

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Estimated Allocation for Minnesota

The following is a summary of the various programs funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The forms included in this document have been prepared by state agencies. This document was originally compiled on 3/4/09 and updated on 3/26/09. In some cases the funding anticipated for these programs is based on estimates and the actual amounts eventually available may be different. Some state agencies have included information about competitive grants and aids to individuals, as well as formula programs for which they are eligible. Estimates of the amount of funding that could be received from competitive grants and aids to individuals were not included on earlier lists of ARRA funding. While information on most of the state programs funded by the (ARRA) is included, some state agencies are still waiting for more detailed information from the federal government.

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Innovative Fund Grants	Unknown	Education	Competitive	24
Teacher Incentive Fund	\$62,091	Education	Competitive	26
Statewide Data Systems	\$7,000	Education	Competitive	29
College Work Study	\$3,892	Office of Higher Education	Formula to Institutions	31
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Health, Human Services and Other Support				
Medicaid FMAP 2009	\$464,000	Human Services	Formula	35
Medicaid FMAP 2010/2011	\$1,359,000	Human Services	Formula	35
* Medicaid DSH	\$1,829	Human Services	Formula	NA
Emergency Food Assistance Prgm (TEFAP)	\$722	Human Services	Formula	38
SNAP Benefits & Administration	\$177,800	Human Services	Formula	40
TANF Emergency Funds	Unknown	Human Services	Matching	42
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Child Care Development Block Grant	\$26,097	Human Services	Formula	49
Community Service Block Grant	\$12,000	Human Services	Formula	51
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Women, Infants and Children - Management/IT	\$3,300	Health	Competitive	54
Emergency Food and Shelter	\$3	Human Services	Formula	56
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Health Effective Research	Unknown	Health	Direct to Providers	66

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Prevention and Wellness Strategies	Unknown	Health	Unknown	69
Training Primary Care Providers - State Loan Repayment Program Temporary Increase	\$148	Health	Unknown	70
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Clean Water State Revolving Fund	\$82,564	Public Facilities Authority	Formula	75
Weatherization	\$132,000	Commerce	Formula	78
State Energy Program	\$66,000	Commerce	Formula	80
Brownfields	\$5,400	DEED/PCA	Competitive	82
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Leaking Underground Storage Tank	\$4,000	Pollution Control Agency	Formula	90
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant	\$47,500	Commerce	Formula	93
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Labor, Housing and Economic Development				
Vocational Rehab Services	\$6,344	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	97
Vocational Rehab/ Services for the Blind	\$1,392	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	99
Independent Living Part B	\$199	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	101
Independent Living Part C	\$1,200	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	103
Independent Living/Services for the Blind	\$43	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	105
Independent Living - Older Blind	\$586	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	107
Public Housing Capital Fund	\$47,484	Housing Finance Agency	Direct to Locals/Comp	109
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Housing Tax Credit Exchange	\$120,000	Housing Finance Agency	Formula	115
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Neighborhood Stabilization Program	\$30,000	Housing Finance Agency	Competitive	119
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UI - Suspension of Federal Income Taxation	Unknown	Employment and Economic Development	Other	128
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Employment Service (Wagner-Peyser)	\$6,895	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	134
Workforce Investment Act- Adult	\$6,952	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	136
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Workforce Investment Act - Emerging Jobs	\$10,000	Employment and Economic Development	Competitive	139
Workforce Investment Act - Green Jobs	\$10,000	Employment and Economic Development	Competitive	141
Dislocated Workers	\$17,457	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	143
* Community Development Block Grant Entitlement	\$9,827	Employment and Economic Development	Direct to Locals	NA
Small Cities Community Development Block Grant	\$5,678	Employment and Economic Development	Formula	145
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Crime Victims Assistance Grants	\$845	Public Safety	Formula	179
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Violence Against Women	\$2,403	Public Safety	Formula	179
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* Internet Crimes Against Children	\$1,050	Public Safety	Formula	NA
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* Agencies have not yet submitted information forms for these programs. The amounts listed are from FFIS estimates.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Fiscal Stabilization – Education (81.8% of Stabilization Funds)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): N/A

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula based 61% upon the state's relative population of individuals aged 5 through 24 and 39% based upon the state's relative total population.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$667,888,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula based on the following:

Funds are to first be used to restore K-12 education in FY 2009, 2010 and 2011 to the level of State support provided through the state formula to the greater of FY 2008 or FY 2009; allow increases to K-12 education funding in FY 2010 and 2011 that were included in state law prior to October 1, 2008; and restore higher education funding in FY 2009, 2010 and 2011 to the level of State support provided to the greater of the FY2008 or FY 2009 level.

If the total funds provided are not sufficient to cover the all of the items above, the Governor shall allocate the funds proportionately to the short falls in K-12 education and higher education.

Funds remaining are to be allocated to school districts and charter schools based on their relative shares of funding under Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): In order to be eligible for funding, the state must submit an application that assures:

1. Maintenance of effort in FY 2009, 2010 and 2011 at the level of support for elementary and secondary education and higher education to the minimum of the level of support in FY 2006;
2. Achieving equity in the distribution of highly qualified teachers between high and low poverty schools;

3. The establishment of a longitudinal data system as prescribed under the America Competes Act; and
4. Enhancements to the statewide assessment system.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

School districts and charter schools receiving funds under this category may use the funds for any of the activities under the following federal programs:

1. Elementary and Secondary Education Act;
2. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act;
3. Adult and Family Literacy Act; or
4. Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act.

Fund may also be used for modernization, renovation or repair of public school facilities, including modernization or renovation and repairs consistent with a recognized green building rating system.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal Funds Review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

No changes are needed.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds may not be able to be allocated until the legislature and Governor take final action on education and higher education funding for FY 2009, 2010 and 2011.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Due to the formula nature of allocating these funds, it is anticipated that allocations will be made under current processes with appropriate safeguards in place to track and report on funds separately. The additional reporting requirements will add additional burden onto both schools and the department and require new procedures to be developed.

Other Information: The Governor will need to submit an application to receive funds under this section. To meet the MOE requirement relative to FY 2006, the application will propose using entitlements to education as is the process for calculating statewide MOE requirements under IDEA.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Office of Higher Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: State Fiscal Stabilization Funds

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): US Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Mark Misukanis, 651-259-3960, Mark.Misukanis@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): State Fiscal Stabilization funds are administered by the US Department of Education.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$816.5 million for two years, of which 81.8 percent (\$667.9 million) must be spent on education (early childhood, K12 and higher education) and 18.2 percent (\$148.6 million) is for “public safety and other government services which may include assistance for elementary and secondary education and public institutions of higher education

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): \$667.8 million is to be used for early childhood, K12 and higher education. The Governor’s supplemental budget will include a recommendation on how the funds will be divided between k12 and higher education. Once the Governor and legislature agree on how the funds will be divided, the higher education portion will go to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota and the Office of Higher Education.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): The ARRA has a maintenance of effort requirement and several goals for the federal funds. First, in the maintenance of effort requirement, the State must maintain State support for elementary and secondary education and public institutions of higher education at least at the amount for Fiscal Year 2006. The Minnesota Management and Budget Department says Minnesota spent \$1.348 billion on higher education in Fiscal Year 2006 for the Office of Higher Education, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota, and Mayo Medical School. As long as Minnesota appropriates \$1.348 billion or more each year in 2010 and 2011, the maintenance of effort requirement should be met.

Second, the ARRA says the Governor shall first use the funds to restore the level of State support for elementary, secondary and public institutions of higher education to the greater of the amount for Fiscal Years 2008 or 2009.

Third, the ARRA says after restoring support to the 2008 or 2009 level, any funds remaining must go to school districts based on their relative shares of federal Title I funding for schools serving concentrations of low-income students.

Fourth, public institutions of higher education that are to use the fiscal stabilization money they receive to mitigate the need to raise tuition and fees for in-state students or for modernization, renovation or repair of facilities used for instruction, research or student housing.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds): The funds are flexible. The Governor's supplemental budget will include a recommendation on how the funds will be divided between K12 and higher education.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): The Governor's supplemental budget will include a recommendation on how much of the stabilization money will be used for higher education. The Higher Education Finance Divisions of the Minnesota House and Senate and the Governor will determine how the funds will be used in Minnesota.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: The grant is not competitive.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None

Timeline for Allocating Funding: The funding is for Minnesota Fiscal Years 2009, 2010 and 2011.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): Once the State determines how much will go to higher education and how the funds will be divided between Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota and the Office of Higher Education, the Minnesota Management and Budget Department will provide the money to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota and the Office of Higher Education.

Other Information: The Governor must apply to the US Secretary of Education for the funds. The application must include assurances about:

1. Maintaining State support at the 2006 level
2. Achieving equity in teacher distribution
3. Improving collection and use of data
4. Enhancing K12 standards and assessments
5. Supporting struggling schools.

The Minnesota Department of Education has information about Minnesota's status on assurances 2 through 5.

After Minnesota receives the funds, the State will have to report on the number of jobs saved or created, tax increases averted, tuition and fee increases, enrollment of in-State students eligible for Pell Grants and other need-based aid, and any modernization, renovation or repair projects funded.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Fiscal Stabilization – General Purpose (18.2% of Stabilization Funds)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Unknown. Depends on usage.

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula based 61% upon the state's relative population of individuals aged 5 through 24 and 39% based upon the state's relative total population.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$148,601,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Dependant upon use. The language would appear to allow for formula or competitive distribution of funds.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): In order to be eligible for funding, the state must submit an application that assures:

1. Maintenance of effort in FY 2009, 2010 and 2011 at the level of support for elementary and secondary education and higher education to the minimum of the level of support in FY 2006;
2. Achieving equity in the distribution of highly qualified teachers between high and low poverty schools;
3. The establishment of a longitudinal data system as prescribed under the America Competes Act; and
4. Enhancements to the statewide assessment system.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Funds are available for use by the Governor for public safety and other government services, which may include assistance for elementary and secondary education and public institutes of higher education and for modernization, renovation or repair of public school facilities and institutions of higher education facilities, including modernization, renovation and repairs that are consistent with a recognized green building rating system.

There appears to be a great deal of flexibility with the use of these funds.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review and development of plan as part of the Governor's supplemental budget.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

No changes are needed.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds would be available for allocation 20 days after the submission of the Governor's supplemental budget to the legislature unless objections are raised.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

This would need to be determined based on the plan for the allocation of these funds. It may require competitive granting and contracting processes that would require additional work on the part of MDE staff. The additional reporting requirements will add additional burden onto the department and require new procedures to be developed.

Other Information: The Governor will need to submit an application to receive funds under this section. To meet the MOE requirement relative to FY 2006, the application will propose using entitlements to education as is the process for calculating statewide MOE requirements under IDEA.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Head Start

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): United States Department of Health and Human Services

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Primarily formula, with certain aspects (early Head Start and funds to support Early Childhood Advisory Councils) being competitive.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$7.8 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): N/A -- funds are distributed directly to local programs from the federal government.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): This program requires a 20% local match, however, the secretary has authority to waive the match requirement. Should funds be applied for to support the Early Childhood Advisory Council, those funds require a 70% match and require that state's apply for a minimum of \$500,000 in federal funds. This would require the state to spend an additional \$1.2 million to access these funds.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

\$1 billion is allocated nationally, of which Minnesota is expected to receive \$7.8 million, for the purpose of providing Head Start services to eligible children in Minnesota. Funds are also set aside at the national level for training and technical assistance and monitoring.

\$1.1 billion is available at the national level to expand early Head Start services to either serve additional children or create programs in areas not currently served.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A -- Funds do not flow through the state, with the exception of funds available for the Early Childhood Advisory Council support. If the state decides to apply for these funds, legislation including an appropriation of \$1.2 million in state funding would be necessary.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

MDE will work with the Governor's Office as well as the Department of Human Services to determine whether or not consideration should be given to applying for funds to support the Early Childhood Advisory Council. Due to the large matching requirement, it is not anticipated that this time that funds would be applied for.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: No changes are needed.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: DHHS expects to issue guidance and information early next week on the allocation of funds under this program.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): N/A -- Funds are administered directly to programs through DHHS.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$94.9 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): These funds have a supplement not supplant provision as well as a 90% maintenance of effort requirement.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Funds will be used for the purposes of providing Title I services to at risk students at the local level. Use of funds is governed under federal law.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Funds will be allocated to eligible schools districts and charter schools as soon as they become available.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Due to the formula nature of allocating these funds, it is anticipated that allocations will be made under current processes with appropriate safeguards in place to track and report on funds separately. The additional reporting requirements will add additional burden onto both schools and the department and require new procedures to be developed.

Other Information: The tydings amendment will apply to these funds.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: School Improvement Funds

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber or Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$27 million (estimated)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive grant.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Section 1003 of the ESEA provides funds for the purposes of assisting schools identified for school improvement, corrective action and restructuring.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal Funds Review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds will be allocated via a competitive process as soon as they become available.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Staff will need to take on additional work to administer this grant program and the reporting requirements associated with it.

Other Information:

The tydings amendment will apply to these funds.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Individuals with Disability Education Act

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$189.8 million (Part 611B), \$7.7 million (Part 619B) and \$7.0 million (Part C)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): The majority of funding will be allocated via a formula in the federal law. States are able to set aside funds for administration and state level activities. State level activity funding may be allocated via competitive grants or contracts.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): These funds require a state level MOE as well as a local MOE.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Funds may be used for the purposes of the excess costs of providing educational services to children.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal Funds Review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds will be allocated via the formula in federal law as soon as they become available.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Due to the formula nature of allocating these funds, it is anticipated that allocations will be made under current processes with appropriate safeguards in place to track and report on funds separately. The additional reporting requirements will add additional burden onto both schools and the department and require new procedures to be developed.

Other Information:

The tydings amendment applies to the use of these funds.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Educational Technology State Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber or Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$6.1 million (estimated)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

50% of the grant funds are awarded on a competitive basis and 50% on a formula basis. If permitted to allocation all funds based on a process, the agency will administer a competitive grant process for this funding.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended, Title II, Part D, Subparts I and 2, as amended. Provides funding on a formula basis to states to:

- ◆ improve student academic achievement through the use of technology in schools;
- ◆ assist all students in becoming technologically literate by the end of eighth grade; and
- ◆ encourage the effective integration of technology with teacher training and curriculum development to establish research-based instructional methods.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal Funds Review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

If allocated via a formula, funds will be allocated as soon as they become available.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Staff will need to take on additional work to administer this grant program and the reporting requirements associated with it.

