



# Massachusetts Federal Funds Partnership

December 2025 Meeting

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- Please submit your questions via the chat function.
- Questions will be answered during Q&A.

# Agenda

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FFIO Updates

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Federal Updates

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ECO One Stop Application Process - Exec.  
Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

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Grant Central – Mass Dept. of Transportation

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EPA Brownfields FY'26 – MA Dept. of  
Environmental Protection

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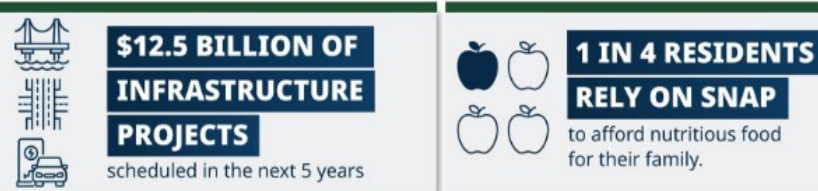
Q&A

# FFIO Updates



## WHAT DOES FEDERAL FUNDING DO IN MASSACHUSETTS?

Massachusetts received \$22.9B in federal funding last year

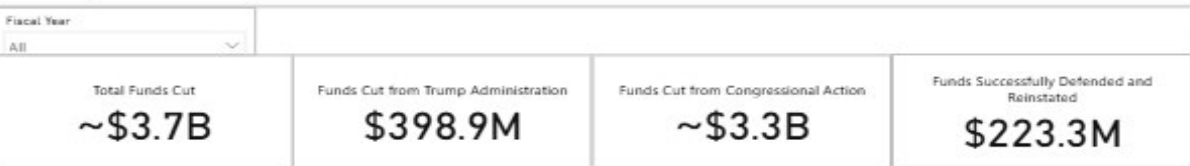


## Massachusetts is Tracking and Communicating the Impact of Federal Funding Cuts

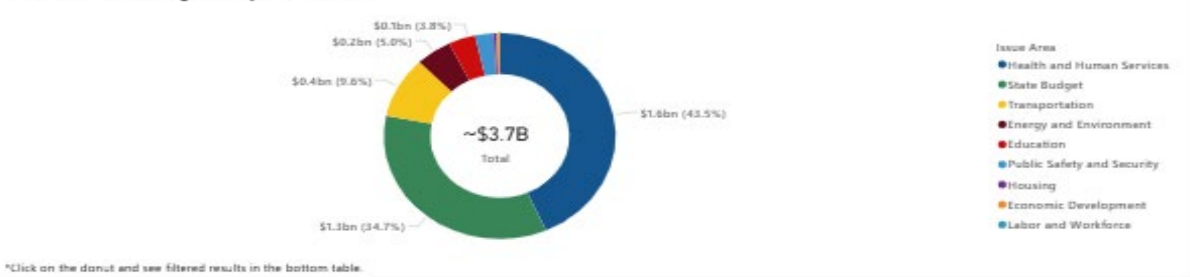
- Website updated weekly on federal funding impacts

### Funding Cuts

Note: Some of the values on this dashboard have been rounded to the nearest decimal value.



### Total Federal Funding Cuts by Issue Area \*



### Federal Funding Cuts by the Trump Administration by Issue Area \*



# Government Shutdown



## Latest update:

- **On November 12th a continuing resolution was passed into law, ending the 43-day federal government shutdown.**
- The bill extends government funding at current levels through January 30th, 2026, and funds full-year appropriations bills for military construction and veterans affairs, the Legislative Branch, and the Department of Agriculture.
- The bill also provides the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) with funding through September 30th, 2026. Congress must pass 9 remaining appropriations bills ahead of January 30, 2026 to avoid a partial government shutdown.
- As always if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our office.



# GET IN TOUCH WITH FFIO



Find more information on Federal Funds Partnership meetings, video recordings, grant lists, and other resources on the [FFIO website](#).



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Contact the FFIO email inbox ([FedFundsInfra@mass.gov](mailto:FedFundsInfra@mass.gov)) for questions about federal grant opportunities!

# Open Federal Funding Opportunities

# RECENTLY OPENED FEDERAL GRANTS:

Grant Name	Eligibility	Max Award	Cost Share	Deadline
<a href="#">FY26 National Infrastructure Investments (BUILD) Grants</a>	State & Local Governments, Tribes, + (See NOFO for more.)	\$25M	0-20% (See NOFO for details.)	2/24/26
<a href="#">Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund</a>	Federally-recognized Tribes	N/A	N/A	1/15/26
<a href="#">Brownfields Grants (Multiple Tracks)</a>	State, Local Governments, Tribes, NGOs, +	Varies	N/A	1/28/26

\*See FFIO's monthly newsletter for the full list of open grants relevant to municipalities and tribes. To sign up, email [fedfundsinfra@mass.gov](mailto:fedfundsinfra@mass.gov)

Search for more federal funding opportunities here: [Home](#) | [Grants.gov](#)

# REMINDER: Apply for the Municipal and Tribal Technical Assistance (MTTA) Program!



**FFIO's Municipal & Tribal Technical Assistance Grant is accepting applications on a rolling basis. Projects must either be pursuing federal funding or have received federal funding.**

Grant funds support the following activities:

- Planning
- Feasibility studies
- Grant-writing
- Post-award implementation support
- Hiring personnel
- & more!

**Learn more at FFIO's website:**

- [FFIO Technical Assistance Programs | Mass.gov](#)
- Email: [fedfundsinfra@mass.gov](mailto:fedfundsinfra@mass.gov) with questions!

**MUNICIPAL & TRIBAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM**

Apply today to access technical assistance programs for local infrastructure projects!

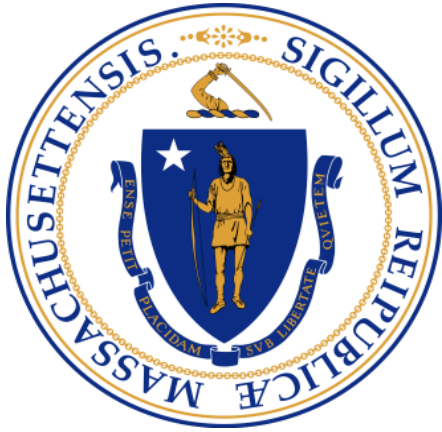
Grants fund activities including (but not limited to) the following:

- Planning
- Feasibility studies
- Grant writing
- Demonstration studies
- & more

Learn more:   [mass.gov/fedfundsinfra](https://mass.gov/fedfundsinfra)

*Now Open!*

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# EEA Environment & Climate One Stop

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December 9, 2025



Environment & Climate One Stop



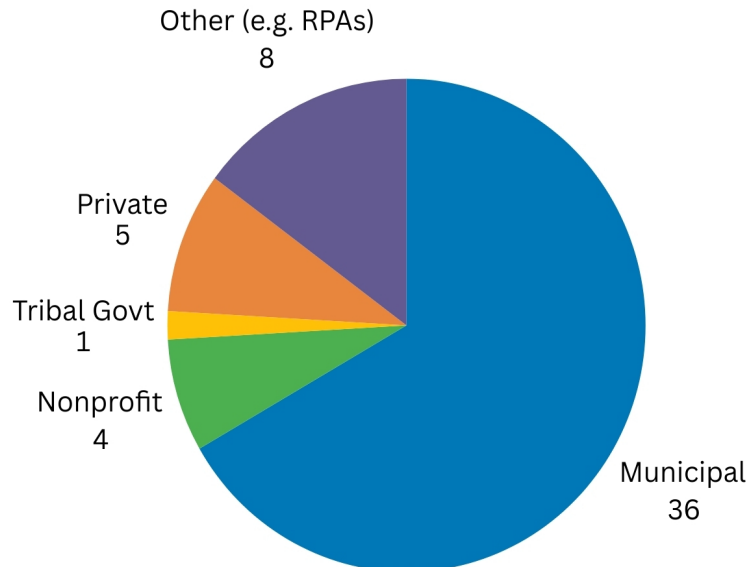
**The Environment & Climate One Stop** aims to make applying for grant funding easier and more efficient for our constituents.

- Streamlines the grant application process to one single point of entry (e.g., Common App)
- Aligns program requirements and application questions as much as possible
- Links projects to the best source of funding
- Implements a key strategic priority of the Resilient Mass Finance Strategy
- Will be able to grow to include more programs over time
- Is inspired by and learning from the EOED Community One Stop

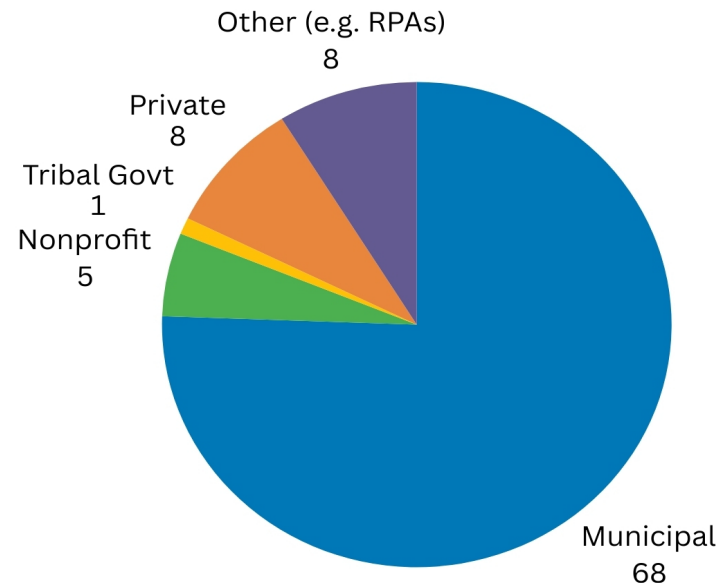
# We gathered feedback from our partners on what they wanted to see

1. At a minimum, applicants want the grant management system to be modernized to make applying easier
2. Applicants struggle with complex and inconsistent grant applications, and often do not know the landscape of available grants to apply for
3. A majority of partners strongly prefer a single application

**54 Participants Across 3 Focus Groups**



**90 Survey Responses**



## **Key Questions Asked**

- Challenges and experiences when searching for and applying for state climate-related grants
- Perspectives on aligning climate-related grant applications
- Desired features of an improved grant management platform

# The Environment & Climate One Stop pilot will include 7 programs

## **MVP Action**

Offers financial resources to communities that are seeking to advance priority climate adaptation actions to address climate change impacts in alignment with the MVP Core Principles.

## **CZM Coastal Resilience**

Provides financial and technical support for local and regional efforts to address coastal flooding, erosion, and sea level rise.

## **CZM Coastal Habitat and Water Quality**

Provide financial resources for projects that assess and treat stormwater pollution and support comprehensive habitat restoration.

## **EEA Cooling Corridors**

Offers financial resources for conducting tree planting and related activities to assist with mitigating extreme heat and to enhance the tree canopy within neighborhoods and public spaces.

## **EEA Planning Assistance**

Supports sustainable land use practices, including zoning for diverse housing, climate change mitigation, and land conservation, in alignment with the state's Sustainable Development Principles.

## **EEA Dams and Seawalls**

Offers financial resources to support projects for the repair and removal of dams, levees, seawalls, and other forms of flood control.

## **DER Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance and Training**

Supports replacing or removing an undersized, perched, and/or degraded culverts or small bridges located in an area of high ecological value.

