REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE)

Program Summary

The Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity, or RAISE Discretionary Grant program (also known as the Local and Regional Project Assistance Grants), provides funding to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects that promise to achieve national objectives and will have a significant local/regional impact.

RAISE Objective:

- Invest in surface transportation that will have a significant local or regional impact; and
- Support projects that are consistent with the Department's strategic goals: improve safety, economic strength and global competitiveness, equity, and climate and sustainability.

Eligibility

Eligible Applicants

States and the District of Columbia; any territory or possession of the United States; a unit of local government; a public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States; a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority; a Federally recognized Indian Tribe or a consortium of such Indian Tribes; a transit agency; and a multi-State or multi-jurisdictional group of entities that are separately eligible.

Eligible Projects

Capital Projects and Planning Projects. See NOFO for more information.

Want to Apply? Here are some important Details

- RAISE is an extremely competitive grant program.
- No more than 15% (or \$225 million) may be awarded to projects in a single State.
- Not more than 50% of the respective funding shall be awarded to rural projects and not more than 50% of the respective funding shall be awarded to urban projects.
- Each lead applicant may submit no more than three applications. Unrelated project components should not be bundled in a single application for the purpose of adhering to the limit.
- See NOFO for definitions on rural and urban areas.
- If selected for award, the Department may decrease the RAISE funding request amount
 if some elements of the project are ineligible or to comply with statutory set asides such
 as awarding funding evenly between projects located in rural and urban areas.

Funding Details

Project Size:

- For capital grants minimum award is \$5 Million in urban areas and \$1 Million in rural areas.
- For planning grants no minimum award
- Grants may not be greater than \$25
 Million

Cost Sharing: Federal share shall not exceed 80% unless the project is located in a rural area, a historically disadvantaged community (HDC), or an area of persistent poverty (APP). See NOFO for more details.

Funding Available: \$ 1.5 Billion annually

Important Dates

FY 25 Deadline: January 13, 2025 at 11:59 pm Eastern

FY 26 Deadline: January 13, 2026 at 11:59 pm Eastern

Partnerships

Multiple States/jurisdictions may submit a joint applica tion and should identify a lead applicant as the point of contact and also identify the primary recipient of the award. Joint applications should include a description of the roles and responsibilities of each applicant.

Resources

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Contact Information: