC supports policies and programs that strengthen the rural economy; improves education, transportation, and human service opportunities; and provides a link between state and local government.

The GRAC has published studies on the access to telecommunications and broadband services in rural Illinois; set up free tax assistance centers; and supported telemedicine programs and food banks. To learn more, go to www.ruralaffairscouncil.il.gov.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Governor’s Rural Affairs Council
214 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706
(217) 558-3085

**ILLINOIS MAIN STREET**

**Objective:** Illinois Main Street is a comprehensive community revitalization program that promotes the historic preservation and economic development of the state’s traditional business districts. Illinois Main Street provides training and technical assistance to participating communities through educational workshops and on-site consultation. Towns pay no participation fee, are selected through an application process on a competitive basis, and are responsible for financially supporting their local program.

Illinois Main Street represents one of the state’s most effective public-private partnerships for economic development and community renewal. Since its inception, designated communities have reported net gains of more than 1,800 new downtown businesses, and have created 4,000 full-time and 3,500 part-time jobs. Main Streets have spurred more than $123 million in public improvements and more than $583 million in private reinvestments in their downtowns. For more information, go to www.illinoismainstreet.org.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Illinois Main Street
214 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706
(217) 558-3085
**ILLINOIS RIVER COORDINATING COUNCIL**

**Objective:** The Illinois River Coordinating Council (IRCC) is a diverse group of citizens, grassroots, and nonprofit organizations; state and federal agencies; sportsmen; and river enthusiasts. The IRCC coordinates private and public funding for river restoration in the Illinois River Watershed, which encompasses over 18 million acres.

The IRCC provides a quarterly forum to address watershed issues and meet with providers of technical assistance and grants. The IRCC offers occasional grants to support local efforts to clean up waterways, promote nature-based tourism and education, and fund other watershed-related efforts. Duties include working with local communities and organizations to encourage partnerships to address watershed and water resource issues, critical habitat needs, and soil and water conservation.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Office of the Lieutenant Governor  
Illinois River Coordinating Council  
214 State House  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
(217) 558-3085

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**SECRETARY OF STATE, OFFICE OF THE**

**ELIMINATE THE DIGITAL DIVIDE**

**Objective:** This program provides libraries with funding for technology access and computer training that, in turn, allows low-income populations to use services and equipment for a minimum of 12 hours per week. Eligible libraries are based on the poverty level of the community served.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: libraries.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Office of the Secretary of State  
Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-3504
**LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION**

**Objective:** Grants are provided to libraries to assist them in meeting the accessibility standards of the Americans With Disabilities Act and for construction/renovation projects. Grant awards are made after review of an application or proposal, which includes certifications, architectural drawings, and assurance that local matching money is available. Awards of up to 50% of total project costs are available for accessibility projects (not exceeding $75,000) and up to 40% of total project costs for construction/renovation projects (not exceeding $250,000).

**Eligibility:** Special districts: libraries.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-3504

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**LIBRARY SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED**

**Objective:** Assistance is given to help library systems provide and coordinate specialized library services for the blind and physically handicapped. This includes special radio information services. The grant award is based on a formula using the number of patrons and institutions served.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: community college districts, library systems, and universities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Office of the Secretary of State  
Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1796  
(217) 782-1891

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**LIBRARY SYSTEM AUTOMATION**

**Objective:** This program provides funding to regional library systems to support shared automation systems that provide public service at libraries throughout the state.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: library systems.
**LIBRARY SYSTEMS/AREA AND PER CAPITA GRANTS**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Library provides grants to develop local library systems throughout the state. The awards are based on population and area served. This program also includes grants for technology and the provision of member services.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: multi-type library systems.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**
Office of the Secretary of State  
Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-2994

**LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY GRANTS**

**Objective:** This program provides grants to libraries for developing the library information infrastructure and for services in Illinois.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: libraries and library consortia (public, school systems, academic, and private).

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**
Office of the Secretary of State  
Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-7848
LITERACY GRANT PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides assistance through the use of trained volunteers who tutor adults over the age of 16 in basic reading, math, writing, and language skills.

Eligibility: Community-based organizations, volunteer organizations, correctional facilities, and special districts: community colleges, libraries, and schools.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Office of the Secretary of State
Literacy Office of the Illinois State Library
300 S. 2nd St.
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 785-6921

PROJECT NEXT GENERATION

Objective: This program provides libraries with technology and curriculum to facilitate mentoring and education to teens for hands-on experience with technology tools.

Eligibility: Special districts: public libraries.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Office of the Secretary of State
Illinois State Library
300 S. 2nd St.
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1797
(217) 782-7848

PUBLIC LIBRARIES CONSTRUCTION ACT

Objective: Grants are provided for state matching to support design and new construction, remodeling, renovation, or restoration of public libraries. The state grant provides funding of 35% to 75% of allowable construction costs.

Eligibility: Municipalities, townships, and special districts: libraries. Eligibility is based on the public library’s position on a grant index determined by the assessed value of all property within the library’s service area.
**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Office of the Secretary of State  
Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1797  
(217) 524-4901

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**PUBLIC LIBRARIES/EQUALIZATION AID**

**Objective:** Assistance is given to maintain a minimum level of service in those public libraries with an inadequate tax base consistent with local tax effort. Local agencies qualify for aid if their tax revenue is below $4.25 per capita at a tax rate of 0.13% of the equalized assessed value of all taxable property.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: local public libraries and public library districts.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Office of the Secretary of State  
Illinois State Library  
300 S. 2nd St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1796  
(217) 782-7848

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**PUBLIC LIBRARIES/PER CAPITA GRANTS**

**Objective:** This program provides support for local public libraries. The local library must meet certain compliance standards, including an adequate tax levy and progress toward achieving certain library standards. The amount of the award is based on the population served.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: local public libraries and public library districts.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:
Office of the Secretary of State
Illinois State Library
300 S. 2nd St.
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1797
(217) 782-7848

TREASURER, OFFICE OF THE

ePay

Objective: The Treasurer offers state agencies and local governments access to a competitively priced electronic payment processing platform that can process credit cards, debit cards, and e-checks via point-of-sale, Internet, and telephone. All custodians and recipients of public funds throughout Illinois are eligible to participate. Public funds are defined as “current operating funds, special funds, interest and sinking funds, and funds of any kind or character belonging to or in the custody of any public agency.” Subject to the public agency’s relevant statutes, credit card and ACH processing fees associated with transactions through ePay are either absorbed by the public agency or passed on to the cardholder. In CY 2016, ePay processed over $2 billion.

Eligibility: Illinois public agencies, their component units, and recipients who collect fees and donations on their behalf.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Fiscal note: These amounts reflect overall dollar volume processed by ePay. Subject to the public agency’s relevant statutes, credit card and ACH processing fees associated with these transactions are either absorbed by the public agency or passed on to the cardholder.

Further Information:
Office of the Treasurer
Executive Office
219 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706
(855) 226-7337

The Illinois Funds, Local Government Investment Pool

Objective: The Treasurer offers municipal governments/treasurers access to a Standard and Poor’s AAA (highest fund rating) local government investment pool, not otherwise available to them, that offers competitive rates of return on their investment principal. All custodians of public funds throughout Illinois are eligible to participate. Public funds are defined as “current operating funds, special funds, interest and sinking funds, and funds of any kind or character belonging to or in the custody of any public agency.” In FY 2017, the total interest income earned and credited to participant accounts was over $38 million.
Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: fire protection, library, road, and sanitation.

Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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Fiscal note: These amounts represent total interest income earned and credited to participant accounts. No state funds are expended to support this program. Local governments are assessed a current fee of approximately 5 basis points to defray expenses of administering the pool. US Bank Fund Services acts as the Treasurer’s agent. No minimum deposit level is now in effect.

No state funds are expended to support this program. Local governments are assessed a current fee of approximately 5 basis points to defray expenses of administering the pool. US Bank Fund Services acts as the Treasurer’s agent. No minimum deposit level is now in effect.

Further Information:
Office of the Treasurer
Executive Office
219 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706
(800) 947-8479

**CODE AGENCIES**

**AGING, DEPARTMENT ON**

NOTE: The Department on Aging did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 785-2870.

**AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF**

**SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION**

Objective: Grants are awarded to the state’s soil and water conservation districts to promote the conservation of soil, water, and other natural resources. Funds are provided to employ one resource conservationist in each district. The Department provides funds for district operations and programs based on a conservation need formula.

Eligibility: Special districts: county soil and water conservation districts.

Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:
Department of Agriculture
Bureau of Land and Water Resources
State Fairgrounds, P.O. Box 19281
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9281
(217) 782-6297

CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

CELLULAR SERVICES

Objective: This program allows municipalities to take advantage of state-negotiated discount rates for cellular phone services.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Central Management Services
Bureau of Communications and Computer Services—Communications Solutions Center (CSC)
120 W. Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62702
(800) 366-8768
Option 2 – Wireless
Option 5 – Telecommunications Services

ILLINOIS CENTURY NETWORK (ICN)

Objective: This is a telecommunications network providing high-speed access to data, video, and audio communications.

Eligibility: Schools, libraries, colleges, universities, museums, and local governments.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Central Management Services
Bureau of Communications and Computer Services
Communications Solutions Center (CSC)
120 W. Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62702
(800) 366-8768
Option 2 – Illinois Century Network
CMS.BCCS.ICN@illinois.gov
ILLINOIS WIRELESS INFORMATION NETWORK (IWIN)

Objective: IWIN is one of the essential services that must be maintained at all times because it has direct public safety implications. IWIN is a wireless wide-area data network using Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) technology (in a partnership between the State of Illinois, Verizon Wireless, and Motorola) to provide real-time, full-duplex mobile connectivity to its users who are members of state and local governments and law enforcement communities. Law enforcement officers have mobile units in their squad cars that allow instant access to a variety of mission-critical database applications from virtually anywhere in Illinois. The Illinois law enforcement community uses IWIN to gain access to the Law Enforcement Agency Data Service (LEADS), NCIC, NLETS, and Secretary of State databases. The network also provides users with car-to-car messaging, bar code and image capture and transfer, GPS mapping, and in-car paging capabilities. Agencies can also connect their users to their Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Record Management Systems (RMS). IWIN is the largest statewide, public safety mobile data network in the country.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
- Alice Eugle
  Verizon Wireless  
  (217) 836-9229
- Jeff Kyle
  AT&T Mobility  
  (815) 685-5235

JOINT PURCHASING PROGRAM

Objective: Local governments are allowed to purchase items through state contracts resulting in an average savings of 30%. Local governments also benefit by not having to develop specifications and bids, which results in saving administrative time and money. Joint purchasing entities include any public authority that has the power to tax, any other public entity created by statute, and any nonprofit agency that qualifies under the State Use Law Program.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
- Department of Central Management Services
  Bureau of Strategic Sourcing and Procurement  
  801 Stratton Building  
  Springfield, Illinois 62706  
  (217) 785-6935
**LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH PLAN (LGHP)**

**Objective:** The LGHP is a self-insured employee health, dental, and vision benefit program funded solely by participating units and administered by the Department. The program, with benefits similar to the State Employees Group Insurance Program, includes a PPO plan, a high-deductible PPO plan, managed-care health plans, and dental and vision coverage. The LGHP offers local units the ability to stabilize rates, pool risks, and contain costs by using common administrative systems and limited benefit flexibility.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, special taxing districts, domestic violence shelters, child advocacy centers, and rehabilitation facilities.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Department of Central Management Services
Bureau of Benefits
801 S. 7th St.
P.O. Box 10105
Springfield, Illinois 62791
(217) 785-1893

**STARCOM 21 STATEWIDE VOICE COMMUNICATIONS RADIO NETWORK**

**Objective:** This program provides technical assistance to local governments in securing equipment and service on the state’s digital trunked voice radio communications network. Motorola administers this program.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Mike Greenway, STARCOM 21 Business Manager
Motorola Solutions Inc.
(847) 576-6576
Mike.Greenway@motorolasolutions.com

**SURPLUS PROPERTY DISTRIBUTION**

**Objective:** Surplus property is comprised of three program sections: State Surplus, Federal Surplus (GSA), and Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO). These programs are charged with the administration and disposal of all surplus personal property generated by state agencies, boards, commissions, universities, and constitutional officeholders, and excess and surplus property no longer needed by the U.S. government. State surplus property, such as office equipment, computers, vehicles, and other equipment, is made available by priority to state government entities and units of local government at Surplus Property’s Springfield warehouse. Units of local government may also use iBid, the state’s online auction site, to dispose of their unneeded vehicles, equipment, etc., for a nominal fee.
Surplus Property also administers the distribution of federal surplus property under rules promulgated by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). Federal surplus property generally includes equipment such as vehicles, electronics, food service equipment, hand tools, outdoor equipment, etc. Federal surplus property is made available to units of local government at Surplus Property’s Springfield warehouse, and is typically transferred to units of local government, community-based health or human services organizations, etc., that are enrolled with Surplus Property.

Illinois law enforcement agencies (LEAs) are eligible for enrollment in a special equipment program, LESO, administered by Surplus Property. The U.S. Secretary of Defense is authorized by LESO to transfer personal property to federal and state agencies that is excess to the needs of the DoD and suitable for use by such agencies in law enforcement activities.

**Eligibility:** State agencies, boards, commissions, universities, and units of local government, including counties, townships, municipalities, nonprofit organizations, and schools.

**Funding:** Technical services only; State Surplus Property Revolving Fund.

**Further Information:**

Department of Central Management Services  
Property Control Division  
State & Federal Property, and LESO  
1924 S. 10½ St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62703  
(217) 785-6903  

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**VEHICLE SERVICING**

**Objective:** This program provides eligible entities with statewide fleet maintenance and repair resources experienced in the care of vehicles specific to governments, such as police vehicles, passenger cars, alternative fuel vehicles, trucks, and snow removal equipment. Most state garage technicians are Automotive Service Excellence-certified. Quality labor and parts are available at reasonable prices. Entities that are taxing bodies created by state statute are eligible to participate.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Department of Central Management Services  
Division of Vehicles  
200 E. Ash St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62704  
(217) 782-2536, ext. 227
COUNTY REIMBURSEMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides Title IV-E Social Security Act (federal) revenue to participating counties. A 50/50 match is required.

Eligibility: This program is only available to counties that place, through the courts, juveniles in residential child welfare facilities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Children and Family Services
Budget and Finance
406 E. Monroe, Station 440
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 524-1510

COMMERCIAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, DEPARTMENT OF

ADMINISTRATION OF ILLINOIS HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Objective: This program aids low-income homeowners and renters, particularly the elderly and disabled, by providing funding for energy conservation measures such as installing insulation, set-back thermostats, storm windows, weather-stripping, and furnace retrofits.

Eligibility: Counties, special districts, and nonprofit organizations. (Note: Funds are allocated by county based on a formula.)

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 558-4221
ADMINISTRATION OF LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

Objective: This program helps low-income households meet the costs of home energy. It provides heating assistance; emergency services; and, depending upon funding availability, medically necessary cooling assistance. The amount of assistance is based on income level, household size, and fuel costs. Grants are awarded on a population-based formula to local administering agencies.

Eligibility: Counties, special districts, and nonprofit organizations. (Note: Funds are allocated by county based on a formula.)

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 558-4221

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY DATA CENTER NETWORK (BIDC)

Objective: The goal of the BIDC is to increase the public’s awareness of economic and demographic data and to help them make wider use of it. This is done by providing convenient access to statistical data and other sources of usable information.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
PDPR
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 785-6117

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Objective: Grants are provided to selected units of local government to finance projects in public works, housing, and economic development. The projects should benefit primarily low- and moderate-income people, improve health and safety, and increase job opportunities.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships. Only general purpose units of government with populations of 50,000 or less can apply. Generally, governments in the urban counties (Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, Madison, McHenry, St. Clair, and Will) are not eligible to apply unless they have formally opted out of their respective urban county entitlement programs.
**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**Further Information:**
Patrick Davis, Division Manager
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Division of Community Assistance
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 785-6142

**COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS (CSBGs)**

**Objective:** Grants are awarded from a federal block grant to fund a variety of local anti-poverty programs, including employment and economic development, family planning education, housing assistance, self-sufficiency services, and seminars to assist low-income persons in becoming more involved in community affairs. Ninety percent of the allocation is passed through the state to a network of federally recognized Community Action Agencies (CAAs). In Illinois, CAAs include 11 public and 25 private, nonprofit organizations. Funds are awarded to the CAAs by a formula based on the percentage of the low-income population in the county area served.

**Eligibility:** Community Action Agencies.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**Further Information:**
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Division of Economic Opportunity
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 785-1709

**EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This program provides funds for the rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelters, for the payment of related operational and essential services expenses, and for homelessness prevention activities.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and nonprofit corporations located outside the corporate limits of the City of Chicago and Cook County.
**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**
Lou Ann Williams  
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity  
Community Assistance Division  
500 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643  
(217) 558-2838

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**LOCAL TOURISM AND CONVENTION BUREAU GRANT PROGRAM**

**Objective:** The Department provides grants to certified local tourism and convention bureaus to conduct promotional activities designed to increase the number of business and tourist visitors to and within the State of Illinois.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity  
Office of Tourism  
500 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643  
(217) 785-6360

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**SITES, BUILDINGS, AND COMMUNITY PROFILES**

**Objective:** The Department provides the LocationOne Information System (LOIS) for municipalities, counties, and other local government-affiliated organizations to market their available sites, buildings, and communities to site selectors. LOIS is a web-based tool that allows community organizations to publish property information, including maps, photographs, and community information, on their own websites, as well as share that information in “real time” with their economic development allies, such as the state. Information on available industrial sites and buildings includes, but is not limited to, facility specs (e.g., rail, interstate, and airport access) and utility services. Companies or their site selection consultants can examine community profiles for essential information on particular communities. There is no cost for communities to use LOIS. The link to LOIS is found at the following DCEO web page: www.commerce.state.il.us/dceo/bureaus/business_development/resources+and+support/location+one.htm.
Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and local government-supported economic development organizations.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Division of Market Development
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-1346

TOURISM ATTRACTION DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Objective: The Department provides grants to municipalities’ for-profit and nonprofit local promotion groups to develop and improve tourism attractions in Illinois. The intent of the program is to increase travel into and throughout Illinois, generating economic benefit to local communities. Grants are available up to $1 million but may not exceed 50% of the project cost.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Office of Tourism
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 785-6337

TOURISM MARKETING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Objective: The Department can provide financial assistance in the form of grants to municipalities, county governments, and nonprofit organizations to promote tourist attractions or events. Grants of up to 60% of the cost for promotional projects may be provided for brochures, magazines, newspapers, radio and television advertising, market research, trade show participation, and website development.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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**TOURISM PRIVATE SECTOR GRANT**

**Objective:** The Department provides grants to entities to attract major national and international events to the state that produce economic impact. Grants may not exceed 50% of the project costs and must be matched dollar for dollar by funds from the private sector.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)**

**Objective:** This program provides grants to help prepare economically disadvantaged youth and adults for entry into the labor force. Among the types of services available are job training, job counseling, job placement, on-the-job training, vocational/classroom training, basic and remedial education, and work experience. Support services such as transportation, healthcare, childcare, meals, and temporary shelter are available, including special services and materials for the handicapped.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: Grant recipients are selected by the Chief Executive Officer(s) of Local Workforce Investment Areas. Funds are not provided to local governments as a class of recipients.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:

Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Office of Employment and Training
500 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1643
(217) 558-2413

CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF

NOTE: The Department of Corrections did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 558-2200.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

NOTE: The Emergency Management Agency did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 782-7860.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF

EMPLOYMENT-RELATED SERVICES

**Objective:** Programs assist businesses and local governments in meeting human resource needs and affirmative action goals. The Department provides information on various programs and incentives available through employment service programs and also assists in providing labor exchange services. It also assists citizens with assessment services, job matching, veterans’ employment services, youth services, work opportunity tax credits for businesses hiring employees meeting the criteria, fidelity bonding, and services for the formerly incarcerated.

**Eligibility:** Businesses, job seekers, counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Department of Employment Security
33 S. State St.
Chicago, Illinois 60603


**LABOR MARKET INFORMATION**

**Objective:** The Department provides local governments with information regarding the interpretation and use of labor force data and industry/occupational employment trends and projections. Information is provided for the purpose of determining the economic needs of a local area and to market the area to prospective employers. Short- and long-term changes in the local economy are identified to anticipate populations most in need of specific employment and training services.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: recreation, sanitation, service delivery areas, transportation, vocational areas, and other types of special purpose districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

- Department of Employment Security
- Economic Information and Analysis
- 33 S. State St.
- Chicago, Illinois 60603
- (312) 793-2316

**TAXNET—INTERNET FILING OF QUARTERLY WAGE REPORTS**

**Objective:** Local governments can file electronic quarterly and monthly wage reports and pay quarterly contributions using TaxNet. Advantages are that TaxNet generates a list of employees from previous reports so that information does not have to be entered each quarter; it calculates taxable wages of each employee and calculates the correct amount due for the quarter. Electronic payment via ACH debit can be set up with future authorization dates, and changes to account information can be indicated. All local governments regardless of size can use this system.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

- TaxNet contacts:
  - (800) 247-4984

- Unemployment insurance information:
  - (800) 247-4984

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE INFORMATION**

**Objective:** This program provides local governments with information and assistance concerning the revenue and benefits provisions of the Illinois Unemployment Insurance Act, including advice on completing contribution and wage reports; information on experience rating; contributions; payments in lieu of contributions; and information on the rights and responsibilities of local governments under the Act. Local governments are also provided information on the criteria for benefits (to inform their citizens who might be potential claimants), the calculation of UI tax rates (to help in the formulation of economic development strategies), and special programs, such as disaster unemployment assistance.
Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: any district which, as an employing unit, is subject to the Unemployment Insurance Act.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Employment Security
Revenue Division
33 S. State St.
Chicago, Illinois 60603
(800) 247-4984

HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
ADMINISTRATION OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Objective: The Department provides funds to offset the cost of administering local child support enforcement programs by local governments under a contract-for-service agreement. Federal Financial Participation (FFP) funding is available for allowable administrative costs at a rate of 66%; state government funds the remaining 34% of allowable costs.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Child Support Enforcement
509 S. 6th St.
Springfield, Illinois 62705
(217) 782-1562

JUVENILE REHABILITATION SERVICES (MEDICAID MATCH)

Objective: These services provide grants to counties for behavioral health services for minors covered under Title XIX of the Social Security Act or under the Children’s Health Insurance Program pursuant to the Children’s Health Insurance Program Act and Title XXI of the Social Security Act and who are committed to mental health facilities by Illinois courts. Counties expend funds for behavioral health services. The Department submits the claim for federal matching funds and returns the match portion to the local government.

Eligibility: Counties have an interagency agreement with the Department and submit detailed bills according to standards determined by it.
Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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**MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Objective:** These services provide federal reimbursement to county/local health departments for case management activities to maternal and child populations. Those populations are pregnant women, infants, DCFS wards, high-risk children over age one with chronic diseases, and chronically ill adults eligible for Title XIX services.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**REIMBURSEMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This program provides federal reimbursement to local education agencies for administrative activities related to allowable medical services provided to children enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid) and included in the Illinois XIX State Plan.

**Eligibility:** Special districts: local education agencies.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides federal reimbursement to local education agencies for allowable medical services provided to children enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid) and included in the Illinois XIX and XXI State Plans.

Eligibility: Special districts: local education agencies.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Medical Programs Division
201 S. Grand Ave. East
Springfield, Illinois 62763
(217) 782-3953

HUMAN RIGHTS, DEPARTMENT OF

HUMAN RIGHTS INFORMATION

Objective: The Department administers and enforces the Human Rights Act. The mission of the Department is to secure for all individuals within the State of Illinois freedom from unlawful discrimination and to establish and promote equal opportunity and affirmative action as the policy of this state for all its residents.

Local governments that have established human rights agencies with responsibilities duplicating or overlapping those of the Department may ask to negotiate a cooperative agreement with the Department. Under the terms of such an agreement, they become eligible for training, advice, and special technical assistance.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.
Further Information:

Department of Human Rights
Office of the Director
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 10-100
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-6204

HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

ADOLESCENT HEALTH

Objective: The Department provides financial and technical assistance to local health agencies to conduct programs targeted at coalition-building, prevention, health promotion, and comprehensive health education. Comprehensive services are provided in an effort to prevent unwanted/prec- 
ture/repeat pregnancies among adolescents and to reduce the health risks associated with teen parenting, including infant mortality. Grants are targeted to programs for males and females 20 years of age or younger.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Fiscal note: These amounts incorporate Adolescent Health Promotion and Parents Too Soon.

Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
100 S. Grand Ave. East
Springfield, Illinois 62762

ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

Objective: Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (DASA) funding generally is awarded to community-based providers, with limited funding going to entities such as local health departments. Funding is available to assist with the prevention of substance abuse through education and public awareness, and the treatment and rehabilitation of substance abusers.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
100 W. Randolph St., Suite 5-600
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-2310

Bureau of Substance Abuse Prevention
160 N. LaSalle St., Suite N700
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 814-1340

ALL OUR KIDS EARLY CHILDHOOD NETWORK INITIATIVE

Objective: The provider will work with the Department to develop a local comprehensive early childhood service and support system to meet the needs of pregnant woman, children from birth to five years old, and their parents/caregivers. Our theory of change suggests that by working together across sectors we can improve the service system and this can result in greater synergistic outcomes for children and families. At the core of the work is the realization that program approaches to changing child and family outcomes alone will never be sufficient to create the population-level changes we most want. The objective is to focus on system change efforts. The purpose of the initiative is to improve the service delivery system so that families have greater access to high-quality, well-coordinated, easily assessable and equitable services. This implies the majority of the work should focus on creating changes in the system (system outcomes), which in turn will lead to child and family outcomes rather than developing more programs or services that are directly targeting child and family outcomes. Historically, local health departments were designated (and funded to serve) as the lead agency for the AOK Network in its jurisdiction. Local health departments have a unique responsibility to assess needs, develop policy to address community problems, and assure that services are delivered to address those problems. Local health departments are certified by the Illinois Department of Public Health on the basis of their demonstrated ability to perform these core functions. Local health departments are also uniquely accountable to the public for the health of the entire community. Consequently, local health departments are best positioned to carry out this leadership role.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
401 S. Clinton, 4th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60607
(312) 793-2748
**COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY-BASED YOUTH SERVICES (CCBYS)**

**Objective:** This program serves youth ages 11-17 that are at risk of involvement in the child welfare and/or juvenile justice system, with the overarching goal of family reunification and/or stabilization. CCBYS is authorized by the Children and Family Services Act (20 ILCS 505/17 and 505/17a) and implements Article 3 of the Illinois Juvenile Court Act of 1987 (705 ILCS 405/3 et seq.). A continuum of services is available and provided to youth in high-risk situations, and to their families when appropriate, according to their needs, in keeping with the goal of family preservation, reunification, and/or stabilization; or independence, dependent upon the youth’s needs. A 24-hour crisis intervention response system is available in emergency situations for referrals from youth, parents/guardians, police, courts, schools, Safe Place, and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

**Eligibility:** Public and mental health departments (1).

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
Bureau of Youth Intervention  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-2738

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES GRANTS**

**Objective:** Grants are available to community service agencies operated by local governments to provide support and promote opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities. Support and services include case coordination, counseling, developmental training, sheltered work, and integrated living arrangements. Community agencies must meet the Department’s accreditation and licensure/certification requirements.

**Eligibility:** Community service agencies operated by a local government.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Development Disabilities  
100 S. Grand Ave. East, 2nd Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62762
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE

Objective: The Helpline serves the entire State of Illinois. It provides toll-free, 24-hour, 7 days-a-week, multi-lingual, confidential services and access and direct referral to domestic violence service providers via three-way phone linkage. Local governments follow the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) process.

Eligibility: Municipalities (1).

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
Bureau of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Human Trafficking
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 558-6192

DONATED FUNDS INITIATIVE

Objective: To encourage cooperative social service delivery efforts between local and state government and private providers. Target populations are served on the basis of need. Services are provided to high-risk populations: children, seniors, ex-offenders, victims of domestic violence, substance abusers, persons with mental or physical disabilities, and low-income persons. Local governments or private, nonprofit agencies providing services are required to provide 25% of the cost of the program being funded through purchase-of-service agreements.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 524-3319

EMERGENCY AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Objective: This program provides comprehensive housing and other related services to families and individuals who are homeless or at risk of being homeless. Funding is based on the submission and approval of an annual funding application. Plans for funding are evaluated on the basis of provider experience, administrative capacity, need in the geographic area, program service plans, and budget.
Eligibility: Counties and townships.

Funding: \(\text{(dollars in thousands)}\)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 782-0490

**EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)**

Objective: This is an annual federal grant passed through the state to nonprofit organizations to help meet their financial needs in providing homeless shelter rehabilitation, essential social services to homeless individuals and families, homelessness prevention programs and activities, and rapid rehousing services, as well as operational costs of day-to-day shelter operations. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires coordination with and through the Continuum of Care Organizations. The objective is to provide assistance for the homeless and near-homeless through local nonprofit organizations, thus affording emergency relief from human deprivation. Providers on this PBC were selected through the recommendation of Continuum of Care Organizations, as required by HUD. Formal funding applications are reviewed and include information and data regarding projected and actual people served, the number of services provided, and populations served (individuals or families), as well as other program goals and objectives.

Eligibility: Counties (6).

Funding: \(\text{(dollars in thousands)}\)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
Emergency Solutions Grant
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 782-1359

**FAMILY CASE MANAGEMENT**

Objective: This program is designed to enhance the state’s efforts to reduce infant mortality and to more adequately provide for the health needs of children and pregnant women, regardless of their ability to pay. Services include prenatal care, nutrition counseling, health education, well childcare and immunizations, and assistance in obtaining other social service needs, including transportation. Family Case Management is a consolidation of the Prenatal Service Program, Pediatric Primary
Care Program, and the Infant Mortality Reduction Initiative. Case management is a key component of efforts to reduce infant mortality. High-risk pregnant women and infants throughout the state are sought out and provided support, advocacy, and assistance to ensure the provision of comprehensive medical and social services. The prenatal care component funds services for medically indigent pregnant women through 82 grantees in all 102 counties. The pediatric primary care component provides outpatient services to prevent disease or disability, or to treat an illness or other health condition of a child. These services are designed to improve the access of children ages one through 19 years to high-quality and comprehensive primary healthcare services.

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
815 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-7935

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**FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS**

**Objective:** These funds provide addiction treatment and substance abuse recovery support services. Prevention funding was added for FY 2018. To receive funding, eligible entities must apply and be approved, and be licensed for private treatment.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse  
401 S. Clinton  
Chicago, Illinois 60607  
(312) 814-2300
HEALTHY FAMILIES ILLINOIS

Objective: The Department provides parenting education through voluntary, intensive home visits to families at risk of child abuse or neglect.