# Different programs have different eligibility requirements

	MVP Action Grant <sup>*</sup>	CZM Coastal Resilience Grant <sup>**</sup>	Cool Corridors Grant	Dam and Seawall Grant	Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance & Training Grants	Planning Assistance Grants	CZM Coastal Habitat and Water Quality Grants <sup>***</sup>
Municipality	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
District	✓			✓	✓		
Public Board or Commission	✓		✓	✓	✓		
Tribal Government	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Regional Government or Planning Agency	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Certified 501(c)3 Nonprofit		✓	✓	✓			✓
Public or Private School or University			✓	✓			

<sup>\*</sup>Non-municipality applicants to MVP Action, aside from Tribal Governments, must apply for projects that align with an MVP plan and include a letter of support from the municipality/ies related to the project.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Projects applying to CZM Coastal Resilience must be located in a Massachusetts Coastal Zone.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Projects applying to CZM Coastal Habitat and Water Quality must be located in a Massachusetts Coastal Watershed. Non-municipality applicants must be directly partnering with a municipality.

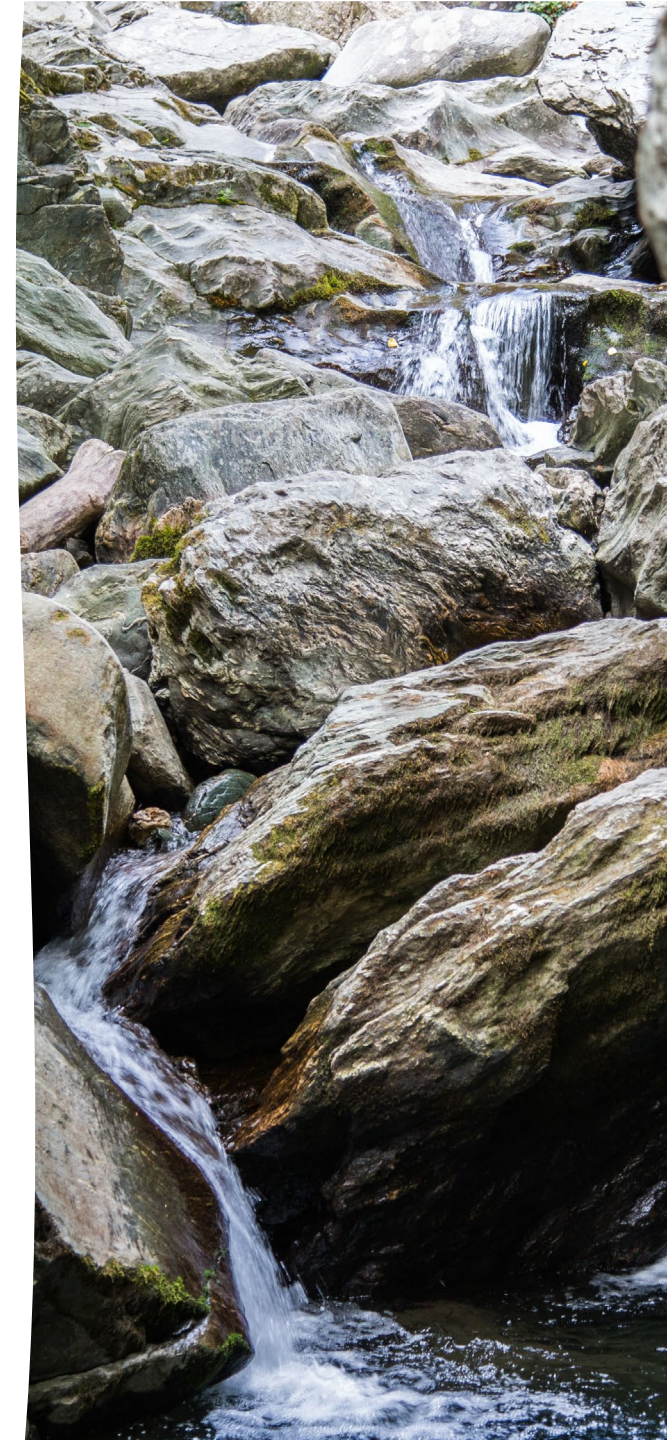


## ECO One Stop programs are streamlining match requirements to the greatest extent possible

- 10% local match required (calculated based on the amount of grant funding requested)
  - *Example: If a project is requesting \$100K in grant funds it will need a \$10K match*
- In-kind (e.g., applicant staff time) and cash match accepted
- No match is required for rural and small towns (as designated by the Office of Rural Affairs) and Tribal Governments

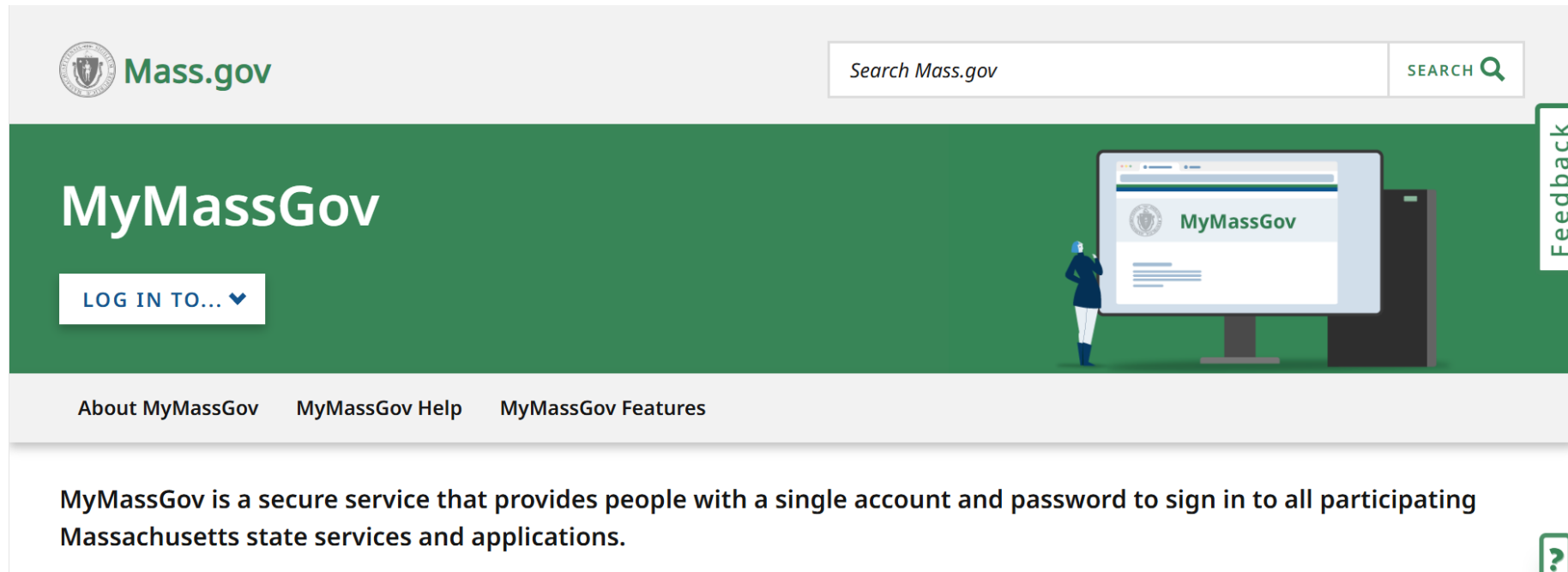
# 2025 - 2026 Timeline

- **Late October 2025 – Early January 2026**
  - Conduct EOI feedback calls with potential applicants
- **Mid January 2026**
  - Post RFR and accept applications
- **Late January 2026**
  - Host two informational webinars and one on the GMS after the formal application is released
- **March 2026**
  - Close applications and start review
- **June 2026**
  - Announce awards; funding allocated and projects underway in July 2026



## Grant Management System (GMS)

- While the EOI will be conducted via Microsoft Form, the formal application (expected Jan 2026) will be submitted via EEA's new Grants Management System
- It is easy and fast to sign up with [MyMassGov](#)!



MyMassGov credentials can help your organization access 18 Commonwealth of Massachusetts Systems!

## Grant Management System (GMS)

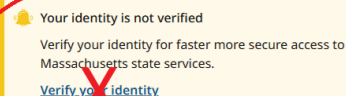
- Here's how to sign up for GMS: Visit [Grants Management System \(GMS\) | Mass.gov](#) for instructions
- Watch our instructional playlist on YouTube: [https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzQVK6KiTOqyPW5PUOcFE42iRJgd m8LA\\_&si=Wm2l78OgFDZ-1nA\\_](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzQVK6KiTOqyPW5PUOcFE42iRJgd m8LA_&si=Wm2l78OgFDZ-1nA_)
- See our user guide at the GMS Portal: [Help - Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs Grants Management System](#)
- Tips and Tricks

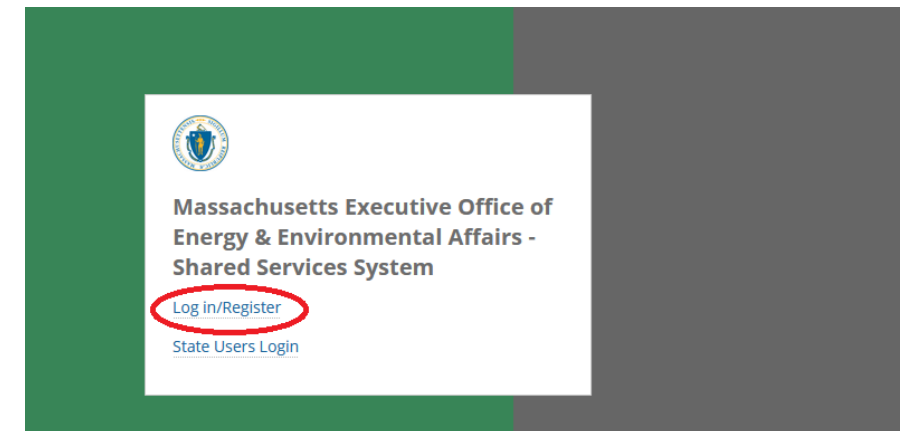
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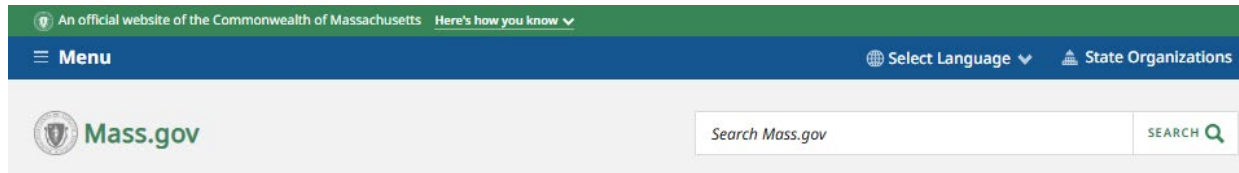
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[SUBMIT YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST \(EOI\)](#)



## What programs participate in the ECO One Stop? →



View the ECO One Stop Grants Catalogue to learn more about each of the grants included in the shared ECO One Stop application. Reference this information when completing your Expression of Interest (EOI) and/or your ECO One Stop application to understand which grants might be the best fit for your project.

