

Thriving Communities Network Fact Sheet: Technical Assistance Program Overview

The Thriving Communities Network (TCN) is a federal interagency effort that collaboratively coordinates, targets, and deploys place-based technical assistance (TA) and capacity-building resources for urban, rural, and Tribal communities experiencing a history of economic distress and systemic disinvestment. This includes grant and financial management support, pre-development assistance, community engagement, planning, and project delivery support. Currently, **11 federal agencies** actively participate in TCN.

The TCN Map Explorer provides a comprehensive look at TCN coverage across all participating agencies, including information on recipients and/or projects within your region. Access the TCN Map Explorer here: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/e690d86a246e49bdb8bad4f4dfe2ef70/page/TCN-Interagency-Coverage/>

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
USDA Energy Programs	<p>USDA utilizes a variety of renewable energy and energy efficiency programs to assist rural agriculture producers and small businesses through loans, loan guarantees, and grants; and offers technical assistance to eligible entities to assess energy efficiency needs at eligible operations.</p> <p>USDA’s energy programs include two major TA energy programs—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) Energy Audit and Renewable Energy Development Assistance Grants: assist small businesses and agriculture producers by conducting and promoting energy audits, and provide Renewable Energy Development Assistance.• REAP TA Grants: provide grants to qualified organizations to assist REAP eligible applicants with application development.	USDA’s program eligibility varies by each unique program but is generally restricted to rural communities or applicants.	<p>USDA Energy Programs: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs</p> <p>REAP Energy Audit and Renewable Energy Development Assistance Grants: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs/rural-energy-america-program-energy-audit-renewable-energy-development-assistance-grants</p> <p>REAP TA Grants: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs/rural-energy-america-technical-assistance-grant-program</p>	Interested applicants/recipients should contact their State Rural Development Energy Coordinator for more information on both programs.
USDA Multifamily Housing Programs	<p>USDA utilizes a variety of housing programs to assist rural property owners through loans, loan guarantees, and grants; and provides technical assistance to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) and nonprofits geared towards improving and preserving both multifamily housing and farm labor housing.</p> <p>USDA has two major TA housing programs—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multifamily Housing Nonprofit Transfer TA Grants: fund eligible nonprofits and PHAs to provide TA to enable multifamily housing by transferring Multifamily Housing Direct Loan properties to nonprofits or PHAs.• Housing Preservation Grants: fund sponsor organizations for the repair or rehabilitation of housing owned or occupied by low and very low-income rural citizens.	USDA’s program eligibility varies by each unique program but is generally restricted to rural communities or applicants.	<p>Multifamily TA Grants: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/multi-family-housing-programs</p> <p>Housing Preservation Grants: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-programs/housing-preservation-grants</p>	<p>Multifamily Housing TA Grants: Multifamily Housing Program Email: MultifamilyHousing@usda.gov Phone: 800-292-8293</p> <p>Housing Preservation Grants: Please contact the appropriate State Office for questions and information.</p>
USDA Rural Partners Network	The Rural Partners Network (RPN) is an alliance of federal agencies and commissions working directly with rural communities to expand rural prosperity, through job creation, infrastructure development, and community improvement. RPN has dedicated federal staff on the ground across several states and Puerto Rico that assist participating communities to clarify local priorities, programming, connect to assistance providers and funders, and develop strong applications.	RPN focuses support to rural and Tribal communities.	https://www.rural.gov/	Email: RuralPartnersNetwork@usda.gov
USDA Rural Utilities Service Water & Environmental Programs (WEP)	<p>USDA’s WEP focuses exclusively on rural water and waste infrastructure needs of rural communities with populations of 10,000 or less. It includes an array of programs including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water & Waste Disposal TA & Training Grants: provide TA on water and waste solutions in rural areas, including application development.	USDA’s program eligibility varies by each unique program but is generally restricted to rural communities or applicants.	<p>USDA WEP Programs: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs</p> <p>Water & Waste Disposal TA & Training Grants: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/water-waste-disposal-technical-assistance-training-grants</p>	<p>Water & Waste Disposal TA & Training Grants: Please select appropriate state here to find the local contact for this program.</p> <p>TA and Construction for Innovative Regional Wastewater Treatment Solutions: Water-RD@usda.gov</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">TA and Construction for Innovative Regional Wastewater Treatment Solutions (TAC-RWTS) Grant Pilot Program: provide TA to historically impoverished rural communities aiming for regional wastewater solutions.		TAC-RWTS Grant Pilot Program: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/technical-assistance-and-construction-innovative-regional-wastewater-treatment-solutions-tac-rwts	
USDA Telecommunications Programs	<p>USDA offers a variety of programs to help rural communities advance broadband priorities through loans, loan guarantees, and grants as well as offers broadband technical assistance, including the major program below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Broadband TA: provides financial assistance through cooperative agreements to deliver broadband technical assistance and training and, supports the expansion of broadband cooperatives.	USDA’s program eligibility varies by each unique program but is generally restricted to rural communities or applicants.	<p>ReConnect Loan and Grant Program: https://www.usda.gov/reconnect</p> <p>Telecom Programs: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-programs</p> <p>Broadband TA: https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-programs/broadband-technical-assistance-program</p>	<p>To submit questions to the Rural Utilities Service about the Broadband TA Program, please complete this form: https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/contact-us</p> <p>For questions about the Broadband TA, please contact the appropriate General Field Representative.</p>
USDA Urban and Community Forestry Program	<p>USDA’s Urban and Community Forestry Program delivers nature-based solutions to ensure a resilient and equitable tree canopy in cities, towns, and suburbs where more than 84% of Americans live. This program includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Urban & Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act Grants: supports urban tree-planting, urban forest planning and management, and related activities, particularly for disadvantaged communities.	A wide range of eligible recipients for this funding opportunity can apply, including: local and state governments; agencies or governmental entities for Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands, Federal States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau, Virgin Islands, D.C. or insular areas; federally recognized Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations/villages, and Tribal organizations; nonprofit organizations; public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; and community-based organizations.	https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf	<p>For inquiries specific to the content for the Urban & Community Forestry IRA grant requirements, please email SM.FS.UCF_IRA@usda.gov</p> <p>Information on available pre-award webinars and other supporting information for the Urban & Community Forestry IRA Grants are posted at https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf</p>