Eligibility: Municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-2737

HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides rental/mortgage assistance, security deposit assistance, utility assistance, case management, and supportive services to individuals and families who are in imminent danger of eviction or foreclosure, or are currently homeless. These services are provided in an effort to stabilize families in their existing homes, shorten the amount of time that individuals and families stay in shelters, and assist individuals and families with securing affordable housing. Governments, like all recipients of Homeless Prevention funds, must be members of a Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care. The Continuums of Care (CoC) cover and serve different regions of the state. The local governments must apply to and participate in the CoC. The CoC recommends funding for their members based on their ability to best serve their region. Agencies then must complete the IDHS grant application process.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-1317

JUVENILE JUSTICE

Objective: Grants are available to improve juvenile justice in accordance with the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974. Grant proposals must be approved by the Department and the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission.
Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 557-2943

LOCAL DAY CARE INITIATIVE/CHICAGO

Objective: This initiative provides funding to the City of Chicago for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). Funds may be used by the Department for state match for the Child Care Development Fund (subsidized childcare).

Eligibility: Municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
100 S. Grand Ave. East
Springfield, Illinois 62704
(217) 785-2559

MATERNAL, INFANT, AND EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING PROGRAM

Objective: This program expands and enhances home visiting, ensuring that home visiting is effectively connected to community-based organizations and services; establishes a system of universal screening and coordinated intake; and enhances or establishes an early childhood collaborative in target areas. It also supports at-risk pregnant women and families and helps parents of children from birth to kindergarten entry tap the resources and hone the skills they need to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn. Local governments qualify for the assistance in communities identified in a state needs assessment. Local governments must provide services to the following populations, if eligible: low-income families; pregnant women under age 21; families with a history of child abuse or neglect or that have had interactions with child welfare services; families with a history of substance abuse or that need substance abuse treatment; families that have users of tobacco products in the home; families that have children with low student achievement; families with children with developmental delays or disabilities; families that include individuals serving or formerly serving in the Armed Forces, including those with members who have had multiple deployments outside the U.S.; a woman who...
is pregnant and the father of the child, if available; or a parent or primary caregiver of the child, including grandparents or other relatives and foster parents serving as the child’s primary caregiver from birth until kindergarten entry, including a noncustodial parent with an ongoing relationship with the child, who at times provides physical care for the child.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Office of the Governor  
Office of Early Childhood Development  
160 N. LaSalle  
Chicago, Illinois 60601  
(312) 814-0906

**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES GRANTS**

**Objective:** This program provides funding to help maximize community support to children, youth, and adults with serious mental illnesses and children with serious emotional disorders. The grants provide a wide array of treatment options and services, including: mental health assessment, psychological evaluation, treatment planning, crisis intervention, therapy/counseling, psychotropic drugs, community support, assertive community treatment, psychosocial rehabilitation, mental health-intensive outpatient services, and case management.

**Eligibility:** Community service agencies operated by a local government.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Office of Mental Health  
100 N. 9th St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62765

**PARTNER ABUSE INTERVENTION PROGRAM (PAIP)**

**Objective:** The PAIP provides domestic violence perpetrator services such as assessment, group education, and case coordination, with referral sources. These services help perpetrators accept responsibility and modify abusive attitudes and beliefs, and give them tools to become and remain healthy, non-abusive partners and parents. Local governments follow the NOFO process.

**Eligibility:** Counties (1).
**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
Bureau of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Human Trafficking  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois  62701  
(217) 558-6192

**REDEPLOY ILLINOIS**

**Objective:** The intent of this program is to grant funds to counties or groups of counties that will establish a continuum of local, community-based sanctions and treatment alternatives for juvenile offenders who would otherwise be incarcerated if those local services and sanctions were not available, as required by 730 ILCS 110/16.1.

**Eligibility:** Counties (8) and special districts: judicial circuit court services (1).

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
Bureau of Youth Intervention  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois  62701  
(217) 782-2738

**SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD (WIC)**

**Objective:** The Department seeks to improve local health by providing supplemental foods, nutrition education, and referrals to the Women, Infants, and Children Programs (WIC). This reduces the prevalence of nutrition-related morbidity and premature mortality among these groups.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM—FARMERS MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM (FMNP)

Objective: This program is to improve the nutritional status of WIC participants through increased access to and consumption of locally grown produce while increasing their awareness of the location and availability of locally grown produce in participating farmers’ markets and roadside stands. The FMNP is for WIC-certified children ages 1-5 years old and pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women. Therefore, only agencies with WIC can provide the FMNP.

Eligibility: Counties (1), municipalities (1), and special districts: health boards, departments, and districts (30).

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
Bureau of Family Nutrition
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 782-2166

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM—WIC BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELING (BFPC)

Objective: This program is to encourage mothers to choose to breastfeed and to offer support and encouragement for a successful breastfeeding experience; increase the number of mothers who breastfeed their infants; increase the number of days, weeks, and months that breastfeeding continues; and provide breastfeeding encouragement and support to women throughout infants’ first year of life. BFPC is for WIC-certified pregnant and breastfeeding women and their infants. Therefore, only agencies with WIC can provide BFPC.

Eligibility: Counties (3), municipalities (1), and special districts: health boards, departments, and districts (57).

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 782-2166

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

Objective: The Department assists communities in delivering direct prevention services to populations they serve. It also provides funding for prevention models.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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*This program moved from the Division of Family and Community Services to the Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse, effective July 1, 2017.

Further Information:
Department of Human Services
Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 524-5854

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM (SHP)

Objective: The SHP provides supportive services, delivered in conjunction with permanent and transitional housing, to low-income individuals and families who are formerly homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Supportive services help families and individuals in the network of programs return to self-sufficiency; the services provided by the SHP are those deemed necessary to accomplish that. Beginning in FY 2017, the SHP was competitively bid through the NOFO process.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Human Services
Division of Family and Community Services
823 E. Monroe
Springfield, Illinois  62701
(217) 524-5975
**TARGETED INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT**

**Objective:** This program serves women who are at risk for having a premature or low-birth-weight baby and who live in targeted areas of six counties in downstate Illinois and nine community areas within Chicago. Registered nurses and case managers work with pregnant women to assist them in obtaining prenatal care and other medical and social services, including WIC.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 557-2943

**TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION PREP**

**Objective:** This program provides in-school, evidence-based sexuality education curriculum to middle and high school students in high-risk communities and schools. Each provider has been evaluated to provide services to high-risk youth and communities and schools. A community needs assessment has been completed.

**Eligibility:** Counties (6).

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Human Services  
Division of Family and Community Services  
823 E. Monroe  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 524-5993
CONSUMER HEALTH INSURANCE (OCHI), OFFICE OF

Objective: The OCHI provides assistance with health insurance problems and questions. It was established by the Department on January 1, 2000 as part of the new Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights Act.

The OCHI can:

- explain your rights as a healthcare consumer;
- answer your questions about health insurance;
- help you understand the coverage provisions of your specific healthcare plan; and
- assist you when you have a problem or complaint.

Further Information:
Office of Consumer Health Insurance
(877) 527-9431

HEALTH INSURANCE CONTINUATION RIGHTS ADVICE

Objective: This program provides information to any local government that maintains a police officers’ or firefighters’ pension fund, or whose deputies or municipal employees participate in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. Information regarding health insurance continuation rights for these employees is available.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Insurance
Consumer Support
320 W. Washington St.
Springfield, Illinois 62767-0001
(217) 782-4515

INSURANCE COVERAGE ADVICE

Objective: This program provides advisory services for local officials and residents regarding insurance concerns, including questions about property, casualty, life, accident, and health insurance coverage.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.
Further Information:

Department of Insurance
Consumer Support
320 W. Washington St.
Springfield, Illinois 62767-0001
(217) 782-4515

PENSION FUND ADVISORY SERVICES

Objective: The Department provides advisory services to pension funds on all matters pertaining to their operations and recommends any corrective or clarifying legislation that it may deem necessary. These recommendations are made in specific reports following the examination of a particular pension fund and in the biennial report to the General Assembly under Section 1A-108. The recommendations may embrace all substantive legislative and administrative policies including, but not limited to, matters dealing with the payment of annuities and benefits; the investment of funds; and the condition of the books, records, and accounts of the pension fund.

Eligibility: Municipalities: pension funds.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Department of Insurance
Public Pension Support
320 W. Washington St., 6th Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62767
(217) 782-7542

PUBLIC PENSION FUNDS ADVICE

Objective: Advisory services are available to any local government that maintains a police officers’ or firefighters’ pension fund, or whose municipal employees participate in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. The Department is also required to make periodic examinations and investigations of all public pension funds or systems in Illinois.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: fire protection.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Department of Insurance
Public Pension Support
320 W. Washington St., 6th Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62767
(217) 782-7542
LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

ADVISORY INSPECTION PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides local governments’ public education institutions with consultations to identify occupational health and safety hazards in the workplace and develop methods of hazard mitigation. Inspectors also review written policies and employment training guidelines.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, special districts, school districts, community colleges, and public universities.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Labor
900 S. Spring St.
Springfield, Illinois 62704
(217) 782-9386

ILLINOIS OSHA

Objective: Illinois OSHA protects the health and safety of public employees through the inspection and evaluation of public facilities. The Enforcement Division ensures compliance with occupational safety and health standards and the Illinois On-Site Consultation Program provides free and confidential OSHA compliance advice.

Eligibility: Eligible public sector entities include, but are not limited to, state agencies, counties, municipalities, townships, school districts, community colleges, and public universities.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Department of Labor
Illinois OSHA
160 N. LaSalle St., Suite 1300
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 793-0846

NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

BOAT ACCESS AREA DEVELOPMENT

Objective: This state funding supports the acquisition and development of public boat and canoe access areas on waters of the state by local units of government through competitive reimbursement grants. Grant awards are limited to a $200,000 annual maximum per project. The program provides up to 100% of approved project construction costs and 90% of approved land acquisition costs. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 805/805-325.

Eligibility: Local units of government.
**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:

Department of Natural Resources  
Office of Grant Management and Assistance  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois  62702-1271  
(217) 785-8944

**CLEAN VESSEL ACT FUND**

**Objective:** This federal fund is to support the construction, renovation, operations, and maintenance of sewage pumpout stations, waste reception facilities, and pumpout boats for recreational boaters and for educational programs that inform boaters of the importance of proper disposal of their sewage.

**Eligibility:** Local governments; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:

Department of Natural Resources  
Coastal Management Program  
160 N. LaSalle S-703  
Chicago, Illinois  60601  
(312) 814-0665
**COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND**

**Objective:** This federal fund is to assist in the development of programs for the conservation of endangered and threatened species.

**Eligibility:** Local governments; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Department of Natural Resources  
Office of Resource Conservation  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271  
(217) 782-3378

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**COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL EXCESS PROPERTY PROGRAM**

**Objective:** The Department of Natural Resources, Forestry Section is authorized by the U.S. Forestry Service to acquire federal excess property to be placed on loan to rural fire departments. Fire departments request the type of vehicle or equipment needed and, if a suitable match is found, it is placed on loan to the fire department.

**Eligibility:** Rural community firefighting forces and urban and municipal governments.

**Funding:** Technical services only (federal excess property).

**Further Information:**

Forestry Regional Contacts:

Department of Natural Resources Headquarters  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271  
(217) 782-6302

Region I  
Morrison Rockwood State Park  
(815) 772-4708

Region II  
2050 W. Stearns Rd.  
Bartlett, Illinois 60103  
(847) 608-3100

Region IV  
Pere Marquette State Park  
(618) 786-3323

Region V  
11731 State Highway 37  
Benton, Illinois 62812  
(618) 435-8138
COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE—VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE

Objective: Funded by a U.S. Forest Service grant, this program assists rural areas and communities in preventing and suppressing fires. Assistance includes organizing, training, and equipping local fire departments. Communities must provide a 50% match.

Eligibility: Municipalities under 10,000 in population and special districts: fire protection.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Office of Resource Conservation
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Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271
(217) 785-8762

ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION—RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION FUNDS

Objective: These federal funds provide support to secure endangered or threatened species information, undertake restoration actions that will lead to the delisting of a species, help prevent extinction of a species, or aid in the recovery of a species.

Eligibility: Local governments; universities; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Office of Resource Conservation
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FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE

Objective: This federal funding is to provide technical and financial assistance to other federal agencies, states, and local governments.

Eligibility: Local governments; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.
**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**FORESTRY HEALTH PROTECTION**

**Objective:** This federal funding is provided to protect non-federal forest and tree resources from damaging forest insects, disease-causing agents, and invasive plants; develop/improve forest health protection technologies; and monitor the health of our nation’s forests. A 75/25 match is required.

**Eligibility:** Entities on non-federal lands.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**GREAT LAKES PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This federal program is to restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem. It provides funding for specific projects and initiatives that support the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Action Plan goals, which include the prevention and control of invasive species; habitat restoration; remediation/control of toxic pollutants; improving water quality through watershed management; and education and stewardship activities.

**Eligibility:** Any agency or instrumentality of local government; interstate agencies; colleges and universities; nonprofit organizations; and other public or nonprofit private agencies, institutions, and organizations.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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GREAT LAKES RESTORATION

Objective: This federal program is to provide technical and financial assistance to implement the highest priority actions to protect and restore the Great Lakes.

Eligibility: Program specific.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Management Program
160 N. LaSalle S-703
Chicago, Illinois  60601
(312) 814-0665

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANTS-IN-AID

Objective: These federal grants assist state and local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private individuals in carrying out historic preservation activities. A 70/30 match is required.

Eligibility: Certified local governments.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Natural Resources
Office of Land Management
One Natural Resources Way
Springfield, Illinois  62702-1271
(217) 558-8930
**ILLINOIS BICYCLE PATH GRANT PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This state program financially assists eligible local units of government in acquiring, constructing, and rehabilitating public, non-motorized bicycle paths and directly related support facilities. The path must be open and available for general public use. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 805/805-420; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3040.10 ff.

**Eligibility:** Any governmental body is eligible: cities, townships, villages, conservation districts, forest preserve districts, and park districts. School districts are not eligible as they are prohibited from buying or selling real property for outdoor recreational purposes.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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(217) 785-8944

**ILLINOIS YOUTH RECREATION CORPS**

**Objective:** This state program provides wages to youth while they receive instruction on and are operating in recreational and conservation programs. Grants provide up to 100% of wages for youth hired under the program. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 525 ILCS 50; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3075.10 ff.

**Eligibility:** Local governments and nonprofits that can provide facilities, materials, and management staff for summer recreational and conservation activities for youth within the community and that desire a grant for hiring eligible youth as supervisors, instructors, instructional aides, or maintenance personnel.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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Department of Natural Resources
Office of Grant Management and Assistance
One Natural Resources Way
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271
(217) 785-8944
INTERJURISDICTIONAL FISHERIES ACT OF 1986

Objective: This federal funding is to assist in the research of fish activities, surveys, and monitoring in interjurisdictional waterways. A 75/25 match is required.

Eligibility: Local governments.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SNOWMOBILE PROGRAM

Objective: This state program is for the acquisition, development, and maintenance of public snowmobile trails and areas in the state by units of local government through competitive reimbursement grants. It provides up to 50% reimbursement of approved facility development/rehabilitation costs and 90% of approved trail corridor land acquisition costs for public snowmobile trails and areas in the state. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3010.10 ff.

