



AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT FUNDS

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Status

- Not all agencies have announced specific details/guidance on how funding is to be accessed.
- Some Federal Funding Opportunities (FFOs) Announced

Virginia (State) ARRA Allocation

- \$4.8 Billion Direct Appropriation
 - Health and Human Services – \$1.833 Billion
 - Education - \$1.548 Billion
 - Transportation - \$811 Million (\$116 Million in Transit through DRPT)
 - Commerce and Trade - \$309 Million
 - Finance - \$218 Million
 - Natural Resources - \$81 Million
 - Public Safety - \$47 Million
- Stimulus.Virginia.Gov launched February 10, 2009
- Governor's decisions anticipated in April
- Commonwealth Transportation Board anticipated decision on Transportation projects in May

EDA ARRA Allocation

- \$150 Million Nationally (\$50 M to Econ. Adjust, \$100 M to Public Works)
- Priority – sudden, severe economic dislocation and job loss, corporate restructuring
- 50% of funds – projects initiated within 120 days of February 17, 2009 (by June 17, 2009)
- EDA must obligate by September 30, 2010
- All eligibility, distress, and matching requirements remain – no waived requirements.
- Application (ED-900) available grants.gov
- FFO linked from EDA.gov front page with contact

EPA ARRA Allocation

- Brownfield Remediation - \$100 Million to evaluate and clean up Brownfields.
 - RFA for Job Training Grants by March 19, 2009
 - Information on Assessment, RLF, and Cleanup TBA
- Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF)- \$61,709,200 (Virginia); Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF)- \$20,761,000 (Virginia).
 - Virginia DEQ administers the CWSRF and VA Dept of Health administers DWSRF.
 - CWSRF Applications Due March 27, 2009.
 - DWSRF Application Deadline Passed (March 9, 2009)

Community Development Block Grant ARRA Allocation

- CDBG Allocations –
 - City of Roanoke \$500,675
 - VA Nonentitlement \$5,221,967
- HUD Grantees – prepare action plan amendment
- Exact Federal Guidance To Be Issued
- VA DHCD has yet to determine how it will handle the state ARRA nonentitlement allocation.

HUD Neighborhood Stabilization ARRA Allocation

- \$1.9 Billion Nationally
- Competitive grants to address home foreclosure and abandonment
- CFDA # - 14.256
- HUD must issue App. Requirements no later than May 3, 2009
- Eligible applicants – states, local governments, nonprofits, nonprofit consortia.

USDA Rural Development ARRA Allocation

- Rural Business Cooperative Service (eg. RBEG) - \$150 Million
- Rural Community Facilities Loans - \$67 Million
- Rural Community Facilities Grants - \$63 Million
- Single Family Housing Loan - \$67 Million
- Single Family Housing Loan Guarantee - \$133 Million

USDA Rural Development ARRA Allocation

- Rural Utilities

- Rural Water and Waste Disposal Direct Loan (\$412 Million)
- Rural Water and Waste Disposal Grants (\$968 Million)
- Distance Learning, Telemedicine, & Broadband Loan Program (\$2.5 Billion)
- Contact:
 - Wytheville Office (Craig Co.) – Craig Barbrow (276-228-3513)
 - Rocky Mount/Lynchburg Office (Remaining Rural RVARC) – Art Powers (540-483-5341)

National Telecommunications and Information Admin. ARRA Allocation

- Broadband Technology Opportunity Program
 - \$350 Million for States for Service Inventories
 - \$200 Million for Comp. Grants to expand public computer center capacity (comm. College and public libraries)
 - \$250 Million for innovative programs to encourage sustainable broadband adoption
- NTIA and RUS collecting public input and designing policies for 'ARRA's Broadband Initiatives' currently.
- RFI – www.ntia.doc.gov; comments accepted through April 13, 2009.
- Application guidelines, req. TBA

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants ARRA Allocation

- \$3.2 Billion
- Goal – reducing fossil fuel emissions, reduce total energy use, improve efficiency in transportation, building etc.
- Uses
 - Efficiency and conservation strategies
 - Residential and commercial building energy audits
 - Financial incentive programs for efficiency improvements
 - Developing implementing programs to conserve energy in transportation (telework, satellite work centers, flex time)
 - Developing building codes and inspection to promote building efficiency
 - Purchasing/implementing tech to reduce and capture methane gas from landfills or other similar sources
 - Public education
- Application procedures TBA – there will be some formula based allocations to Cities with over 35,000 population and Counties with over 200,000 population. State must determine how to award balance of its funding to cities and counties not receiving direct allocation.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants ARRA Allocation

- DOE is requesting all interested applicants complete the following three step process which can take up to 21 days.
 - Request a DUNS Number
 - Register with the Central Contactor Registry
 - Register as an E-Business Point of Contact with the FedConnect.Net system.

Dept of Labor ARRA Allocation

- Adult Employment and Training - \$500 Million
- Youth Activities- \$1.2 Billion
- Dislocated Worker Employment Training - \$1.25 Billion
- Youthbuild - \$50 Million
- Competitive Grants - \$750 Million (with \$500 Million designated for renewable energy/energy efficiency job training)

Small Business Administration ARRA Allocation

- \$375 Million in temporary fee reductions – 7(a) loan guarantee and Sect. 504 loan programs.
- \$255 Million in 'business stabilization' – loans to 'small business concerns experiencing immediate financial hardship' to assist in the repayment of existing small business loans.
- Accessed through local bank, credit union, lending institution.