U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC), Economic Development Administration (EDA)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
EDA Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities (BRECC)	<p>BRECC is an initiative designed to help communities in coal-reliant regions enact place-based, local driven development strategies to build thriving, resilient economies. This initiative is made up of four core activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The BRECC National Network is open to all local, state, and national stakeholders focused on coal communities.The Coal Communities Commitment Coalition, a leadership and peer-learning network where 20 local leaders gain knowledge and guidance on economic diversification strategies.The Coal Communities Action Challenge, a technical assistance program where 15 coal communities will receive coaching and capacity-building support to develop an economic diversification plan; andA National Storytelling Campaign to share coal community experiences with a national audience.	<p>Coal community stakeholders are welcome to join the BRECC National Network.</p> <p>BRECC’s Commitment Coalition is a peer network comprised of 20 selected coal community leaders.</p> <p>The Action Challenge is a one-year technical assistance program for 16 selected coal community teams. You can find the selected teams here: https://www.naco.org/program/building-resilient-economies-coal-communities</p>	https://www.naco.org/program/building-resilient-economies-coal-communities	Email: coal@naco.org
EDA Economic Development District Community of Practice (EDD CoP)	<p>The EDD CoP delivers in-person and virtual training, capacity building, and networking opportunities for EDD staff to learn from each other, federal partners, and subject matter experts.</p> <p>This includes case studies, issue briefs, tip sheets, webinars, and workshops on topics such as wealth creation, resilience and inclusive development as well as regional and national convenings and other useful and responsive resources and networking services to EDDs, guiding them on a path to support regional recovery and prosperity.</p>	<p>The EDD CoP is designed to support the more than 400 regional EDA designated Economic Development District organization that lead and help implement Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) in communities and regions across the U.S. and its territories.</p> <p>For an interactive map of EDDs, visit: https://www.nado.org/edmap/</p>	https://www.nado.org/EDDCoP/	Email: networks@eda.gov

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EDA Economic Recovery Corps	The Economic Recovery Corps (ERC) is a connected network of trained fellows that help economic development organizations develop and execute regional economic development plans and projects within the communities they serve—addressing the resource gap between planning and implementation as well as boosting the capacity of communities to implement locally driven economic development strategies. Currently, 65 trained fellows have been deployed to host communities and serve a total of 30-months within their host organization.	ERC provides capacity building assistance to 65 host communities selected by IEDC and its partners through a competitive process.	https://economicrecoverycorps.org/	Email: networks@eda.gov
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U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
DOE Communities LEAP (C-LEAP)	<p>This program facilitates sustained community-wide economic and environmental benefits through clean energy planning and deployment for communities who are low-income and energy burdened, experiencing direct Environmental Justice (EJ) impacts, and shifting away from historical reliance on fossil fuels. Under this program, DOE matches selected communities with TA providers to assist them with bringing their clean energy planning and economic development vision to life.</p> <p>For FY 2024, Communities LEAP Cohort 2 will provide technical and financial assistance services valued at up to a total of \$18.75 million to support 24-32 communities to develop and advance their own community-driven clean energy transition approach.</p>	<p>Eligible applicants are communities that are at least 30% of the community population is classified as low income, and, high or severe energy burden (median spending of household income on energy bills \geq5%).</p> <p>Additionally, eligible communities include those that have historic dependence on fossil fuels, or are defined as disadvantaged by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST).</p> <p>All multi-stakeholder teams must include a Community-Based Organization (CBO) and a nonfederal government entity.</p>	https://www.energy.gov/communitiesLEAP/communities-leap	Email: CommunitiesLEAPInfo@hq.doe.gov