Eligibility: Any units of local government with statutory authority to acquire and develop lands for public park and recreational purposes and with sufficient snow cover. This includes, but is not limited to, counties, townships, municipalities, park districts, conservation districts, and forest preserve districts. School districts are not eligible as they are prohibited from buying or selling real property for outdoor recreational purposes.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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NONPOINT SOURCE IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS

Objective: These federal grants assist in implementing EPA-approved Section 319 nonpoint source management programs.

Eligibility: Local governments and public and private, nonprofit organizations/institutions.
Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE PROGRAM

Objective: This state program is for the acquisition, development, and maintenance of public off-highway vehicle riding areas by eligible grantees through competitive reimbursement grants. There is no maximum dollar amount. Grants are up to 100% reimbursement. There are no advance payments. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 862/1 ff.

Eligibility: Government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and other eligible groups or individuals.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Department of Natural Resources
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OPEN LAND TRUST GRANT PROGRAM

Objective: This state program is to support the acquisition of lands for the protection of lakes, rivers, streams, open space, parks, natural lands, wetlands, prairies, forests, watersheds, resource-rich areas, greenways, significant fish and wildlife resources, and endangered or threatened species habitats; and for public, outdoor, natural resource-related recreation purposes. There is a $2 million maximum per grantee for a single project in a fiscal year, for acquisition only. The cost-sharing basis is 50/50, with 90% funding assistance if the applicant is defined as a “disadvantaged population.” See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 525 ILCS 33; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3050.10 ff.

Eligibility: Any units of local government with statutory authority to acquire and develop lands for public park and recreational purposes and with sufficient snow cover. This includes, but is not limited to, counties, townships, municipalities, park districts, conservation districts, and forest preserve districts. School districts are not eligible as they are prohibited from buying or selling real property for outdoor recreational purposes.
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**OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION & DEVELOPMENT**

**Objective:** This state program is to support the acquisition and development of public, outdoor recreation facilities by local units of government through competitive reimbursement grants. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 525 ILCS 35; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3025.10 ff.

**Eligibility:** Local units of government.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**OUTDOOR RECREATION ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, AND PLANNING LAND AND WATER консервация FUND GRANTS**

**Objective:** These federal grants provide financial assistance to the states and their political subdivisions for the acquisition and development of outdoor recreational areas and facilities for the general public to meet current and future needs.

**Eligibility:** State agencies or political subdivisions, such as cities, counties, and park districts.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

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(217) 785-8944
PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Objective: This state program provides for park and recreational facilities restoration, development, and acquisition by local units of government through competitive reimbursement grants. It provides up to 75% reimbursement of approved project costs, with the exception of those local governments defined as “disadvantaged,” which are eligible for up to 90% funding. See 20 ILCS 805/805-70 and 30 ILCS 764; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3070.10 ff.

Eligibility: Any units of local government with sufficient snow cover and the statutory authority to acquire and develop lands for public park and recreational purposes. This includes, but is not limited to, counties, townships, municipalities, park districts, conservation districts, and forest preserve districts. School districts are not eligible as they are prohibited from buying or selling real property for outdoor recreational purposes.

Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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PAYMENTS TO STATES IN LIEU OF REAL ESTATE TAXES

Objective: This federal funding is to compensate local taxing units for the loss of taxes from federally acquired lands.

Eligibility: County governments. Recipients are identified by the Army Corps of Engineers.

Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:

Department of Natural Resources  
Fiscal Management  
One Natural Resources Way  
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PUBLIC MUSEUM CAPITAL

Objective: This state program assists public museums in expanding and upgrading facilities and creating new exhibits to enhance the ability of public museums to meet their missions through competitive reimbursement grants. The maximum grant amount is determined annually. The program provides up to 75% reimbursement of approved project costs, with the exception of those
local governments defined as “disadvantaged,” which are eligible for up to 90% funding. See 20 ILCS 801/1-25 and 805/805-70; and 23 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3200.5 ff.

**Eligibility:** Public museums that have been open to the public for two years and are either operated by or located on land owned by a unit of local government; have an annual indoor attendance of at least 150,000 and offer educational programs to school groups during school hours; or have been certified with criteria.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM PLANNING**

**Objective:** This federal funding is to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses.

**Eligibility:** Private organizations or municipal, county, or state government entities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**SCHOOLS AND ROADS—GRANTS TO STATES**

**Objective:** These grants are to share receipts from the national forests and supplemental mandatory appropriations with states in which national forests are situated.

**Eligibility:** A participating county in which a national forest is situated that has elected to allocate a portion of its state payments for Title III county projects. Recipients are identified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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SPECIAL WILDLIFE FUNDS GRANT PROGRAMS: ILLINOIS HABITAT FUND, STATE PHEASANT FUND, STATE FURBEARER FUND, MIGRATORY WATERFOWL STAMP FUND, AND ILLINOIS WILDLIFE PRESERVATION FUND GRANTS

Objective: These state programs are to protect, acquire, enhance, or manage wildlife habitats and to support limited research and educational programs; and to preserve, protect, perpetuate, and enhance non-game wildlife and native plant resources of this state through the preservation of a satisfactory environment and an ecological balance. Funding per project is limited to $2,000-$20,000 reimbursement. See 30 ILCS 155/4, and 520 ILCS 5/1.29-5/1.32 and 25/15; and 17 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 3060.10 ff.

Eligibility: Any individual, entity, or group in Illinois.

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(217) 785-4416

SPORT FISH RESTORATION

Objective: Federal Sport Fish Restoration funds support activities designed to restore, conserve, manage, or enhance sport fish populations; the public use and benefits from these resources; and activities that provide boat access to public waters. A 75/25 match is required.

Eligibility: Universities, local governments, and nonprofits.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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**SPORTFISHING AND BOATING SAFETY ACT**

**Objective:** This is federal funding to support the construction, renovation, and maintenance of docking, mooring, and other facilities for transient, recreational boats 26 feet or greater in length.

**Eligibility:** Local governments; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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(217) 782-3378

**STATE WILDLIFE GRANTS**

**Objective:** These are federal grants to support the development and implementation of projects for the benefit of fish and wildlife and their habitats, including species that are not hunted or fished. Priority is placed on projects that benefit species of greatest conservation concern.

**Eligibility:** Local governments; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**
Department of Natural Resources  
Office of Resource Conservation  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271  
(217) 782-3378
**URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY**

Objective: This program is to plan for, establish, manage, and protect trees, forests, green spaces, and related natural resources in and adjacent to cities and towns. It also provides assistance to communities wishing to start or expand an urban forestry program.

Eligibility: Local governments.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
- Department of Natural Resources
- Office of Resource Conservation
- Division of Forest Resources
- One Natural Resources Way
- Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271
- (217) 785-8762

**WILDLIFE RESTORATION AND BASIC HUNTER EDUCATION**

Objective: This is federal funding to provide projects to restore, conserve, manage, and enhance wild birds and mammals and their habitats.

Eligibility: Local governments; public, nonprofit institutions/organizations; and other public institutions/organizations.

Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:
- Department of Natural Resources
- Office of Resource Conservation
- One Natural Resources Way
- Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271
- (217) 782-3378

**PUBLIC HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF**

NOTE: The Department of Public Health did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 782-4977.
REVENUE, DEPARTMENT OF

NOTE: The Department of Revenue did not provide updated program information for this edition of the Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth). For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 785-7570.

STATE POLICE, ILLINOIS

AUTISM TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Objective: This course is intended to assist law enforcement in identifying and interacting with people in the autism spectrum. People with autism have the right to be treated with respect and understanding. By officers learning to recognize and understand the autism spectrum, barriers with communications will be reduced between officers and the autistic.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police Academy
3700 E. Lake Shore Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62712-8639
(217) 786-6902

COMPUTERIZED TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Objective: The Illinois State Police’s Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS) provides vital crime information to the law enforcement community and criminal justice agencies. Information from this system is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts: airports and parks.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Administration
Program Administration Bureau
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-A
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(866) 532-3700
CRIME SCENE PROCESSING AND EVIDENCE POTENTIAL/HANDLING

Objective: This program offers on-scene technical assistance to agencies processing crime scenes. Agencies often discover, after beginning to process a crime scene for evidence, that there is a need for specialized processing techniques or equipment that exceeds their limitations or training. The Illinois State Police will not process a scene that another agency has already completed or begun processing for evidence; however, ISP crime scene investigators will respond to the scene and provide technical assistance and information to officers in such situations.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Forensic Services
Crime Scene Services Command
801 S. 7th St., Suite 800-S
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 785-0428

CRIME SCENE SERVICES COMMAND

Objective: The Crime Scene Services Command (CSSC) provides crime scene services to state, county, and municipal law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois. ISP crime scene investigators (CSIs) respond to requests for assistance on crimes against persons 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Agencies may request assistance with property crime scenes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 7 days a week.

CSIs are trained and equipped to document crime scenes with digital photographs, video, digital surveying equipment, unmanned aerial vehicles, and terrestrial laser scanners. CSIs also identify, process, collect, and transport evidence to ISP forensic laboratories for analysis. Beyond scene documentation, blood stain pattern analysis and bullet trajectory reconstruction services are also provided by CSIs.

The CSSC also provides polygraph services. Currently, two examiners provide polygraph examinations for employment, administrative, and criminal investigations.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Forensic Services
Crime Scene Services Command
801 S. 7th St., Suite 800-S
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 785-0428
**CRIME STATISTICS INFORMATION**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police collects, compiles, and disseminates crime statistics provided by local law enforcement agencies, including sheriffs’ offices, police departments, college and university police departments, etc. This is accomplished through the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting (I-UCR) Program, which provides valuable crime information on the nature and extent of crime in Illinois.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and miscellaneous reporting districts: airports, hospitals, park districts, railroads, and state agencies.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
- Illinois State Police
- Division of Administration
- Program Administration Bureau
- 801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-A
- Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
- (217) 557-6482

**CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION**

**Objective:** Criminal history record information (CHRI) is collected, stored, and disseminated by the Illinois State Police. Local criminal justice agencies use this information for investigatory leads, case preparation, positive fingerprint identification of offenders, presentence investigations, bond hearings, and establishing habitual offender information. CHRI is also used by units of government to screen employees and applicants for licensing.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
- Illinois State Police
- Division of Administration
- Bureau of Identification
- 260 N. Chicago St.
- Joliet, Illinois 60431-1060
- (815) 740-5160

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE 9-1-1 SERVICE**

**Objective:** This program collects surcharge funds from wireless carriers and provides funds to the local 9-1-1 systems throughout the state. It also reimburses the wireless carriers for the costs of providing 9-1-1 service.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** Statewide 9-1-1 Fund.
FINGERPRINT/CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD AND DISPOSITION TRAINING

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police trains new and veteran police officers in fingerprint technique and criminal history information. County state’s attorneys and circuit clerk officers also receive criminal history and disposition training.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and special districts: circuit clerks, parks, police, and state’s attorneys.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Illinois State Police
Division of Administration
Bureau of Identification
260 N. Chicago St.
Joliet, Illinois  60432-4072
(815) 740-4868

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT/ACCIDENT TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police assists local agencies in preparing contingency plans for dealing with incidents involving hazardous materials (e.g., radioactives, explosives, corrosives, and flammables); training emergency response personnel to recognize hazardous materials; and responding to hazardous materials incidents/accidents. Training is provided by the ISP Academy, the Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and its Mobile Training Units, and local police training institutes.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
Commercial Vehicle Section
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N
P.O. Box 19461
Springfield, Illinois  62703-2487
(217) 782-6629
**ILLINOIS STATE POLICE CLEARINGHOUSE FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN**

**Objective:** In compliance with the Intergovernmental Missing Child Recovery Act of 1984, the Illinois State Police Clearinghouse for Missing and Exploited Children serves as a central repository of information and is an effective resource in solving cases of missing and exploited children. The Clearinghouse oversees the AMBER Alert Notification Plan and is a focal point for the coordination of efforts by law enforcement, social services, education and prevention programs, legislative advocacy, and the dissemination of missing children’s photographs.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: includes units with and without home rule.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Illinois State Police Clearinghouse for Missing and Exploited Children
2200 S. Dirksen Parkway, Suite 238
Springfield, Illinois 62703-4528
(800) 843-5763
(217) 785-4341

**ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SPECIALIZED ADVANCED TRAINING**

**Objective:** The programs in the specialized advanced training category are available to law enforcement officers who are interested in increasing their proficiency in a specific field of policing. These programs allow officers to gain certification in specialized areas of law enforcement and to use these skills to provide public service for their agencies and communities. Specialized advanced training programs prepare officers to conduct specialized traffic and criminal investigations, provide expert testimony, and serve as a resource for information relating to their respective field of expertise. Programs available include: At-Scene Crash Investigation; Basic Juvenile Officers Training; Basic Life Support Course (and Instructor Course); Basic Narcotics Investigation; Breath Alcohol Training; Canine Training (Dual Purpose and Narcotics Detection); CAT Instructor Course; Chemical Agent Deployment School; Electronic Criminal Surveillance Officer Training I, II, and III; Emergency Vehicle Operation Course; Emergency Vehicle Operation Instructor Course; ESCO I, II, and III Recertification; Forensic Mapping With Total Station; Instructor Certification Training; Instructor Development School; Radar/Lidar Instructor Training; Scenario-Based Training for Command Post Personnel; Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) Instructor School; Technical Crash Investigation; Traffic Crash Reconstruction; and Vehicle Dynamics.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Illinois State Police Academy
3700 E. Lake Shore Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62712-8639
(217) 786-6902
**ILLINOIS STATE WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION TEAM**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Weapons of Mass Destruction Team (SWMDT) will respond within 60-90 minutes and will assist the Incident Commander by providing a specially trained, equipped, and organized response force for intervention, mitigation, remediation, and recovery during critical incidents precipitated by acts or potential acts of terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, and related criminal activities. The SWMDT includes a law enforcement response trained to neutralize a potential human threat in addition to a multi-agency team of experts and supportive science personnel, all of whom are trained to operate in an environment containing a potential chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, or explosive hazard.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
- Illinois State Police
- Division of Operations
- Special Operations Command
- 4700 Rodgers St.
- Springfield, Illinois 62703
- (708) 878-3122

**IN-SERVICE POLICE TRAINING**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police provides specialized and advanced law enforcement in-service training to state and local police officers through the ISP Academy. Seminars, workshops, and certified courses are offered on topics and subjects related to patrol and traffic functions, criminal investigation techniques, legal issues, management skills, drug and alcohol law enforcement and abuse prevention, community crime prevention, child safety strategies, officer safety, motor vehicle theft, and tactical responses. Programs are presented at both the Academy facility and at regional sites in cooperation with the Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and its Mobile Training Units. Special needs of local agencies can be addressed by developing programs using resources from other federal, state, and local police training organizations.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and special districts: conservation and park police.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
- Illinois State Police Academy
- 3700 E. Lake Shore Dr.
- Springfield, Illinois 62712-8639
- (217) 786-6902

**INVESTIGATION TASK FORCE**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police work with local law enforcement officials in investigative task forces involving narcotics and organized criminal activity. Investigation training is also provided. Counties can receive fine revenues from the investigative assistance. Currently, there are 14 Drug
Task Force Units, which are staffed by officers representing state, county, local, and federal police agencies serving 50 of the 102 counties in the State of Illinois. These task force units receive monies from member agencies who also supply staffing for the units and assist with the investigation of drug- and gang-related criminal activities.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: any special police agency.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Illinois State Police  
Division of Operations  
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N  
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487  
(217) 662-6129

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**LABORATORY SERVICES**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police operates seven state-of-the-art forensic science laboratories, a research and development laboratory, and a statewide training program. The ISP Laboratory System offers a complete range of forensic services to the criminal justice community. The laboratories are strategically located throughout the state with facilities in Carbondale, Chicago, Fairview Heights, Joliet, Morton, Rockford, and Springfield. Forensic scientists are responsible for analyzing and evaluating criminal evidence in the following disciplines: drug chemistry, trace chemistry, firearms/toolmarks, microscopy, questioned documents, latent prints, forensic biology/DNA, footwear/tiretrack, and forensic toxicology. Research and validation of improved or new scientific techniques are performed at the research and development laboratory located in Springfield.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Illinois State Police  
Division of Forensic Services  
Forensic Sciences Command  
801 S. 7th St., Suite 900A  
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487  
(217) 782-4649

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**LAW ENFORCEMENT/BASIC TRAINING**

**Objective:** A 560-hour course of basic law enforcement procedure training is offered to all sworn police officers of any size municipality, county, park district, or institution of higher learning. This course prepares trainees for the performance of their duties as local law enforcement officers. Instructional units for this course include: Civil Rights and Civil Liability, Criminal Offenses, Firearms, Illinois Vehicle Code, Initial Medical Response, Law Enforcement Precision Driving, Motor Vehicle Theft, Physical Training, Rapid Deployment, and Standardized Field Sobriety
Testing (SFST). In addition to written exams, trainees will be evaluated on their performance in daily physical training and fitness tests, CAT and firearms training, practical exercises, and professional demeanor.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and special districts: conservation and park police.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Illinois State Police Academy  
3700 E. Lake Shore Dr.  
Springfield, Illinois  62712-8639  
(217) 786-6902

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**LEADS ADMINISTRATION**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police’s Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS) provides vital crime information to the criminal justice community. Information from this system is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Eligibility:** Federal and state entities, counties, municipalities, and special districts: circuit clerks, park and university police, and state’s attorneys.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Illinois State Police  
LEADS Administration  
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300A  
Springfield, Illinois  62703-2487  
(217) 782-0539

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**LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (LMS)**

**Objective:** The LMS provides training in LEADS, Hazmat, I-CLEAR, and Breath Alcohol Officer (BAO). Any legitimate police agency using law enforcement computer terminals is eligible for the training.