Other Information:

The tydings amendment will apply to these funds.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: McKinney-Vento

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber or Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula to states.

\$70 million is allocated to the states through competitive grants to local school districts and based on the number of homeless students in 2007-08.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$612,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Funds will be distributed to local districts on a competitive basis.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, Title VII, Subtitle B. This program provides funding to ensure that homeless children and youth have equal access to the same free, appropriate public education as other children; to provide activities for and services to ensure that these children enroll in, attend, and achieve success in school; to establish or designate an office in each state education agency for the coordination of education of homeless children and youth; to develop and implement programs for school personnel to heighten awareness of specific problems of homeless children and youth; and to provide grants to school districts.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

The federal government has 60 days from the date of enactment to distribute McKinney-Vento funds to the states. Minnesota is required to distribute funds to local education agencies not later than 120 days after receiving its grant award.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The administration of an additional competitive grant program as well as additional reporting requirements will add additional burden onto both schools and the department and require new procedures to be developed.

Other Information:

The tydings amendment will apply to the use of these funds.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: National School Lunch Program Equipment Assistance.

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber or Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

\$100 million is available to states to carry out a grant program for National School Lunch Program equipment assistance. Funds will be allocated to states based on each states' administrative expense allocation.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$1.27 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Funds will be distributed on a competitive basis to districts based on need for equipment assistance in participating schools with priority given to districts in which not less than 50 percent of the students are eligible for free or reduced price meals.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

This program will provide competitive grants to districts for equipment assistance.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Unknown at this time.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The administration of a competitive grant program for this purpose will require additional work of MDE staff.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: State Incentive Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): N/A

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber or Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

\$4.350 billion is available to states on a competitive basis.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$250 million estimated.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

At least 50 percent of the state incentive grant must be used to provide sub-grants to local education agencies based on the Title 1, part A formula.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Grants will be distributed to states that have made significant progress in meeting:

- Improve achieving equity in teacher distribution under ESEA section 1111(b)(8)(C).
- Improve collections and use of data under America Competes Act section 6401 (e)(2)(D).
- Enhance the quality of statewide assessments and comply with rules related to inclusion of children with disabilities and limited English proficient students in statewide assessments and provide necessary accommodations.
- Improve State academic content standards and student academic achievement standards consistent with section 6401 (e)(1)(9)(A)(ii) or the America COMPETES Act.
- Ensure compliance with section 1116 (a)(7)(C)(iv) and 116 (a)(8)(B) of ESEA and support schools in need of improvement.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal Funds Review if applied for.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Unknown at this time.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

None know at this time.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Innovative Fund Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): US Department of Education.

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber or Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): **Competitive**

Up to \$650 million is available for innovation grants. States are not eligible to apply for the grants. Eligible entities include local education agencies, a partnership between a nonprofit organization and either one or more local education agencies, or a consortium of schools.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Up to \$650 million is available. The amount that Minnesota may receive is unknown at this time.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

The funds will be distributed directly to local education agencies, partnerships, or consortiums of schools.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Grantees will have to demonstrate that the private sector will provide matching funds to bring initiatives to scale.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Grants will be awarded to entities that have:

- made significant gains in closing the achievement gap;
- exceeded the State's annual measurable objectives for two or more years or have demonstrated success in significantly increasing academic achievement for all groups of students;

- made significant improvement in other areas, such as graduation rates or increased recruitment and placement of high quality teachers and school leaders as demonstrated by meaningful data; and
- demonstrated that they have established partnerships with the private sector and the private sector will provide matching funds in order to bring the initiatives to scale.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

None.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

N/A.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

None at this time.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form
Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title V, Subpart 1, Part D -- Teacher Incentive Fund

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive Grant

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$62,091,813 estimate of potential federal award

Eligible applicants:

States; or partnerships of: (1) an LEA, a State, or both and (2) at least one non-profit organization are eligible for competitive grants to develop and implement performance-based compensation systems for public school teachers and principals in high-need areas.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive –

Based on the example below, the amount available could be focused on a limited number of districts with “high need” schools (grant contract over 5 years). SC grant should be researched further as an example.

- \$34 million over 5 years to the South Carolina Department of Education, which has been working with the Teacher Advancement Program (TAP) to implement a performance based compensation system to address problems with recruitment and retention in 23 high-need schools in 6 districts. The project has the potential to affect more than 60,000 children and 5,000 teachers and principals. Strategies include higher and varied teacher bonuses, the introduction of principal and

assistant principal bonuses, raising the value added percentage in performance pay from 50 percent to 60 percent, and using tests to give K–3 teachers an individual value-added score.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Match

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Program Description:

The goals of the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) program are

- to improve student achievement by increasing teacher and principal effectiveness;
- reform teacher and principal compensation systems so that teachers and principals are rewarded for gains in student achievement;
- increase the number of effective teachers teaching low-income, minority, and disadvantaged students in hard-to-staff subjects;
- and create sustainable performance-based compensation systems.

The program provides grants to encourage school districts and States to develop and implement innovative ways to provide financial incentives for teachers and principals who raise student achievement and close the achievement gap in some of our Nation’s highest-need schools.

These systems must be based on measures of gains in student achievement, in addition to other factors, for teachers and principals in high-need schools.

Each applicant must demonstrate a significant investment in, and ensure the sustainability of, its project by committing to pay for an increasing share of the total cost of the project, for each year of the grant, with State, local, or other non-Federal funds.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

More information is coming out on a daily basis. The Title V contact should be established and communicated with at USDE.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

States or partnerships including LEAs and non-profits

Eligible applicants:

States; or partnerships of: (1) an LEA, a State, or both and (2) at least one non-profit organization are eligible for competitive grants to develop and implement performance-based compensation systems for public school teachers and principals in high-need areas.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

NA

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

That needs to be confirmed

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

School Improvement Q Comp Director and Staff

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Statewide Data Systems

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Michelle Weber and Lisa Mueller

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$7,000,000 estimate of potential federal award

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): These funds will remain at MDE

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): These funds will be allocated based on the grant application and there is not a required match,

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

To meet the continued challenges in the area of interoperability a strong technology partnership between the SEA and LEAs is needed for collaborative decision support. In this grant application we propose a model for expanded K-12 technology and data governance where MDE takes the lead role by providing a foundation of sustainable flexible shared services for the development of efficient interoperable educational business practices and would

provide modern analytic tools to help schools and districts to make data driven decisions to improve student achievement. These activities build on the current activities outlined in the MDE IT Strategic IT plan. The following objectives are proposed for the LDS grant work: (1) optimized enterprise data submissions for K-12 data across all current program area, (2) enterprise data certification, (3) e-transcript including common course catalogue, transcript definitions for GPA, Class Rank (etc.) and transmission processes, (4) expansion of the current teacher identification system to provide additional education data, (5) expanded linking of K-12 data to additional sets including high education, college readiness, workforce and social services, and professional development to sustain a data culture across LEAs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): A Policy Note has been submitted for this grant.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: This is a grant award solely to MDE.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None

Timeline for Allocating Funding: This would be a three year grant with award approximately November 2009.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): If awarded we would rely on IT staff augmentation to supplement current staff capacity to complete the proposed tasks.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Office of Higher Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Federal Work Study

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): US Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Mark Misukanis, 651-259-3960, Mark.Misukanis@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Federal Work Study funds go to postsecondary institutions to help fund student jobs on campuses. Each campus receives an allocation based on a federal formula and uses the money to help pay students who work on campus or in non-profit jobs in the community. Students who work in Federal Work Study jobs must have financial need – they are generally from low- or moderate income families.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$3.89 million over two years, an increase of 10 percent.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): The funds are distributed to postsecondary institutions based on a federal formula that includes the number of low-income students served and makes institutional allocations equal to or greater than amounts established in 1980. State action does not affect the flow of Federal Work Study funds. In Fiscal Year 2007, 13,000 students attending Minnesota institutions earned \$20 million working in Federal Work Study jobs.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Postsecondary institutions must match the Federal Work Study funds with 25% in non-federal funds. Representatives of the postsecondary institutions indicate they expect to be able to provide the matching funds.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds): Postsecondary institutions match the federal funds with 25 percent in non-federal funds and pay them to students to perform jobs on campus. Thus, the \$3.89 million in increased Federal Work Study money will actually provide 25 percent more in earnings to students, for a total of \$5.19 million in increased earnings over two years. Average earnings are \$1,500 per student per year, so the increase may create about 1,500 additional jobs. However, the federal minimum wage will increase to \$7.25 per hour on July 1, 2009, so some of the increase will go to increased wages at campuses paying less than \$7.25 per hour.

The funds are not flexible – they must be spent according to the requirements of the Federal Work Study program. However, Minnesota has a very similar State Work Study program. The Governor’s budget includes a recommendation for a 5 percent reduction (\$1.24 million) for the 2010-2011 biennium, which is expected to reduce the number of State Work Study jobs by about 500 jobs. With the increase in Federal Work Study funding, the two programs together would provide about 1,000 more jobs in the 2010-2011 biennium.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): No statutory change is necessary. The Higher Education Finance Divisions in the Minnesota House and Senate are likely to consider the increase in Federal Work Study funds as they appropriate funds for the similar Minnesota Work Study program.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: The grant is not competitive.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None

Timeline for Allocating Funding: The funding is for student jobs, beginning July 1, 2009. The US Department of Education says it will notify postsecondary institutions about the amount of their allocations in April 2009, based on information the institutions have already provided.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): The increase has no direct effect on the Office of Higher Education. Postsecondary institutions expect to be able to use the funds as they usually use Federal Work Study funds. Minnesota has a very similar State Work Study program. The Governor’s budget includes a recommendation for a 5 percent reduction (\$1.24 million) for the 2010-2011 biennium, which is expected to reduce the number of State Work Study jobs by about 500 jobs. The federal increase would offset the state reduction.

Other Information: None

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Office of Higher Education

Federal Grant or Program Name: Federal Pell Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): US Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Mark Misukanis, 651-259-3960, Mark.Misukanis@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Grants to low-income students to help them pay for postsecondary education.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): US Department of Education spreadsheet says Minnesota students will receive \$100.8 million in additional federal Pell Grants over two years. The increase in the maximum federal Pell Grant is expected to make \$60 million available for the biennium to reinvest in the Minnesota State Grant Program.

The difference between the \$100.8 million in the federal estimate and the \$60 million in the impact on State Grants is due to: 1) students who receive Pell Grants and no State Grants and 2) about 21,000 students who are not Minnesota residents who attend institutions in Minnesota and receive Pell Grants.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): The money does not come to the Office of Higher Education. It goes to postsecondary institutions on behalf of individual students. The institutions post the money to each student's account. The money goes to pay for tuition and fees and living expenses while enrolled.

The increase in the maximum federal Pell Grant is about 10 percent. Most Pell Grant recipients will receive larger awards, and some additional students will receive awards. The average federal Pell Grant award to Minnesota students prior to this change was \$2,700 per year.

The Minnesota State Grant program is coordinated with the federal Pell Grant program. The Office of Higher Education calculates student need through a statutory formula that determines what students, families and taxpayers are expected to pay. The Federal Pell Grant and Minnesota State Grant are

combined to meet the taxpayer expectation for students from low- and moderate income families. Under current law, when Pell Grants increase, assuming no other change in Minnesota State Grant parameters, approximately \$60 million would carry over to 2011 and create a large one-time change in the living expense allowance. This would produce a sizable one-time anomaly and create substantial difficulties for students and institutions in the second year of the biennium. However, the legislature has consistently changed state law to increase State Grant parameters so students receive a net increase in grants when the Pell Grant and Minnesota State Grant are added together.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Federal law has no maintenance of effort or matching fund requirements for this program.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds): Yes, there is flexibility with the funds. The funds could be used to increase the parameters in the State Grant program to recognize more tuition and living expenses while enrolled. Currently, the amount of tuition and the living expenses used in the calculation are less than what students pay.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): The Governor's Office, Minnesota Management and Budget and the Higher Education Finance Divisions in the Minnesota House and Senate consider changes in the federal Pell Grant and the impact on Minnesota State Grants nearly every biennium. The Governor makes a recommendation and the legislative committees consider the amount made available by the Pell Grant increase as they set the parameters for the State Grant Program for the new biennium.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: The grant is not competitive.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None

Timeline for Allocating Funding: The funding is for awards to individual students in Minnesota Fiscal Year 2010 and 2011. Students will begin receiving the increased federal Pell Grants on July 1, 2009.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): There are no initial issues or concerns about the ability to expend the funds and staff capacity. The Office of Higher Education regularly deals with increases in federal Pell Grants and their impact on the State Grant Program.

Other Information: Currently, Minnesota stakeholders agree the Minnesota State Grant program uses amounts for tuition and living expenses that are less than what students pay. The money made available by the increase in federal Pell Grants provides an opportunity to increase State Grants to an amount that is closer to the prices students face in the postsecondary marketplace.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Medicaid – Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) payments

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$1.9 billion for FY2009 – FY2011

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

MOE:

To qualify for the enhanced FMAP states cannot use more restrictive standards, methodologies and procedures for Medical Assistance, including the MinnesotaCare waiver, below where it was on July 1, 2008.

The enhanced FMAP rate does not apply to eligibility expansions implemented after June 30, 2008. An expansion is limited to an increase in the income standards, so costs related to increased enrollment at the same income standard will qualify for the enhanced funds.

Other:

States cannot deposit the new federal FMAP funds, directly or indirectly, into a reserve fund or rainy day account.

States cannot increase the percentage of the non-federal share of Medicaid expenditures that local government is required to pay, beyond the share required on September 30, 2008.

States must pay 99% of all clean claims from health care practitioners in individual or group practices or through shared health facilities and hospital and nursing home claims within 90 days.

All states receiving the increased FMAP must submit a report to the Secretary of HHS describing how the additional funds were expended. The report must be submitted by September 30, 2011.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Minnesota's Medicaid program is Medical Assistance. Currently the federal government pays 50% of the cost of services provided to Minnesota Medical Assistance recipients. For Medical Assistance services provided between October 2008 and December 2010, the federal ARRA law will increase the percentage of Medical Assistance costs that are paid by the federal government for most services.