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)				
Program/Office/Resource Name	Program/Office/ Resource Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients/Consumers	Program/Office Resource(s)	Point of Contact
HHS Community Economic Development (CED) Program	This is a federal grant program that expands employment for individuals with low income in communities facing persistent poverty and high unemployment by investing in community development corporations (CDCs) that create and expand businesses and job opportunities.	<p>CED awards funds to private organizations, nonprofit organizations that are CDCs, including faith-based organizations, and Tribal and Alaska Native organizations.</p> <p>Tribal and Alaska Native organizations must be private nonprofit organizations that are not Tribal or Native governments.</p> <p>Note: The CED program does not fund individuals.</p>	<p>CED Program Website: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/ced</p> <p>CED Information for Prospective Applicants: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/ced-information-prospective-applicants</p>	Office of Community Services Email: OCSgrants@acf.hhs.gov Phone: 202-401-9333
HHS Division of Sanitation Facilities Construction (SFC) Program at Indian Health Service	The SFC Program provides technical and financial assistance to American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native villages for cooperative development and construction of safe water, wastewater, and solid waste systems and related support facilities.	Eligible recipients are American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native villages.	<p>Division of Sanitation Facilities Website: https://www.ihs.gov/dsfc/</p> <p>Contact Information for Division of Sanitation Facilities: https://www.ihs.gov/dsfc/contactus/</p>	For questions and more information, please fill out the form here: https://www.ihs.gov/dsfc/contactus/
HHS Environmental Justice Index (EJI)	The EJI uses data from the U.S. Census Bureau, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to rank the cumulative impacts of environmental injustice on health for every census tract.	<p>The EJI is for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individuals,• Community-based organizations,• Public health officials at local, state, and federal levels,• Scientists, and• Researchers.	https://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/placelandhealth/eji/	ej_coordinator@cdc.gov
HHS Federal Real Property Assistance Program (FRPAP)	The FRPAP is a public benefit conveyance program whereby certain federal surplus real property may be transferred to eligible organizations for public health and homeless assistance purposes, at a discount or no cost.	Generally, eligible applicants include states, tax-supported public health institutions, and nonprofit public health institutions which have been held tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Please see further eligibility criteria on website.	https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/asa/psc/federal-real-property-assistance-program/index.html	Theresa Ritta Email: rpb@psc.gov or Theresa.Ritta@psc.hhs.gov Phone: 301-443-2265

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	Approved federal surplus real property includes, but is not limited to homeless shelters, transitional housing, permanent housing, hospitals, clinics, research facilities, and water systems.			
HHS Grants	HHS provides information for prospective and current grantees about HHS grant programs, the grant application processes, and grant management including registration with SAM and Grants.gov, finding and applying for grants, learning to manage grants, and grant management guidance by agency.	Most HHS grants are provided directly to the following recipients: states, territories, Tribes, and educational and community organizations. Once these recipients are provided funding, HHS may provide grants to people and organizations who are eligible to receive funding.	https://www.hhs.gov/grants-contracts/grants/get-ready-for-grants-management/index.html	N/A
HHS Office of Minority Health Resource Center	A nationwide service of the HHS Office of Minority Health that provides minority health literature, research and referrals for consumers, community organizations, and health professionals.	The Resource Center is for consumers, community organizations, and health professionals.	https://www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov/office-minority-health-resource-center	Office of Minority Health Center Email: minorityhealthinfo@hhs.gov Phone: 800-444-6472
HHS Office of Regional Health Operations	The HHS regional health offices focus on developing strategic approaches to address health disparities with an essential emphasis on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prioritizing minority and women’s health;• Improving access to healthcare and human services;• Increasing the capacity of public health infrastructure and workforce; and• Providing resources that address the needs of state, Tribal, local, and territorial partners.	These offices are for health departments, academic institutions, community-based organizations, and professional and constituency organizations.	https://www.hhs.gov/ash/about-ash/regional-offices/index.html	https://www.hhs.gov/ash/about-ash/contact-ash/index.html
HHS Quickfinder for Leveraging the Inflation Reduction Act for the Health Sector	The HHS Quickfinder helps health sector stakeholders take advantage of the opportunities for resilience and emissions reduction in the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), including an overview of relevant IRA programs for the health sector such as tax incentives and direct pay provisions, grants and incentives for lowering emissions, and grants and incentives for climate resilience.	The Quickfinder is for Health Sector Organizations.	https://www.hhs.gov/climate-change-health-equity-environmental-justice/climate-change-health-equity/quickfinder-ira/index.html	https://www.hhs.gov/ash/ocche/contact-us/index.html

U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Direct Technical Assistance (DTA)	<p>BRIC DTA increases the climate and hazard resilience of underserved and/or disadvantaged communities and Tribal Nations through technical assistance that focuses on holistic community planning, and project development, and by facilitating access to multiple hazard mitigation funding sources and leveraging partnerships.</p> <p>The initiative selected 8 communities and Tribal Nations in calendar year (CY) 2021, 20 communities and Tribal Nations in CY 2022, and 46 communities and Tribal Nations in CY 2023.</p>	Eligible applicants include cities, towns/townships, parishes, boroughs, counties, special district governments, federally recognized Tribal Nations, and groups of two or more communities that fit the above criteria.	https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities/direct-technical-assistance	Questions and information about the BRIC program can be directed to the appropriate State Hazard Mitigation Officer or FEMA Regional Office .