## Have a question? →

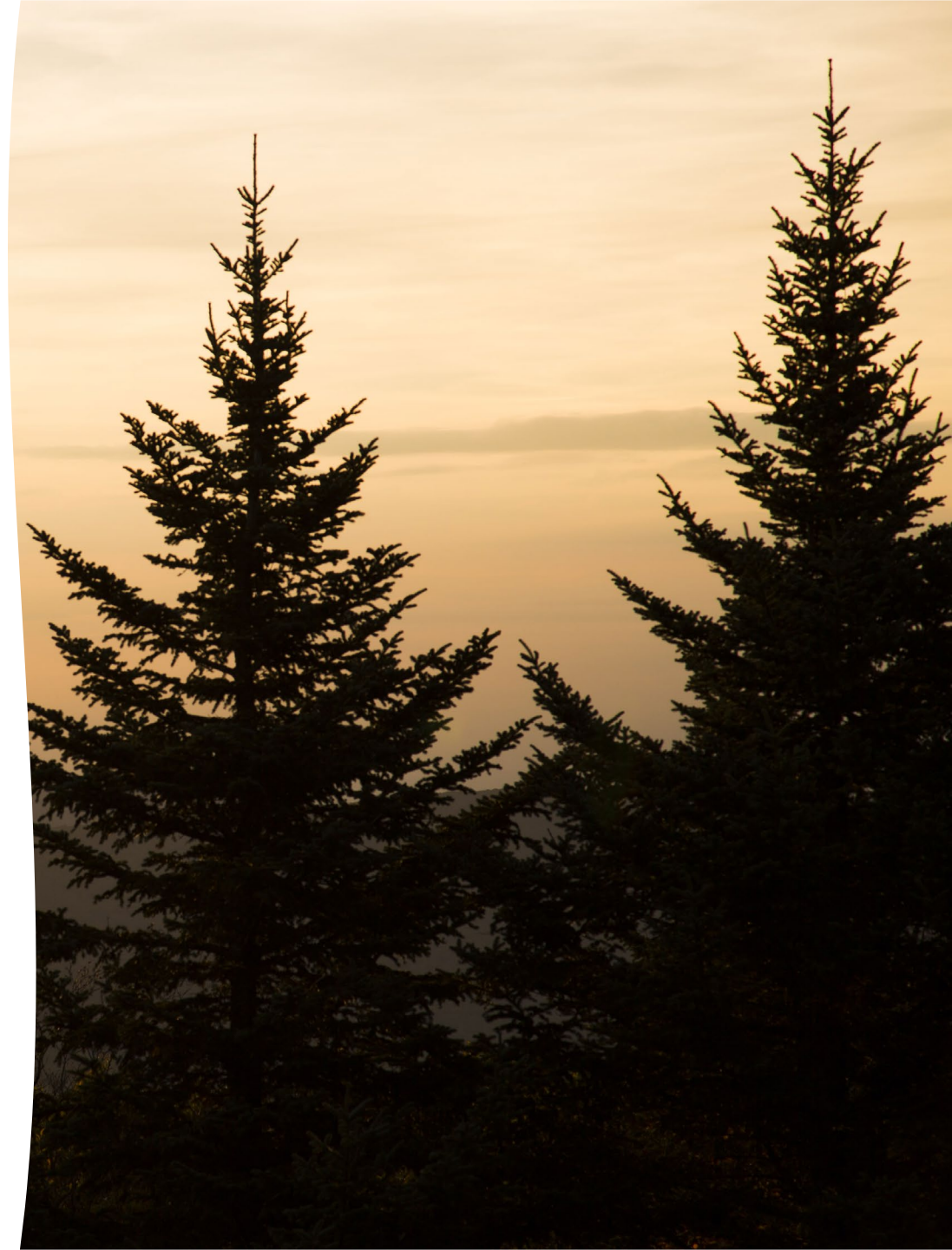


Browse our "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQs).

# Contact Us

[EcoOneStop@mass.gov](mailto:EcoOneStop@mass.gov)

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# Grant Central Updates & New Programs Launch Massachusetts Federal Funds Partnership Session

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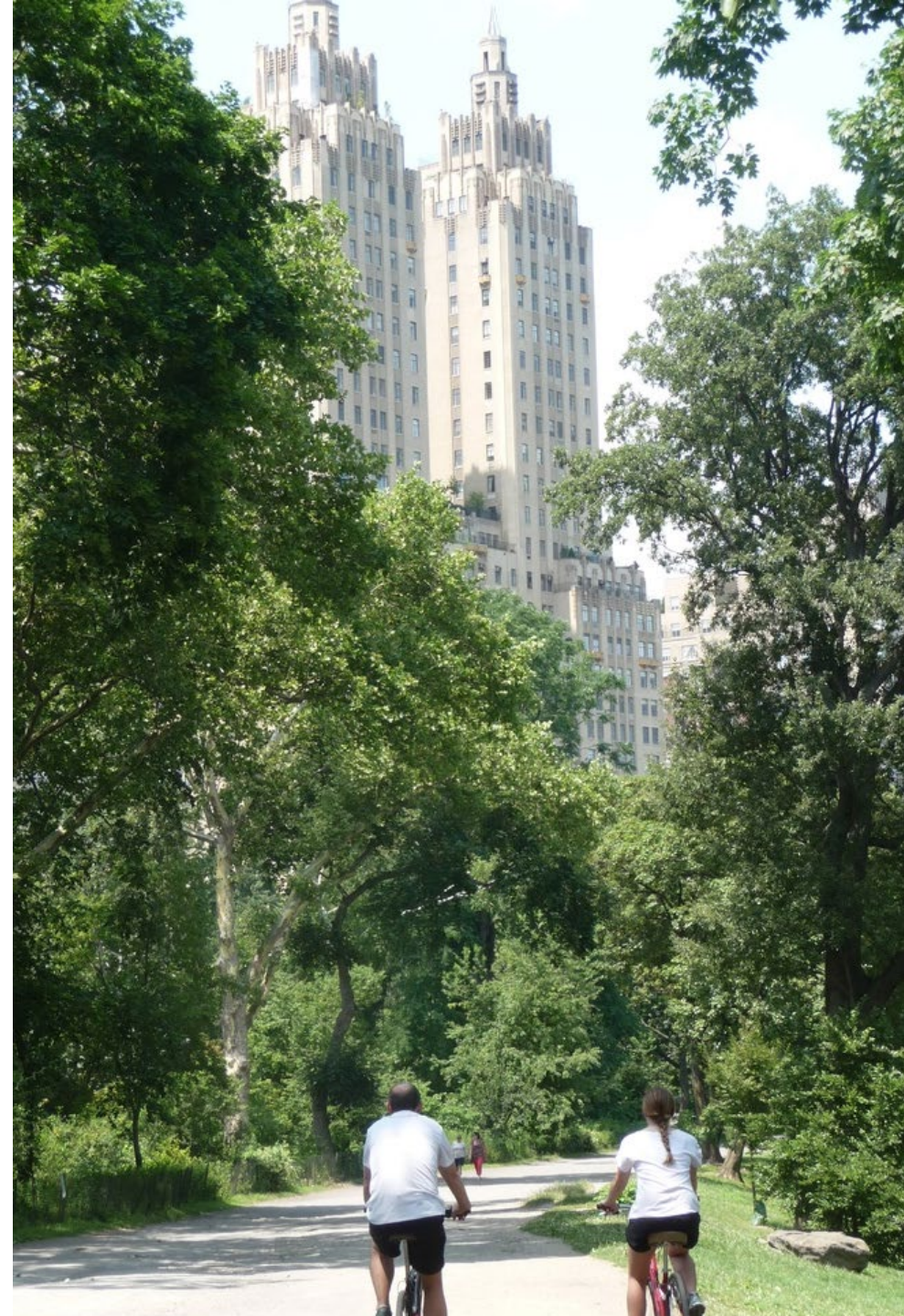


## Objectives

Upon completion of this presentation, you will be able to accomplish the following:

- Understand the **two new grant programs**
- Understand **what is changing** on Grant Central
- Know how to **create an account as an external user**
- Use Grant Central to **Submit a Fully Integrated Application (FIA)**
- **Locate** everything associated with your application on Grant Central

## New Grant Programs



## Background

- \$200M authorized for MassDOT to administer a grant program that funds:
  - Culvert repair, replacement, removal, modernization, and resiliency improvements
- 10-year investment
- Program developed in consultation with EEA
- Funds design and construction

## Program Structure

- Competitive application program via Grant Central
- Grants awarded in two phases:
  - Design
  - Construction
- Design awards are advanced by MassDOT-led consultants:
  - Design fully funded
  - Designer assists with permitting
- **\*Up to \$150K provided in cases where design has already begun**
- Projects with completed designs may apply for construction:
  - Construction grants up to \$1M
  - Construction implemented by municipality

## Eligibility Criteria

- Culverts are defined as existing road or waterway crossing structure 10 feet or less in span
- Culvert must be municipally owned and maintained
- Roadway must be open to public
- Only municipal officials may submit applications
- Eligible expenses include design and construction costs related to:
  - Culvert replacement, removal, repair, modernization, and resilience
  - ROW acquisition and permitting costs
  - Replacing a culvert with a structure greater than 10 feet in span

## Ineligible Projects/Expenses

- Projects not associated with a public roadway
- Culverts over coastal tidal waterway crossings
- Municipal administrative costs
- Legal costs
- Traffic or police details
- Insurance premiums
- Ongoing maintenance or operating costs

# Community Culvert Grant Program Cont.

## Selection Criteria

Community Impact	Ecological	Resilience	Transportation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access to Essential Services</li><li>• Access to Economic Activity</li><li>• Financial Efficiency</li><li>• Local Support</li><li>• Support for Underserved or Rural Communities</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Barrier Removal, Habitat Connectivity, and Stream Function Restoration</li><li>• Watershed and Riparian Impact</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Resilience Planning</li><li>• Flood Risk Reduction</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Active Transportation Improvements</li><li>• Detour Length if Road Closed</li><li>• Functional Roadway Classification</li><li>• Structural Condition</li></ul>

## Application Information

- Program will accept applications on Grant Central
- Applications will be accepted through the **Fully Integrated Application (FIA)** for the Community Culvert Grant Program from November 6, 2025, to January 9, 2026.
- Email the shared inbox with any questions regarding the program or eligibility - [CulvertGrantProgram@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:CulvertGrantProgram@dot.state.ma.us)
- Stay updated and learn more on Grant Central: <https://madothway.my.site.com/GrantCentral/s/community-culvert-grant-program>

# Community Culvert Grant Program Cont.



## Background

- This is a pilot program funding equipment and improvements to municipally owned dirt and gravel roads created after its passage in the Massachusetts Supplemental Budget Bill in June 2025.
- Provides up to \$1 million in funding to support the maintenance, repair and improvement of locally owned dirt and gravel roads.

## Program Structure

- Competitive application program via Grant Central.
- After a grant is awarded, MassDOT and the municipality will enter into a contractual agreement for the municipality to complete the approved project.
- Unpaved Roads grants are reimbursement-based, which means municipalities are reimbursed for approved costs after expenses are incurred.
- Municipalities can request reimbursement at any time during project implementation.

