



U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

FY 2013 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Funding Opportunity Information

About the Funding Opportunity

The Economic Development Administration (EDA) provides strategic investments that foster job creation and attract private investment to support development in economically distressed areas of the United States. EDA solicits applications from both rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects. Grants made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets to support the implementation of economic development strategies that promote new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.

Deadlines and Funding Availability

EDA considers applications for the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs on a quarterly cycle. Applications received by a particular deadline will be considered for funding with all applications received in that cycle, as well as with any applications that may have been carried forward from previous cycles.

Note that under any continuing resolution from Congress, *available* appropriations are generally severely restricted compared to EDA's full appropriation from the previous

<i>EDA Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Funding Cycle</i>	<i>Application Deadline</i>	<i>Percent of Available Fiscal Year Appropriations</i>
2013	1	Sept. 20, 2012	30%
	2	Dec. 13, 2012	30%
	3	March 13, 2013	30%
	4	June 13, 2013	10% <i>plus</i> any remaining funds from previous funding cycles
2014	1	Sept. 13, 2013	30%

year. For FY 2013, Congress has enacted a continuing resolution through March, which will potentially limit available funds for these programs to a maximum of \$1 million per EDA region for each of funding cycles 1 and 2.

Eligible Applicants

By law, only the following organizations are eligible to apply for EDA funds:

- a District Organization of a designated Economic Development District;
- an Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes;
- a state, county, city, or other political subdivision of a state, including a special purpose unit of a state or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions;
- an institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or
- a public or private nonprofit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a state.

EDA is not authorized to provide grants to individuals or to for-profit entities.

Distress Criteria and Maximum Allowable Investment Rates

EDA requires applicants to provide data demonstrating that they meet EDA's distress criteria to qualify for the investment rates outlined in the table below. Applicants should use American Community Survey (ACS) data whenever possible. However, other data sources may be acceptable for areas not covered by ACS.

<i>Projects located in regions in which:</i>	<i>Maximum allowable investment rates (percentage of total project cost)</i>
(A) The 24-month unemployment rate is at least 225% of the national average; or	80%
(B) The per capita income is not more than 50% of the national average.	80%
(C) The 24-month unemployment rate is at least 200% of the national average; or	70%
(D) The per capita income is not more than 60% of the national average.	70%
(E) The 24-month unemployment rate is at least 175% of the national average; or	60%
(F) The per capita income is not more than 65% of the national average.	60%
(G) The 24-month unemployment rate is at least 1 percentage point greater than the national average; or	50%
(H) The per capita income is not more than 80% of the national average.	50%

A useful tool for calculating the 24-month unemployment rate and comparing a region's unemployment and per-capita income to the national average is available at www.StatsAmerica.org/distress. EDA staff will review and verify the accuracy of any data submitted by applicants.

For More Information and Application Forms

Please see our full Funding Opportunity on www.grants.gov. The announcement can be found by searching for Funding Opportunity number EDAP2013. Application packages can be downloaded directly from grants.gov and either submitted electronically via grants.gov or on paper to one of EDA's Regional Offices. Detailed instructions on completing an application for funding can be found in section IV.B of the Funding Opportunity. Applications for assistance from EDA's other programs are governed by different funding opportunities, which are published on the agency's website at www.eda.gov once available.