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
HUD Distressed Cities TA Program (DCTA)	<p>HUD DCTA aims to increase internal capacity of local governments, including improve their fiscal health so they may be more successful in securing additional resources, completing projects, and meeting goals.</p> <p>Flexible, response-driven TA on a range of topics including governance, management and administration; community engagement; grant administration and compliance; plan implementation, and partnership building that focuses on building capacity in ways that are sustainable (long-lasting) for the local government.</p>	<p>Eligible applicants are units of local government: cities, towns, parishes, Tribes, etc., nonprofit partners and consortia (in some circumstances), and populations under 50,000.</p> <p>DCTA serves governments in 17 states and Puerto Rico.</p>	https://www.huduser.gov/portal/ota/distressed-cities-and-persistant-poverty-ta-program.html	Email: distressedcities@hud.gov
HUD Thriving Communities TA Program (TCTA)	HUD TCTA helps local governments coordinate housing and infrastructure investment, with 4 focus areas: identify/utilize vacant or underused land; preserve affordable housing & prevent displacement; remove regulatory and process barriers; and improve coordination and community engagement.	<p>HUD is prioritizing requests from local governments that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small to medium-sized jurisdictions (<250,000 pop), including Tribal and rural jurisdictions;• Received competitive DOT funds;• Address housing needs; and	https://www.huduser.gov/portal/ota/thriving-communities-ta-program.html	Email: thrivingcommunitiesTA@hud.gov

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U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)				
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DOT Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP)	LTAP supports local and rural road agencies across the U.S. by providing training, TA, and technology transfer services to help them manage and maintain their roadway systems. Across the country, there are 51 LTAP centers serving every state, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. LTAP centers enable local counties, parishes, townships, cities, and towns to improve their roads and bridges by supplying them with a variety of low- to no-cost training programs, new and existing technology updates, personalized technical assistance, newsletters, and e-learning resources on topics including safety, construction, maintenance, and value capture.	LTAP serves local public agencies.	https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/clas/ltap/	Danielle Mathis-Lee Email: Danielle.Mathis-Lee@dot.gov
DOT Reconnecting Communities Institute (RCI)	RCI serves as DOT’s center for learning to restore and reconnect communities that have been harmed, isolated, and cut off from opportunity by transportation infrastructure. RCI provides training, technical assistance, and capacity building to build organizational or community capacity in transportation planning and, reconnect communities bifurcated by transportation infrastructure.	Enrollment in the RCI is open to states, local and Tribal governments, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and nonprofit organizations. DOT prioritizes enrollment for entities serving economically disadvantaged communities, including rural and Tribal communities. The institute is geared towards grantees and potential grantees of the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program (RCN)—a combination of DOT’s Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) and Neighborhood Access and Equity (NAE) Programs. RCN provides opportunities to redress the legacy of harm from transportation infrastructure.	https://www.transportation.gov/grants/rcnprogram/reconnecting-communities-institute-rci	Email: ReconnectingCommunities@dot.gov
DOT Regional Infrastructure Accelerators (RIA)	The Regional Infrastructure Accelerator (RIA) program accelerates project delivery and clears barriers for credit-worthy projects by funding and encouraging best practices in project planning, studies and analysis, preliminary engineering, and design. The program focuses on support for projects that are eligible for Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Credit Program.	Eligible applicants must be a U.S. public entity, including a state, multi-state or multi-jurisdictional group, municipality, county, special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, a Tribal government, a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), a regional transportation planning organization, a Regional Transportation Commission, or another political subdivision of a state or local government.	https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/technical-assistance/regional-infrastructure-accelerators-program	Email: BuildAmerica@dot.gov
DOT Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program	The Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program is intended advance transportation infrastructure projects in rural and Tribal communities by supporting development-phase activities for projects reasonably expected to be eligible for certain DOT credit and grant programs. Grants will fund financial, technical, and legal assistance to states and rural and Tribal communities. The grants are intended to increase organizational capacity in communities that may not have resources available to evaluate and develop projects that qualify for federal funding and financing programs. Grants reimburse expenses incurred to hire staff or procure third-party advisory firms to assist with project development.	Eligible applicants must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A unit of local government or political subdivision that is located outside of an urbanized area with a population of more than 150,000 residents as determined by the Bureau of the Census• A state seeking to advance a project in an area located outside of an urbanized area with a population of more than 150,000 residents as determined by the Bureau of the Census• A federal recognized Indian Tribe• The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands	https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/RuralandTribalGrants	Email: RuralandTribalTA@dot.gov