**Eligibility:** Federal and state entities, counties, municipalities, and special districts: circuit clerks, park and university police, and state’s attorneys.

**Further Information:**
Illinois State Police Academy  
3700 E. Lake Shore Dr.  
Springfield, Illinois  62712-8639  
(217) 786-6902
MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCES

Objective: Major Crimes Task Forces are responsible for providing assistance through mutual aid to cooperating police agencies. The task forces are activated in response to the commission of major crimes that require immediate and extensive police investigation support.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 622-6129

MARIJUANA LEAF IDENTIFICATION TRAINING

Objective: Officers from local agencies in law enforcement are trained to identify plant material to be processed that would not be sent to a local forensic science lab. Local law enforcement will be able to process and report these cases with minimal backlog impact to the forensic science system/laboratory.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Forensic Services/Forensic Sciences Command
Forensic Science Center at Chicago
1941 W. Roosevelt Rd.
Chicago, Illinois 60608
(312) 433-8000, ext. 2025

MEDICAID PROVIDER FRAUD INVESTIGATION

Objective: The Medicaid Fraud Control Bureau (MFCB) investigates cases referred primarily by the Departments of Healthcare and Family Services and Public Health. This assistance is given upon request when there are allegations of fraud, abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation of Illinois citizens residing in long-term care facilities within Illinois’ 1,200 homes.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.
Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Medicaid Fraud Unit
801 S. 7th St., Suite 500A
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 785-3321

METROPOLITAN ENFORCEMENT GROUPS

Objective: The Illinois State Police’s Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEGs) assist local agencies in combating illegal drug activity. In addition to monetary aid, special agents of the Division of Operations are assigned to the local area, and equipment is allocated for the MEG’s use. Local agencies must match at least 50% of the operating costs of the MEGs. Generally, this is done by an in-kind match of the salaries of the police officers assigned to a MEG. State grants help defray the costs of operating nine MEGs responsible for enforcing the drug laws in the state. Currently, 19 counties are involved with the MEGs statewide.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 622-6129

MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC CRASH RECONSTRUCTION UNIT

Objective: The unit provides traffic crash reconstruction services to local and county law enforcement agencies in the investigation of fatal or serious traffic crashes that warrant prosecution.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 785-1652
MURDERER AND VIOLENT OFFENDER AGAINST YOUTH REGISTRATION

Objective: In accordance with the Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registration Community Notification Act, the Illinois State Police is mandated to manage registration, provide training, and maintain the statewide website.

Eligibility: All law enforcement.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
Intelligence Command
801 S. 7th St., Suite 200-S
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 785-0653

PUBLIC INTEGRITY TASK FORCE

Objective: The Public Integrity Task Force provides comprehensive investigations into matters of public integrity, including officer-involved shootings, in-custody deaths, and official misconduct involving local governments and municipal police within the geographic boundaries of Cook County.

Eligibility: Counties (1) and municipalities (9).

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(312) 405-5546

RUSE BURGLARY TASK FORCE

Objective: The Ruse Burglary Task Force was started on September 1, 2012. It was created to address the growing number of ruse burglaries, aggravated home repair fraud scams, fortune-telling scams, home invasions, confidence crimes, and insurance scams being perpetrated by the Gypsy population against Illinois senior citizens. Gypsy criminal groups almost exclusively target the elderly, one of the most vulnerable classes in our society. They are usually found in their homes, making them very accessible targets. Social isolation is common with the elderly and they are eager to speak with people who approach them. They are willing to comply with “authority” figures, such as a person who alleges he is from the power company and needs to get into their houses. Because of their declining physical and mental condition, they are often not able to make proper identification or remember important details. Finally, many elderly persons have cash and other valuables in their homes readily available. The task force uses intelligence and proactive aggressive enforcement techniques with the goal of arrest and prosecution of Gypsy criminal groups, rather than obtaining
restitution. The task force maintains an automated Gypsy intelligence database, accessible to law enforcement agencies, of all known Gypsy names, photographs, and identifiers. The task force sponsors meetings of law enforcement officers to exchange information and keep abreast of current Gypsy criminal group activity. It also presents educational material to elderly citizens and other community groups designed to prevent them from becoming targets of Gypsy criminal groups.

**Eligibility:** Counties (5) and municipalities (11).

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Illinois State Police  
Division of Operations  
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N  
Springfield, Illinois  62703-2487  
(312) 405-5546

**SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

**Objective:** The Illinois State Police offers the following programs to local governments: bike safety, seat belts, self-protection, child safety seats, farm safety, substance abuse, gun safety, National Safety Council Defensive Driving Course, Netsmartz Internet safety training, Safe Schools, Senior Scams, Seat Belt Convincer, and Roadway Safety Assessment. To schedule any of these programs, contact your local ISP headquarters or the Safety Education Office.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Illinois State Police  
Safety Education Unit  
801 S. 7th St., Suite 1001-A  
Springfield, Illinois  62703-2487  
(217) 782-6637

**SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION**

**Objective:** In accordance with the Sex Offender Registration Act and the Sex Offender Community Notification Law, the Illinois State Police is mandated to manage sex offender registration, provide training to local and county law enforcement, and maintain the statewide website.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** Technical services only.
Further Information:

Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
Intelligence Command
Sex Offender Registration Section
801 S. 7th St., Suite 200-S
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 785-0653

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE ELDERLY AND ELDER ABUSE

Objective: This program provides a basic understanding of what elder abuse is and who can be considered an elder abuse victim. It describes who are, and what is required of, mandated reporters of elderly victims and differences in investigating a crime against an elderly person. Participants will be provided with resources to help investigate elderly crime and to better assist the victims.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Illinois State Police Academy
3700 E. Lake Shore Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62712-8639
(217) 786-6902

SPECIAL WEAPON AND TACTICS (SWAT)

Objective: This program provides assistance to local and federal law enforcement agencies by providing specially trained and equipped officers with the capability of serving high-risk search and arrest warrants, dignitary protection, high-risk escorts, civil disturbances, and hostage/barricade incident resolution. High-risk search warrant service, often related to drug law enforcement, comprises the majority of the several hundred SWAT missions conducted each year. Extensive training, pre-mission planning, intelligence gathering, equipment selection, rehearsal, and the use of advanced tactics are a few of the components incorporated into each mission to ensure the utmost safety for both SWAT operators and suspects alike. SOCOM/SWAT has waterborne capabilities to assist with critical incidents identified on or near a waterway, as well as the training and equipment necessary to enter a contaminated environment or clandestine drug laboratory.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.
Further Information:

Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
Special Operations Command (SOCOM)
4700 Rodgers St.
Springfield, Illinois 62703
(708) 878-3122

STATEWIDE 9-1-1 ADMINISTRATOR

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: Statewide 9-1-1 Fund.

Further Information:

Illinois State Police
Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator
801 S. 7th St., Suite 300-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 782-3200

STATEWIDE TERRORISM AND INTELLIGENCE CENTER (STIC)

Objective: This program provides assistance to local and federal law enforcement agencies by responding to requests; sending daily bulletins; assessing threats to persons and infrastructures; monitoring groups suspected of criminal activity; and sharing information related to suspected terrorist activity, drug activity, violent crimes, and motor vehicle theft. STIC received and processed 37,800 requests from law enforcement in 2012. This service is provided free to all law enforcement. Law enforcement officers can call anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for assistance. Officers will need to provide basic information for documenting the request, which will include the reason for the request. STIC has a statewide Gang Intelligence Coordinator and three Gang Analysts. This group provides technical assistance through intelligence on street gangs and gang violence from a statewide perspective.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Illinois State Police
Division of Operations
Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center
2200 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, Illinois 62703
(877) 455-7842
VEHICLE INVESTIGATIONS

Objective: The Illinois State Police provides vehicle investigation officers to assist local law enforcement agencies in identifying vehicles when the vehicle identification number is missing, stolen, or altered. Any law enforcement agency may request assistance from the district commander.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Regions I & II
595 S. State St.
Elgin, Illinois 60123-7697
Region IV
1100 Eastport Plaza
Collinsville, Illinois 62234
Region I: (708) 603-3144
Region II: (815) 726-6377
Region III
801 S. 7th St., Suite 200-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 306-1730

WIDE-AREA CRIMINAL ACTIVITY RADIO BROADCAST

Objective: The Illinois State Police provides wide-area criminal activity radio broadcasts on the ISP Emergency Radio Network (ISPERN). These broadcasts alert local officers from multiple agencies to criminal activity occurring in the region.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts: any legitimate police agency approved by the ISPERN governing board to operate on the frequency is eligible to participate on the network.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Illinois State Police
Division of Administration
Communications Services Bureau
801 S. 7th St., Suite 200-N
Springfield, Illinois 62703-2487
(217) 524-2367
TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF

HIGHWAYS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides funding assistance to local agencies for eligible roadway infrastructure improvements to support economic development, either attracting new jobs or retaining existing jobs. Funds on local systems are provided on a 50% matching basis on local routes and 100% funding on state-owned roadways. Projects may be altered on a case-by-case basis.

Eligibility: Any local unit of government with taxing authority.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Transportation
Statewide Program Planning
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, Illinois 62764
(217) 782-2755
(217) 524-4875 (TTY)
http://www.dot.il.gov/edp.html

ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (ITEP)

Objective: The goal of ITEP is to allocate resources to well-planned projects that provide and support alternate modes of transportation, enhance the transportation system through preservation of visual and cultural resources, and improve the quality of life for members of the communities. On December 4, 2015, a new federal highway bill, the FAST Act, was passed. The FAST Act includes funding for projects that would qualify under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). Enhancement-type projects are included under TAP. TAP has introduced several changes to the previous ITEP, including redefining and eliminating some of the previous eligible categories.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: airport authorities, parks, public colleges, sanitary, schools, and transit.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides Federal Aviation Administration funds for airport infrastructure improvements—maintaining and enhancing the pavements and select structures at the airport. It generally requires 5% matching funds from the local airport sponsor. See 620 ILCS 5/38 and 5/40.

Eligibility: Airports.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

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Division of Aeronautics
1 Langhorne Bond Dr.
Springfield, Illinois  62707
(217) 785-0056

AIR/AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT

Objective: The Department provides for planning, programming, administration, and construction of airport improvement projects. Through this assistance, local subdivisions accomplish the purposes of federal legislation in the development of a national system of civil aviation airports. The airport or proposed airport must be publicly owned or be a privately owned designated reliever and be reflected in the approved National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) and State Airport System Plan. The funding breakdown for federally eligible projects is 90% federal, 5% state, and 5% local.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts: airport authorities, and park and port districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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STATE-LOCAL AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Objective: This program is designed to provide state funding assistance for capital improvements and development to publicly owned, public use airports. Funds have been appropriated by the legislature for this program with the stipulations that they adhere to current Illinois state statutes and the Illinois Aeronautics Act. For a requested project to be eligible for funding assistance through this program, the airport sponsor (municipality) must be in compliance with the following: the airport must be included in the latest State of Illinois Aviation System Plan; the airport must be publicly owned and open to the public; all project work must be available for public use; the requested project must be shown on the current approved Airport Layout Plan (ALP); the airport owner must own or lease the land upon which the project will be accomplished; the airport must be in compliance with the FAA federal grant assurances; the airport owner must meet and comply with the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA), 30 ILCS 708 requirements; all environmental approvals must be completed prior to letting of the project; and the project must meet state bond funding rules. All 2017 State-Local Program projects are funded at 75% state assistance for primary airports and 90% state assistance for general aviation airports (non-primary airports). Projects are then selected based on certain criteria and a formulated score, factoring in existing pavement conditions, increased local share contributions, staff engineering judgment of need, potential phasing of this project, and any additional mandates attached to the appropriation.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts that sponsor a federally eligible airport.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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HIGHWAYS/FEDERAL AID SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM—BRIDGE

Objective: Funds are available for the rehabilitation or replacement of NBIS structures with sufficiency ratings below 80 and 50, respectively. Structures must be greater than 20 feet in length. Allotments are given to the counties based on deficient square footage of existing structures. Municipalities may work with their counties to utilize some of this allotment. See 605 ILCS 5/5-101.3 and 5/7-101.
**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP)**

**Objective:** HSIP is a core federally funded program, directed specifically at reducing fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads through infrastructure improvements. Safety improvements are required to be linked to the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The Department solicits candidate projects annually based on available funding. HSIP funds are 90% federal and require a 10% local match. An application is required as well as a benefit-cost calculation using the Department’s B/C tool. Funds must be federally obligated within two years of an award.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**HIGHWAYS/ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY UNITS OF GOVERNMENT—TOWNSHIP/ROAD DISTRICTS**

**Objective:** Additional highway funding assistance is available for townships to bring them to a minimum level of assistance per mile ($2,442). To be eligible, townships must be levying the maximum township highway tax rate.

**Eligibility:** Townships.
**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**HIGHWAYS/COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This program combines the Highways/Assessed Valuation Loss Compensation, Highways/Assistance to Needy Units of Government—County, and Highways/High-Growth County Assistance. The assistance will be distributed among the counties (excluding Cook) with $8 million shared equally and $13.8 million distributed based on registered vehicles (motor fuel tax formula).

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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**HIGHWAYS/FEDERAL AID SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM—RURAL**

**Objective:** Funds are distributed for the construction and maintenance of rural-type highway systems. The money is allocated to each county based on: (1) 10% divided equally among eligible counties, and (2) 90% allocated using the following three equally weighted factors: (a) nonurban rural area (square miles); (b) nonurban rural population (0-5,000); and (c) mileage of all nonurban systems. Local match may be from 20% to 50%.