## Eligibility Activities

Funding may support a wide range of maintenance and repair activities, including but not limited to:

**Road surface work:**

- Reconstruction, Surface grading, Crown and shoulder restoration, Removal of washboarding, Repair of potholes

**Safety improvements:**

- Guardrail repair or replacement, and Signage repair or replacement

**Drainage improvements:**

- Installation or restoration of swales

**Equipment acquisition:**

- Purchase or lease of equipment (such as graders, rollers, and loaders) to be used for the maintenance or repair of unpaved roads

## Ineligible Activities

- Construction of new roadways
- Paving or converting unpaved roads to paved surfaces
- Landscaping or removal of vegetation not related to an eligible project
- Construction or repair of culverts or retaining walls
- Costs for police details or municipal employee payroll
- Costs related to right of way acquisition or easements
- Projects which are on unaccepted roadways within MassDOT's road inventory

# Unpaved Roads Grant Program Cont.

## Selection Criteria

### Projects will be evaluated for funding based on the following criteria

- Current condition of roadway as described through text and photos
- Frequency of closures due to seasonal weather or storm events
- Critical locations accessed via the roadway, such as housing, schools, or hospitals
- Impacts of road conditions or closures on residents, emergency responders, school bus routes, service providers or other critical users
- Demonstrated feasibility to complete the project within one construction season and within the proposed budget
- Demonstrated ability to secure any additional funding necessary for the project if the project budget exceeds the \$1 million grant maximum
- A municipality's designation as a rural and/or an underserved community

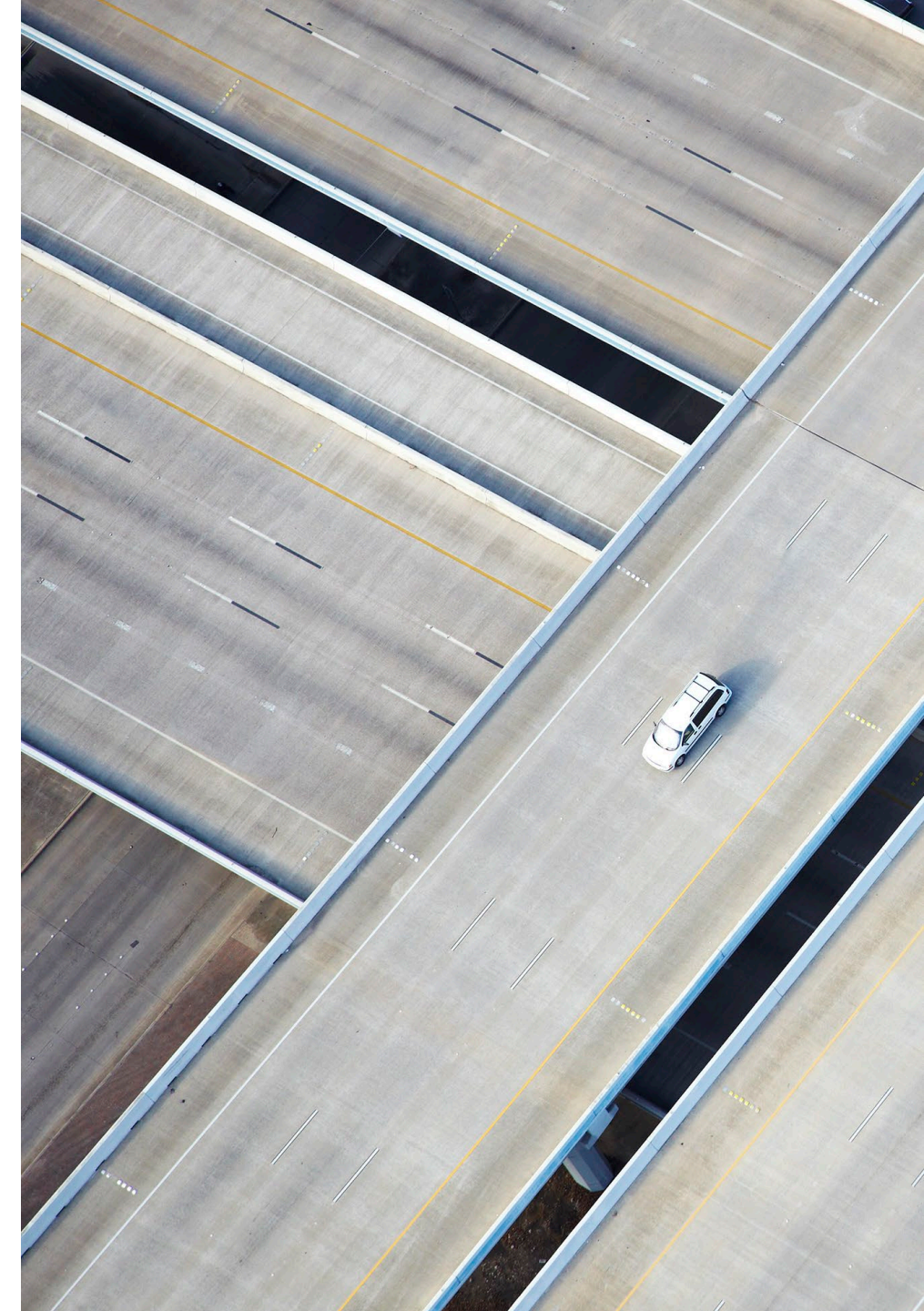
## Application Information

- Applications will be accepted through the **Fully Integrated Application (FIA)** for the Unpaved Roads Program from November 6, 2025, to January 9, 2026.
- Only municipal officials may apply, and official municipal Grant Central accounts must be used.
- Stay updated and learn more on Grant Central: [Unpaved Roads Grant Program](#)

# Unpaved Roads Grant Program Cont.



# Grant Central: What is and isn't changing



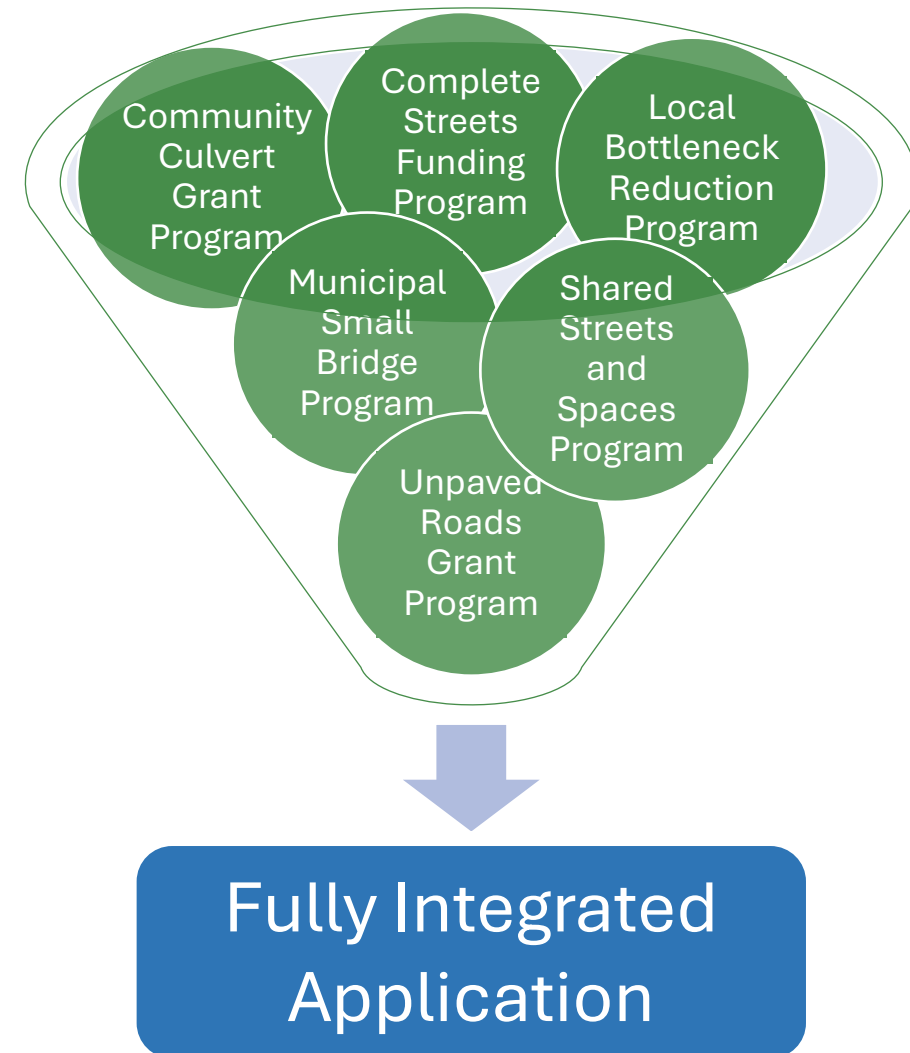
## ★ New Fully Integrated Application (FIA)!

- You will no longer need to know which program best suits your project!
- Submit a FIA and MassDOT staff will assign your project to the most applicable grant program.
- New, simplified, and consistent application questions have been developed across all six programs.
- Design is now an eligible expense and construction grants have doubled across all FIA programs.
- Communities can now add an external user (Consultant, MPO or RPAs) to their application to assist with the application process
- Communities with active transportation projects no longer need to adopt a Complete Streets Policy & Prioritization Plan prior to submission. However, applicants that meet these criteria will receive additional consideration in the selection process.



## Simpler Application Interface!

- Everything related to your grant applications – attachments, funding awards, funding reimbursements, and close out forms – is in one easy-to-access place!