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DOT Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES)	The ROUTES Initiative prioritizes the needs of rural America by supporting rural transportation policy and equitable access for rural and Tribal communities that face challenges relating to transportation safety, mobility, and economic development. The ROUTES Initiative addresses disparities in rural transportation infrastructure by developing user-friendly tools and information, aggregating DOT resources, and providing direct technical assistance to better connect rural communities with the funding, financing, and outreach resources available.	ROUTES serves rural and Tribal communities.	https://www.transportation.gov/rural	Email: rural@dot.gov Phone: 202-366-4544
DOT Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP)	TTAP provides comprehensive transportation training and TA to Tribal communities, building skills and expertise to ensure the safety and maintenance of Tribal roads. The TTAP is a discretionary program that is 100 percent federally funded. DOT’s Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has announced cooperative agreements re-establishing regional TTAP centers. The centers will assist Tribal communities as they seek to access \$3 billion in Tribal Transportation Program funding made available BIL, and additional federal funding opportunities. The TTAP centers will serve the 12 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) regions and associated Tribes and meet the transportation training and education needs of Native American communities, building skills, and expertise to ensure the safety and maintenance of Tribal roads.	TTAP serves Tribal communities.	https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/clas/ttap/	Morgan Malley – Manning Email: Morgan.Malley@dot.gov
DOT National Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP)	RTAP provides assistance in the design and implementation of training and TA projects and other support services tailored to meet the needs of transit operators in nonurbanized areas.	RTAP serves transit operators in nonurbanized areas.	https://www.nationalrtap.org/Home	Technical Support: support@nationalrtap.org Resource Center: info@nationalrtap.org
DOT Thriving Communities Program (TCP)	DOT TCP Capacity Builders provide deep-dive technical assistance to under-resourced and disadvantaged communities to help them realize transportation and community revitalization opportunities. The 2023 program provides two opportunities: a TCP National Program (TCP-N), and a TCP Regional Pilot (TCP-R).	For TCP-N, eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations, philanthropic entities, and other partners such as private sector, and academic institutions. For TCP-R, eligible applicants include states, Tribes, or regional and local governments and organizations. Eligible applicants to receive technical assistance include local, state, or Tribal governments; U.S. territories; MPOs; transit agencies; or other political subdivisions of state or local governments.	https://www.transportation.gov/grants/thriving-communities	Email: ThrivingCommunities@dot.gov

U.S. Department of Treasury				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
Inflation Reduction Act Program Office	The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Program Office serves as the agency’s coordination hub for implementation of the IRA’s provisions. The office partners with other Treasury offices, the IRS, the White House, and other federal agencies to provide internal and external coordination and offer additional capacity and support as the IRS delivers on modernization plans and as taxpayers utilize the law’s clean energy tax incentives. This includes coordinating with other Treasury programs, aligning broader IRA Program Office resources, expertise, and stakeholder engagement with Thriving Communities Network members, and disseminating information about the IRA’s clean energy tax incentives that are available for local	Entities that are eligible for direct pay provisions of the IRA, or eligible for IRA-funded programs at Treasury benefit from this office and its resources.	https://home.treasury.gov/about/offices/the-inflation-reduction-act-program-office	N/A

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Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)				
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EPA Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities	<p>EPA Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities is a TA program delivered by EPA staff and EPA-hired consultant teams. Each TA project spans a period of roughly eight months, including public engagement through a two-day workshop, the involvement of relevant decision-makers and potential public and private sector partners, and a report outlining the workshop process and specific next steps generated that the community could take to achieve its goals. The workshop focuses on the issues and priorities determined by the community.</p> <p>The benefits each community receives from the process vary by project and are specific to the community. Some common benefits include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Engagement with residents and stakeholders around a specific topic, which yields valuable feedback and ideas as well as creating buy-in and community spirit around proposed initiatives.Creation of key partnerships and relationships both within the community and with state and federal staff and programs. <p>The creation of locally-driven and expert-guided action plan that is both attainable and ambitious.</p>	<p>The applicant can be a local, county, state, territorial, or Tribal government, or a nonprofit organization that has the support of the local government on whose behalf it is applying.</p>	<p>https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/building-blocks-sustainable-communities</p>	<p>If you have questions about the program or past application processes, please read the Frequently Asked Questions About Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities.</p> <p>Regarding letters of interest, if you have questions or are interested in learning how to participate at this time, please contact Chip Gurkin (gurkin.charles@epa.gov). You can also subscribe to the newsletter to get notified about future program developments.</p>
EPA Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants	<p>Provides \$2 billion in Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding to aid in environmental and climate justice activities that benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate change challenges.</p> <p>There are two tracks: Community-Driven Investments for Change and Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance. The deadline to apply is November 21, 2024.</p>	<p>Eligible applicants include Community-Based Non-Profit Organizations (CBOs).</p> <p>Local governments, federally recognized Tribes, and institutions of higher education are also eligible as long as they are in partnership with a CBO.</p>	<p>https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program</p> <p>https://communitychangeta.org/</p>	<p>Email: CCGP@epa.gov</p> <p>For TA on these grants, please email EJ_TechAssist@epa.gov.</p>
EPA Environmental Justice (EJ) Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (EJ TCTACs)	<p>The EJ TCTACs are intended to provide fundamental forms of technical assistance and help navigating to other resources that match their community needs.</p> <p>The EJ TCTACs will provide communities with expert assistance in identifying and applying for federal grants, as well as grants management assistance, and support for community engagement activities.</p>	<p>The EJ TCTACs can be accessed by communities free of charge and without an application or competition. Eligible recipients include (but not limited to): community-based organizations (CBOs), faith based organizations, local governments, Tribal governments, and individuals.</p>	<p>https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-thriving-communities-technical-assistance-centers</p>	<p>Find your regional TCTAC and contact info at: https://www.ejtctac.org/regional</p>
EPA Technical Assistance to Brownfields (TAB) Providers	<p>TAB providers offer free TA to address brownfield sites and increase understanding and involvement in</p>	<p>Any community with brownfields concerns.</p>	<p>https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/technical-assistance#Technical_Assistance</p>	<p>For general inquiries, contact a brownfields representative in your EPA regional office.</p>