CMS has notified the state that for the period from October 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009, the new Federal Medical Assistance Percentage that will be implemented for Minnesota is 60.19%.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

M.S. 16A.152, Budget Reserve and Cash Flow Account, must be amended so that it no longer conflicts with the prohibition against depositing the FMAP funds into a reserve fund or rainy day account.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

TBD

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

FY2009 enhanced FMAP funds are expected to be released the last week in February. Enhanced FMAP funds for FY2010 and FY2011 are anticipated to be received through the normally scheduled payment of federal MA reimbursements.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$722,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Other – funding is distributed via Hunger Solutions to food shelves

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

State match is required for the amount retained by DHS for administration. Existing General Fund administrative funds will be used for this state match.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The ARRA funds will be used to purchase and distribute TEFAP commodities.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) – formerly Food Support or “Food Stamps”

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): 13.6% increase in the monthly SNAP benefit amounts (\$175 million over several years); \$2.8million in administrative funds.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula – to SNAP recipients and to MFIP recipients (for the Food Support portion that is included in the MFIP benefit).

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Other: There is some language in the ARRA around use administrative funds for implementing the increase; that will need clarification.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

SNAP (formerly “Food Support”) is a federal program that provides monthly assistance to increase eligible low-income households’ ability to purchase food. In Minnesota, part of the monthly benefit for MFIP families is Food Support assistance.

The increased funding provided in the ARRA law will affect both SNAP and MFIP households. The change is a 13.6% increase over current the schedule of assistance; it stays level until the regular Food Support COLA adjustment catches up. The increase is effective April 1, 2009. ARRA also provides some administrative funds for the costs of implementation.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

None

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Increased benefits begin April 1, 2009

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Legislative language is needed to conform with MFIP.

Other Information:

The ARRA lifts, through September 30, 2010, a restriction that otherwise disqualifies jobless workers participating in work registration and employment and training requirements from receiving Food Support.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: TANF Emergency Funds

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Other – matching funds

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): TBD

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Match – The actual quarterly grants are for 80% of the total increase in quarterly spending compared to the corresponding base year quarter; effectively this requires a 20% state match.

Other – The total amount dispersed from the new federal TANF Emergency Fund cannot exceed 50% of a state's annual TANF grant.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The ARRA creates a TANF Emergency Fund from which states can request quarterly grants for three purposes: caseload increase, increased expenditures for non-recurrent short term benefits and increased expenditures for subsidized employment. The quarterly grant would be 80% of the total increase in spending from whichever year, 2007 or 2008, when the state's cash assistance caseload or expenditures

were the lowest. TANF Emergency Fund monies are available for the period October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2010.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

TBD

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: HHS/CDC

Federal Grant or Program Name: Immunization & Vaccines for Children Grants – National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Disease

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Likely formula – possibly carve out for competitive portion.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Estimated state allocation \$2 million. Total federal funding of \$300 million, Allocation per grantee has not been determined – FFIS estimates are not valid. Current federal grant base is \$4 million for operations and \$27 million for vaccines.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Continued discussion at federal level on how funds will be used. At this point the following is likely:

- Goal is to distribute a large portion of the funding for vaccine purchase.
- Grantees will be given some flexibility in spending between vaccine purchasing and operations/infrastructure.
- Small portion of funds will be used for communication, surveillance and vaccine safety projects.
- Small portion of the funds will be used for competitive grants for demonstration projects in two areas: school-based vaccination and adult vaccination
- Accountability/reporting requirements will be critically important – reporting requirements likely to include job creation data

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Increase in current federal program, dependant on size of increase, **may need federal funds review.**

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Timelines unknown

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Foster Care and Adoption Assistance -- Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$8.5 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

States cannot deposit the new federal FMAP funds, directly or indirectly, into a reserve fund or rainy day account.

All states receiving the increased FMAP must submit a report to the Secretary of HHS describing how the additional funds were expended. The report must be submitted by September 30, 2011.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Currently the federal government pays 50% of the cost of foster care and adoption assistance services to eligible low income children through Title IV-E of the Social Security Act. For services provided between October 2008 and December 2010, the federal ARRA law will increase the percentage of foster care and adoption assistance costs that are paid by the federal government by an additional 6.2%.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

FY2009 enhanced FMAP funds are expected to be released the last week in February.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Senior Nutrition Programs- CFDA 93-045

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA)

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$1.555 million through December 2010

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): 15% match applies, as well as competitive bid and negotiated rate requirements. (Other additional requirements will be transmitted by the Administration on Aging, so MOE requirement not known.)

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The ARRA provides increased funding for the senior nutrition programs: a total of \$65 million for congregate dining programs for seniors; \$32 million home delivered meals; and \$3 million for services to American Indians.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A--State appropriation authority passed for FY 2009 was sufficient to cover these additional funds. Proposed appropriation authority for FY 2010 is also sufficient to include these additional funds.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds are available upon enactment. Allocations can be made at the March meeting of the MBA contingent on receipt of federal notification, federal guidance and state legislative authority. State appropriation authority passed for FY 2009 was sufficiently to cover these additional funds. If authority not available until after March, award could be made at the MBA's June meeting.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The additional funds will increase capacity in a sustainable manner, as funding increase is for only two years.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Estimated total of \$26 million, which must be obligated by September 30, 2010 and spent by September 30, 2011.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Historically, these funds are allocated to counties for the Basic Sliding Fee program. A portion of these funds are earmarked for specific activities.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Set Aside – About \$3.4 million of these funds are earmarked for quality improvement activities.

Other – Funds must be used to supplement, and not supplant, state General Fund revenues for child care assistance for low-income families

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The ARRA increases funding for the Child Care Development Block Grant. CCDBG monies are available upon enactment and may be spent through September 30, 2011.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$12 million.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula grants to community action agencies

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Set Aside – states must reserve one percent of their increased CSBG allocation for benefit coordination services.

Other – states must distribute remaining funds directly to local eligible entities.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The ARRA temporarily, until September 30, 2010, increases funding for the Community Services Block Grant. States may increase the income eligibility ceiling for services provided through the CSBG from 125% to 200% of the federal poverty level from October 1, 2008 through September 20, 2010.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and USDA

Federal Grant or Program Name: Women, Infants, and Children Caseload Increase

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Formula, based on caseload.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total \$400 million in federal funding, state award unknown.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None known.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Contingency reserve fund - allocated at the discretion of the Secretary to support participation, should costs or participation exceed budget estimates.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): federal funds review.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown.

Other Information: Currently receive additional funds through reallocation process based on under spending from other states in the region.

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and USDA

Federal Grant or Program Name: Women, Infants and Children IT Stimulus Package – Management Information

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Competitive Grant.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding \$100 million, MN could apply for a total of \$3.3 million, unknown number of total requests.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None known.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Funds to implement new or enhance existing WIC management information systems. USDA retaining \$1 million for administrative costs.

Priorities for funding include:

- Current EBT and MIS transfer projects that are already approved up through the signing of a Cooperative agreement
- New EBT and MIS transfer projects
- Hardware/software and equipment

Minnesota falls into the second priority since its contract is not yet awarded and the Cooperative agreement has not yet been executed.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): federal funds review.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Requests must be submitted to USDA by end of March or early spring. Funds are not likely to allocate to states before May.

Other Information: While specific information is not known, we feel MN is in a good position to access these funds to support our current MIS project of moving to a web-based application. Could free up current WIC funds MDH set aside for this project

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Emergency Food and Shelter

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$2,500

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

To FEMA entities

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

These funds must be distributed consistent with FEMA guidelines for emergency food and shelter; there is no flexibility with these dollars.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Emergency Shelter Grant Program (Homelessness Prevention)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$10.8 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Eligible activities defined in the ARRA include:

- provision of short-term or medium-term rental assistance;
- housing relocation and stabilization services including housing search, mediation or outreach to property owners, credit repair, security or utility deposits, utility payments, rental assistance for a final month at a location, moving cost assistance, and case management; or
- other appropriate activities for homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing of persons who have become homeless

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Rental assistance and stabilization services

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
TBD

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
TBD

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Department of Human Services

Federal Grant or Program Name: Child Support Enforcement Incentives Match

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Federal HHS department provides funds directly to counties

Lead State Agency Contact: Jayne Rankin (Jayne.Rankin@state.mn.us)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Other – matching funds

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$46.6 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

These funds provide additional matching funds to counties for their child support programs.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

The new funds are only available for matching child support federal bonus funds, which counties earn under a performance-based formula.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

ARRA provides new federal matching funds on child support enforcement incentive payments that are reinvested back into the programs states operate to collect child support payments owed to families. The federal law restores, temporarily for two years (from October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2010), the federal matching funds for child support incentive payments.

Under Minnesota law these funds will go to county child support programs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

TBD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

TBD

Other Information:



Federal Stimulus Summary Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS/CMS

Federal Grant or Program Name: Federally Qualified Health Centers – Health Resources and Services Administration

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Direct grants to providers.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding of \$2 billion, \$1.5 billion directly to FQHC's for construction, modernization, HIT improvements. \$500 million for services and operations.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Direct grants to FQHC's for capital improvements and operational costs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): NA

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS/CMS

Federal Grant or Program Name: HIT – Grants to States for EHR Loan Programs
(Medicare/Medicaid Provider Grants)

Lead Agency Contact: James Golden

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Reimbursement to providers, through states or other fiscal intermediaries.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding of \$29 billion. State estimate \$20 million.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Federal reimbursement to Medicaid and Medicare providers for costs of qualified electronic records purchases, implementation, and certain operation costs. Reimbursement rates dependant on Medicaid caseload rate. Federal reimbursement for certain administrative costs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): federal funds review, possible statutory change.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown.

Other Information: Payment reductions begin in 2015 for providers not using EHR. Assumes \$12 billion in Medicare and Medicaid savings for a net \$17 billion

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS

Federal Grant or Program Name: HIT – State Infrastructure Grants to Promote HIT – Office of National Coordinator.

Lead Agency Contact: James Golden

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Competitive Grant.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

3 part funding:

\$1.68 billion for competitive grants to state and ONC costs over 4 years.

\$300 million – supports regional health information exchange efforts.

\$20 million – reserved for National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for health care information enterprise integration.

Estimated state amount - \$8.4 million

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Yes. Loan program requires match of \$5 (fed) to \$1 (state). State grants requires state match beginning FFY 2011 (\$10 to \$1 in 2001, \$7 to \$1 in 2012 and \$3 to \$1 in 2013). Prior to FFY 2011 may require state match.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used):

- Goal to improve health care through exchange and use of health information
 - HIT Architecture that supports nationwide electronic exchange
 - Integration of HIT into training of health care professionals
 - Training on and dissemination of information on best practices
 - Regional efforts toward health information exchange
 - Infrastructure and tools to promote telemedicine
 - Promotion of interoperability of clinical data repositories or registries.
- ONC costs of implementing HIT

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): federal funds review, possible statutory change.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: Reviewing state statute to assure alignment with federal requirements

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Unlikely to be allocated for at least 9 months, no funds needed in FY 2009. Loan funding not available until 1/1/10. Standards published 12/31/09

Other Information:

- Grants to states for coordinating activities likely not to pass through to providers

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS/CMS

Federal Grant or Program Name: Health Effective Research – Agency for Health Care Research and Quality

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Unknown

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding of \$1.1 billion.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Establishes a Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effective Research. The council is tasked with coordinating comparative effectiveness and related health services research conducted or supported by federal departments and agencies in order to reduce duplication and leverage resources.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): NA

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown.

Other Information:



Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and Dept of the Interior

Federal Grant or Program Name: Indian Health Services

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other):Unknown.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding of \$727 million.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Modernize hospitals and clinics and to make technology upgrades in underserved rural areas.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): NA

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown.

Other Information:



Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS/CDC

Federal Grant or Program Name: Health Care Associated Infection Prevention Strategies

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Unknown

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding \$50 million. Allocation method unknown.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Grants to states to address healthcare associated infections.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): federal funds review.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS/CDC

Federal Grant or Program Name: Prevention and Wellness Strategies

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Unknown

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding of \$650 million, appears to be one time. Allocation method unknown.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Evidenced-based clinical and community-based prevention and wellness strategies that deliver measurable health outcomes that address chronic disease rates. Continued discussion at federal level on how funds will be used. White House is looking for large initiative integrated across HHS. Potential for HHS to hold up to \$550 million for “big idea”. CDC may or may not get funds to manage. Remaining \$100 million to CDC.

Funding may not move as quickly as other federal stimulus funds so there can be more thought on how funds can be used on health reform.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): fed funds review.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Timelines unknown

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Summary

Initial Grant Information

Agency: MDH and HHS/CMS

Federal Grant or Program Name: Training Primary Care Providers - State Loan Repayment Program Temporary Increase

Lead Agency Contact: Craig Acomb, CFO

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (Formula, Competitive Grant, Other): Unknown.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Total federal funding of \$300 million for the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) recruitment and field activities, \$200 million for primary care medicine, dentistry, public health and preventive medicine programs, scholarship and loan repayment program.

Estimated amount to MDH \$148,000.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Possible, depending on funding allocation.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used): Potential program allocation

- \$300 million
 - \$196 million for Loan Repayment program. Must be obligated by July 1, 2010.
 - \$24 million for scholarships. Must be obligated by July 1, 2010.
 - \$20 million for State loan Repayment programs. Offers matching funds for loan forgiveness awards at the state level at a 1 to 1 match. (Currently receive \$100k for \$100k state match)
 - \$60 million for Field Operations. (Detail not available – Plans for “Town Hall meetings in each region.
- \$200 million - Direct grants to universities and colleges for health professional training and education.
 - Also includes some health professions faculty loan forgiveness/scholarship programs and small nursing loan forgiveness programs operated directly by HRSA.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Need to identify match if we are to apply for state loan forgiveness funds.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Federal Loan repayment and scholarship funds must be obligated by July 1, 2010. Other timelines are unknown..