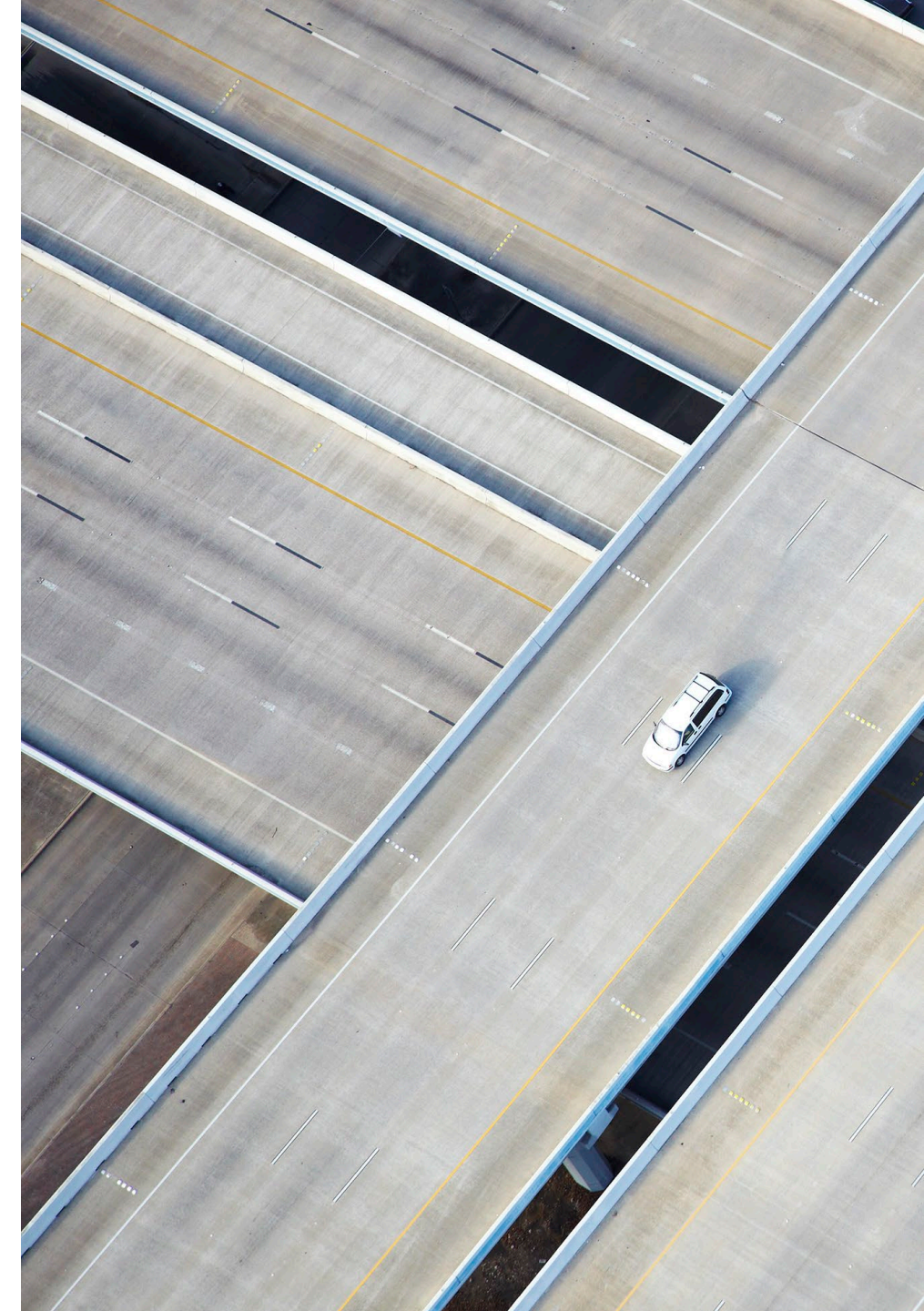
- **Design grants** now available up to \$150,000 through the Unpaved Roads, Complete Streets, and Shared Streets and Spaces programs.
  - MassDOT-led design consultants will continue to support communities in the Community Culvert, Local Bottleneck Reduction, and Municipal Small Bridge Programs.
- **Construction Grants** up to \$1,000,000 through all programs noted above.
  - A \$500,000 increase from the prior grant maximum!
- **Equipment Grants** up to \$250,000 through some programs.

## Program Guidance

Updated guidance for each program are now available on Grant Central which reflect the above changes and help applicants prepare for success.

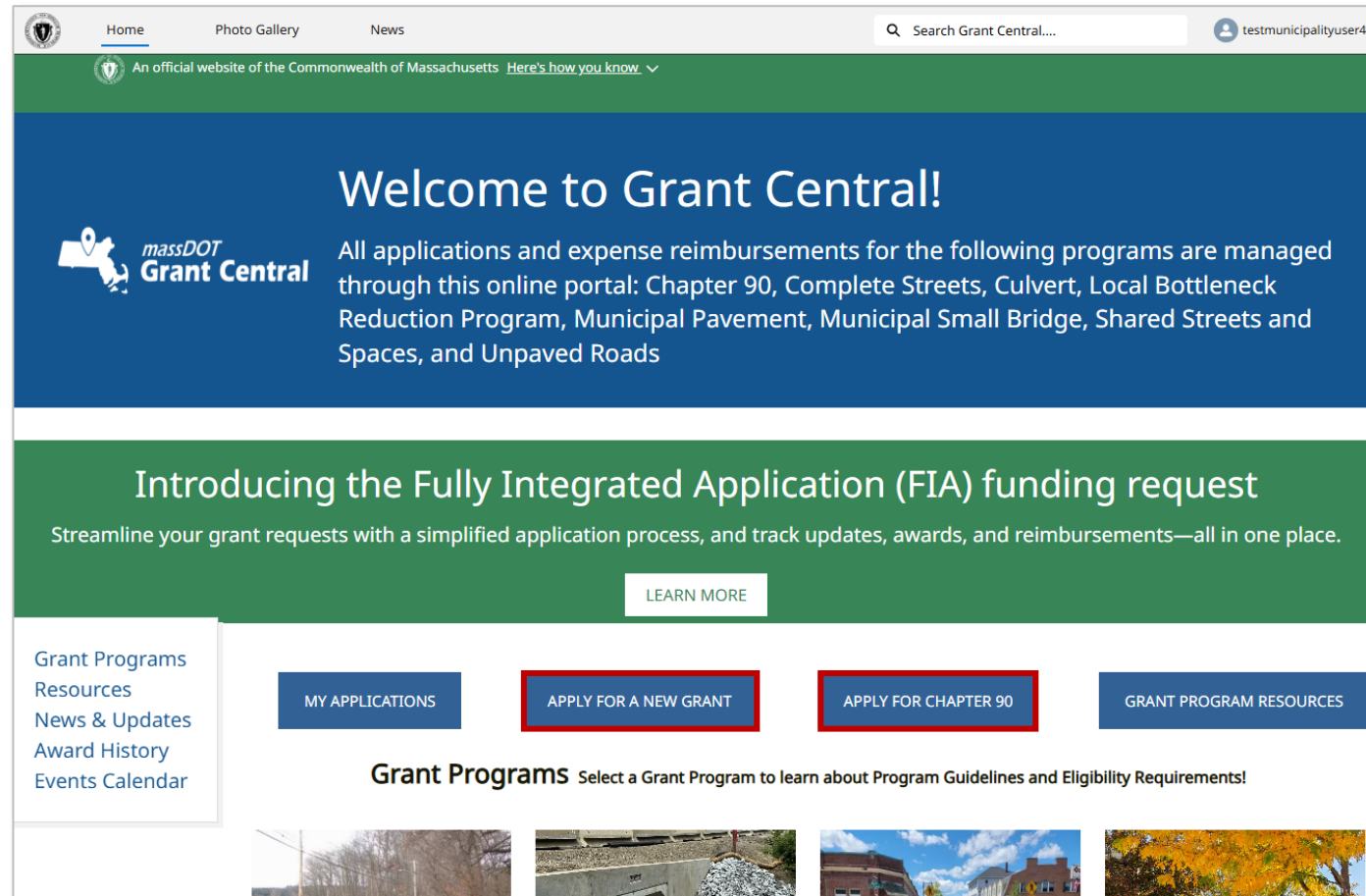
- ☒ Chapter 90 & Municipal Pavement Applications are not included in FIA
- ☒ The purpose of each individual grant program remains consistent
- ☒ Individual program requirements are still important to consider
- ☒ The grant administration process for awarded projects within & outside of Grant Central remains unchanged
- ☒ MassDOT-led design teams will still advance most design awards
- ☒ The same prequalification and procurement rules apply to all state funded transportation projects

# The Fully Integrated Application (FIA)



After logging in as a registered user, start a FIA by **Clicking Apply for a New Grant**.

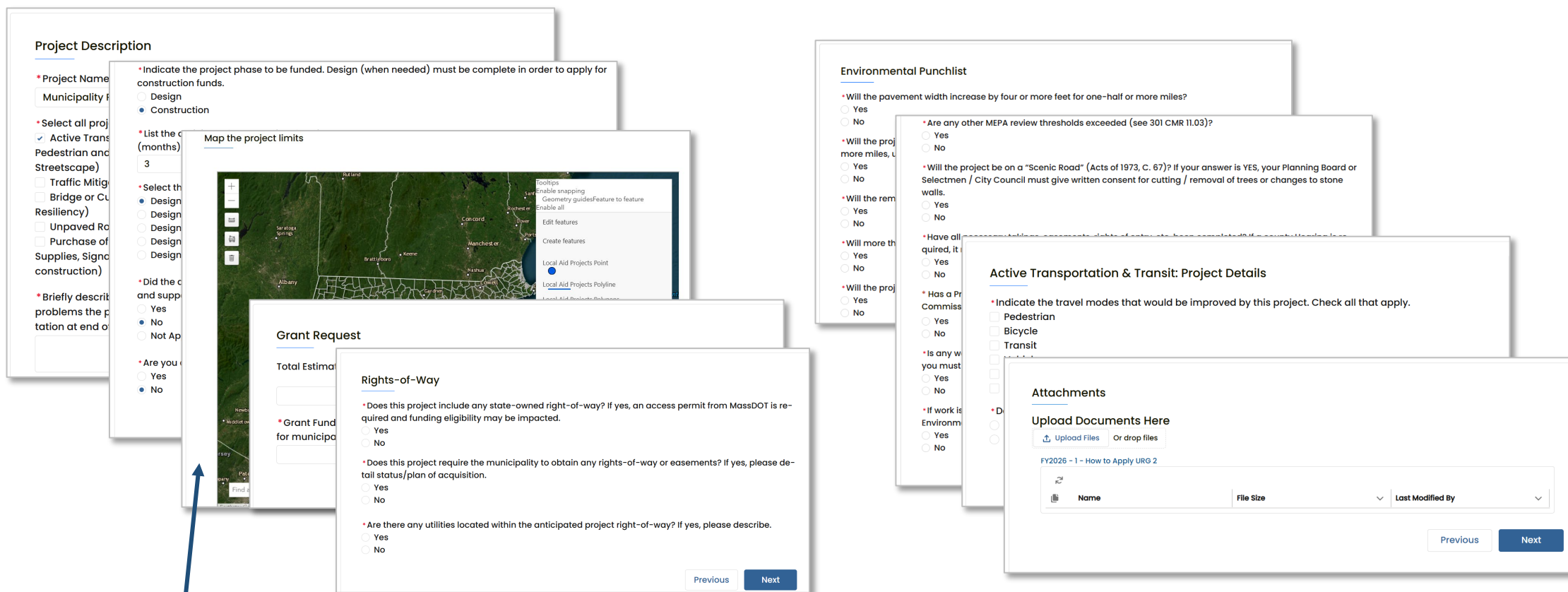
*Alternatively, to apply for the Chapter 90 Program, **Click Apply for Chapter 90**. The application layout for Chapter 90 will be refreshed, but the rest of the application is the same.*



# Submitting a FIA

After clicking on Apply for New Grant, you will be taken to the FIA guidance page. **Click Apply Now.**

Then **complete each step** of the FIA by filling out all fields and **Clicking Next** to proceed. Some steps are populated based on the project type(s) selected in the beginning of the application because each grant program has criteria specific to its application process.

The image is a collage of overlapping screenshots from the FIA application form. The visible steps include:

- Project Description:** Fields for Project Name, Municipality, Project Phase (Design/Construction), and a list of project types (Active Transportation, Pedestrian and Streetscape, etc.).
- Map the project limits:** A map interface with a toolbar and a list of project points/polygons.
- Grant Request:** Fields for Total Estimated Cost and Grant Funding for municipality.
- Rights-of-Way:** Questions about state-owned right-of-way and utilities within the project right-of-way.
- Environmental Punchlist:** A series of yes/no questions regarding pavement width, MEPA review thresholds, scenic roads, and other environmental factors.
- Active Transportation & Transit: Project Details:** A section to indicate travel modes improved by the project (Pedestrian, Bicycle, Transit).
- Attachments:** A section to upload documents, with a link to "FY2026 - 1 - How to Apply URG 2".