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	<p>cleanup, revitalization, and reuse. TAB providers can specifically help communities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prepare Brownfields grant applications.• Perform site inventories.• Review historical information.• Design site investigations, sampling, and field analysis.• Plan cleanup and redevelopment. <p>A brownfield is a property where the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.</p>			
EPA Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)	EPA’s free WaterTA provides hands-on support for communities to identify water infrastructure or water quality challenges, develop plans to address these challenges, prepare application materials to finance water infrastructure projects with funding available through BIL, and build technical, managerial, and financial capacity.	Eligible applicants include states, Tribes, territories, local governments, local communities, drinking water utilities/systems, wastewater utilities/systems, stormwater utilities/systems, and non-governmental organizations (in pursuit of Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Funding).	https://www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/water-technical-assistance-waterta-information#WhatIs	<p>Water Technical Assistance Request Form: https://www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/forms/water-technical-assistance-request-form</p> <p>Contact WaterTA@epa.gov if you have any questions regarding an organization’s eligibility.</p>

General Services Administration (GSA)				
<i>Program/Office Name</i>	<i>Program/Office Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients/Consumers</i>	<i>Program/Office Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
GSA Center for Urban Development	The Center for Urban Development provides GSA regional offices and their local stakeholders with the technical expertise they need to coordinate project touch points, plan for public-use open space, and maximize economic impact.	GSA regional offices and their local stakeholders.	https://www.gsa.gov/real-estate/design-and-construction-overview/good-neighbor-program	For more information, please contact frank.giblin@gsa.gov or a regional urban development officer .

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
Creative Placemaking Technical Assistance	The Creative Placemaking Technical Assistance program assists organizations in effectively integrating arts, culture, and design into local efforts to strengthen communities.	This program offers technical assistance for local, state, Tribal, and federal officials, artists, service providers, organizers, practitioners, and individuals.	https://www.lisc.org/our-initiatives/creative-placemaking/main/	<p>Current grantees can contact the TA Program by filling out this form.</p> <p>For general information and questions about the program, please email Cari Morales (cmorales2@lisc.org)</p>
Citizens’ Institute on Rural Design	The Citizens’ Institute on Rural Design, a leadership initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Housing Assistance Council, organizes and funds technical assistance workshops in small towns and rural and Tribal communities that develop locally-driven solutions to community design challenges.	Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to, small towns, rural, and Tribal communities.	https://www.arts.gov/initiatives/cird	Email: cird@ruralhome.org
Mayors’ Institute on City Design	The Mayors’ Institute on City Design, a partnership of the National Endowment for the Arts and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, organizes technical assistance workshops where mayors engage leading design and development experts to find solutions to the most critical planning and design challenges facing their cities.	Eligible attendees for this workshop are mayors and design leaders. These workshops require mayors to attend without staff and are closed to the press.	https://www.micd.org/	https://www.micd.org/contact/

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TCN Tribal Technical Assistance Resources

The list below provides TCN TA programs and resources Tribes, Tribal organizations, and/or Tribal communities are eligible for.

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
USDA Rural Partners Network	The Rural Partners Network (RPN) is an alliance of federal agencies and commissions working directly with rural communities to expand rural prosperity, through job creation, infrastructure development, and community improvement. RPN has dedicated federal staff on the ground across several states and Puerto Rico that assist participating communities to clarify local priorities, programming, connect to assistance providers and funders, and develop strong applications.	RPN focuses support to rural and Tribal communities.	https://www.rural.gov/	Email: RuralPartnersNetwork@usda.gov
USDA Urban and Community Forestry Program	USDA’s Urban and Community Forestry Program delivers nature-based solutions to ensure a resilient and equitable tree canopy in cities, towns, and suburbs where more than 84% of Americans live. This program includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Urban & Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act Grants: supports urban tree-planting, urban forest planning and management, and related activities, particularly for disadvantaged communities.	A wide range of eligible recipients for this funding opportunity can apply, including: local and state governments; agencies or governmental entities for Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands, Federal States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau, Virgin Islands, D.C. or insular areas; federally recognized Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations/villages, and Tribal organizations; nonprofit organizations; public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; and community-based organizations.	https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf	For inquiries specific to the content for the Urban & Community Forestry IRA grant requirements, please email SM.FS.UCF_IRA@usda.gov Information on available pre-award webinars and other supporting information for the Urban & Community Forestry IRA Grants are posted at https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
DOE Communities LEAP (C-LEAP)	<p>This program facilitates sustained community-wide economic and environmental benefits through clean energy planning and deployment for communities who are low-income and energy burdened, experiencing direct Environmental Justice (EJ) impacts, and shifting away from historical reliance on fossil fuels. Under this program, DOE matches selected communities with TA providers to assist them with bringing their clean energy planning and economic development vision to life.</p> <p>For FY 2024, Communities LEAP Cohort 2 will provide technical and financial assistance services valued at up to a total of \$18.75 million to support 24-32 communities to develop and advance their own community-driven clean energy transition approach.</p>	Eligible applicants include non-Tribal government organizations and Tribal governments.	https://www.energy.gov/communitiesLEAP/communities-leap	Email: CommunitiesLEAPInfo@hq.doe.gov

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
HHS Community Economic Development (CED) Program	This is a federal grant program that expands employment for individuals with low income in communities facing persistent poverty and high unemployment by investing in community development corporations (CDCs) that create and expand businesses and job opportunities.	CED awards funds to private organizations, nonprofit organizations that are CDCs, including faith-based organizations, and Tribal and Alaska Native organizations.	CED Program Website: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/ced	Office of Community Services Email: OCSgrants@acf.hhs.gov Phone: 202-401-9333