Other Information: The Federal Loan Forgiveness program (\$196 million) should provide loan repayment for about 4000 clinicians. For the last loan cycle ending January 31, 2700 applications were received and they expect to fund 600. Not all applicants are eligible. It is anticipated that they will have one or more additional cycles in addition to the regular application cycle next winter. It will be a challenge to identify sufficient eligible applicants. NHSC is working on marketing options to make the program wider known.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Public Facilities Authority

Federal Grant or Program Name: USEPA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grant

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Lead State Agency Contact: Terry Kuhlman, Executive Director
Terry.Kuhlman@state.mn.us
(651) 259-7468

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$24,577,000 - \$2 billion nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Loans and grants to local units of government for drinking water infrastructure projects following the general eligibility requirements and funding process for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund for projects on the Department of Health's (MDH) Project Priority List. The loans and grants will be awarded to eligible projects that want these funds (depends on federal eligibility requirements) in the order that the projects are certified by the MDH and submit as-bid costs to the PFA.

ARRA requires not less than 50 percent of the total funds be provided as grants. Legislation will be required to authorize the PFA to make grants from the revolving fund and to establish criteria to determine how grant amounts will be determined. In addition the PFA will work in conjunction with the MDH to solicit project proposals for the 20 percent set-aside for projects that address green infrastructure, energy and water efficiency improvements or other environmentally innovative activities. As allowed by federal law, the PFA will also use 4 percent of the funds for administrative costs.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

- Federal prevailing wages (Davis – Bacon)
- Buy American iron, steel, and manufactured goods.
- Additional reporting requirements

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The PFA and MDH are working with projects on the FY 2009 Project Priority List (PPL) to inform them of the requirements and identify projects that can be ready to go to construction as quickly as possible. The PFA Board has authorized amendments to the FY 2009 Intended Use Plans to include all eligible projects regardless of rank on the 2009 PPL. By expediting project reviews, the PFA expects to meet the ARRA goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds for projects that can start construction not later than 120 days from enactment. Funds will be awarded to eligible projects on a first come-first served basis in the order they are certified and submit as-bid costs, with grants based on affordability criteria established by legislation and loan funds awarded for the balance of eligible costs. Once ARRA funds are obligated, the PFA will continue to fund eligible projects based on the requirements and established process under the Drinking Water Revolving Fund.

The PFA and MDH are also in the process of soliciting project proposals for the FY 2010 Project Priority List, including projects for the 20 percent set-aside to address green infrastructure, energy and water efficiency improvements or other environmentally innovative activities. When the FY 2010 project list is approved in July 2009, these projects will have an opportunity to receive ARRA funds, again on a first come-first served basis in the order they are certified and submit as-bid costs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

1. The PFA board has authorized submission of the application and approved seeking legislative changes. Draft bill language has been submitted to MMB.
2. The PFA is seeking legislation to allow it to make grants with ARRA awards:
 - Base grant equal to 5% of each project award under ARRA, up to a maximum of \$2 million.
 - Supplemental grant equal to 80% of the project costs over 1.4% of median household income, up to a maximum of \$4 million or \$15,000 per connection, whichever is less.
 - Grants for green infrastructure projects equal to 25% of project costs, up to \$2 (?) million.
3. As required by USEPA, the PFA will prepare a public notice and draft amendment to its 2009 Intended Use Plan (IUP) to inform the public of plans for using these funds. The public notice will be sent to all local governments and other interested parties.
4. PFA will submit its application for the funds, including the public notice and 2009 IUP amendment.
5. PFA and MDH will solicit additional project proposals for the FY 2010 PPL and IUP.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

- NA

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

- Flexibility under the Buy American clauses for those items, primarily equipment, that are sole source manufactured goods made outside the USA.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: USEPA is planning on awarding funds within 30 days. PFA plans to solicit applications for the set-aside funding within the next month. The Act sets the goal of using at least 50% of the funds within 120 days of enactment. All funds must be under contract and construction within one year of enactment.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The Buy American requirement for manufactured products has been identified as a significant potential problem, particularly with respect to specialized controls and UV treatment equipment which are primarily, or possibly exclusively, manufactured outside the USA. This may cause some program recipients to be ineligible or to refuse the money. This could make meeting the time restrictions for use more of a challenge. Waivers may be requested under certain conditions.

Additional temporary staff may be required.

Managing expectations of grant funding, when the need is so great and the funding rather small in comparison is also a cause for concern.

Other Information

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Public Facilities Authority

Federal Grant or Program Name: USEPA Clean Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grant

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Lead State Agency Contact: Terry Kuhlman, Executive Director
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(651) 259-7468

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$82,564,000 - \$4 billion nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Loans and grants to local units of government for clean water infrastructure projects following the general eligibility requirements and funding process for the Clean Water Revolving Fund for projects on the Pollution Control Agency's (PCA) Project Priority List. The loans and grants will be awarded to eligible projects that want these funds (depends on federal eligibility requirements) in the order that the projects are certified by the PCA and submit as-bid costs to the PFA.

ARRA requires not less than 50 percent of the total funds be provided as grants. Legislation will be required to authorize the PFA to make grants from the revolving fund and to establish criteria to determine how grant amounts will be determined. In addition the PFA will work in conjunction with the PCA to solicit project proposals for the 20 percent set-aside for projects that address green infrastructure, energy and water efficiency improvements or other environmentally innovative activities. As allowed by federal law, the PFA will also use 4 percent of the funds for administrative costs.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

- Federal prevailing wages (Davis – Bacon)
- Buy American iron, steel, and manufactured goods.
- Additional reporting requirements

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The PFA and PCA are working with projects on the FY 2009 Project Priority List (PPL) to inform them of the requirements and identify projects that can be ready to go to construction as quickly as possible.

The PFA Board has authorized amendments to the FY 2009 Intended Use Plans to include all eligible projects down to 35 points on the 2009 PPL. By expediting project reviews, the PFA expects to meet the ARRA goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds for projects that can start construction not later than 120 days from enactment. Funds will be awarded to eligible projects on a first come-first served basis in the order they are certified and submit as-bid costs, with grants based on affordability criteria established by legislation and loan funds awarded for the balance of eligible costs. Once ARRA funds are obligated, the PFA will continue to fund eligible projects based on the requirements and established process under the Clean Water Revolving Fund.

The PFA and PCA are also in the process of soliciting project proposals for the FY 2010 Project Priority List, including projects for the 20 percent set-aside to address green infrastructure, energy and water efficiency improvements or other environmentally innovative activities. When the FY 2010 project list is approved in July 2009, these projects will have an opportunity to receive ARRA funds, again on a first come-first served basis in the order they are certified and submit as-bid costs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

1. The PFA board has authorized submission of the application and approved seeking legislative changes. Draft bill language has been submitted to MMB.
2. The PFA is seeking legislation to allow it to make grants with ARRA awards:
 - Base grant equal to 5% of each project award under ARRA, up to a maximum of \$2 million.
 - Supplemental grant equal to 80% of the project costs over 1.4% of median household income, up to a maximum of \$4 million or \$15,000 per connection, whichever is less.
 - Grants for green infrastructure projects equal to 25% of project costs, up to \$2 (?) million.
3. As required by USEPA, the PFA will prepare a public notice and draft amendment to its 2009 Intended Use Plan (IUP) to inform the public of plans for using these funds. The public notice will be sent to all local governments and other interested parties.
4. PFA will submit its application for the funds, including the public notice and 2009 IUP amendment.
5. PFA and PCA will solicit additional project proposals for the FY 2010 PPL and IUP.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

- NA

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

- Flexibility under the Buy American clauses for those items, primarily equipment, that are sole source manufactured goods made outside the USA.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: USEPA is planning on awarding funds within 30 days. PFA plans to solicit applications for the set-aside funding within the next month. The Act sets the goal of using at least 50% of the funds within 120 days of enactment. All funds must be under contract and construction within one year of enactment.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The Buy American requirement for manufactured products has been identified as a significant potential problem, particularly with respect to specialized controls and UV treatment equipment which are primarily, or possibly exclusively, manufactured outside the USA. This may cause some program recipients to be ineligible or to refuse the money. This could make meeting the time restrictions for use more of a challenge. Waivers may be requested under certain conditions.

Additional temporary staff may be required.

Managing expectations of grant funding, when the need is so great and the funding rather small in comparison is also a cause for concern.

Other Information

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: MN Department of Commerce, Office of Energy Security

Federal Grant or Program Name: Weatherization Assistance Program

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): US Department of Energy

Lead State Agency Contact: Janet Streff, Manager, State Energy Office
651-297-2545
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$132,000,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Funds are distributed to service providers throughout the state (typically community action agencies), based upon an allocation formula.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The Weatherization Assistance Program makes low-income homes more energy efficient which reduces their heating and cooling bills, which provides them with more money for other household living expenses. Funds are allocated to 32 service providers statewide. Local service providers are required to weatherize a minimum number of homes.

Funds are also used to train energy auditors to assess and specify potential energy-efficiency improvements in each home, and installation crews and contractors to perform the work specified. There is an expectation that well trained staff provides finished houses that are healthy and safe. OES monitors each service provider to ensure that work is done correctly and that financial and programmatic activities are in compliance with federal rule and guidance.

Weatherization activities are governed by federal law, rule and guidance. States are afforded little flexibility in the operation of this program. USDOE provides periodic guidance for this program; we are awaiting guidance on any special or modified requirements for use of weatherization stimulus funds.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Additional appropriation authority to reflect increased federal funding.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Grant is not competitive.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None known at this time.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

US DOE plans to allocate funding within the next 30 days.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The increase in funding is large (more than 13 times the usual annual grant of \$10 million) and Office of Energy Security (OES) staff has started working with community action agencies to develop ramp up plans. Because state staff is required to physically inspect 5% of all weatherized homes, it will be necessary to hire additional state monitors. With such a large increase in funds, OES also believes that closer financial monitoring of the sub-grantee agencies will be necessary, so additional staffing there is needed. OES has also started to ramp up the training components so that there will be sufficient energy auditors and contractors trained to do energy conservation measures appropriately.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: MN Department of Commerce, Office of Energy Security

Federal Grant or Program Name:
State Energy Program

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):
US Department of Energy

Lead State Agency Contact:
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651-297-2545
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$57,172,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Funds will likely be distributed through a variety of new and existing energy-efficiency and renewable energy programs utilizing both competitive grants and rebates/grants offered on a first come-first served basis.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
State match required for SEP is waived for stimulus funds.
Sec. 7006 requires letter of assurance from Governor to U.S. Secretary of Energy on progress in energy efficiency, energy codes and renewable energy.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The State Energy Program has supported State Energy Offices in each state since the 1970s in the development and promotion of renewable energy and energy efficiency.

Existing programs for solar rebates, public building retrofits, and biomass and biofuel grants will likely be used to program stimulus dollars in the most efficient manner. New programs to support industrial process shared savings, ground source heat pump installations, solar certification and energy efficient equipment testing lab are being considered. Funds will likely be used (in conjunction with other green jobs training funds) for training auditors, contractors, windsmiths, solar equipment installers, and to develop energy savings tracking tools to support the reporting requirements of this the ARRA.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Additional appropriation authority to reflect increased federal funding.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

For biomass and biofuels related grants, we will coordinate with the Next Gen Board, Next Gen participating state agencies and stakeholders that emerged from that grant process.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None at this time.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

US DOE is required to allocate SEP dollars 30 days within receipt of funds.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Additional staff will be necessary to deliver new programs and to ensure that grantee performance and grant management comply with federal requirements. We are currently assessing how many positions will be needed, what kind, and for how long.

Other Information:

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Other Minnesota entities who have received EPA RLF funds are Hennepin County and the St. Paul Port Authority. In addition, the Metropolitan Council currently has an application in for funding. As a matter of procedure and necessity, DEED works very closely with the MPCA on all cleanup projects it funds.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Unknown at this time.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Additional temporary staff may be required. In addition, there are other factors such as private construction financing which hinder cleanup and development.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA), Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)

Federal Grant or Program Name: Federal Superfund Cleanup Funding

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): US EPA

Lead State Agency Contact: MDA – Paul Liemandt (Cathy Villas-Horns)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Federal Superfund Cleanup Funding (Stimulus bill provides \$600 million for Federal National Priority List (NPL) Superfund cleanup)

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

EPA estimates the cleanup cost for the South Minneapolis Soil NPL Site will be \$15 - \$20 million.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

MDA is the lead state agency assisting EPA with the cleanup. Funding will be utilized directly by US EPA for cleanup activities at the South Minneapolis Soil NPL Site. MPCA will be providing support to MDA.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

There is no waiver to the 10% state match requirement. This funding would need to come from the Remediation Fund administered by the MPCA.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Dollars can only be used for cleanup costs at NPL sites.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

MPCA/MDA would not be requesting funds. As the lead agency conducting/overseeing the cleanup project, US EPA will be utilizing the funding directly.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Not competitive

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

N/A

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

State match will need to be provided upon EPA's construction completion of the site response action.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Water Quality Management Planning (WQMP) Grants. WQMP grants are awarded under Section 205(j)(2) of the Clean Water Act, using funds reserved in Section 604(b), and are commonly referred to as 604(b) “set-aside” grants.

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. EPA

Lead State Agency Contact: Mike Sandusky, 651/757-2689 (Shannon Lotthammer, 651/757-2537)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula grant

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Approx. \$700,000 to \$1 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

A portion of the funds are anticipated to be used directly by the MPCA for assessment monitoring and standards development. The remaining funds will be passed-through to local units of government and non-profit organizations via competitive grants for assessment monitoring.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

- At least 20% of the funds shall be used for green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements or other environmentally innovative activities.
- Additional and more frequent reporting will be required beyond the typical 604(b) reporting requirements (for example, reports are expected to include information on jobs created or retained).

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Section 604(b) provides that states may use the grant funds for a range of water quality planning activities, including monitoring and assessment, standards development, and total maximum daily load studies. The funds are to be used for planning and not for implementation activities. The MPCA anticipates applying for the additional 604(b) funds for watershed monitoring and assessment activities, including monitoring completed by the MPCA and local monitoring activities.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

We will need to coordinate with local groups (local units of government, non-profits and educational institutions) for the pass-through funding as part of an RFP process.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) requires that all funds be committed to eligible projects within 12 months of the date of enactment. Preliminary guidance suggests that U.S. EPA expects states to commit all of the 604(b) grant funds within six months of enactment of the ARRA. EPA has further indicated that it will require in its grant agreements that 100% of 604(b) funds be expended within 30 months of the date of ARRA enactment.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The MPCA currently conducts an annual RFP process in the fall-winter timeframe to award competitive monitoring grants to local groups. To meet the EPA expectation of committing all the funds within six months, we may need to hold a separate RFP process, which may be confusing to potential grantees.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA), National Clean Diesel Campaign

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Lead State Agency Contact: David Benke, Prevention and Assistance Division Director
(651)-757-2221 david.benke@pca.state.mn.us

Staff State Agency Contact: Stephanie Souter, (651) 757-2749, Stephanie.souter@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Other – non-competitive state allocation program.