Each screenshot shows "Previous" and "Next" buttons at the bottom.

**Quick Tip!** Municipal users do not have to complete the geoprocessing step anymore!

When you've reached the end of the application, **check the box** and **type your name** to confirm you have read and agree to the terms. Then, **Click Submit**.

### Attestation

Please read and agree to the following:

It is recognized that the purpose of this information is to assist the MassDOT Highway Division in approving the project request. Accordingly, the information provided here is intended to be complete and correct with no intentional errors or material omissions. Any action taken by MassDOT Highway Division on the basis of this information shall not legally or financially obligate MassDOT Highway Division to support or defend the municipality, and the municipality shall save harmless MassDOT Highway Division for any action.

The design, engineering, construction, and future performance of the project, including maintenance, is the responsibility of the Municipality. The proposed work will conform to recognized engineering and construction methods. I/We hereby certify under penalty of perjury the following: that the project is on a public way, and any necessary takings have been made; that all materials will comply with approved established specifications; that all weights and quantities will be accurate; that equipment rental rates are those established by MassDOT Highway or the advertised low bid; that all documentation will be checked for accuracy, and will be endorsed in accordance with municipal procedures for accountability.

\* ☐ I/We have read and agree to the terms

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### Confirmation

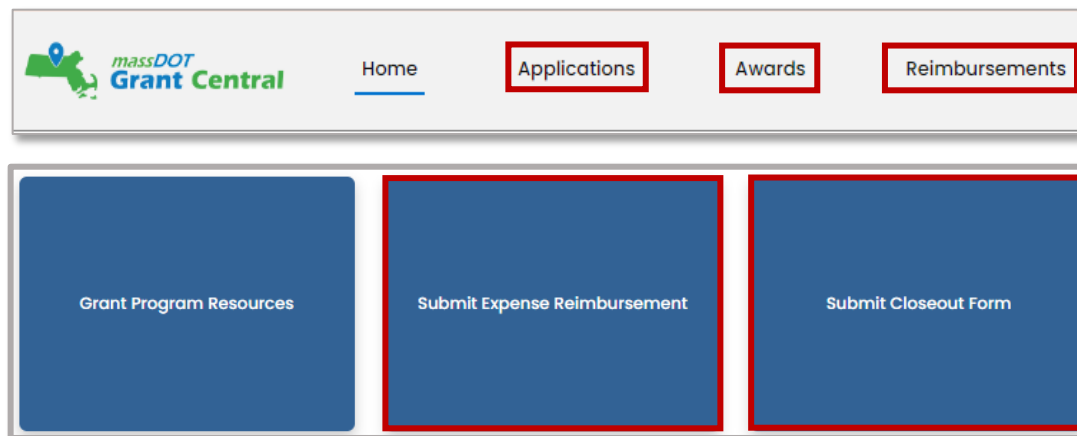
Thank you for your submission!

## Before



Previously, accessing your application and everything associated with it spanned across separate pages of Grant Central, causing confusion.

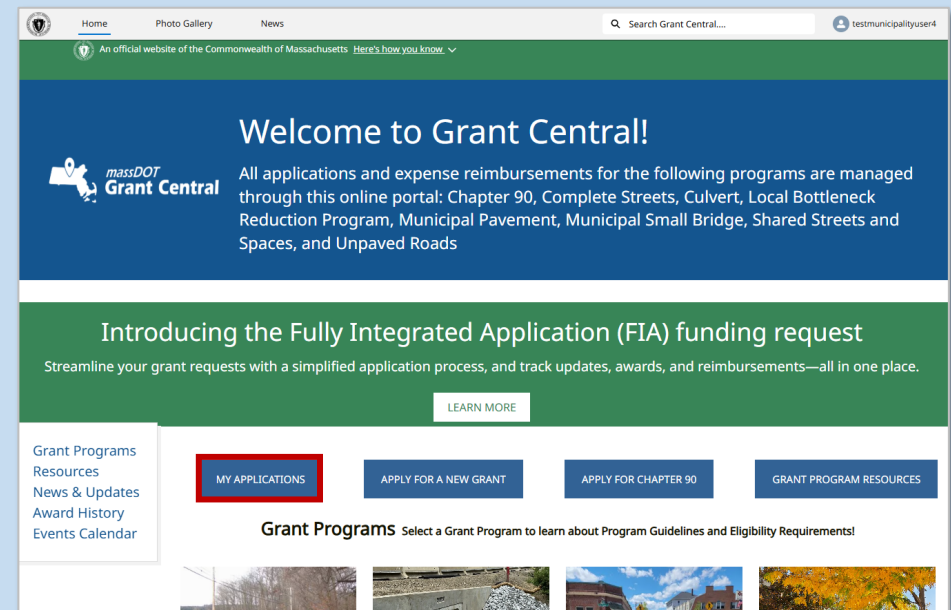
- Users accessed the grant application from Applications
- Users accessed Funding Awards from Awards
- Users accessed Expense Reimbursements from the button or the banner tab
- Users accessed Closeout Forms from the button.



## After

Now, everything related to your application (FIA & Non-FIA) can all be accessed in one place from the home page.

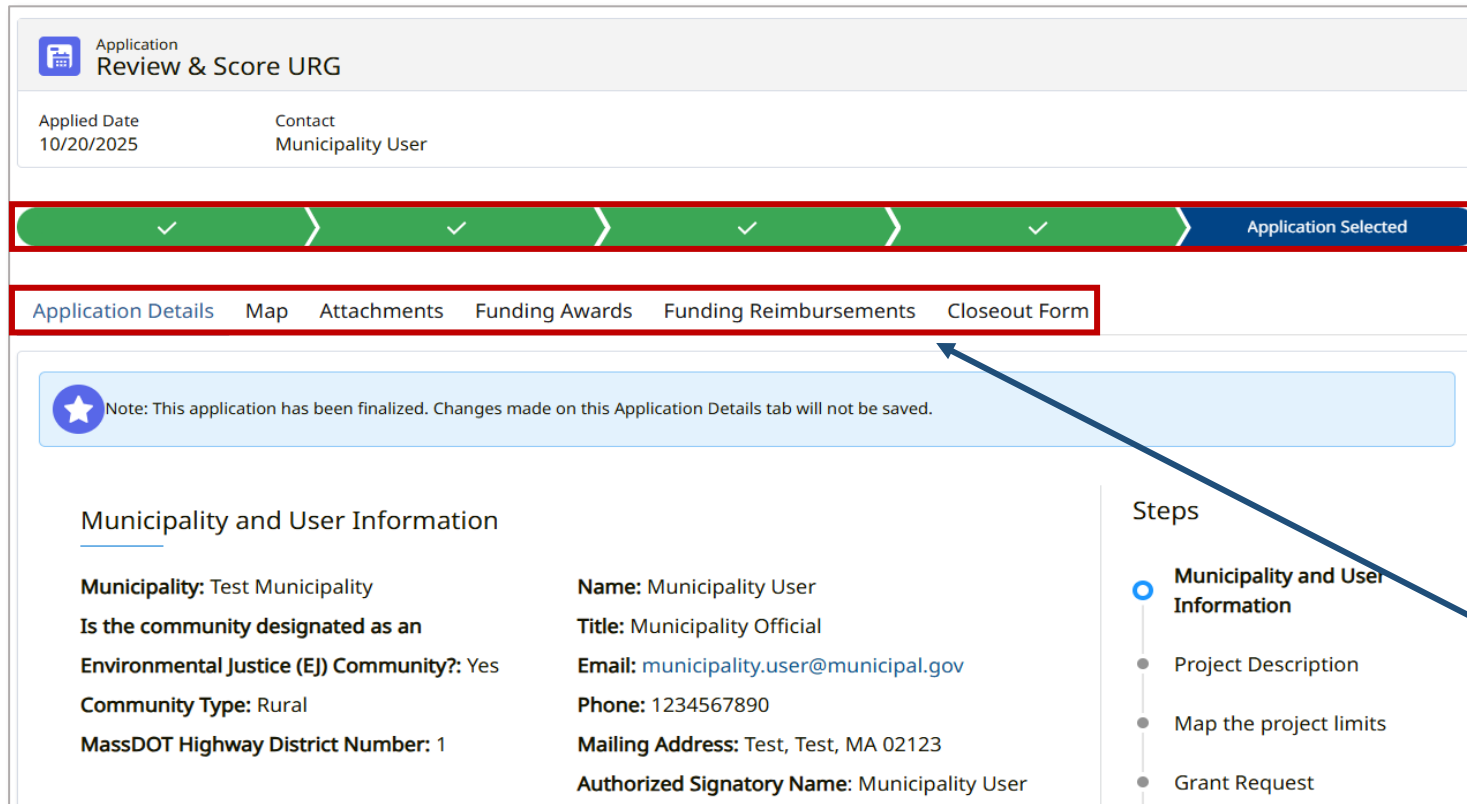
- Submitted or saved applications, funding awards, funding reimbursements, and closeout forms all accessible from **My Applications button**.



# A Simpler Portal Experience Cont.

On the Application page, you will see a **progress bar**, the **Application Details**, **Map**, **Attachments**, **Funding Awards**, **Funding Reimbursements**, and **Closeout Form**.

**Applications submitted before Nov 6, Chapter 90 and Municipal Pavement applications will look slightly different from FIA, as shown in this image.**



**Application Review & Score URG**

Applied Date: 10/20/2025 | Contact: Municipality User

**Progress Bar:** A green progress bar with five steps. The first four steps are marked with checkmarks, and the fifth step is labeled "Application Selected".

**Navigation Tabs:** Application Details | Map | Attachments | Funding Awards | Funding Reimbursements | Closeout Form

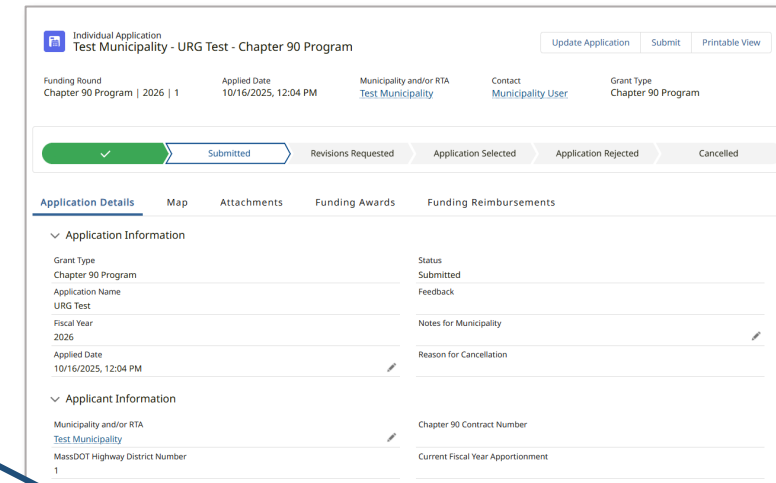
**Note:** This application has been finalized. Changes made on this Application Details tab will not be saved.