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		Tribal and Alaska Native organizations must be private nonprofit organizations that are not Tribal or Native governments. Note: The CED program does not fund individuals.	CED Information for Prospective Applicants: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/ced-information-prospective-applicants	
HHS Division of Sanitation Facilities Construction (SFC) Program at Indian Health Service	The SFC Program provides technical and financial assistance to American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native villages for cooperative development and construction of safe water, wastewater, and solid waste systems and related support facilities.	Eligible recipients are American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native villages.	Division of Sanitation Facilities Website: https://www.ihs.gov/dsfc/ Contact Information for Division of Sanitation Facilities: https://www.ihs.gov/dsfc/contactus/	For questions and more information, please fill out the form here: https://www.ihs.gov/dsfc/contactus/

U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Direct Technical Assistance (DTA)	BRIC DTA increases the climate and hazard resilience of underserved and/or disadvantaged communities and Tribal Nations through technical assistance that focuses on holistic community planning, and project development, and by facilitating access to multiple hazard mitigation funding sources and leveraging partnerships. The initiative selected 8 communities and Tribal Nations in calendar year (CY) 2021, 20 communities and Tribal Nations in CY 2022, and 46 communities and Tribal Nations in CY 2023.	Eligible applicants include cities, towns/townships, parishes, boroughs, counties, special district governments, federally recognized Tribal Nations, and groups of two or more communities that fit the above criteria.	https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities/direct-technical-assistance	Questions and information about the BRIC program can be directed to the appropriate State Hazard Mitigation Officer or FEMA Regional Office .

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
HUD Distressed Cities TA Program (DCTA)	HUD DCTA aims to increase internal capacity of local governments, including improve their fiscal health so they may be more successful in securing additional resources, completing projects, and meeting goals. Flexible, response-driven TA on a range of topics including governance, management and administration; community engagement; grant administration and compliance; plan implementation, and partnership building that focuses on building capacity in ways that are sustainable (long-lasting) for the local government.	Eligible applicants are units of local government: cities, towns, parishes, Tribes, etc., nonprofit partners and consortia (in some circumstances), and populations under 50,000. DCTA serves governments in 17 states and Puerto Rico.	https://www.huduser.gov/portal/ota/distressed-cities-and-persistent-poverty-ta-program.html	Email: distressedcities@hud.gov
HUD Thriving Communities TA Program (TCTA)	HUD TCTA helps local governments coordinate housing and infrastructure investment, with 4 focus areas: identify/utilize vacant or underused land; preserve affordable housing & prevent displacement; remove regulatory and process barriers; and improve coordination and community engagement.	HUD is prioritizing requests from local governments that are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small to medium-sized jurisdictions (<250,000 pop), including Tribal and rural jurisdictions;• Received competitive DOT funds;• Address housing needs; and• Benefit disadvantaged communities	https://www.huduser.gov/portal/ota/thriving-communities-ta-program.html	Email: thrivingcommunitiesTA@hud.gov

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)				
<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>Eligible Applicants/Recipients</i>	<i>Program Resource(s)</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>
DOT Reconnecting Communities Institute (RCI)	RCI serves as DOT’s center for learning to restore and reconnect communities that have been harmed, isolated, and cut off from opportunity by transportation infrastructure. RCI	Enrollment in the RCI is open to states, local and Tribal governments, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and nonprofit organizations.	https://www.transportation.gov/grants/rcnprogram/reconnecting-communities-institute-rci	Email: ReconnectingCommunities@dot.gov

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	provides training, technical assistance, and capacity building to build organizational or community capacity in transportation planning and, reconnect communities bifurcated by transportation infrastructure.	<p>DOT prioritizes enrollment for entities serving economically disadvantaged communities, including rural and Tribal communities.</p> <p>The institute is geared towards grantees and potential grantees of the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program (RCN)—a combination of DOT’s Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) and Neighborhood Access and Equity (NAE) Programs. RCN provides opportunities to redress the legacy of harm from transportation infrastructure.</p>		
DOT Regional Infrastructure Accelerators (RIA)	<p>The Regional Infrastructure Accelerator (RIA) program accelerates project delivery and clears barriers for credit-worthy projects by funding and encouraging best practices in project planning, studies and analysis, preliminary engineering, and design.</p> <p>The program focuses on support for projects that are eligible for Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Credit Program.</p>	Eligible applicants must be a U.S. public entity, including a state, multi-state or multi-jurisdictional group, municipality, county, special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, a Tribal government, a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), a regional transportation planning organization, a Regional Transportation Commission, or another political subdivision of a state or local government.	https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/technical-assistance/regional-infrastructure-accelerators-program	Email: BuildAmerica@dot.gov
DOT Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program	<p>The Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program is intended advance transportation infrastructure projects in rural and Tribal communities by supporting development-phase activities for projects reasonably expected to be eligible for certain DOT credit and grant programs. Grants will fund financial, technical, and legal assistance to states and rural and Tribal communities.</p> <p>The grants are intended to increase organizational capacity in communities that may not have resources available to evaluate and develop projects that qualify for federal funding and financing programs. Grants reimburse expenses incurred to hire staff or procure third-party advisory firms to assist with project development.</p>	<p>Eligible applicants must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A unit of local government or political subdivision that is located outside of an urbanized area with a population of more than 150,000 residents as determined by the Bureau of the Census • A state seeking to advance a project in an area located outside of an urbanized area with a population of more than 150,000 residents as determined by the Bureau of the Census • A federal recognized Indian Tribe <p>The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands</p>	https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/RuralandTribalGrants	Email: RuralandTribalTA@dot.gov
DOT Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES)	The ROUTES Initiative prioritizes the needs of rural America by supporting rural transportation policy and equitable access for rural and Tribal communities that face challenges relating to transportation safety, mobility, and economic development. The ROUTES Initiative addresses disparities in rural transportation infrastructure by developing user-friendly tools and information, aggregating DOT resources, and providing direct technical assistance to better connect rural communities with the funding, financing, and outreach resources available.	ROUTES serves rural and Tribal communities.	https://www.transportation.gov/rural	Email: rural@dot.gov Phone: 202-366-4544
DOT Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP)	TTAP provides comprehensive transportation training and TA to Tribal communities, building skills and expertise to ensure the safety and	TTAP serves Tribal communities.	https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/clas/ttap/	Morgan Malley – Manning Email: Morgan.Malley@dot.gov