Of the total DERA funds dispersed by EPA, 30% is for the non-competitive state allocation program and 70% will be dispersed through a competitive grant program. The MPCA does not plan to pursue funds under the competitive component.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

State allocation is a minimum of \$1,700,000, if all 50 states and the District of Columbia participate. This number is subject to increase based on a population formula, if some states choose not to participate.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive grants

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

DERA stimulus funds will provide increased technical assistance in the clean diesel program, and provide financial assistance, through a competitive grants program, to public and private entities/fleets for diesel emissions reduction work. Diesel emission reduction activities can include but are not limited to: purchase of idle reduction devices, retrofitting engines with emission control devices, engine repowers, and/or vehicle replacements. Some of the DERA state allocation funds can be used for administrative costs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

MPCA does not plan on directly applying for competitive DERA funds, but will encourage eligible clean diesel partners in the state to apply for competitive DERA grants.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

n/a

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

EPA will send a letter of intent around 2/26-2/27, with a work plan template and guidance document following shortly after. EPA has 60 days to get through the state allocation process and award state allocation funds. The state should plan on receiving a state allocation award from EPA by mid April.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

The MPCA is currently evaluating staff capacity to implement this expanded program, including staff reassignment or reprioritization.

Other Information:

N/A

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)

Federal Grant or Program Name: - Supplementary funding from Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Trust Fund Program, as directed by the American Recovery And Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Of 2009.

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S.EPA)

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Sather, Remediation Division Director, (Sandeep Burman, Supervisor, MPCA Petroleum Remediation Program)

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): The 2009 ARRA mandated \$200 million to be used nationwide for cleanup of petroleum releases from federally regulated LUSTs. The funding will be disbursed to states and other recipients using a stand alone assistance grant. U.S.EPA will use a formula for determining how much each state will be eligible for. The formula is based on the one used to determine the base annual funding for State LUST programs, and is currently pending approval by the Federal OMB.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$4 - 6 million for MN, pending approval.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): A majority of the funding will be used for petroleum contaminated site investigations and cleanups. With U.S.EPA approval, 10-15% will be used for MPCA administration.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

- Funds can only be used where there is no viable responsible party to continue or complete the investigations and/or cleanups.
- Sites have to be 'shovel ready'.
- Funds can only be used at sites where the release was from federally regulated tanks
- No State match is required for this grant.
- There will be a host of rigorous reporting and transparency requirements.
- 50% of the funding will need to be obligated within 120 days of the award and 75% within 18 months.
- All of the funding will need to be utilized by 9/30/11.
- 'Green' and sustainable methods will need to be employed to the extent practicable.

- Significant job creation and preservation as well as economic benefit measures will need to be met alongside the environmental measures.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The mission of the Petroleum Remediation Program (PRP) is to protect human health and the environment by investigating and correcting petroleum contamination impacts to land and water caused by leaking storage tank systems. The Brownfields arm of the Program also ensures that many of these contaminated sites are revitalized and made suitable for investment and redevelopment, thereby returning them to productive use in the economy.

In conformity with the above stated overall objectives, the PRP has identified approximately 75 sites that fit the eligibility criteria for utilization of the LUST stimulus funding as well as having the potential of being able to meet both the economic stimulus and environmental benefit measures. The LUST stimulus funding will be used to complete environmental assessments and any necessary cleanups at these sites. An existing PRP process of taking over sites without viable responsible parties and completing the work utilizing an existing master contract will be used for utilizing this supplementary LUST stimulus funding. The goal of this additional stimulus bill LUST funding is to create jobs and stimulate the economy as soon as possible. The sites will be prioritized and worked on in a phased manner to best accomplish this goal.

All work performed under the stimulus bill funding will require rigorous tracking of results in terms of economic benefits such as number of jobs created in addition to the environmental results.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

- Discussions with U.S.EPA on various formalities and requirements are ongoing.
- Additional guidance from U.S.EPA on the formal grant application process and award procedures are expected shortly.
- Draft application for grant is due to U.S.EPA by 2/27/09.
- Final award decision expected mid-March.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: This is not a competitive grant. However, in order to best accomplish the various environmental and economic objectives as well as in order to comply with the various grant requirements close coordination will be required with MMB and the Dept. of Commerce. Discussions are also underway with the Metropolitan Council and local governments to maximize the benefits of the work accomplished under this funding by coordinating site work with local redevelopment plans and projects.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: 50% of funds obligated within 120 days of funds being received from U.S. EPA., and 75% within 18 months. All work to be completed by federal FY11 end – 9/30/11.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

- Current MMB contractual processes that govern the MPCA administered contracted site work could limit how quickly funds can be obligated and spent as required by the grant. MMB assistance will therefore be required to ensure that the mandated timeframes and objectives in the grant are met. Additional streamlining will also be needed in the MPCA Master Contract processes that are utilized for such projects.
- Additional 3 – 4 staff in the PRP needed to meet the additional workload generated from this grant. Capacity constraints will need to be dealt with both in the PRP as well as in support areas – principally in the contracting, fiscal, and IT areas.

Other Information:

The additional federal LUST stimulus funding will be used to expedite work at approximately 75 sites that are on the MPCA list of sites to be worked on directly by the Agency due to lack of a viable responsible party. The stimulus funding will result in work at these sites being completed within the grant timeframe of 9/30/11, which in most cases will be significantly earlier than what would otherwise have been possible. The work will be used to stimulate the local economy as well as derive the environmental benefits of the cleanup.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency:

Minnesota Department of Commerce, Office of Energy Security

Federal Grant or Program Name:

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

US Department of Energy

Lead State Agency Contact:

Janet Streff, Manager, State Energy Office

651-297-2545

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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$47.5 million for the state, including \$14,000,000 for State Energy Office. Final numbers are pending from US DOE. The formula is a block grant in which 68% goes to large cities and counties, 2% goes to tribes, 2% is competitively bid and 28% goes to the State Energy Office. Of that 28%, at least 60% must be delivered to the remainder of the cities and counties. We estimate at this time that the 28% will be \$14 million; \$7.6 million will go to the remainder of the cities and counties while \$5.7 million will remain in the State Energy Office under the SEP rules.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Until federal guidance is issued, it's not clear if funding will be distributed by formula, competitively or a combination of both.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None at this time.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Funds are intended to provide cities and counties with resources to improve energy efficiency in their communities. Funds can be used for a wide variety of activities including energy audits, building retrofits, onsite renewable energy generation, efficiency upgrades of traffic signals and street lighting, and others. While there is a large amount of flexibility in the use of the funds for the local units of government, there is not much flexibility in the distribution of funds to the cities and counties.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Not at this time.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

League of MN Cities, MN Association of Counties, Metro Cities, other local unit of government stakeholders

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None at this time.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

We have not received a timeframe for receipt of these funds nor guidelines for the program from US DOE.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

This is a new program so there is no staff currently assigned to it. With the majority of the cities and counties working with us rather than directly with US DOE, this could be an intensive program, labor-wise. It hinges on whether or not we issue each entity a separate grant. We do intend to add staff for this program since we will also need to communicate with the larger cities and counties.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: MN Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry

Federal Grant or Program Name: 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA):
Wildland Fire Management: State and Private Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Forest Service State and Private Forestry
Branch

Lead State Agency Contact: S. Olin Phillips, Forest Management and Protection Section Manager
651-259-5282 olin.phillips@dnr.state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive Grant

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$250,000,000 is available nationally. It is conceivable that Minnesota could see \$2,000,000-5,000,000.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): 21 Specific projects were submitted. Some projects will utilize State Contracts, some are structured for sub-grants to LGUs and NGOs, and some will be direct pass through grants to NGOs.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): These funds do not require a match. There will be limits on the administration costs being taken from the grant for the projects. All regular federal Cooperative Forestry Grant guidance will remain in place, i.e. nondiscrimination, fiscal record keeping, and reporting.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

There is broad flexibility in what can be applied for as long as it addresses Wildland Fire Management risk and costs. Specific grant applications are detailed and there will be limited flexibility in changing them due to the competitive nature of their allocation.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): The legislature and administration will have to review and approve the expanded use of federal funds. Hopefully this process can be streamlined to prevent unnecessary delays in project implementation.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: The Northeastern Area State and private Forestry Office of the U. S. Forest Service are coordinating Grant applications and their review.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: Not Applicable

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Grant requests had to be submitted by Noon EST, February 19, 2009. It is anticipated that grant requests will be approved within the next 30 days but a final date for allocation has not been established.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): The ability to shorten grant and contract approval will be critical to meeting the timelines expected for Stimulus project implementation. Staff administration and particularly fiscal oversight will stretch current capabilities.

Other Information: None

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Vocational Rehabilitation

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Kim Peck, Program Director
Kim.Peck@state.mn.us
(651) 259-7345

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$6,344,891 - \$540M nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
-Competitive grants
-Targeted Case Services

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
VR program funds are controlled by federal VR Regulations. We are waiting to hear if anything other than standard rules apply.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
DHS, MDE, Community Rehabilitation Partners

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

3 to 6 months after receipt of funds.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Additional temporary staff may be required.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Vocational Rehabilitation/Services for the Blind

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Chuk Hamilton, Program Director
Chuk.Hamilton@state.mn.us
(651) 642-0512

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$1,392,781 - \$540M nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Funds will be used internally by the Workforce Development Unit of State Services for the Blind to serve eligible persons who want to go to work.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Current maintenance of effort level must be maintained. We are not aware of any new requirements.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Goods and services are provided or purchased to prepare eligible blind, deafblind and visually impaired persons for employment. Dollars will primarily be used to expand and enrich activities related to evaluation, counseling, adjustment to blindness, technology training and equipment, job development, placement, and follow-up. Additional temporary positions may be needed to increase the number of customers employed and improve the overall employment rate. Additionally, some funds may be used to update equipment in the Business Enterprises Program for the Blind.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds are expected to be received during this federal fiscal year.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Additional temporary staff may be required.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Independent Living Part B

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Kim Peck, Program Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$199,188 - \$18.2 million nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Dictated by the State Plan for Independent Living.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
Hard (cash contributions) required

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Likely focus on expanding Independent Living services to more communities throughout the state.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
State Independent Living Council

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Within 60 days of receipt of money.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Possible constraints to be determined.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Centers for Independent Living – Independent Living Part C

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Kim Peck, Program Director
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(651) 259-7345

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$1,200,000 estimated - \$87.5 million nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Dictated by the State Plan for Independent Living.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Decisions will be made at the local level by the Boards and Staff of Independent Living Centers.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
8 local Independent Living Center Boards

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Within 60 days of receipt.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Independent Living/Services for the Blind

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Chuk Hamilton, Program Director
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(651) 642-0512

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$ 43,724 - \$18.2 million nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
Hard (cash contributions) required

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Funds must be used consistent with state plan. These funds will be used for outreach to unserved/underserved blind Minnesota citizens.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
None.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funding should be received this fiscal year and outreach efforts expanded within 60-90 days.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Independent Living - Older Blind

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Education

Lead State Agency Contact: Chuk Hamilton, Program Director
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(651) 642-0512

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$586,345 MN - \$34.3 million nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Funds will be used by the Senior Services Unit of State Services for the Blind, to expand and enrich the current state service system which serves eligible individuals over the age of 55.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
Current match must be maintained, and no additional requirements have been communicated by the U.S. Department of Education.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
The Senior Services Unit provides direct independent living skills training to Minnesotans over the age of 55. Dollars will be used to expand services to an increasing number of eligible persons. Some dollars will also be used for group training, and piloting some assistive technology (training and software to make internet and email accessible) services for this group.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
Funding should be received this federal fiscal year.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
Additional temporary staff may be required.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Public Housing Capital Fund

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): HUD → Public Housing Authorities

Lead State Agency Contact: Tonja Orr, Tonja.Orr@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula and Competitive

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$3 billion nationally by formula → \$47.4 million anticipated to MN directly through Public Housing Authorities. MHFA expects to receive \$6,700,000.

\$1 billion nationally on competitive basis for “priority investments”

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Unknown at this time.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Must supplement, not supplant

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Rehabilitation and retrofitting of public housing units and making critical safety repairs

May not be used for rental assistance or operating activities

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Minnesota Housing will discuss with the local chapter of the association that includes public housing authorities about whether a competitive applications on behalf of the smaller PHAs could be useful.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Priority to projects that can award bids within 120 days

Obligate 100% of funds within 1 year and expend 60% of funds within 2 years

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

The need for public housing rehabilitation exceeds the funding available. Many of the activities undertaken with these funds will involve energy conservation measures. Minnesota Housing and the Department of Commerce (Office of Energy Security) are discussing how federal stimulus funds might be coordinated.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: HOME Investment Partnerships Program – Tax Credit Gap Funding

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Tonja Orr, Tonja.Orr@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$28.4 million anticipated for Minnesota
\$2.25 billion nationally

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Competitive grants or loans to projects already awarded housing tax credits under the Qualified Application Plan (QAP). A portion (approximately 25%) of funds may be made available to sub-allocators for the same use.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
Tax credit rent, income and use restrictions apply. Housing Credit agency (Minnesota Housing and sub-allocators) must monitor performance to ensure compliance with federal housing tax credit requirements and long-term viability of buildings funded. The only area of flexibility is in choosing which of the projects previously awarded tax credits will receive gap financing. Selections will be controlled by criteria HUD has not yet developed.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Capital investments for housing tax credit projects in the form of gap financing of projects that have received housing tax credits in 2007, 2008, 2009. Projects are expected to be completed within 3 years.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal Funds Review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
Commit 75% of funds within 1 year of enactment
More details forthcoming by mid-March from HUD

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
N/A

Other Information:
At this point, we do not know the process for accessing the funds, nor do we know the selection criteria or other requirements HUD might impose.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Assisted Housing Stability and Energy and Green Retrofit Investments

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): HUD

Lead State Agency Contact: N/A

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Both formula and competitive grant

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

MN share unknown

\$2.25 billion nationally

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

HUD shares in future utility savings.