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
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HIGHWAYS/FEDERAL AID SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM—URBAN

Objective: This program provides funding to urban areas with populations of 5,000 or more for highway improvements. The improvements must be to the federal highway system and must be designated as such.

Eligibility: Municipalities (urban areas).

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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HIGHWAYS/HIGH-GROWTH CITIES ASSISTANCE

Objective: This program provides financial assistance to cities with populations of 5,000 or more that have experienced above normal population growth (greater than 5%) through the comparison of two consecutive decennial censuses, or the comparison of a decennial census and a special census within a given decade.

Eligibility: Municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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HIGHWAYS/MOTOR FUEL TAX (MFT) ALLOCATION

Objective: State tax revenues are shared with local governments to be used for the construction and maintenance of highways. To qualify for funding, municipalities must be incorporated. Allotment
is based on population. Counties receive their allotment based on total license fees in the county. Township allotment is based on total township mileage. Beginning in FY 2012, townships levying a road and bridge tax at 0.08% receive a full allotment, while townships levying below 0.08% receive a pro-rated allotment based on their rate.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**HIGHWAYS/STATE MATCHING ASSISTANCE**

**Objective:** This program is designed to help counties with matching funds on federal projects. The Department distributes the funds based on the inability of the counties to raise the required funds to match federal dollars. Each year the funds are computed based on the federal program and county tax rate.

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**HIGHWAYS/TOWNSHIP BRIDGES**

**Objective:** Funds are available to rehabilitate, replace, or construct bridges 20 feet or more in length for the safe transportation of school children, the movement of agricultural equipment and products, rural mail routes, and the traffic needs of the general public. Funds are allocated to each eligible road district based on the total township mileage.

**Eligibility:** Townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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HIGHWAYS/TRUCK ACCESS ROUTE PROGRAM (TARP)

Objective: Funding assistance is provided for local highway improvements to provide local access to the designated State Highway Truck Route System. Funds are available for 50% of the improvement costs, not to exceed $900,000, including up to $45,000 per lane mile and $22,000 per intersection for upgrading designated routes to meet additional weight and geometric requirements.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: *(dollars in thousands)*

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ILLINOIS LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM—ILLINOIS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER CENTER

Objective: The Illinois Local Technical Assistance Program’s (IL LTAP) mission is to transfer the latest state-of-the-art technology in the areas of roads and bridges by translating the technology into terms understood by local highway or transportation personnel. The Illinois Technology Transfer Center is associated with the National Local Technical Assistance Program. Our services, which include a newsletter, training program, video/publication library, technical assistance, and support, are open to any local public agency in the state.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Training/technical services only.

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TRAFFIC SAFETY/INJURY PREVENTION

Objective: The program goal is to reduce injuries sustained in motor vehicle crashes. The importance of the use of seat belts, car seats, and bicycle and motorcycle helmets are promoted in educational programs. Agencies within local governments must demonstrate a need to educate the public about the use of safety devices.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts: hospital service areas and nonprofits.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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TRAFFIC SAFETY/CAR SEAT PROGRAM

Objective: This program’s goal is to reduce fatalities and injuries of children sustained from being improperly restrained or not restrained at all. It provides funding to establish a car seat program that makes the car seats available for distribution to members of the community. Communities must demonstrate a need for the program through the submission of survey data, birth rates, and crash statistics.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts: hospital service areas and nonprofits.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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REGIONAL TRAFFIC SAFETY RESOURCE CENTERS PROGRAM

Objective: This program aids local communities in reducing the death and injury rates on roads and highways. It is designed primarily to enable these regional coordinators to conduct public information and education campaigns focusing on traffic safety issues related to occupant protection, seat belts, car seats, teen initiatives, and impaired driving issues.

Eligibility: Special districts: hospitals, nonprofits, and universities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM (PBS)

Objective: This program is to reduce the incidence of crashes involving pedestrians and bicyclists and the resulting fatalities and injuries through support of research, education, encouragement, enforcement, and marketing activities.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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TRAFFIC SAFETY/LOCAL ALCOHOL PROGRAM (LAP)

Objective: This program’s goal is to reduce alcohol-related motor vehicle crashes, and the injuries and fatalities sustained from them. Local governmental agencies, through a completed assessment, must document the increase in alcohol-related crash problems and the need to address them. Project activities may include public information and education, enforcement, and task force meetings.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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SUSTAINED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (STEP)

Objective: This program provides for local police departments to conduct special enforcement for impaired driving mobilizations and/or occupant protection mobilizations during six or more of the following campaigns: (1) Thanksgiving, (2) holidays, (3) the Super Bowl, (4) St. Patrick’s Day, (5) Halloween, (6) Memorial Day, (7) July 4th, (8) additional impaired driving enforcement, and (9) additional occupant protection enforcement.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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**HIGHWAYS/GRADE CROSSING PROTECTION**

**Objective:** Funds are available for two types of improvements: (1) railroad safety to reduce deaths and accidents at grade crossings, and (2) high-hazard safety to reduce the severity and number of accidents experienced at spot locations. These funds may also be used with or without federal aid systems. The Grade Crossing Protection Fund also dedicates a limited amount of funding toward grade separation structures that eliminate grade crossings, as well as funding for pedestrian grade separation projects and incentive payments for the elimination of public at-grade crossings. Grants are made based on merit and need; both rural and urban areas are eligible. Local governments are required to pay 10% of the cost to install automatic flashing light signals and gates at public grade crossings. Local governments are required to pay 40% of the cost for grade separation projects (roadways and pedestrian).

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**LOCAL STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLANS (SHSPs)**

**Objective:** This assistance involves developing local strategic highway safety plans for each county and includes emphasis areas (alcohol, roadway departure, etc.) that show opportunity to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries in the county. Included are data analysis results, heat maps, and multidisciplinary safety strategies. The Department has developed these for the top 35 counties with the most fatalities and serious injuries. It has met with several of the counties to present information and has also included the metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs). This is to help guide local agencies’ efforts in reducing fatalities and serious injuries in their jurisdictions.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**LOCAL TECHNICAL SAFETY ASSISTANCE/ROADWAY SAFETY ASSESSMENTS/REVIEWS (RSAs/RSRs)**

**Objective:** The purpose of this technical assistance is to provide local agencies with the resources to better direct their efforts and resources to locations and issues with the greatest opportunity to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries on local roadways. This is done through the Department analyzing crash data and providing the results in the form of data trees, heat maps, emphasis area tables, and the top 5% locations (roadway segments and intersections) with the highest potential for safety improvement. Upon request, the Department can also perform RSAs/RSRs of a location/corridor.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and townships.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS)**

**Objective:** This program uses a multidisciplinary approach to improve conditions for K-8th-grade students who walk or bike to school. The SRTS funds both infrastructure improvements to the physical environment and non-infrastructure projects. It is federally funded as part of MAP-21 Transportation Alternatives. Local governments may apply online through our website: www.dot.il.gov/saferoutes. Projects are funded 80%, with a 20% local match required. All infrastructure improvements must be completed within two miles of a school with grades K-8.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Department of Transportation  
Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering  
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway, Rooms 5/7  
Springfield, Illinois 62764  
(217) 782-3568
**CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This program provides funding to state and local governments for transportation projects and programs designed to help meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act, improve air quality, and mitigate congestion.

**Eligibility:** Government organizations.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Christopher Schmidt  
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Christopher.Schmidt@illinois.gov

**RURAL PLANNING FUNDS**

**Objective:** This program provides funding to rural planning agencies to conduct transportation planning or activities that support transportation planning and programming. There is a non-federal match to federal funds.

**Eligibility:** Regional planning agencies (23).

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Holly Ostdick  
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**METROPOLITAN PLANNING PROGRAM**

**Objective:** Metropolitan planning funds are federal funds from the FHWA and the FTA to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process required by 23 U.S.C. sec. 134, including development of metropolitan area transportation plans and transportation improvement programs. When other program funds are used as a match, they will be awarded/recorded under the specific program. Matching funding totals should be reduced from the matching program and added to the specific program.

**Eligibility:** Metropolitan planning organizations.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM—METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION >200,000 POPULATION SELECTED

Objective: This program provides a fund source for a variety of smaller-scale transportation projects and alternatives, such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities; recreational trails; Safe Routes to School projects; community improvements, such as historic preservation and vegetation management; and environmental mitigation related to stormwater and habitat connectivity.

Eligibility: Metropolitan planning and nonprofit organizations.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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STATEWIDE PLANNING AND RESEARCH FUNDS

Objective: These are federal funds for states’ statewide planning and research activities. They are used to establish a cooperative, continuous, and comprehensive framework for making transportation investment decisions and to carry out transportation research activities.

Eligibility: Government and nonprofit organizations.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

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STATE PLANNING FUNDS

Objective: These funds are available to planning agencies to carry out planning or match available federal transportation planning funds. When these funds are used as a match, they will be awarded/recorded under the specific program. Matching funding totals should be reduced from this program and added to the specific program. All non-match funding will be processed under this program.

Eligibility: Government organizations.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

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TRANSIT AND MULTIMODAL/TECHNICAL (PLANNING) STUDIES

Objective: This program funds a variety of studies described in the Federal Transit Administration Circular 8100.1C. Eligible studies include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) studies relating to management, planning, operations, capital requirements, and economic feasibility; (2) evaluation of previously funded grants; (3) peer review and exchanges of technical information, assistance, and related activities supporting planning and environmental reviews among metropolitan planning organizations and transportation planners; (4) work elements and related activities prior to and in preparation for building, acquiring, and improving the operation of facilities and equipment; (5) systems planning and corridor-level alternatives analysis; (6) development of 20-year transportation plans, short-range transportation improvement programs, and unified planning work programs; (7) safety, security, and emergency planning and evacuation planning; (8) transportation and air quality planning and conformity analysis; (9) public participation in public transportation planning; (10) multimodal facilities planning; (11) planning, engineering, designing, and/or evaluating public transit projects; (12) computer hardware and software needed to support planning work; and (13) participation in educational programs for technical staff, as well as executive and board leadership, excluding activities including or relating to lobbying.

Eligibility: Local government agencies, metropolitan planning organizations, and public transit agencies.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
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Department of Transportation
Office of Intermodal Project Implementation
69 W. Washington St., Suite 2100
Chicago, Illinois  60602
(312) 793-3510

RACIAL PROFILING

Objective: The Illinois Traffic and Pedestrian Stop Study Program provides for an outside vendor to conduct analysis to detect “statistically significant aberrations” in the traffic and pedestrian stop statistical data provided by law enforcement agencies to the Department.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, special districts, and state universities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Department of Transportation (Stop Study Data Information)
Office of Planning and Programming
Bureau of Data Collection
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway, Room 19
Springfield, Illinois  62764
(217) 785-2364
www.grants.illinois.gov

Department of Transportation (Stop Study Funding Information)
Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway, Room 5
Springfield, Illinois  62764
(217) 782-3568
www.grants.illinois.gov

TRANSIT/RURAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Objective: The Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) fosters development of state and local capacity to address the public transit training and technical assistance needs of rural and small urban communities. It is administered through the Rural Affairs Institute of Western Illinois University.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and mass transit districts.
**Funding:** Technical services only.

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**TRANSIT/OPERATING—DOWNSTATE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUND**

**Objective:** The Department provides state assistance to reimburse downstate transit operators for a percentage of their public transit operating expenses. Eligible participants are defined by the Downstate Public Transportation Act. Participants include mass transit districts, cities, and counties. The state provides up to 65% of the eligible operating costs.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities and mass transit districts.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**TRANSIT/OPERATING—NONURBANIZED**

**Objective:** Operating grants are provided to rural public transportation systems. This program funds up to 50% of an eligible operation deficit and up to 80% of eligible administrative and capital expenses.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, and mass transit districts. Applicants are limited to counties outside the six-county Northeastern Illinois area and outside the three-county Metro-East area served by the Bi-State Development Agency.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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TRANSIT/OPERATING—REDUCED FARE REIMBURSEMENT

Objective: Reimbursements are made to transit operators for the actual cost of providing reduced fares to students, the elderly, and the disabled. Grant recipients who serve these groups must supply documentation on the differential between revenues actually collected and those that would have resulted from charging these groups full fare.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and special districts: mass transit districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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TRANSIT/OPERATING—PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUND

Objective: This program assists the regional transportation authority to fund a portion of its eligible operating expenses. The assistance is calculated as an amount equal to 30% of the regional transportation authority sales tax collected in the six county regions and 30% of the real estate transfer tax collected in the City of Chicago.

Eligibility: Special districts: regional transportation authorities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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TRANSIT/CAPITAL—STATE ASSISTANCE—NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS

Objective: The Department provides state assistance for the acquisition, construction, extension, reconstruction, and improvement of mass transportation facilities in Northeastern Illinois. Reimbursements are made to eligible recipients authorized to promote public transportation in Northeastern Illinois for the state portion of capital expenses incurred to improve transit facilities and to purchase equipment and vehicles.

Eligibility: Special districts: regional transportation authorities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation
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Chicago, Illinois  60601
(312) 793-2154

TRANSIT/CAPITAL—STATE ASSISTANCE—RURAL, SMALL URBANIZED (NON-ROLLING STOCK), AND DOWNSTATE URBANIZED

Objective: The Department provides state assistance for the purchase of equipment and for the acquisition, construction, extension, reconstruction, and improvement to public transportation facilities in rural, small urbanized, and downstate urbanized areas. Reimbursements are made to eligible recipients authorized to promote public transportation in rural, small urbanized, and downstate urbanized areas for capital expenses and the state portion of capital expenses incurred to improve transit facilities and to purchase equipment and non-paratransit vehicles.

Eligibility: Rural, small urban, and downstate urban transit providers.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation
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RAIL/RAIL FREIGHT

Objective: This program preserves private sector rail service and improves the movement of rail freight within the state. This is accomplished by promoting economic development and industrial job retention. The program provides funding to either local governments, railroads, or to commercial rail users. Funds must be used for track rehabilitation or new track construction of industry spurs. Local governments can also benefit indirectly from job retention when an industry or business remains in the community due to the improved rail transportation. The funding shown below is actual expenditures.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, special districts, and private businesses.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Department of Transportation
Bureau of Railroads
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, Illinois  62764
(217) 782-4131

TRANSIT/CAPITAL—FEDERAL ASSISTANCE—STATEWIDE (ROLLING STOCK)—CONSOLIDATED VEHICLE PROCUREMENT (CVP)

Objective: This program provides state funds to purchase paratransit vehicles for private, nonprofit, and 101 downstate transit providers. Applicants are required to provide proof of eligibility and must complete an application form. The funding for these vehicles comes from the Department’s federal Section 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316, and 5317 grants.