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	<p>maintenance of Tribal roads. The TTAP is a discretionary program that is 100 percent federally funded.</p> <p>DOT’s Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has announced cooperative agreements re-establishing regional TTAP centers. The centers will assist Tribal communities as they seek to access \$3 billion in Tribal Transportation Program funding made available BIL, and additional federal funding opportunities. The TTAP centers will serve the 12 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) regions and associated Tribes and meet the transportation training and education needs of Native American communities, building skills, and expertise to ensure the safety and maintenance of Tribal roads.</p>			
DOT Thriving Communities Program (TCP)	<p>DOT TCP Capacity Builders provide deep-dive technical assistance to under-resourced and disadvantaged communities to help them realize transportation and community revitalization opportunities.</p> <p>The 2023 program provides two opportunities: a TCP National Program (TCP-N), and a TCP Regional Pilot (TCP-R).</p>	<p>For TCP-N, eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations, philanthropic entities, and other partners such as private sector, and academic institutions.</p> <p>For TCP-R, eligible applicants include states, Tribes, or regional and local governments and organizations.</p> <p>Eligible applicants to receive technical assistance include local, state, or Tribal governments; U.S. territories; MPOs; transit agencies; or other political subdivisions of state or local governments.</p>	https://www.transportation.gov/grants/thriving-communities	Email: ThrivingCommunities@dot.gov

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)				
Program Name	Program Description	Eligible Applicants/Recipients	Program Resource(s)	Point of Contact
EPA Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities	<p>EPA Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities is a TA program delivered by EPA staff and EPA-hired consultant teams. Each TA project spans a period of roughly eight months, including public engagement through a two-day workshop, the involvement of relevant decision-makers and potential public and private sector partners, and a report outlining the workshop process and specific next steps generated that the community could take to achieve its goals. The workshop focuses on the issues and priorities determined by the community.</p> <p>The benefits each community receives from the process vary by project and are specific to the community. Some common benefits include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Engagement with residents and stakeholders around a specific topic, which yields valuable feedback and ideas as well as creating buy-in and community spirit around proposed initiatives.Creation of key partnerships and relationships both within the community and with state and federal staff and programs.The creation of locally-driven and expert-guided action plan that is both attainable and ambitious.	<p>The applicant can be a local, county, state, territorial, or Tribal government, or a nonprofit organization that has the support of the local government on whose behalf it is applying.</p>	https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/building-blocks-sustainable-communities	<p>If you have questions about the program or past application processes, please read the Frequently Asked Questions About Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities.</p> <p>Regarding letters of interest, if you have questions or are interested in learning how to participate at this time, please contact Chip Gurkin (gurkin.charles@epa.gov). You can also subscribe to the newsletter to get notified about future program developments.</p>
EPA Environmental and Climate Justice	<p>Provides \$2 billion in Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding to aid in environmental and climate justice activities that benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community</p>	<p>Eligible applicants include Community-Based Non-Profit Organizations (CBOs).</p>	https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program	<p>Email: CCGP@epa.gov</p> <p>For TA on these grants, please email EJ_TechAssist@epa.gov.</p>

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Community Change Grants	climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate change challenges. There are two tracks: Community-Driven Investments for Change and Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance. The deadline to apply is November 21, 2024.	Local governments, federally recognized Tribes, and institutions of higher education are also eligible as long as they are in partnership with a CBO.		
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National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)				
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Creative Placemaking Technical Assistance	The Creative Placemaking Technical Assistance program assists organizations in effectively integrating arts, culture, and design into local efforts to strengthen communities.	This program offers technical assistance for local, state, Tribal, and federal officials, artists, service providers, organizers, practitioners, and individuals.	https://www.lisc.org/our-initiatives/creative-placemaking/main/	Current grantees can contact the TA Program by filling out this form . For general information and questions about the program, please email Cari Morales (cmorales2@lisc.org)
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