HUD to establish terms and conditions to ensure maintenance and preservation of the property, continued operation and maintenance of energy efficient technologies.

Additional period of affordability of at least 15 years required.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

\$2 billion to provide full year payments to landlords participating in Section 8, 202 and 811 project-based program

\$250 million in grants and loans to upgrade HUD sponsored low-income housing to increase energy efficiency

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

N/A

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

HUD may provide incentives to owners to undertake energy or green retrofits.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Housing Tax Credit Exchange Program

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact: Tonja M. Orr, Tonja.Orr@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): 120,000,000 (estimate)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Competitive grants to finance the construction or acquisition/rehabilitation of rental housing projects.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
Agency must establish a process for award recipients to demonstrate good faith efforts to obtain investment commitments for the credits before the agency makes the award. Housing tax credit rent, income, and use restrictions apply. Agency must monitor for compliance. Agency must require recapture of funds to be repaid to Treasury if projects not in compliance.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Housing credit agencies may exchange a portion of their Housing tax credits for cash grants from the Treasury for grants to housing project owners. 100% of the credits returned in 2009 and unallocated in 2008 may be exchanged as well as 40% of the 2009 credits. Grants equal 85% of the amount of credits exchanged multiplies by 10. The only flexibility is in choosing which projects will receive grants. It is expected that additional selection criteria will be developed by the Department of Treasury.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

We do not know when funds will be available from the U.S. Treasury. Any grants not awarded to projects by 1/1/2011 must be returned to Treasury as well as any grants returned to the housing credit agency.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Other Information: We are awaiting further clarification from Treasury. We will be establishing the process for awarding the grants over the next month to 6 weeks. We have had very preliminary conversations with a couple of tax credit projects that have been unable to secure investors about the possibility of returning the tax credits to Minnesota Housing and possibly receiving a grant in exchange.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Native American Block Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): HUD → Tribal Organizations

Lead State Agency Contact: N/A

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Half: Formula

Half: Competitive

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

Unknown at this time

\$510 million nationally

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

N/A

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Available to tribal organizations for new construction, rehabilitation, acquisition and infrastructure development.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

N/A

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Federal Grant or Program Name: Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): HUD → Competitive Applicants

Lead State Agency Contact: Katy Lindblad, katy.lindblad@state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive grant – states, local units of government and nonprofit entities

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$30,000,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Unknown at this time; depends on agreement reached with collaborating applicants.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Grantees must be in areas with the greatest number and percentage of foreclosure and have the capacity to expend funding within the applicable time period, must have leverage potential, and concentrate investments to achieve neighborhood stabilization. 10% cap on uses for demolition.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Purchase and rehabilitation of foreclosed and vacant properties in order to create more affordable housing and reduce neighborhood blight.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

If competitive application is filed by Minnesota Housing on behalf of multiple jurisdictions, a Federal Funds Review will be necessary.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Minnesota Housing will coordinate with cities, HRAs, EDAs, nonprofit developers and other eligible applicants to submit competitive applications for areas with the greatest need. Minnesota Housing may submit one application on behalf of multiple jurisdictions if there is agreement; otherwise individual jurisdictions will compete on the merits of independent applications.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

50% of allocated amounts must be expended within 2 years of funding availability.
HUD to publish criteria within 75 days of enactment, applications due 75 days later.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Special transfers for unemployment compensation modernization

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
Kathy.Nelson@state.mn.us
(651) 259-7225

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$9,290,259 - \$500 million nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Use is limited to Unemployment Insurance (UI) administration, outreach, improvement of systems and operations and staff-assisted reemployment services to UI applicants.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Appropriation (authority to spend)

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: N/A

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
Additional temporary staff may be required

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Increase in unemployment compensation benefits

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
Kathy.Nelson@state.mn.us
(651) 259-7225

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Adds \$25 to weekly unemployment benefit payments.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$181.5 million

(\$25 per week X 165,000 applicants X 44 weeks = \$181.5m)*assumes weeks only through 12-31-09*

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Must pay \$25 on same schedule as regular UI benefits, be able to recover erroneously paid benefits, and the state cannot modify method governing the computation of regular compensation payable during the period of this agreement.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The Governor entered into an agreement with the Secretary of Labor to provide an increase to both regular and extended unemployment benefits, for applicants becoming eligible by December 31, 2009, by \$25 a week through the week ending July 3, 2010 with full reimbursement paid by the federal government.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Agreement already signed between the State of Minnesota and the Secretary of Labor, U. S. Department of Labor

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

The last payable week is week ending July 3, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A.

Other Information:

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Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Full Federal funding of extended unemployment compensation for a limited period

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Changes the financing of state Extended Benefits (EB) from a federal state 50/50 split to 100% federally funded.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$58.5m for every 13 weeks of benefits paid
(13 weeks X \$9m per week = \$117 m divided by 2 = \$58.5 m)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Extended benefits would be 100% FUTA funded from the date of enactment through January 1, 2010, with the option to grandfather EUC applicants who exhaust on or after January 1, 2010 and extend the period for payment until the week ending on or before June 1, 2010.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
Ends with payments made week ending June 1, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Extension of emergency unemployment compensation program

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Extends eligibility for unemployed individuals to collect Emergency Unemployment Compensation.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$324m (*\$9m/per week X 36 weeks = \$324 m*)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The Act amends the Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2008 to provide for the continuation of temporary, extended unemployment benefits of 20 weeks for all eligible individuals who exhaust state benefits, and an additional 13 weeks for individuals living in states with a high rate of unemployment (3 month seasonally adjusted average UI rate of at least 6 percent). Extends eligibility end date to December 31, 2009, with payment phase out ending on May 31, 2010. Also, changes funding from Federal Unemployment Account (FUA) to US Treasury General Revenue.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Payments end with week ending May 31, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Temporary suspension of federal income taxation on the first \$2,400 of unemployment benefits.

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Internal Revenue Service

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
Kathy.Nelson@state.mn.us
(651) 259-7225

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Tax break.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
Unknown.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
N/A

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Under current law, all federal unemployment benefits are subject to taxation. The proposal temporarily suspends federal income tax on the first \$2,400 of unemployment benefits per recipient. Any unemployment benefits over \$2,400 will be subject to federal income tax. This proposal is in effect for taxable year 2009.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Taxable year 2009

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Special Transfers for Unemployment Compensation (UC) Modernization

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
Kathy.Nelson@state.mn.us
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$130 million for MN - \$7 billion nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Requirement is to have an alternate base period, plus two of four other provisions. Minnesota is proposing legislation for the alternate base period, plus provisions for exceptions to ineligibility for quitting employment because of:

- (i) The Illness or disability of a member of the individual's immediate family (as defined by the Secretary of Labor).
- (ii) The need for the individual to accompany such individual's spouse-
To a place from which it is impractical for such individual to commute; and
Due to a change in location of the spouse's employment.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Use is limited for payment of benefits unless state legislature appropriates for UI administration purposes.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Statutory changes.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
Distribution from the Federal Unemployment Account before October 1, 2011.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Title II – Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families, Temporary Assistance for States with Advances

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Kathy Nelson, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Waiver of interest when borrowing for the UI Trust Fund.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$21 million in interest savings (estimate)

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
N/A

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
The Act temporarily waives the accrual of interest and interest payments on state loans from the Federal Unemployment Account (FUA) used to pay state Unemployment Insurance benefits. The provision is in effect from the date of enactment to December 31, 2010.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
N/A

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Date of enactment to December 31, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

N/A

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Employment Service Operations (Wagner-Peyser)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$6,895,090 - \$400M nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula based upon the relative number of Unemployment Insurance (UI) applicants in local areas of the state.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
At least 2/3rds of the funds will be used to provide reemployment assistance to Unemployment Insurance (UI) applicants. Up to 1/3rd of the funds may be used to provide employment assistance to job seekers in addition to UI applicants.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Most of the funds will be used to fund DEED staff in local WorkForce Centers to provide employment assistance to UI applicants and other job seekers. Some funds will be used to make technology enhancements to labor exchange systems such as MinnesotaWorks.net.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Funds will be available for staffing purposes as soon as it becomes available, and will be available until September 30, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Additional temporary staff may be required.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$6,952,045 - \$500M nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Formula allocated to sixteen local Workforce Investment Boards

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
The money is used to prepare unemployed citizens for employment through job placement assistance including resume writing workshops, interviewing skills, and job leads; assessment and career planning; pre-vocational services to including ESL, GED, and soft skill training; and occupational skill training. The flexibility depends on the needs of the unemployed. There is flexibility to move funds between WIA Adult and WIA Dislocated Worker Programs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: N/A.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: 30 days from enactment to states, a couple of days to local WorkForce Boards.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): None.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Youth

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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(651) 259-7563

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$17,789,172 - \$1.2 billion nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

These funds are intended to augment existing federal Workforce Investment Act resources by providing funding for short-term employment and training opportunities for economically disadvantaged youth between the ages of 14 and 24 during the summer of 2009. Federal law is modified to allow outcomes to adapt to stimulus language. Funds will be used to pay participant wages as well as supportive services allowable under existing federal law and policy.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Allocation to local service providers once allocation specifications received from DOL.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: ASAP

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): Lack of detailed policy directives (as of this writing). Situation evolving rapidly.

Additional temporary staff may be required.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Competitive Grants – High Growth and Emerging Jobs

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive grant to Workforce Service Area (WSA's) statewide/Local Workforce Council Boards/Higher Education/Other Certified Service Providers.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$8–10M estimated - \$500M nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
States apply for WIA competitive grants - while competition occurs at national level – it is likely that several states may be awarded several grants. We are anticipating that Minnesota will receive grants in the amount \$8 – 10 Million

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown at this time.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Services will include training of multiple individuals in high-demand occupations or emerging occupations.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
None. The competition is at the federal level.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: To be determined by the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Competitive Grants – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Industries (Greens Jobs)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive grant to Workforce Service Area (WSA's) statewide/Local Workforce Council Boards/Higher Education/Other Certified Service Providers.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$8 -\$10M estimated - \$500M nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
States apply for WIA competitive grants - while competition occurs at national level – it is likely that several states may be awarded several grants. We are anticipating that Minnesota will receive grants in the amount \$8 - \$10 Million

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Unknown at this time.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Services will include training of multiple individuals in 'green jobs', energy efficiency and renewable energy industries.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
None. The competition is at the federal level.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: To be determined by the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Dislocated Worker

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$20,963,288 - \$1.25 billion nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
25% of funds will be held for State Rapid Response projects to employees from lay-offs of 50 or more, 60% of funds formula allocated to local Workforce Investment Boards, 5% for administration, and 10% for discretionary funds to be used for WIA eligible training projects for dislocated workers.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
The money is used to assist people who have been laid off from their job through no fault of their own and are eligible for unemployment compensation for employment through job placement assistance including resume writing workshops, interviewing skills, and job leads; assessment and career planning; pre-vocational services to including ESL, GED, and soft skill training; and occupational skill training. The flexibility depends on the needs of the unemployed. There is flexibility to move funds between WIA Adult and WIA Dislocated Worker Programs.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Coordination with the state dislocated worker program.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: 30 days from enactment to states, a couple of days to local WorkForce Boards.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
Additional temporary staff may be required.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Small Cities Community Development Block Grant

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Housing and Urban Development

Lead State Agency Contact: Reed Erickson, Program Director
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(651) 259-7456

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$5,561,420 - \$1 billion nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

- Davis Bacon Labor Requirements
- Additional Reporting

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

To develop viable, eligible communities by providing financial assistance to address the need for decent, safe, affordable housing, economic development and public facility needs, and provide a suitable living environment by expanding economic opportunities, principally benefiting low to moderate income households.

All SCDP funded projects are intended to support community development activities that:

- At a minimum, provide evidence of meeting one of the following Federal Objectives:
 - Benefit low and moderate income (LMI) persons/households. LMI is defined as households whose total income from all members does not exceed 80% of the Area Median Income, adjusted for household size as determined by HUD annually.
 - Prevent or eliminate slum and blight conditions;
 - Alleviate urgent community development needs caused by conditions which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, where other financial resources are not available.
- Support a mix of rehabilitation, conversion and construction activities that preserve and increase affordable housing, both for renters and owners;
- Encourage and assist local governments to develop comprehensive economic development strategies which develop viable communities by providing economic opportunities for Low-to-Moderate Income Households;

- Encourage and assist local governments to develop comprehensive public facility improvement strategies in conjunction with Rural Development (RD), the Public Facility Authority (PFA), MN Pollution Control (MPCA), etc., to make rural communities more viable.
- Develop and implement strategies, which facilitate the coordination of CDBG Small Cities funding with other federal/state/local community development resources.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: MN Housing Finance for rental development projects and conversion; Public Facility Authority and Rural Development on public facility projects.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Once DEED receives a contract from HUD, DEED will be able to execute contracts within 120 days with local recipients who are able to solicit bids for eligible projects within 120 days from the date funds are made available to the recipients.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Senior Community Service Employment Program for Older Americans

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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(651) 259-7563

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Grants to existing sub-grantees.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$626,079 - \$120 million nationwide.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Grants to public and private nonprofit organizations – which we currently have a group of organizations in place that provide similar work.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
A match requirement of 10% for the sub-grantee.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Will provide wage subsidies for qualifying low-income seniors (55 and older) who perform community service work for those public and private nonprofit organizations referred to as Host Agencies (training sites).

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
Current vendors (sub-grantees) will be used.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: To be determined by the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: National Emergency Grants (NEGs)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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(651) 259-7563

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive grant to Workforce Service Area (WSA's) statewide, Independent Service Providers and Certified Service Providers.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$10M estimated - \$200M nationwide

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

States apply for national emergency grants - while competition occurs at national level – it is likely that several states may be awarded several grants. We are anticipating that Minnesota will receive grants in the amount \$8 – 10 million

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

None.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

DEED has submitted a NEG Application for \$2.1 Million to serve 485 workers from automotive related companies statewide.

DEED is in the process of applying for a High Tech NEG to provide dislocated worker services to individuals from those companies in the IT field.