**Municipality and User Information**

<b>Municipality:</b> Test Municipality	<b>Name:</b> Municipality User
<b>Is the community designated as an Environmental Justice (EJ) Community?:</b> Yes	<b>Title:</b> Municipality Official
<b>Community Type:</b> Rural	<b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:municipality.user@municipal.gov">municipality.user@municipal.gov</a>
<b>MassDOT Highway District Number:</b> 1	<b>Phone:</b> 1234567890
	<b>Mailing Address:</b> Test, Test, MA 02123
	<b>Authorized Signatory Name:</b> Municipality User

**Steps:**

- Municipality and User Information
- Project Description
- Map the project limits
- Grant Request



**Individual Application Test Municipality - URG Test - Chapter 90 Program**

Update Application | Submit | Printable View

Funding Round: Chapter 90 Program | 2026 | 1 | Applied Date: 10/16/2025, 12:04 PM | Municipality and/or RTA: Test Municipality | Contact: Municipality User | Grant Type: Chapter 90 Program

**Progress Bar:** Submitted | Revisions Requested | Application Selected | Application Rejected | Cancelled

**Navigation Tabs:** Application Details | Map | Attachments | Funding Awards | Funding Reimbursements

**Application Information**

Grant Type: Chapter 90 Program	Status: Submitted
Application Name: URG Test	Feedback:
Fiscal Year: 2026	Notes for Municipality:
Applied Date: 10/16/2025, 12:04 PM	Reason for Cancellation:

**Applicant Information**

Municipality and/or RTA: Test Municipality	Chapter 90 Contract Number:
MassDOT Highway District Number: 1	Current Fiscal Year Apportionment:

**Quick Tip!** Expense Reimbursements are now called Funding Reimbursements.

- Grant Central was updated on November 6<sup>th</sup>
- Communities can apply for this round of FIA (*Community Culvert, Local Bottleneck Reduction, Municipal Small Bridge Program, Unpaved Roads, Complete Streets, and Shared Streets and Spaces programs*) **through January 9, 2026.**
- The MassDOT Grants Team will continue to share updates via email and Grant Central news posts
- New resources are available on Grant Central for on-the-job learning
- A recorded version of a training will be available on Grant Central soon
- **For questions about Grant Central** please contact the MassDOT Grants Team at [MassDOTGrantCentral@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:MassDOTGrantCentral@dot.state.ma.us)

# Available Now!

## Brownfields

# Technical and Financial Resources

Massachusetts Federal Funds Partnership

December 9, 2025



**MassDEP**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Environmental Protection

David Foss, CPG, LSP

Massachusetts Statewide Brownfields Coordinator

MassDEP | Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

# Opportunities



# MassDEP Brownfields Team



## BWSC Boston

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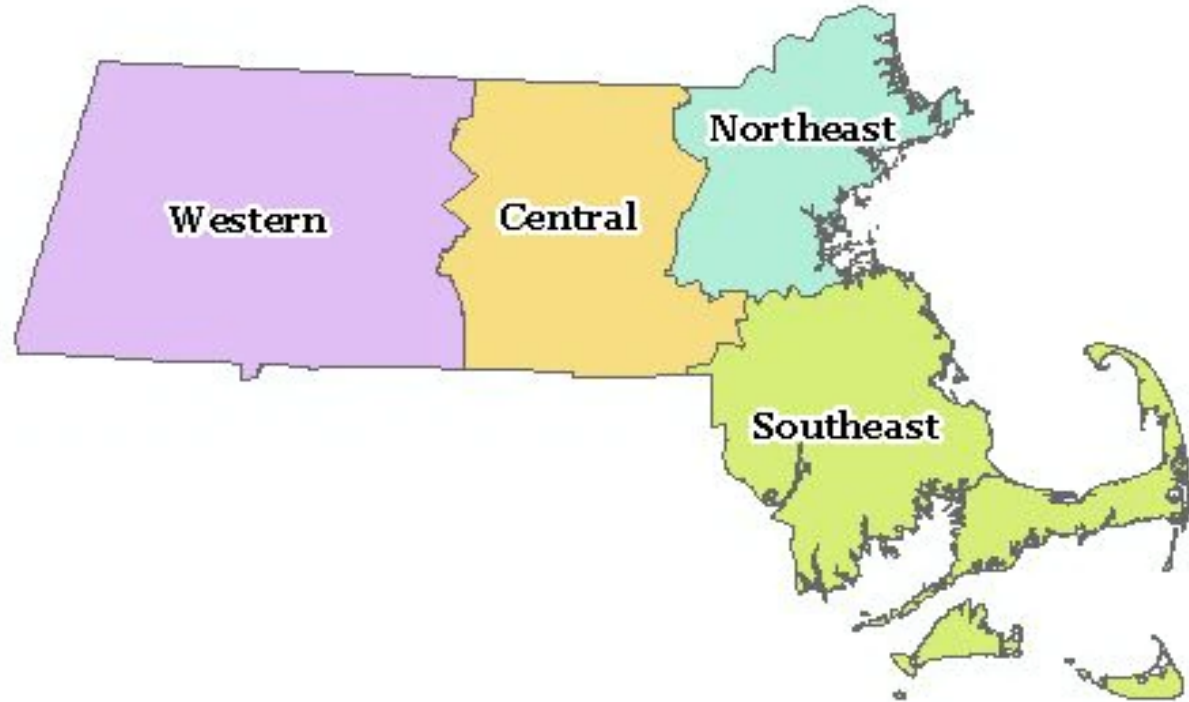
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## Regional Coordinators

- Western - Caprice Shaw
- Central - Kevin Daoust
- Northeast - Joanne Fagan
- Southeast - Kait Carvalho



Technical Assistance and Funding available for assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment planning.

## Brownfields Assistance Request Form

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/brownfields-assistance-request-form/download>

# EPA BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM FY2026

Grant Applications due:  
**January 28, 2026**





## What is a Brownfield?

- A property might be a “brownfield” due to potential contamination from past uses that is inhibiting continued use or reuse of the site. Brownfields are often concentrated in historically underserved communities.

## Brownfield sites might include:

- Former gas stations
- Former industrial sites
- Former dry cleaners
- Old buildings
- Vacant lots
- Rail yards / corridors
- Historic mills or factories

<https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/understanding-brownfields>

# WHAT A BROWNFIELD CAN BECOME



With help from federal and/or state programs, Brownfields can be safely cleaned-up and repurposed into various economic and non-economic uses.



EPA supports sustainable development and economic growth through the identification, cleanup and reuse of these properties.



Grants can provide direct funding to eligible applicants to assess, cleanup and plan for the reuse of brownfield sites.



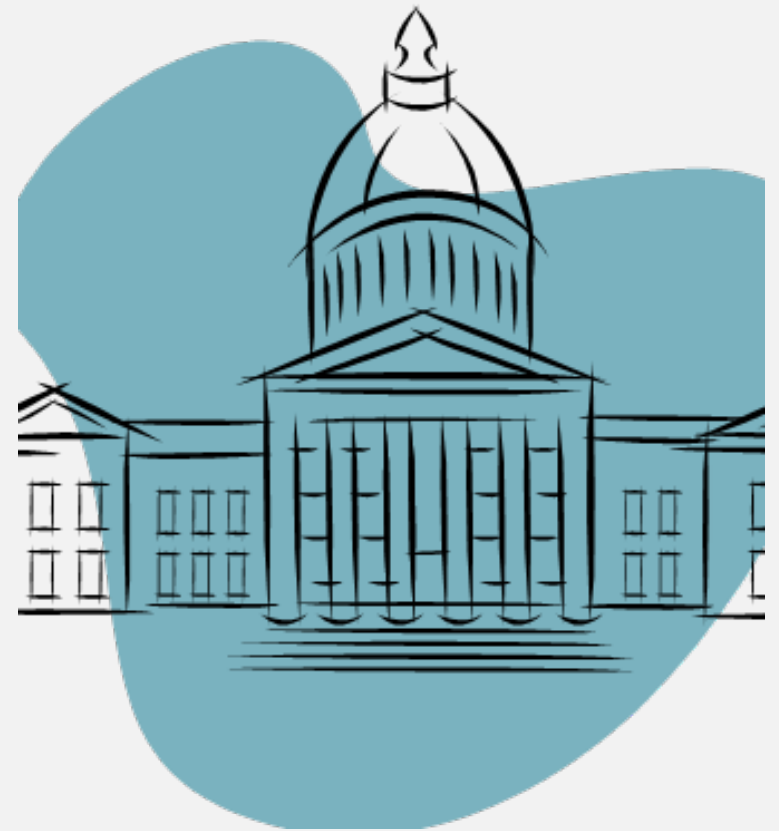
Technical Assistance can help further assess a site, develop area-wide brownfield strategies, or plan for site reuse.

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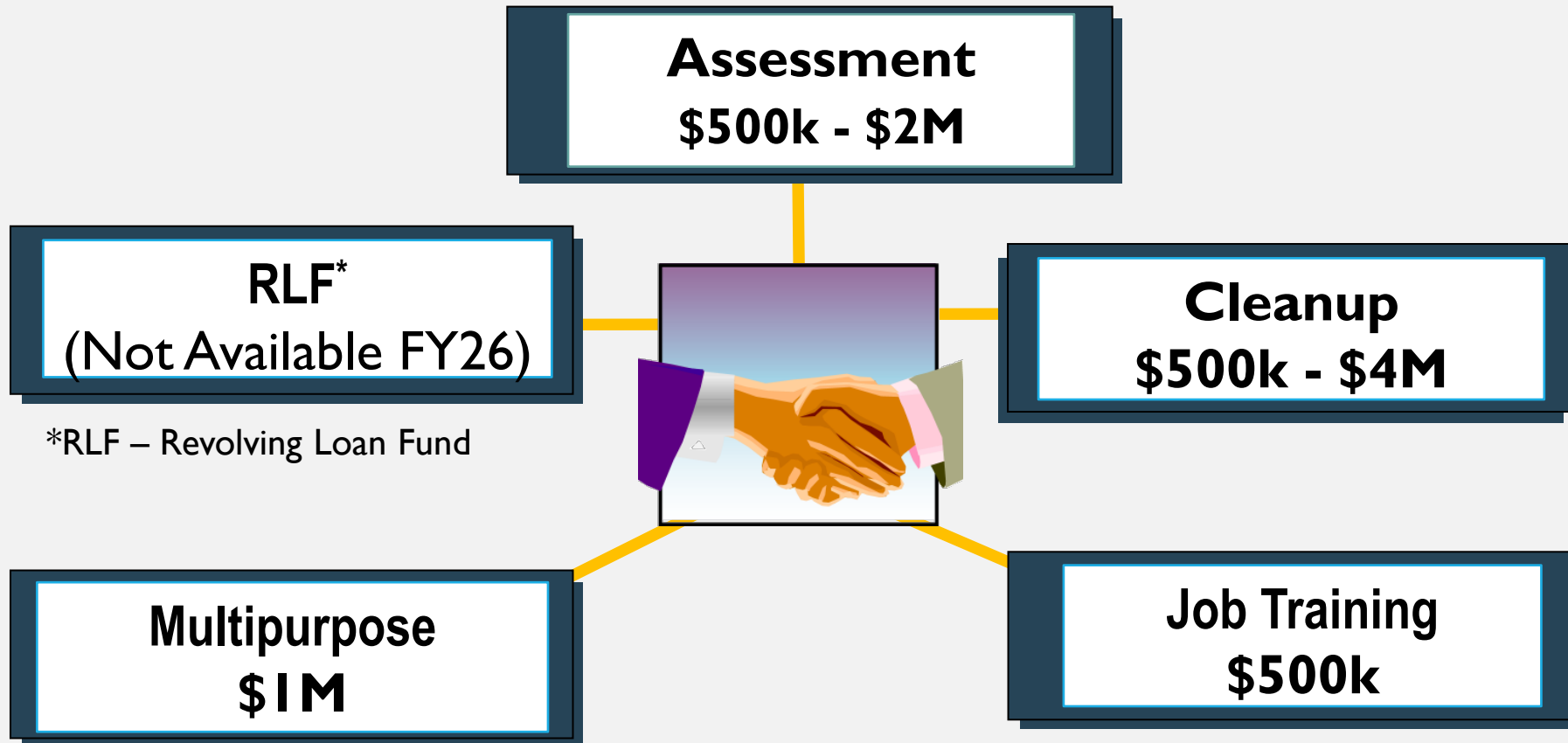


