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Title	**EDA11242010PAT - Planning and Local Technical Assistance Programs Opportunity**
Funding Source	US Dept of Commerce Economic Development Administration
Description	EDA announces general policies and application procedures for grant-based investments under the Planning and Local Technical Assistance Programs. These programs will help communities develop the planning and technical expertise to support communities and regions in their comprehensive, entrepreneurial, and innovation-based economic development efforts. Resulting in increased private investment and higher-skill, higher-wage jobs in areas experiencing substantial and persistent economic distress, these programs are designed to enhance the competitiveness of regions.
Focus	Support planning, technical assistance for economic development
Website	www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=58876
Due Date	Applications are accepted on a continuing basis and processed as received
Title	**Disaster Relief, Child Safety, and the Environment**
Funding Source	FedEx Global Citizenship Program
Description	The mission of the FedEx Global Citizenship Program is to support the communities the company serves, including international locations, through charitable contributions, in-kind shipping services, and volunteer services of employees. The company's core giving areas include: Emergency and Disaster Relief, Child Pedestrian Safety, and Environmental Sustainability. FedEx supports select educational as well as local community projects identified by company team members.
Focus	Environmental sustainability of communities worldwide
Website	http://about.van.fedex.com/corporate_responsibility/philanthropy
Due Date	Requests may be submitted at any time.
Title	**Support for Community and Public Education Enhancement Projects**
Funding Source	Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation
Description	The Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in the communities where Lowe's operates stores and distribution centers throughout the United States. Grants ranging from $5,000 to $25,000 are provided for community improvement initiatives (eg., community clean-ups) and K-12 public education projects (eg., construction-related education initiatives; playground enhancements; clean-up, landscaping, and painting projects; and minor repair of public school buildings). Priority given to basic, one-time project needs.
Focus	Community enhancement efforts such as clean-ups, repair of public school buildings, and more
Website	http://www.lowes.com/cd_Charitable+and+Educational+Foundation_936258779_
Due Date	Requests may be submitted at any time.

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Title	**Sustainable Environments**
Funding Source	Surdna Foundation
	The Surdna Foundation seeks to foster just and sustainable communities throughout the United States. The Foundation's Sustainable Environments work is grounded in an understanding of the interplay between the environment, the economy, and social equity. Through this category, grants are provided to nonprofit organizations in three key priority areas that aim to transform how Americans work, consume, and move: 1. Stabilizing Climate Change at the Local, State and National Level. We focus on programs that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and create economically competitive, sustainable, and equitable communities. 2. Spurring the Transition to a Green Economy. We are interested in shifting investments toward the new energy economy and demonstrating the benefits, including job creation, economic development and greater social equity. 3. Transportation Systems and Encouraging Smart Growth. Over time, we seek to alter the prevailing land use and transportation systems in the U.S. through federal, state, and local policies that encourage smart growth, twenty-first century transportation systems, and sustainable, equitable communities.
Focus	Development of sustainable communities through climate change, green economy,
Website	www.surdna.org/what-we-fund/sustainable-environments.html
Due Date	Online letters of inquiry that address these areas are accepted throughout the year.
Title	**Unsolicited Proposals**
Funding Source	US Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Description	Most EERE financial assistance is awarded on a competitive basis, however, financial assistance can be awarded on a noncompetitive basis through the unsolicited proposal program. An unsolicited proposal is an application for financial assistance that is not submitted at the request of EERE or in response to a solicitation announcement. Unsolicited proposals are submitted solely at the discretion of the proposer.
Focus	Unsolicited proposals.
Website	www.netl.doe.gov/business/usp/USPGuide.pdf
Due Date	ongoing
Title	**"@" 15 - Community Grants**
Funding Source	Best Buy
Description	Through the @15 Community Grants Program, Best Buy teams across the United States select non-profit organizations that provide positive experiences to help teens to excel in school, engage in their communities, and develop leadership skills.Special consideration will be given to programs that provide youth with access to opportunity through technology.
Focus	youth opportunities through technology
Website	http://www.bestbuy-communityrelations.com/our_focus.htm
Due Date	August 1st (annually)

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Title	**Giving with Gratitude**
Funding Source	Tastefully Simple
Description	From the day our doors opened in 1995, Tastefully Simple has placed a very high value on giving back to our community. Over the years, we've been blessed and proud to donate more than $5 million to charitable organizations in our area. The organization should also be located within one of the following Minnesota counties: Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Todd, Pope or Stearns. Primary consideration is given to organizations located within Douglas County.
Focus	Strengthening Families, Empowerment of Women, Entrepreneurship, Environment, and Arts & Culuture.
Website	http://media.tastefullysimple.com/TSWeb/PDF/GivingWithGratitude/CharitableGivingApplication2011.pdf
Due Date	ongoing for projects under $2,500