Other NEG applications may address other large layoffs in the healthcare, automotive-related manufacturing, and corporate-related fields.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

None. The competition is at the federal level.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

To be determined by the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)/Trade Readjustment Assistance (TRA)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
Bonnie.Elsey@state.mn.us
(651) 259-7563

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Competitive.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$10M estimated for MN - \$718.7M nationwide. Minnesota provides the standard TAA services under budget each year. It is unknown at this time the allocation that each state will receive and the cost of the additional requirements.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

TAA customers are incumbent workers who have lost their jobs due to increased imports or foreign competition. Benefits and reemployment services include training; job search allowances; relocation allowances; and weekly cash benefits called Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) that are paid to eligible workers following their exhaustion of unemployment insurance.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Unknown at this time.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The TAA program under the stimulus package has been expanded to include the service industry and now includes case management. The program has also been changed to allow more flexible training options and part-time training is allowable. Service sector workers and their secondary workers to service workers are also eligible. Jobs shifted to other countries are eligible even if we don't have a free trade agreement. There are also specific grants to community colleges to develop curricula under the trade act.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

To be determined by the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Federal Grant or Program Name: Youthbuild

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Labor

Lead State Agency Contact: Bonnie Elsey, Division Director
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(651) 259-7563

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):
Competitive grant.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):
\$50,000,000 nationwide

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
N/A. Competition occurs at national level; no direct state involvement

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):
Recipients of federal Youthbuild funds require local matching funds.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
A Request For Proposal process has historically been used for competition among eligible organizations seeking federal Youthbuild funds. The State of Minnesota has not played any role in this process other than to assist local service providers with technical assistance in preparation of responses to previous RFPs. These funds are used to construct new or rehabilitate older housing units that are targeted for sale to eligible families.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
None. Grants issued directly to organizations.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
None. The competition is at the federal level.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:
To be determined by the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
None.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Departments of Commerce (DOC) and Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

Federal Grant or Program Name: Broadband

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development/Rural Utilities Service (RUS) and U. S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)

Lead State Agency Contact: Diane Wells
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651-284-4213

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): The RUS has indicated that the funds that it administers will be distributed in the form of loans, loan guarantees and competitive grants. The funds available through the NTIA under their Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) will be distributed as competitive grants.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): Not formula funding so no state specific allocation. The ARRA only provides that the NTIA should try to award at least one BTOP project per state.

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): The ARRA only requires that the NTIA consult with the states on the location of unserved and underserved areas and the allocation of grant funds within the state for projects in or affecting the state. The NTIA and RUS held joint meetings between March 10-24 to take public input on their programs, including the issue of the role of states. A written comment period is open until April 13. Guidelines are then expected to be issued.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): The RUS has not yet established requirements regarding its loan, loan guarantee or grant program. The NTIA's BTOP program, under the language of the ARRA, does require a 20 percent match unless waived.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Under the ARRA, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, RUS, has \$2.5 billion that it will distribute in loans, loan guarantees and grants. The NTIA of the U.S. Department of Commerce was allocated \$4.7 billion for BTOPS, with \$200m for competitive grants for expanding public computing center capacity including at community colleges and libraries; \$250m for competitive grants for innovative programs to encourage sustainable adoption of broadband services; \$350m for national broadband mapping; \$10m for audits and oversight; not more than 3% of funds for administrative costs, and the remainder for competitive grants.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): We are awaiting direction from the RUS and NTIA as to what the role of states will be in the process.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

The Minnesota Department of Commerce and Department of Employment and Economic Development intend to coordinate activities to fulfill the role that is designated to the states.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding: The RUS and NTIA have made a preliminary indication that they foresee three rounds of funding in the following timeframes: April-June 2009, October-December 2009 and April-June 2010. The NTIA must make all BTOP funding awards by September 30, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): Unknown until state role is defined by federal agencies.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota State Arts Board

Federal Grant or Program Name: The Arts and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): National Endowment for the Arts

Lead State Agency Contact: Sue Gens, Executive Director

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$316,200

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):
Competitive grants

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): None

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 recognized that the nonprofit arts industry is an important sector of the economy. The purpose of this grant is to help preserve jobs in the nonprofit arts sector that are threatened by declines in philanthropic and other support during the current economic downturn.

The Arts Board was encouraged to adhere to the Federal program guidelines, and use Federal application templates. Although it was not required to do so, the board intends to adhere closely to the guidelines and design of the Federal program.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):
Federal Funds Review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:
N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:
None

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

The Arts Board intends to establish a July 2009 application deadline for its competitive grant program. Applications will be reviewed, and a list of recommended grantees will be completed by early September 2009. The Arts Board will take final action on the grant recommendations in late September 2009. Grants will be awarded when grant agreements have been fully executed, anticipated to be late October/early November 2009.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):
None

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Federal Grant or Program Name: Supplemental Discretionary Grants for a National Surface Transportation System – Formula to States

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Department of Transportation

Lead State Agency Contact: Abigail McKenzie, Director, Mn/DOT Office of Investment Management and Performance Measures

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Formula: with 30% apportioned Surface Transportation Program (STP) population categories, 3% apportioned under the Enhancement Program and 67% apportioned at the States discretion.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$495 million to \$510 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

The funds will be split approximately 70% to TH projects and 30% to Local Projects, based on historic state local shares of Federal funds. Approximately 50% of the TH funding will be Greater Mn and 50% Twin Cities Metro area. Greater MN funding was distributed with approximately 20% going to District 1, 3 and 6; while approximately 10% will go to Districts 2, 4, 7 and 8. The local funding will follow the sub-allocation by population with most of the STP urban area going to the Twin Cities Metro area local units of Government and most of the STP population between 5,000 and 200,000 and STP population less than 5,000 going to the Greater Mn Local units of Government. Project selection for TH projects will be based on the following criteria: project readiness, work type balance and consistency with plans. Greater Mn local projects have been prioritized through solicitation. Projects funded with STP funds in Minnesota's 7 Metropolitan Planning Organizations must be approved by those MPO's.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): There is a "Maintenance of Effort" requirement. The State must maintain its level of effort regarding the projects that were planned for State funding for the types of projects using the Economic Recovery funding under this area. If the State does not maintain the level of effort, the State will not be eligible to receive redistribution of uncommitted formula obligation authority in Federal Fiscal Year 2011. A "Maintenance of Effort" (MOE) letter must be submitted by the Governor within 30 days of enactment.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Funds will be used for Transportation improvements on the TH system and the local system that are federal aid eligible under 23 U.S.C.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

MPO approvals for affected projects (ongoing)
MOE certification (March 17, 2009)
Budget authority (spending) (March 31, 2009)

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

50% of the non-sub-allocated funding must be obligated in the Federal system within 120 days from when the funding is apportioned. After this date the portion that remains un-obligated will be rescinded and given to states that met this requirement. 100% of the funding must be obligated in the Federal system within 365 days from when the funding is apportioned. After this date the portion that remains un-obligated will be rescinded and given to states that met this requirement. States have until September 30, 2010 to obligate this second redistribution or the funding lapses.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Mn/DOT is on track to meet these deadlines.

Other Information: N/A

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency:

Metropolitan Council

Federal Grant or Program Name:

Surface Transportation Program (STP) Urban Guarantee and Transportation Enhancement Funding

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Metropolitan Council and its Transportation Advisory Board acting as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

Lead State Agency Contact:

Peter Bell, Chair

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

Surface Transportation Program (STP)	\$75 M
Transportation Enhancements	\$7.5 M

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Competitive process

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

One year deadline for obligation of the funds. Projects must follow federal eligibility and obtain established approvals.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The region has used these funds in the past and anticipates they will be used in a similar fashion. Program eligibility is flexible for various transportation purposes. The STP Funds have been used for highway and bridge construction and reconstruction, bicycle and pedestrian facilities and transit facilities. The Enhancement Funds must be used for 12 federally defined types of projects which include facilities and safety and educational programs for pedestrians and bicycles.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

If the funds are allocated to MnDOT through the MPO competitive process, additional appropriation authority may be necessary.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

All city and county governments in the seven county area, MnDOT, MPCA and MN Department of Economic Development.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

All MPO funds must be obligated within one year, by about March 7, 2010.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

A very long list of potential MnDOT and local projects has been submitted for consideration for the MPO funds. A selection process and funding options are being developed.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Federal Grant or Program Name: Supplemental Discretionary Grants for a National Surface Transportation System – Discretionary by competitive grant application

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Department of Transportation

Lead State Agency Contact: Abigail McKenzie, Director, Mn/DOT Office of Investment Management and Performance Measures

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): \$1.5 billion for competitive grants for Surface Transportation or Transit capital improvements ranging from \$20 million to \$300 million with a maximum per state of 20% of the total.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): N/A

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): There is a “Maintenance of Effort” requirement. The State must maintain its level of effort regarding the projects that were planned for State funding for the types of projects using the Economic Recovery funding under this area. If the State does not maintain the level of effort, the State will not be eligible to receive redistribution of uncommitted formula obligation authority in Federal Fiscal Year 2011. A “Maintenance of Effort” (MOE) letter must be submitted by the Governor within 30 days of enactment.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds): Funds will be used for Transportation improvements that are successful in obtaining funding under this program.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Mn/DOT is continuing discussions with MMB and legislative staff to increase spending authority as necessary.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Grants will be project specific. Mn/DOT will coordinate with any affected state, state agency, local unit of government or groups necessary in-order to best qualify for the grant and for successful utilization of any funding received through the solicitation process.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

At the Federal level the Secretary of the Department of Transportation shall publish the criteria on which to base the competition for any grants awarded to be awarded under this funding. The Secretary shall require application for funding provided under this program to be submitted not later than 180 days after the publication of such criteria, and announce all projects selected to be funded from such funds not later than 1 year after enactment of the bill. All funds must be obligated by September 30, 2011.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): N/A

Other Information: N/A

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Federal Grant or Program Name: Federal Railroad Administration Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): FRA

Lead State Agency Contact: Mike Schadauer, Director
Office of Transit, Mn/DOT
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Email: Mike.Schadauer@dot.state.mn.us

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Competitive grant.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Funds will be distributed through a competitive grants process to passenger rail projects that best meet the intent of the federal legislation while at the same time fulfilling goals established for the Minnesota transportation system.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): All funding applications must meet USDOT guidance on grant requirements and procedures. Funds available will be 100% federal funding with no local match, and can be used only for capital projects. Funding will be available until used or September 30, 2012.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds): The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) will make \$8 billion available through a competitive process for high-speed rail corridors and intercity passenger rail service development. The U.S. Department of Transportation is required to publish a strategic plan on how to use funds to improve and deploy high-speed passenger rail systems by April 17 and interim guidance on grant requirements and procedures by June 16.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): State legislature must grant Mn/DOT the budget authority to allocate the funds to eligible projects.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with: Mn/DOT has established an Intercity Passenger Rail Transportation Forum that will review, nominate, and forward eligible passenger rail projects. Membership in the Forum consists of stakeholders in active or potential rail projects employing public funding

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None.

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Funding will be available until used or September 30, 2012.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): Mn/DOT will need additional staff to compete for, monitor and expend funds available through this program.

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Federal Grant or Program Name: Grants-In-Aid for Airports

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Lead State Agency Contact: Gary Workman, Director, Mn/DOT Office of Aeronautics

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Distributed as discretionary grants.

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

\$15 million to \$20 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Airport grants-in-aid. The Minnesota Commissioner of Transportation acts as agent on behalf of municipalities to accept, receive and disburse airport grant funds from the FAA.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Priority will be given to those projects that demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Secretary of Transportation that the project can be completed within 2 (two) years of the enactment of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. i.e. by February 17, 2011.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Funds will be used for airport improvement projects for safety, security, preservation, and expansion.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Statutory changes to MS 360.305 subd. 4(c) will allow municipalities to receive funding at 100% with no local match. Two bills (HF 0547 & SF 0482) have been introduced to address this. Mn/DOT has commented on both bills and believes they will facilitate the change necessary for airports to accept these funds.

Mn/DOT is continuing discussions with legislative staff to increase spending authority.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

N/A

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

N/A

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Not less than 50 percent of the funds shall be awarded grants within 120 days of enactment, and remaining funds shall be awarded within 1 year of enactment of the Act.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency:

Mn\DOT Office of Transit

Federal Grant or Program Name:

Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Section 5307 Small Urban Formula Funds, Section 5309 Discretionary Capital Funds and Section 5311 Rural Transit Assistance Funds

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

FTA: Section 5307 systems.

The 5307 Funds will be allocated directly to the six Greater Mn Transit Systems of:

- Duluth
- East Grand Forks
- La Crescent
- Moorhead
- Rochester
- St. Cloud

Mn/DOT Office of Transit: Section 5311 systems

Mn/DOT Office of Transit: will be handling the Section 5309 Distribution for Greater Mn Transit Systems

Lead State Agency Contact:

Mn/DOT Office of Transit: Tom Gottfried (651) 366-4171

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

FTA Section 5307, 5311 and Section 5309

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

(this is only for Greater Mn Transit, it does not include Metro Transit of the seven county area of the Twin cities)

Formula:

Section 5307: \$6 million

Section 5311: \$19 million

Competitive:

Section 5309: \$3-6 million

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

All project funds go through an established competitive project selection process.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

NA

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

Greater Minnesota Transit projects include transit vehicles, transit facilities and ITS projects and the Department is able to flex funds between the 5311 Rural program to 5307 Small Urban program recipients as the project priorities merit.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

MnDOT Office of Transit already has authority under Mn Statutes 174.21.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

NA

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

NA

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Within 180 days of FTA release of the Federal Register guidance.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

MnDOT Office of Transit need about 2 FTEs to meet the time line of the projected program requirements.

Other Information: *NA*

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Metropolitan Council

Federal Grant or Program Name:

- 1) Transit Capital Assistance Section 5307 Urbanized Area Apportionments
- 2) Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Investment Apportionments

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): Metropolitan Council

Lead State Agency Contact:
Mr. Peter Bell
Chair, Metropolitan Council
Phone: (651) 602-1453

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

- 1) Transit Capital Assistance Section 5307 Formula Funds
- 2) Transit Capital Section 5309 Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Investment

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

- 1) Transit Capital Assistance Section 5307 Formula Funds: \$67,184,150
- 2) Transit Capital Section 5309 Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Funds: \$1,851,573

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

As the designated recipient of these Federal Funds, the Metropolitan Council will make applications in accordance with FTA rules and regulations to support the designated projects. The Metropolitan Council in coordination with the Suburban Transit Providers has compiled a list of transit projects for consideration for funding with economic recovery funds. Final selection of the eligible projects will be

approved by the Metropolitan Council based on the Transit Economic Stimulus Principles and project readiness. The Metropolitan Council's Stimulus Principles are, in order of priority, as follows:

1. Use stimulus dollars to offset operating cost or leverage operating fund;
2. Make capital investments that improve operating efficiencies; and
3. Make capital investments with no or minimal operating tails.