# ELIGIBLE ENTITIES FOR EPA GRANTS

- General Purpose Unit of Local Government
- Land Clearance Authority
- Government Entity Created by State Legislature
- Regional Council or group of General-Purpose Units of Local Government
- Redevelopment Agency that is chartered or otherwise sanctioned by a state
- State
- Federally recognized Indian tribe other than in Alaska
- Nonprofit organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
- Qualified community development entity as defined in section 45D(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986



# SUMMARY OF EPA GRANT TYPES



## SUMMARY OF GRANT PROGRAMS FOR ASSESSMENT AND CLEANUP

Grant Type	Description
Assessment (CW/Coalition)	To develop inventory, characterize, and conduct assessments to determine if sites are contaminated (if so, to what extent), perform community involvement, and plan for cleanup
Cleanup	For eligible municipalities and nonprofits to clean up contaminated properties
Revolving Loan Fund	For larger organizations to capitalize funds for issuing cleanup loans and subgrants
Multipurpose	For a flexible range of planning, assessment, and cleanup activities within a certain target area

Grant Guidelines and Resources:

<https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/marc-grant-application-resources>

# FY26 BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- FY26 Multipurpose, Assessment, and Cleanup Competition Guidelines released November 2025
  - Applications due: **January 28, 2026**
  - National review period and panel discussions February-April 2026
  - Awards announced in (late) Spring 2026



# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- In addition to the assessment and cleanup grants of the Brownfields and Land Revitalization Program, there are various free resources available to help inform assessment, cleanup, and reuse decisions.
- These technical assistance programs can help further the success of a brownfield investment, particularly considering things such as market analyses, sustainable development, and extreme weather resiliency. This can help bring both project success and broad, long-lasting benefits to a community.

Land Revitalization  
TA Program

Technical  
Assistance to  
Brownfields (TAB)  
Programs

Targeted  
Brownfields  
Assessment (TBA)  
Program

<https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/technical-assistance>

## TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO BROWNFIELDS (TAB) PROGRAMS

Region I: [University of Connecticut \(UConn\) TAB](#)

### National TABs:

- [Kansas State University](#) – TA for Tribal Nations
- [Center for Community Progress](#) – Land Banking TA
- [Groundwork USA](#) – Brownfields and Land Use TA
- [UMass Dartmouth](#) – BRADS Program
- [Tetra Tech](#) – Job Training TA
- [Grow America/ICMA](#) – Brownfields RLF TA

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REGION 1 TECHNICAL  
ASSISTANCE TO  
BROWNFIELDS

# STATE AND TRIBAL FUNDING

- Under CERCLA 128(a), EPA provides non-competitive grants annually to states and tribes to operate and manage a Brownfields Program.
- This funding allows them to conduct the following brownfields activities:
  - Inventory of sites on state or tribal land
  - Oversee brownfields resources and enforce state/tribal authority
  - Provide opportunities for local stakeholders' meaningful participation in brownfields decisions
  - Approve site cleanup plans, and verify/certify that cleanup goals are completed



*Whyte's Laundry – Lynn, MA*

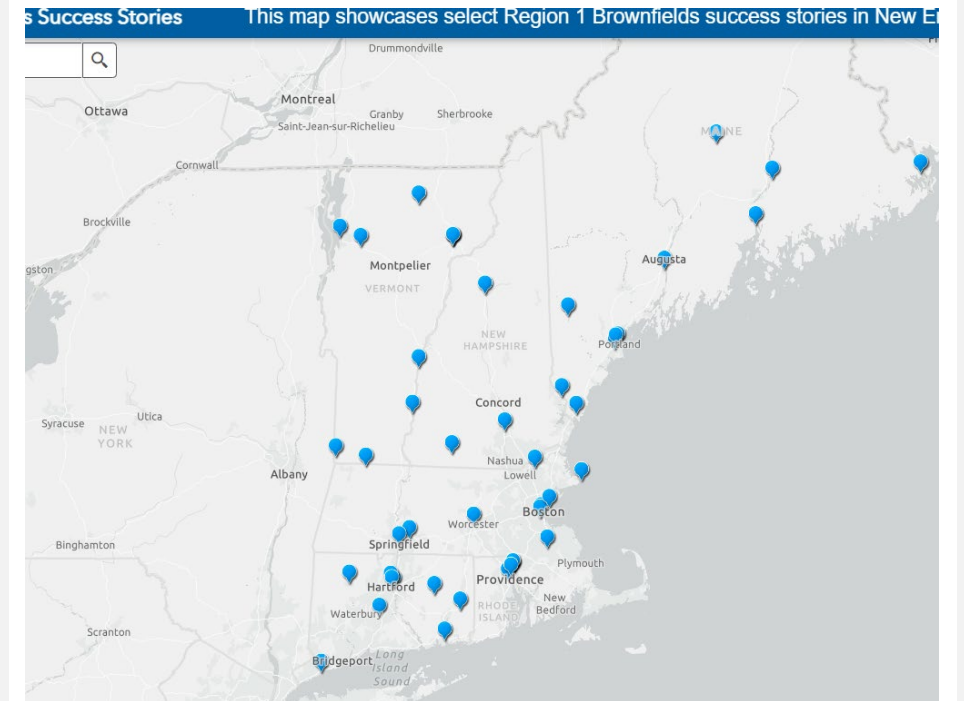
# LINKS/RESOURCES

[RI Brownfields Web Site](#)

[Success Stories - Story Map](#)

[Team Contact List](#)

[Funding History](#)



*Region 1 Brownfields Success Story Mapping Tool*

# MassDEP Brownfields Program

## CWAG-ST Assessment

\$2,000,000 thru 2029

## 128a BIL Assess. or Cleanup

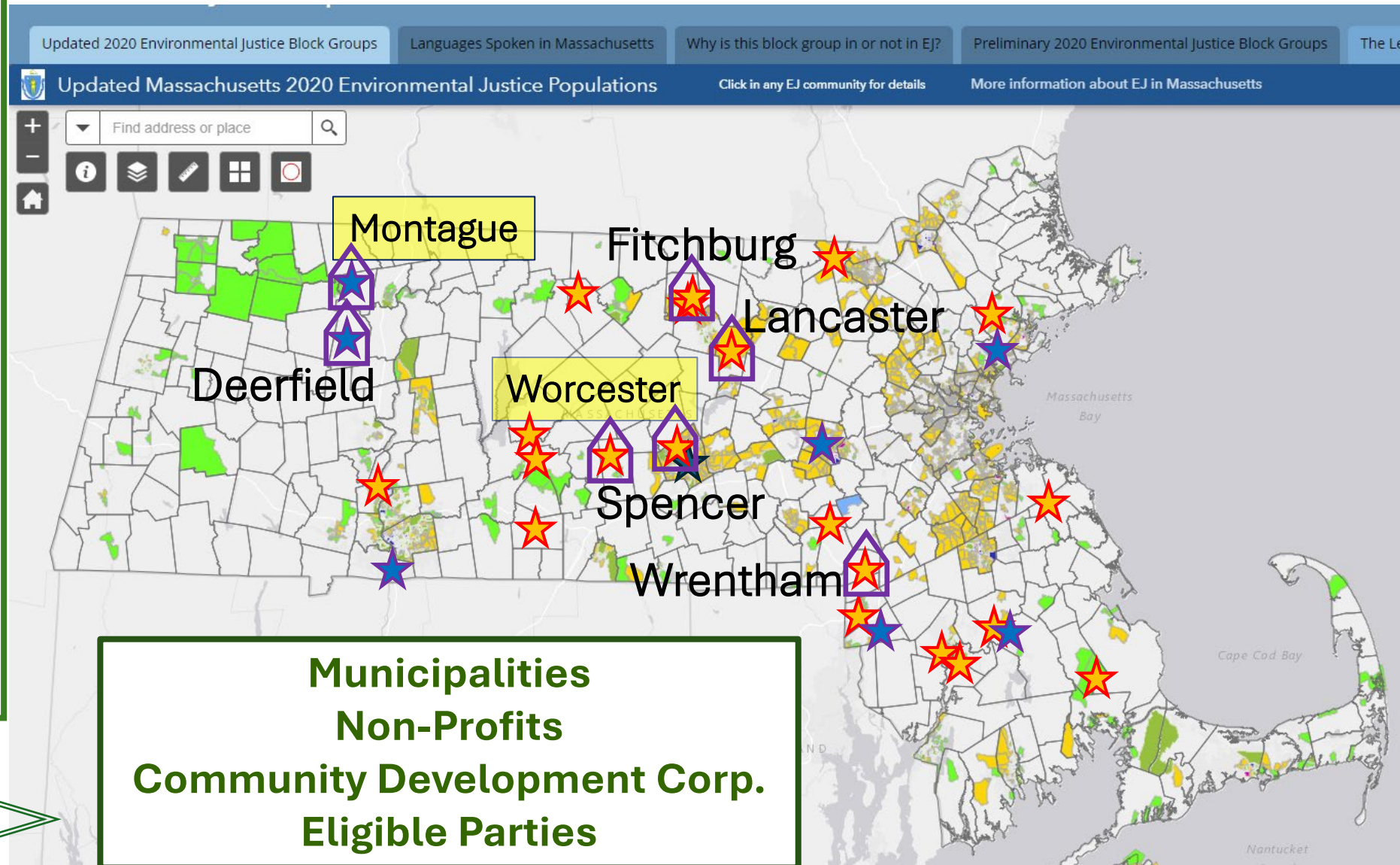
≈ \$4,000,000 thru 2027

- ★ Assessment Site
- ★ Cleanup Site
- 🏠 Supporting Planned Housing

Habitat-for-  
Humanity

# Housing

**Municipalities  
Non-Profits  
Community Development Corp.  
Eligible Parties**



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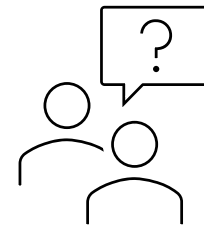
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# Q&A

*Place your questions in the chat!*



# Federal Funds Partnership Meeting Schedule

## **Future meeting dates:**

- Tuesday, January 27th 2-3 pm
- Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> 2-3 pm
- Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 2-3 pm