Eligibility: Rural and small urban transit providers and special mass transit districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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**TRANSIT/CAPITAL—STATE ASSISTANCE—STATEWIDE (ROLLING STOCK)—CONSOLIDATED VEHICLE PROCUREMENT (CVP)**

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**Eligibility:** Rural and small urban transit providers and special mass transit districts.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**VETERANS’ AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF**

**ILLINOIS VETERANS’ ASSISTANCE FUND**

**Objective:** This is a special fund in the State Treasury. The net revenue from the Illinois veterans scratch-off game is deposited into the fund for appropriation by the General Assembly solely to the Department for making grants, funding additional services, or conducting additional research projects relating to veterans’ post-traumatic stress disorder, homelessness, health insurance costs, disability benefits provided by veterans’ service organizations and veterans’ assistance commissions or centers, and long-term care.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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OTHER AGENCIES

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS COURTS (AOIC)

AUTOMATED DISPOSITION REPORTING PROGRAM

Objective: The participating circuit clerks provide the AOIC an input file of disposition records of traffic and criminal offenses in the layout prescribed by the Automated Disposition Reporting Data Dictionary. This information is then formatted and forwarded to the respective state agencies. The advantage is that clerks are only required to submit one file to the AOIC, as opposed to submitting each disposition manually or providing separate files to each participating agency. This is a free program for the counties.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 785-2125

CIRCUIT CLERK LIAISON PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides assistance to circuit clerks in the operation of their offices. The AOIC attempts to answer any questions, address any problems, or provide necessary guidance on all aspects of the clerk’s duties (i.e., recordkeeping, training, statistical compilation and instruction, indexing, fine and costs distribution, statutory interpretations as they may affect the procedural aspects of the office, etc.). The AOIC also serves as a conduit to other state offices.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: Technical services only.
Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 785-2125

CIRCUIT CLERK TRAINING PROGRAM

Objective: This program is designed to introduce newly elected circuit clerks to the fundamentals of the position. It consists of a two- or three-day seminar for the new clerks to meet and discuss the office with veterans in the field. The topics include general responsibilities of the clerk, instruction on the operation of the office, and management training. Additionally, labor relations and personnel issues are presented. All new clerks are provided handouts of pertinent materials, and clerks who are unable to attend are mailed copies. Included in the materials are the names and telephone numbers of contacts within the AOIC, as well as contacts in other state offices.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 785-2125

LABOR RELATIONS/PERSONNEL MATTERS

Objective: This program provides legal assistance on labor relations, employment, and personnel law issues. Through this program, judicial branch employers are provided with legal representation in the negotiation of labor agreements.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Executive Office
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 557-8552
MERGED JURY SOURCE LISTS

Objective: The lists of registered voters, claimants for unemployment insurance, licensed drivers, state ID card holders, and state disabled-person ID card holders are combined into a single merged jury source list. The merged list enables counties to broaden the population base of prospective jurors so that juries can be more representative of the community. Merged jury lists are provided to counties upon the request of the chief judge of the circuit court or his or her designee, jury commissioner, or jury administrator.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 785-2125

OFFENSE CODE TABLE PROGRAM

Objective: This program assigns a seven-digit code to traffic, conservation, and criminal offenses found in the Illinois Compiled Statutes. The AOIC reviews all new legislation (Public Acts) that is enacted by the General Assembly. Any new or modified offense found during the review is evaluated for specified criteria and assigned a code. The code assigned by this program is used by participating circuit clerks to report dispositions for traffic, conservation, and criminal offenses to recipient state agencies.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 785-2125

PETIT JUROR AND GRAND JURY HANDBOOKS

Objective: The Petit Juror and Grand Jury Handbooks provide courts with a resource to answer questions regarding a prospective juror’s selection and service on a petit or grand jury. The handbooks are designed, maintained, and distributed by the AOIC.

Eligibility: County courts.

Funding: Technical services only.
Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
3101 Old Jacksonville Rd.
Springfield, Illinois 62704-6488
(217) 785-2125

RECORDS MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE

Objective: At the request of circuit clerks, AOIC staff provides assistance in the management of court records. Projects focus on methods clerks can use to efficiently comply with statutes and Supreme Court rules in such areas as indexing; case file management, including electronic records; and retention-destruction. AOIC staff advises clerks on retention requirements and oversees the destruction of court records. This assistance also includes advice to clerks on storage options available to them, such as microfilming and donation to the Illinois Regional Archives Depository System.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
Court Services Division
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UNIFORM CITATION AND COMPLAINT FORMS

Objective: The Uniform Citation and Complaint, Uniform Conservation Citation and Complaint, Illinois Overweight Ticket and Complaint, and the Electronic Citation and Complaint Forms are the official forms authorized for all law enforcement in Illinois for issuing citations. The forms are authorized, developed, and maintained by the Conference of Chief Circuit Judges and may not be modified unless authorized by the printing instructions included with the citation packet. Any modifications to the forms authorized by the Conference of Chief Circuit Judges are placed on file with the Illinois Supreme Court Clerk.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
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NOTE: The Arts Council Agency did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (312) 814-6750.

**COMMERCE COMMISSION (ICC)**

**GRADE CROSSING PROTECTION**

**Objective:** This program provides funding assistance for local jurisdictions to pay for safety improvements at highway-rail crossings. This includes the installation of automatic warning devices at highway-rail grade crossings and the construction/reconstruction of grade separation structures that reduce train/vehicle collisions, fatalities, and injuries at crossings. Each month, $3.5 million in state motor fuel tax receipts is transferred from the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) fund to the Grade Crossing Protection Fund (GCPF). This amount provides the GCPF with $39 million annually to be used for safety improvements at highway-rail crossings on local roads and streets.

Money in the GCPF is administered by the ICC but appropriated to the Department of Transportation to assist local jurisdictions (counties, townships, and municipalities) in paying for safety improvements at highway-rail grade crossings, pedestrian-rail grade crossings, highway-rail bridges, and pedestrian-rail bridges, on local roads and streets only. In carrying out its mandated responsibility, the ICC orders improvements at public highway-rail grade crossings, pedestrian-rail grade crossings, highway-rail bridges, and pedestrian-rail bridges that it determines to be in the interest of public safety.

The GCPF is typically used to help pay for the following types of projects:

- **Warning Device Upgrades:** Installation of automatic flashing light signals and gates at public grade crossings currently not equipped with automatic warning devices; installation of automatic flashing light signals and gates at public grade crossings currently equipped only with automatic flashing light signals; and signal circuitry improvements at public grade crossings currently equipped only with automatic warning devices.

- **Grade Separations—New and Reconstructed:** Construction, reconstruction, or repair of bridges carrying a local road or street over railroad tracks (overpass); and construction, reconstruction, or repair of bridges carrying railroad tracks over a local road or street (subway).

- **Grade Separations—Vertical Clearance Improvements:** Lowering the existing highway pavement surface under a railroad bridge to improve vertical clearance for motor vehicles.

- **Pedestrian Grade Separations:** Construction of a bridge to carry pedestrian/bicycle traffic over or under railroad tracks.

- **Interconnects:** Upgrading the circuitry at grade crossings where warning signals are connected to the adjacent traffic signals so that the two systems operate in a synchronized manner.
- **Highway Approaches**: Improvements to the portion of the public roadway directly adjacent to the crossing surface.

- **Connecting Roads**: Construction of a roadway between a closed crossing and an adjacent open, improved crossing.

- **Remote Monitoring Devices**: Sensor devices in the circuitry of grade crossing warning devices that immediately alert the railroad to any failures in warning device operations.

- **Crossing Closures**: Provide an incentive payment to local agencies for the voluntary closure of public highway-rail grade crossings.

- **Crossing Surface Renewals**: Up to $2 million in assistance annually can be allocated for crossing surface improvements.

The cost of railroad crossing safety improvements varies substantially depending on the nature of the work undertaken. A standard installation of gates with automatic flashing light signals on a two-lane road typically costs approximately $200,000-$300,000. Additional costs for road improvements could typically range from $2,000 to $100,000 depending on the road type and location. Grade separation structures are very costly. The GCPF has made contributions to pavement lowering (vertical clearance improvements) projects costing between $35,000-$4 million, and new underpass structures costing more than $50 million. Bridges over railroads can cost from $600,000 for a rural structure to $40 million for a multi-lane, multi-railroad urban structure. Typically, the ICC authorizes contributions from GCPF that pay up to 60% of the cost for grade separation projects and 85% to 95% for grade crossing improvements, although ICC policy is to allocate no more than $12 million from the GCPF to any individual project unless unusual circumstances warrant otherwise. When the numbers of crossing locations needing improvement are multiplied by project costs, the problem of allocating sufficient assistance from the GCPF becomes apparent.

**Eligibility**: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: road.

**Funding**: *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information**:

Commerce Commission
Transportation Division
527 E. Capitol Ave.
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 557-1285

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY/RAIL**

**Objective**: The Commission provides information to local governments on the proper response to hazardous material rail incidents or accidents. It also helps to reduce the number of these incidents by monitoring the operations of railroads in the state for the safe movement of hazardous materials. The Commission performs professional inspections of rail carrier equipment and records, and loading and unloading operations, for compliance with federal railroad hazardous materials regulations to provide safety for citizens, rail employees, and property by ensuring safe rail
transportation of hazardous materials. It also conducts inspections at railroad yards, sidings, and interchange tracks; roll-by inspections at railroad terminals; and waybill inspections at railroad terminals and freight offices; and follows up on violations as required. The Commission investigates incidents/accidents involving derailed and/or leaking hazardous materials cars; acts as a liaison between railroad and emergency response personnel; advises local governments on the proper response to hazardous materials rail incidents/accidents; determines probable cause and investigates for hazardous materials violations; and coordinates with Illinois Emergency Management Agency inspectors in connection with radioactive materials inspection/escort procedures of shipments moving into or through Illinois.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: fire.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Commerce Commission  
Transportation Division  
527 E. Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 557-1285

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**NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SAFETY**

**Objective:** The Commission’s Pipeline Safety Section conducts on-site inspections of the 106 gas system operators (65 of which are municipal systems) in the state to determine compliance with all applicable federal and/or state pipeline safety regulations. The inspectors monitor the operator’s records concerning inspection, operation, maintenance, emergency procedures, and construction. Inspectors conduct field inspections of the operator’s facilities to verify compliance with regulations covering design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the pipeline facilities. Pipeline safety personnel conduct training seminars for small gas system operators. These seminars have resulted in more responsive compliance with safety requirements. Municipalities that operate a natural gas pipeline system are under the jurisdiction of the Commission’s Pipeline Safety Program for safety-related issues. Pipeline safety personnel follow a schedule for the inspection of municipal systems, periodically provide training to municipal system personnel, and are always available to answer questions and provide assistance when needed.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Commerce Commission  
Pipeline Safety Section  
527 E. Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 782-5911
OPERATION LIFE SAVER

Objective: This is an educational program that acquaints the public at large with the hazards at railroad-highway crossings. The local government portion of the program places emphasis on the enforcement of crossing laws by local law enforcement agencies as a means of reducing train-related deaths. A general presentation on the issue of rail crossing safety can also be made to any group at the request of a local government.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Commerce Commission
Transportation Division
527 E. Capitol Ave.
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 557-1285

RAILROAD OPERATING PRACTICES

Objective: The Commission performs complex inspections of railroad operating rules and practices to determine compliance with Federal Railroad Administration and State of Illinois safety standards; investigates the administration of federal alcohol and drug control programs, hours of service for railroad employees involved with the movement of trains, federal locomotive engineer certification standards, occupational safety conditions and reporting, and employee training and qualification; investigates railroad incidents/accidents; examine carrier records to determine that all reportable personal injuries and accidents have been properly reported; and investigates complaints from railroad employees or the general public regarding unsafe practices involving train operations. Local governments may obtain special inspections or investigations of complaints on signal conditions by written request.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Commerce Commission
Transportation Division
527 E. Capitol Ave.
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 557-1285

RAILROAD SIGNAL SAFETY

Objective: The Commission performs complex inspections of highway-rail grade crossing signal systems to determine compliance with Federal Railroad Administration and State of Illinois safety standards; investigates complaints of unsafe/defective grade crossing signal systems; and conducts grade crossing safety seminars for railroad personnel and public emergency response officials.
Local governments may obtain special inspections or investigations of complaints on signal conditions by written request.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Commerce Commission  
Transportation Division  
527 E. Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 557-1285

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**RAILROAD TRACK SAFETY**

**Objective:** Although routine inspections of railroad tracks are made by the Commission, local governments may obtain special inspections or investigations of complaints on track conditions by written request. These inspections help to ensure railroad compliance with applicable state and federal track safety regulations and to reduce track-caused derailments. The Commission performs complex track inspections to determine proper operation and compliance with Federal Railroad Administration Track Safety Standards; investigates compliance and responds to inquiries concerning unsafe/defective trackage, excessive train speeds, improper yard procedures, and unsafe working conditions for employees; and investigates complaints from railroad employees, the general public, or legislative or governmental representatives involving unsafe conditions of track. Local governments may obtain special inspections or investigations of complaints on track conditions by written request.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Commerce Commission  
Transportation Division  
527 E. Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701  
(217) 557-1285

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**RAILWAY-HIGHWAY GRADE CROSSING MITIGATION PROGRAM**

**Objective:** Grants must be used to construct specific improvements that comply with 49 Code of Fed. Regs. sec. 262 along the railroad right-of-way, or to implement specific education and enforcement programs. Local communities and public education groups may apply.

**Eligibility:** This program is no longer available.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:
Commerce Commission
Administrative Services
527 E. Capitol Ave.
Springfield, Illinois 62702
(217) 782-9715

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY (CJIA)**

**ADULT REDEPLOY ILLINOIS**

**Objective:** This program provides financial incentives to local jurisdictions for programs that allow diversion of non-violent offenders from state prison by providing community-based services. Local governments must demonstrate how the project will improve public safety and offender outcomes.

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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Further Information:
Criminal Justice Information Authority
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION**

**Objective:** This unit of the Authority provides assistance through the collection, maintenance, and dissemination of criminal justice information and research reports, development and dissemination of periodic reports and bulletins, and development of criminal justice databases.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**
Criminal Justice Information Authority
Research and Analysis Unit
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550
JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides states and units of local government with funds to provide additional equipment, supplies, contractual support training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice.

Eligibility: Units of local government.

Funding: *dollars in thousands*

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Further Information:

Criminal Justice Information Authority
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550

JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANT (JAIBG)

Objective: These funds must be used to affect improvements in 12 purpose areas, and applicants must meet certain requirements to be eligible for funding. Up to 25% of the available funds may be retained by state agencies, with the remaining 75% to be distributed directly to locals. Localities that, by formula, would qualify for less than $5,000 in direct federal funding must apply to the Authority for funds. The Authority will administer approximately $818,000 in grant funds for smaller communities. It encourages smaller communities to form local coalitions to strengthen their bid for funding.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: *dollars in thousands*

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Fiscal note: CJIA no longer receives JAIBG funds.

Further Information:

Criminal Justice Information Authority
Federal and State Grants Unit
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550
METHAMPHETAMINE PILOT PROGRAM

Objective: This program creates a model intervention for youth based at Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center who are meth abusers or meth-dependent and are required by court order to complete treatment.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Fiscal note: CJIA no longer receives an appropriation for this program.

Further Information:

Criminal Justice Information Authority
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION

Objective: This program is to prevent, combat, and reduce motor vehicle theft in Illinois; and to improve and support enforcement, prosecution, and administration of motor vehicle theft laws by establishing statewide planning capabilities for, and coordination of, financial resources. It awards grants to eligible recipients for projects consistent with a statewide strategy developed by the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. The council annually develops a statewide motor vehicle theft prevention strategy that identifies areas in the state that are most in need of motor vehicle theft prevention programs, the types of programs supported by the council, and the allocation of funds for those areas. Proposals are also accepted for consideration from other areas of the state.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Fiscal note: CJIA no longer receives an appropriation for this program.