The current compiled list of transit projects for consideration exceeds the anticipated economic recovery funds available. Project flexibility within the obligation timelines is important in order to meet the rules of eligibility and use the recovery dollars to their greatest extent.

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Transit Capital Assistance Section 5307 Formula Funds: The federal share is up to 100 percent. The deadline for grantees to obligate funds is 180 days after apportionment for a minimum of 50 percent of their funds with the balance to be obligated within one year after apportionment.

Transit Capital Section 5309 Fixed Guideway Funds: The federal share is up to 100 percent. The deadline for grantees to obligate funds is 180 days after apportionment for a minimum of 50 percent of their funds with the balance to be obligated within one year after apportionment.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

The Metropolitan Council has compiled a list of transit projects for consideration for funding with economic recovery funds. The Council's first priority for any recovery funds for transit would be to apply it towards eligible costs included in the transit operating budget rather than for capital expenditures. Federal formula transit funds (5307 Formula Funds) are eligible for preventive maintenance activities and capital costs of contracting up to allowable expense limits. The current compiled list of transit projects for consideration exceeds the anticipated economic recovery funds available. Project flexibility within the obligation timelines is important in order to meet the rules of eligibility and use the recovery dollars to their greatest extent. See the attached list of the Metropolitan Council Regional Transit Projects.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

All eligible projects must be included in the TAB approved and Metropolitan Council approved Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). If selected projects are not included in the approved TIP, an amendment will be prepared to include these projects. The State will incorporate regional TIP amendments into the State TIP.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

The Regional Transit Projects for consideration with the Economic Recovery Funds will be coordinated with the Metropolitan Council, Suburban Transit Providers and Counties.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

No federal legislative changes are needed.

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

Transit Capital Assistance Section 5307 Formula Funds: The federal share is up to 100 percent. The deadline for grantees to obligate funds is 180 days after apportionment for a minimum of 50 percent of their funds with the balance to be obligated within one year after apportionment.

Transit Capital Section 5309 Fixed Guideway Funds: The federal share is up to 100 percent. The deadline for grantees to obligate funds is 180 days after apportionment for a minimum of 50 percent of their funds with the balance to be obligated within one year after apportionment.

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

None

Other Information:

See the attached list of the Metropolitan Council Regional Transit Projects.

Metropolitan Council Regional Transit Projects

02/19/09

The following is a list of transit projects compiled for consideration for funding with economic recovery funds. To be clear, the Council's first priority for any recovery funds for transit would be to apply it towards eligible costs included in the transit operating budget rather than for capital expenditures. Federal formula transit funds (5307 funds) are eligible for preventive maintenance activities and capital costs of contracting, which are costs in the transit operating budget.

Please note this list is subject to change once the details of the economic recovery package are known and it is important to recognize that not all projects listed will be able to be funded. This compilation has not been prioritized and project flexibility is important in order to meet the rules of eligibility and use the recovery dollars to their greatest extent.

These first two projects listed below for bus procurement are currently programmed in the Council's CIP using existing federal 5307 funds for 80% of the costs and regional transit capital (RTC) funds for the remaining 20% of costs. The planned federal funds have not yet been applied for and therefore these projects are eligible for Economic Recovery Funds (ERF). It is the Council's intent to use the ERF on a portion of these projects to lock up at least 50% of the ERF within the 180 day requirement. This allocation will "free-up" the already programmed federal 5307 funds and the RTC match to be used on other capital projects on the remainder of this list. In keeping with the spirit of the Economic Recovery legislation, the Council intends to allocate the "freed-up" funds to other projects, get the projects underway and creating or retaining jobs within the community as quickly as possible.

Bus Procurement – Large Replacement Buses

Project Description: Metro Transit has current contracts in place with available options for the purchase of 40 foot diesel, 40 foot hybrids and articulated buses. Metro Transit is ready to issue a Notice to Proceed totaling about \$50 M for 113 replacement buses which include: (80) 40 foot diesel, (8) 40 foot hybrid and (25) articulated buses. These replacement buses would be delivered in early 2010. Additional option buses are available in following years.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: Vehicle purchase - \$50-\$86 M, March-April 2009 for \$50 M in bus purchases, balance after 120 days.

Metro Mobility Bus Procurement

Project Description: Go-Green Initiative. Taking advantage of rapidly improving technology for "cutaway" buses Metro Mobility will replace approximately 10 percent (25 vehicles) of the existing fleet set to be retired in 2009 with "Hybrid Electric Vehicles."

Hybrid electric vehicles may result in a fuel savings of up to 40 percent over traditional fuel vehicles.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: Vehicle purchase \$3.3 M, March-April 2009

Bus Preventive Maintenance and Capital Cost of Contracting

Project Description: Preventive maintenance and capital cost of contracting is an expense eligible for FTA capital assistance under normal 5307 project eligibility. Preventive maintenance costs are all maintenance costs as defined by the National Transit Database (NTD). These costs cover capital costs that are typically included in an operating budget such as preventive maintenance and facility repairs. Federal rules limit the amount of 5307 funds that can be drawn into the operating budget to cover preventive maintenance or capital cost of contracting. Metro Transit, Metro Mobility and the Suburban Providers are not currently at the allowable limit.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: The additional projected maximum preventive maintenance that would qualify for federal funds is estimated at \$15.0 M per year and additional maximum allowable amount for the capital costs of contracting is estimated at \$3.5 M per year. These funds could begin to be drawn in immediately.

Hiawatha LRT 3 Car Train Acceleration

Project Description: Hiawatha ridership exceeds levels projected in 2025. This would allow the Council to purchase (15-17) additional cars to accommodate overloads and allow Metro Transit to move forward with the three car train program. This will increase the capacity of the light rail system by 50%.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: \$59 - \$66 M, A light rail vehicle specification has been prepared. Informational meetings are being held with light rail car manufacturers the week of February 16, 2009 to discuss the vehicle specifications. A light rail vehicle solicitation package is anticipated to be issued the end of 2nd quarter 2009 with an awarded contract and Notice to Proceed to be issued 2nd quarter 2010. With this schedule the first light rail vehicle would be delivered 2nd quarter 2012, with two vehicles per month delivered thereafter. This timeline could be compressed depending on the awarded light rail vehicle manufacturer.

Northstar Commuter Rail

Project Description: This project would purchase one Northstar commuter rail supplemental cab/coach car and one spare locomotive. These additional supplemental pieces of equipment will provide spare capacity to improve the overall reliability on the Northstar Commuter Rail. The spare cab car will allow for passenger capacity to meet

anticipated ridership demands. The spare locomotive will assist in the performance of required maintenance intervals while maintaining system reliability

Project Total Cost and Timeline: \$6.0 million total. \$3.0 million for one cab/coach car, \$3.0M for one used locomotive. The cab/coach car could be ordered within 90 days under an existing option with delivery in approximately 18 months. The locomotive would require a new contract to be completed by July 2009 with anticipated delivery in approximately 15 to 18 months.

Metro Transit Bus Operating Facility

Project Description: Metro Transit annual ridership has grown 18 million since 2004, and in 2008 reached its highest annual ridership in 27 years of 82 M rides. Existing facility capacity is nearing its limit. Continued growth is dependent on having adequate storage and maintenance for expansion buses. This new garage facility would house approximately 180 buses and be located near the existing Heywood garage on Council owned property.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: \$53.9 million total cost. The land is already secured. Contracts could be awarded for site demolition and detailed design within 120 days totaling \$6.0M. Construction of \$47.9M would begin in 2010 with anticipated completion in 2012.

Park and Ride Expansion

Project Description: This project could expand existing Park and Ride capacity at either the Maplewood Mall or in Woodbury. Each of the park and rides would include an addition of a 1,000 space parking structure. Capacity of the existing park and ride surface lots at these locations are fully utilized with additional demand exceeding available space. The parking structures would be constructed on property owned by the Metropolitan Council.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: The project cost for the Maplewood Park and Ride would be \$15,000,000 and the project cost for the Woodbury Park and Ride would be \$15,000,000. Design would be completed by 4th quarter 2009 in order to allow for competitive bidding in January 2010. Construction would begin in April 2010 with completion by year end 2010.

Silver Leaf Station – Maple Grove, MN

Project Description: Transit Center and Park and Ride Facility located in western Maple Grove servicing the growing western suburban market, including the following program

elements: land acquisition, passenger station, 375 park and ride stalls, busway and access roads. This project currently has a CMAQ grant and local match programmed for 2011.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: Total – \$9.4 M (CMAQ - \$6.7 M, local - \$1.7 M, \$1.0 M unfunded.) The City is prepared to purchase the site and start construction in fall 2009 and complete in summer 2010.

Apple Valley Transit Station Parking Ramp Additional Level

Project Description: The project would include the construction of a third elevated level in the Apple Valley Transit Station parking ramp. The additional level would provide additional parking for approximately 150 vehicles.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: The anticipated project cost would be \$2.975 M which includes design fees. Design can be completed in 2009 and construction in 2010. A contract can be awarded within 4-6 months.

SW Bus Garage Remodel – Chaska, MN

Project Description: Improvements that are required to modify an existing warehouse building into a functional bus garage suitable for bus storage, maintenance, fueling and washing operations and general administrative uses.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: Construction Estimate - \$2.0 M to \$3.0 M (does not include building acquisition). The garage is not yet owned, and design and environmental work must be completed. A contract could be let within 90 days of garage acquisition.

Bus Only Ramp TH 169 to Stagecoach Road – Shakopee

Project Description: This project is to construct a bus only ramp from northbound TH 169 to Stagecoach Road in Shakopee. The project currently has a STP grant scheduled in 2011.

Project Total Cost and Timeline: Total \$670,000. This project is scheduled in the TIP in 2011 with \$1.4 M in STP funds and \$288,000 in local match. The project is ready to let, the land is owned and design and environmental work complete.

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency:

Department of Public Safety/ Office of Justice Programs

Federal Grant or Program Name:

Federal Office of Justice Programs
 Bureau of Justice Assistance-Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
 Office for Victims of Crime-Victim of Crime Act (VOCA)
 Compensation
 Victim Assistance
 Office on Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) STOP Grants

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different):

Lead State Agency Contact:

Mary Ellison Deputy Commissioner 651-201-7173
 Jeri Boisvert Executive Director 651-201-7305

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other):

Formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding):

JAG	\$29,000,000-60 % (\$18m) to the state & 40% (\$11m) to local units of government with high crime rates.
VOCA	\$350,000-compensations \$850,000-victim assistance
VAWA	\$1,000,000

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other):

Targeted competitive grants

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements):

Must follow all existing program requirements and special conditions for each fund

JAG Must Pass thru 65.72% of award (aprox. \$11m) to locals-
(Allows for up to aprox \$6m that could be awarded to state agencies)

Locals who receive direct awards may not be eligible for Pass thru funds

VAWA 25% cash match required for VAWA,

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):

JAG JAG funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, supplies, equipment and contractual support to improve the functioning of the criminal and juvenile justice system for any of the following purpose areas: law enforcement, prosecution and court programs, prevention & education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment, planning, evaluation and technology improvement, crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)
Great flexibility allowed within purpose area

VOCA \$350,000 for compensation to individuals for costs related to a violent crime
\$850,000 for direct victim assistance

VAWA \$1,000,000 for STOP Program activities (Services • Training • Officers • Prosecutors)

- Training law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors to more effectively identify and respond to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence; The program has a number of specific purpose areas such as:
 - Developing, training, or expanding units of law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors specifically targeting violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence;
 - Developing and implementing more effective police, court, and prosecution policies, protocols, orders, and services specifically devoted to preventing, identifying, and responding to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence;

- Developing, installing, or expanding data collection and communication systems, including computerized systems, linking police, prosecutors, and courts or for the purpose of identifying and tracking arrests, protection orders, violations of protection orders.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other):

Federal funds review

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

Corrections, DOC, Courts, Education, Chiefs and Sheriffs Associations, Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, Gang and Drug Oversight Council, Reparations Board, Crime Victim Coalitions.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed:

None identified at this time

Timeline for Allocating Funding:

3-6 months

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity):

Ability to expend all funds by 9/30/2010
Strict supplant provisions may make timely hiring challenging

Other Information:

Federal Stimulus Information Form

Initial Grant Information

State Agency: Military Affairs

Federal Grant or Program Name: Dept of Army Sustainment Restoration Modernization (SRM)

Entity Distributing Federal Funds (if different): National Guard Bureau

Lead State Agency Contact: Terrence Palmer (651) 268-8948

GRANT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Type of Funding (formula, competitive grant, other): Combination competitive and formula

Anticipated Amount (if formula funding): \$16.8M is amount requested

At the agency, how will the Funds be distributed (formula, competitive grant, other): Projects will be specified within funding allocations from feds

Strings Attached (MOE, match, or other requirements): Match may be required on about \$8.4M of requested amount. State match would be \$2.8M. Currently, will require rapid expenditure and comprehensive reporting.

Very Brief Summary of Program (how will dollars be used, is there flexibility with the funds):
Some 100% federal funding would be used for specific projects at Camp Ripley and logistical facilities around the state. Armory Projects are energy related (boilers, backup heat and electricity, air-conditioning replacement. Only flexibility is location – have to be used for National Guard facilities and for purposes specified.

NEXT STEPS

Authority to be Requested (fed funds review, appropriation, statutory change, other): Should fit within federal funds already requested.

If the grant is competitive, what other state agencies or groups will you be coordinating with:

None, however these are nationwide grants so we will be competing with National Guards of the other 54 states and territories.

Federal Legislative Changes Needed: None

Timeline for Allocating Funding: Next few weeks

Initial Issues or Concerns (ability to expend total amount of funds, staff capacity): Will have to shift some current work to accommodate

Other Information: None