Further Information:

Criminal Justice Information Authority
Federal and State Grants Unit
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550
NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE IMPROVEMENT AWARD

Objective: This award is to improve the quality and timeliness of forensic scene and medical examiner services and/or to eliminate backlogs in the analysis of forensic evidence, including controlled substances, firearms examination, forensic pathology, latent prints, questioned documents, toxicology, and trace evidence for criminal justice purposes.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Criminal Justice Information Authority
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois  60606
(312) 793-8550

POST-CONVICTIION DNA TESTING

Objective: This program helps defray the costs associated with post-conviction DNA testing of cases of violent felony offenses in which innocence may be demonstrated. Applicants must submit a certification from the state’s Attorney General.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Criminal Justice Information Authority
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois  60606
(312) 793-8550

PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD

Objective: This program is a nationwide commitment and a comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun crime by networking existing local programs that target gun crime and providing those programs with additional tools.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Objective: This program assists states and local governments to develop and implement residential substance abuse treatment programs with state and local correctional facilities in which prisoners are incarcerated for a period of time sufficient to permit substance abuse treatment.

Eligibility: State and local correctional agencies.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Criminal Justice Information Authority
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois  60606
(312) 793-8550

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA

Objective: This office assists local governments in developing and implementing new research methodologies, interpreting data for policy/decision-making, and conducting statistical analysis for the purpose of improving criminal justice decisions.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:
Criminal Justice Information Authority
Research and Analysis Unit
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois  60606
(312) 793-8550
STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

Objective: This program supports services that respond to violence against women. This is accomplished through a multi-part training initiative; by testing protocols for handling of sexual assault and domestic violence; through the increased use of automation; and through the expansion of community-based victim services. Part of the award is allocated to each of the following three areas: law enforcement, prosecution, and victim services. The remaining funds are made available to other eligible grant recipients.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Criminal Justice Information Authority
Federal and State Grants Unit
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550

VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT BLOCK GRANT

Objective: Financial assistance is available to eligible victim assistance programs that provide direct services to victims of violent crime. Priority is given to those programs providing assistance to victims of domestic violence, child abuse, and sexual assault.

Eligibility: Counties and municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Criminal Justice Information Authority
Federal and State Grants Unit
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 793-8550

VIOLENCE PREVENTION GRANTS

Objective: These grants go to local and statewide agencies for violence prevention activities and programs. Technical assistance is provided to implement and evaluate program effectiveness.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.
**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

Criminal Justice Information Authority  
300 W. Adams St., Suite 200  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
(312) 793-8550

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**ELECTIONS, STATE BOARD OF**

**COUNTY CLERKS COMPENSATION**

**Objective:** Lump-sum awards are made to county clerks and chief election clerks for increased duties they perform due to the consolidation of election laws (P.A. 82-691). Payments are made to duly elected county clerks and qualifying recorders in the state.

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

State Board of Elections  
Administrative Office  
1020 S. Spring St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62708  
(217) 782-1525

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**ELECTION INFORMATION**

**Objective:** The Board disseminates information through publications, training, and consultation on the state’s registration and election procedures. This helps ensure the uniform administration of the state’s election laws and rules. All governmental units in which the officials are elected are eligible.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

State Board of Elections  
Division of Election Information  
1020 S. Spring St.  
Springfield, Illinois 62708  
(217) 782-1573
**JUDGES AND OTHER ELECTION OFFICIALS COMPENSATION—ELECTION DAY JUDGES**

**Objective:** Reimbursements are made to counties to compensate election judges and other election officials for the additional one hour the polls are open beyond 6:00 p.m. Each county is entitled to $25 for each official who serves each election day ($45 if election judge compensation is increased in accordance with P.A. 95-699).

**Eligibility:** Counties.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

State Board of Elections
Administrative Office
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Springfield, Illinois 62708
(217) 782-1525

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**OPERATIONS OF THE STATEWIDE ILLINOIS VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM (IVRS)—LOCAL JURISDICTION INTERFACE ASSISTANCE**

**Objective:** This program provides assistance to local election jurisdictions to support the costs of maintaining on-line interfaces to the IVRS. Assistance is allocated statewide based on estimated costs of maintaining interfaces of the statewide IVRS.

**Eligibility:** Counties and municipalities.

**Funding:** *(dollars in thousands)*

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**Further Information:**

State Board of Elections
1020 S. Spring St.
Springfield, Illinois 62704
(217) 782-1525
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT FUND

Objective: This program provides financial assistance to units of local government to perform assessments of their brownfield sites in order to determine which can reasonably be cleaned up and developed.

Eligibility: Municipalities.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Land
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 785-6760

DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM

Objective: The state provides low-interest loans for construction of all types of drinking water facilities, including treatment facilities to achieve and maintain compliance, additional storage facilities, and water main replacement. All units of local government are eligible, but those projects that are necessary to achieve compliance with federal and state standards have the first opportunity for loan assistance.

Eligibility: Counties, townships, municipalities, and special districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-2027
ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS RECYCLING AND REUSE GRANTS

Objective: The Agency provides $2,000 to recycling coordinators in each county of the state that applies for the grant. Grant funds are used to inform residents about e-waste recycling opportunities. To qualify, one must be a county of the state, apply, and use funds for education of the E-Waste Act and e-waste recycling opportunities.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Land
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 524-6713

ENERGY CODES, BUILDING INDUSTRY TRAINING, AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Objective: These programs educate the building, construction, and regulatory communities about the Illinois Energy Conservation Code for Commercial Buildings. Illinois law requires all new commercial construction for which a building permit application is received by a municipality or county to follow the Illinois Energy Conservation Code as adopted by the Capital Development Board. This code is based on the most recent International Energy Conservation Code, which is updated every three years. The Agency has structured its outreach, training, and educational efforts to inform local stakeholders about the content and value of the codes through varied learning formats, including workshops and web-based trainings, and ongoing technical assistance.

Eligibility: County and municipal building code officials, building inspectors, engineers, architects, and contractors.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Energy
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 558-4455
HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL EMERGENCIES ADVICE

Objective: This program is to protect public health and the environment from the effects of actual or potential hazardous or toxic chemical releases.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Emergency Response
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-3637

NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION (NPS) PROGRAM

Objective: Grants are available to finance projects that demonstrate cost-effective solutions to NPS problems and promote the public’s knowledge and awareness of NPS pollution. Major sources contributing to Illinois problems are agriculture, livestock waste, construction erosion, urban runoff, hydrologic modifications, and resource extraction activities. Grant recipients must not only develop, implement, and administer a project, but also ensure its long-term maintenance. Grant proposals must be submitted by August 1 of each year and should identify the type and location of water resource(s) at risk or adversely affected by NPS pollution and the water quality impact and the causes and sources of that impact. Examples of projects funded to address these problems include streambank stabilization, detention basin retrofitting, wetlands acquisition, watershed inventories, and educational programs.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: forest preserves, libraries, parks, river conservancy, soil and water conservation, and water.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-3362
RECYCLING GRANTS PROGRAM

Objective: This program was implemented to encourage the collection and processing of recyclable commodities. Grant proposals are evaluated by staff and awarded on a competitive basis. Grantees must provide a 50% applicant investment. In addition to providing local governments with daily technical assistance, many programs are offered that assist with waste reduction and recycling needs.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Land
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 785-9407

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT/ENFORCEMENT GRANTS

Objective: The Agency administers a solid waste initiative that assists counties that have been delegated inspection, investigation, and enforcement activities at landfills and open dumps. Grants are available to counties that have a delegation agreement pursuant to Section 4(r) of the Environmental Protection Act.

Eligibility: Counties.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Land
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-6760
WASTE MANAGEMENT

Objective: Information is supplied regarding waste management facilities, and field investigations are undertaken on waste management and groundwater contamination. The Agency also responds to environmental emergencies involving land/groundwater pollution. Consultation on waste enforcement matters is available to state’s attorneys upon request. Emergencies are responded to at that time.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, and townships.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Land
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-6760

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

Objective: The state assists communities in the construction of wastewater treatment facilities. Assistance is in the form of a state grant at 70% of total eligible project cost (Build Illinois). Local governments must pay what is not covered by the grant.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: sanitary.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-2027

WASTEWATER TREATMENT LOAN PROGRAM

Objective: The Agency provides low-interest loans for construction of all types of wastewater treatment and sewer rehabilitation, expansion, and upgrade.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: sanitary.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

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WATER QUALITY MONITORING

Objective: Drinking water analyses are provided for those water supplies wishing to participate in a fee-for-services program. Public water supplies may also obtain waivers from certain monitoring requirements if applicable requirements are met. Plan review for construction permits and assistance during emergency situations are provided to local agencies. Engineering inspection and advice on treatment improvements are also available. These activities are designed to help protect the public from waterborne diseases. A program is also in place to assist water supplies in identifying potential sources of groundwater contamination and to provide other assistance in groundwater protection and regional groundwater protection planning. Technical assistance is provided to local governments for developing comprehensive watershed management plans.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: sanitary and water.

Funding: Technical services only.

Further Information:

Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
1021 N. Grand Ave. East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217) 782-9470

FINANCE AUTHORITY, ILLINOIS

DISTRESSED CITIES BOND FINANCING

Objective: The Distressed Cities Bond Program assists municipalities that have been declared “financially distressed municipalities” by the General Assembly, as defined by statute. The Authority issues tax-exempt securities in the municipal market and uses the proceeds of the sale to purchase securities issued by a local government. The Authority’s Distressed Cities Bonds are further secured by a moral obligation pledge from the state.

Eligibility: Municipalities.

Funding: Other.
**Further Information:**
Illinois Finance Authority
160 N. LaSalle St., Suite S-1000
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 651-1300

**ILLINOIS BOND BANK POOL**

**Objective:** The Authority’s Bond Bank Program combines the borrowing needs of multiple units of local government in its Pooled Bond Program. The Authority, operating as a conduit, purchases the local government securities (bonds) of the various units of local government and, in turn, issues its own obligations (tax-exempt revenue bonds) on the financial markets.

The pooling process allows local governments to realize savings that are achieved by sharing fixed costs and achieving economies of scale. These savings are both in terms of costs as well as through the streamlining of various procedures and related documents.

In addition, Authority pooled bond issues may be supported by the moral obligation of the state. Interest earned on the bonds is exempt from both state and federal income taxes. Both the state’s moral obligation backing and the double tax-exempt status of the Authority’s bonds serve to lower the overall borrowing rates of the local government participants.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: aviation authorities, fire protection, libraries, parks, sewer, and water.

**Funding:** Other.

**Further Information:**
Illinois Bond Bank Pool
500 E. Monroe, 3rd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62701
(217) 782-5792

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOND PROGRAM**

**Objective:** This program assists units of local government, including school districts, in financing capital improvement projects. Local government and school district bonds issued through the Authority are exempt from both federal and state income taxes. The Authority’s approval process for local government bond projects is streamlined, requiring just one meeting for approval. The Authority state aid intercept enables the local government borrower to consent to the intercept of state aid payments to cover shortfalls in debt service payments, assuring that bondholders are paid in a timely manner.

This program also provides local government units with the opportunity to achieve interest cost savings, as the Authority state aid intercept acts as a credit enhancement. Furthermore, local government units have the ability to structure flexible loan repayment terms, e.g., fixed- or variable-rate financing, through the Authority.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts: fire protection, parks, sanitary, and schools.
**Funding:** Other.

**Further Information:**

Illinois Finance Authority
160 N. LaSalle St., Suite S-1000
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 651-1300

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**HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY**

**NOTE:** The Historic Preservation Agency did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 785-7930.

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**LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND STANDARDS BOARD**

**NOTE:** The Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board did not provide updated program information for this edition of the *Catalog of State Assistance to Local Governments (Seventeenth)*. For information on this agency’s program(s), please refer to the previous edition of this publication or contact the agency at (217) 782-4540.

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**LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH UNIT**

**FEDERAL AID TRACKING**

**Objective:** The Unit has a number of services and publications of interest to local governments. Many publications and data are available online through the website listed below. Information is available on federal aid programs available to local governments for a variety of purposes, and topic searches can be provided upon request. A list of federal grant announcements is published monthly.

**Eligibility:** Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

**Funding:** Technical services only.

**Further Information:**

Legislative Research Unit
222 S. College, Suite 301
Springfield, Illinois 62704
(217) 782-6851
www.ilga.gov/commission/lru/lru_home.html
MILITARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Objective: This program provides assistance such as flood duty, civil disturbance control, clean-up security, and communication support after a national disaster. Requests may be made to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency or the Governor.

Eligibility: Counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts.

Funding: Other.

Further Information:

Department of Military Affairs
Public Affairs
1301 N. MacArthur Blvd.
Springfield, Illinois 62702-2399
(217) 785-3569

STATE FIRE MARSHAL, OFFICE OF THE

AMBULANCE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

Objective: This state program provides 0% and low-interest loans for the purchase of ambulances. Loans are based on need as determined by the State Fire Marshal and on repayment capacity as determined by the Illinois Finance Authority. Fire departments, fire protection districts, and township fire departments must be current with reporting to the National Fire Incidents Reporting System. See 20 ILCS 3501/825-85; and 41 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 292.10 ff. and 74 Ill. Adm. Code secs. 1100.50 ff.

Eligibility: Municipalities, townships, and special districts: fire departments, fire protection districts, and township fire departments.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Office of the State Fire Marshal
Division of Special Projects
1035 Stevenson Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62703
(217) 785-4717
CHICAGO FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING ACADEMY

Objective: Funds are provided to Chicago for the maintenance of the Chicago Fire Department Training Program. By statute, 10% of the taxes collected from gross premium receipts of businesses offering fire insurance in Illinois are paid to the Chicago Fire Department upon receipt of documentation of the expenses of the training academy.

Eligibility: City of Chicago.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:

Office of the State Fire Marshal
Division of Fiscal Management
1035 Stevenson Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62703-4259
(217) 558-0577

FIRE EQUIPMENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Objective: This program is to provide a repository of information regarding fire equipment that is available for purchase by, or donation to, fire departments and fire protection districts in the state.

Eligibility: Special districts: fire departments, fire protection districts, and township fire departments.

Funding: Information exchange services only.

Further Information:

Office of the State Fire Marshal
Division of Management Services
1035 Stevenson Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62703-4259
(217) 785-1030

FIRE PROTECTION TRAINING

Objective: Supplemental funding helps local governments defray the costs of having their fire protection officials participate in the state training and certification program. This encourages local units in their efforts to raise the level of local fire protection by upgrading and maintaining a high level of training for fire protection personnel. The state pays up to 50% of the eligible training expenses.

Eligibility: Special districts: fire departments, fire protection districts, and township fire departments.

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FIRE TRUCK REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

Objective: This program provides 0% and low-interest loans for the purchase of fire trucks and brush trucks. Loans are based on need as determined by the State Fire Marshal and on repayment capacity as determined by the Illinois Finance Authority.

Eligibility: Special districts: fire departments, fire protection districts, and township fire departments.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Office of the State Fire Marshal
Division of Special Projects
1035 Stevenson Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62703-4259
(217) 785-4717

LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK/CHICAGO

Objective: To ensure public safety, the Office administers an Underground Storage Tank Program. Chicago receives a grant because the city operates the Underground Tank Program within its corporate limits under the purview of the Office.

Eligibility: City of Chicago.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Further Information:
Office of the State Fire Marshal
Division of Petroleum and Chemical Safety
1035 Stevenson Dr.
Springfield, Illinois 62703-4259
(217) 557-3131
SMALL EQUIPMENT GRANTS

Objective: This program provides assistance to fire departments and fire protection districts in acquiring small equipment for rescue and suppression.

Eligibility: Nonprofit, standalone ambulance services and special districts: fire departments, fire protection districts, and township fire departments.

Funding: (dollars in thousands)

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Division of Special Projects
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