



# Economic Development Administration (EDA) American Rescue Plan

*INVESTING IN AMERICA'S COMMUNITIES*

# EDA Supports Local and Regional Economies

## REGIONAL & LOCAL ECONOMIC PLANNING

- Incubators
- Accelerators
- Access to capital

- Transportation
- Utilities

RESILIENT  
REGION

INNOVATION ENGINES

BUSINESS SUPPORT

TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE AND BUSINESS  
MODERNIZATION

BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE

- Universities and community colleges
- Workforce development
- R&D
- Access to capital

- Broadband
- Cellular
- Wireless



# EDA's Investment Priorities

*All American Rescue Plan funds are EAA funds must align with this goal at a minimum*



**Equity**



**Recovery & Resilience**



**Workforce Development**



**Manufacturing**



**Technology-Based Economic Development**



**Environmentally-Sustainable Development**



**Exports & Foreign Direct Investment**

To learn more about EDA's Investment Priorities, visit: <https://eda.gov/about/investment-priorities/>



# EDA's Program Portfolio


American Rescue Plan funds are EAA funds



**Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA)**



**Public Works**



**Planning**



**Technical Assistance**



**Research and Evaluation**



**Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms (TAAF)**



**Innovation and Entrepreneurship**



**Revolving Loan Funds (RLF)  
Part of EAA**



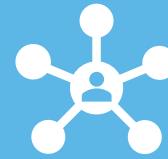
# \$3 billion in American Rescue Plan funding to invest in:

Jobs for Today



Good Jobs Challenge  
Travel, Tourism, &  
Outdoor Recreation

Communities Built for All



Economic Adjustment Assistance  
Indigenous Communities  
Coal Communities Commitment

Regions for the Future



Build Back Better Regional Challenge  
Statewide Planning, Research, & Networks



# Funding Commitments



EDA's \$300 million *Coal Communities Commitment* will ensure support for coal communities as they recover from the pandemic and create new jobs and opportunities.

25% of the \$3B American Rescue Plan funds are dedicated to communities that suffered economic injury as a result of job and GDP losses in the travel, tourism, or outdoor recreation sectors.



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**\$300M Coal Communities Commitment**

[Visit our website](#) for more information





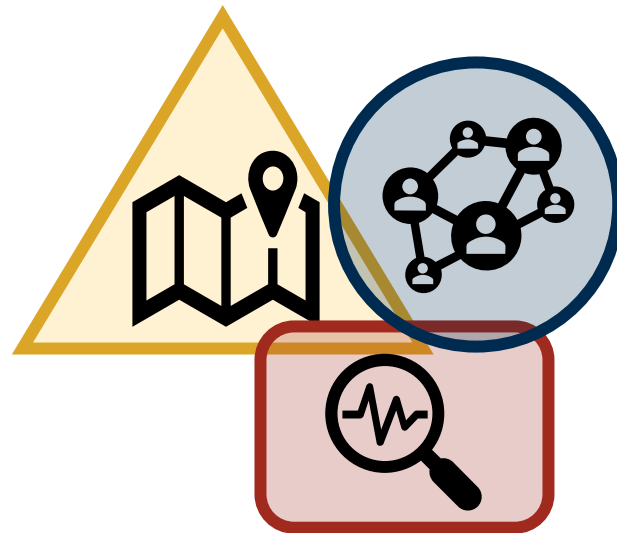
# Statewide Planning, Research, & Networks

## \$90 million

*Invest in economic plans, research to assess the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and support stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives*

### Statewide Planning: \$59M

\$1 million planning grants to each state and territory



### Research & Networks: \$31M

- **Research & Evaluation:** Fund projects to study the implementation of EDA's American Rescue Plan programs; identify valuable strategies, data, and trends; and inform future EDA grant-making
- **Communities of Practice:** Fund the launch and operations of communities of practice across key groups of EDA stakeholders (UCs, RLFs, EDDs, etc.) and other American Rescue Plan programs (Build Back Better Regional Challenge, Good Jobs Challenge, etc.)
- **Rolling Deadline**

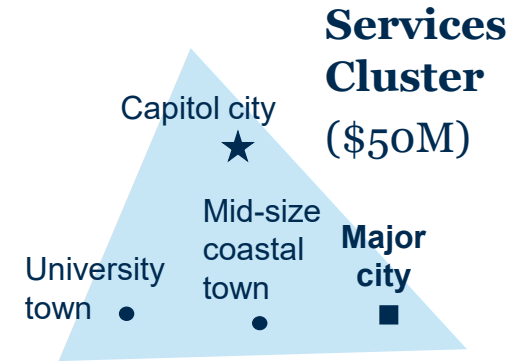


# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

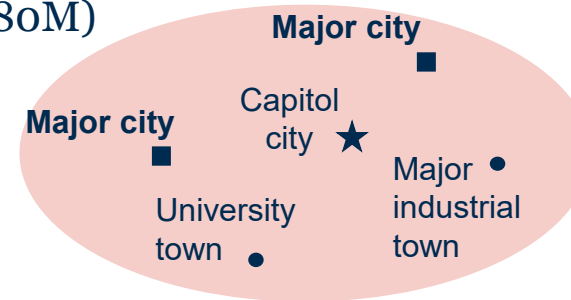
## \$1 Billion

*Transform economically distressed communities through substantial investment in regional growth clusters*

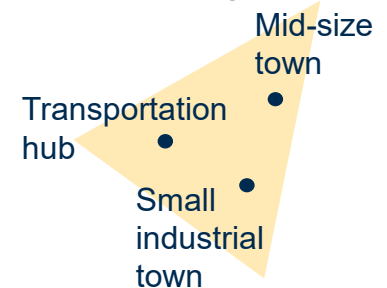
- Proposals should include regional coalitions, industry support, and high-impact projects with a shared vision for a regional growth cluster
- One key coordinating entity per region
- 3-8 projects per regional cluster
- Can be existing or emerging cluster
- \$100M to the *Coal Communities Commitment*



**Manufacturing Cluster (\$80M)**



**Entrepreneurship Cluster (\$25M)**



### Projects can include:

Planning | Infrastructure | Workforce | Entrepreneurship



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## *Two-Phased Approach*

**Phase I: 50-60 regions** awarded technical assistance grants to finalize plans for project clusters

*Total: ~\$500,000 per region – 100% Federal award*

**Phase II: 20-30 regions** from Phase I regions awarded implementation grants from full project cluster applications

*Total: ~\$25-\$100M per region – generally 80% Federal grant*

*\$100M Coal Communities Commitment*

Phase I deadline: October 19, 2021

Phase II deadline: March 15, 2022



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge Timeline

- To be considered under Phase I, an applicant must complete Phase I Concept Proposal, including all documents required in the NOFO (see starting on page 17)
- Applications for Phase I must be received by EDA no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on October 19, 2021.
- EDA *anticipates* expeditiously reviewing **complete** Concept Proposals and awarding technical assistance grants by December 8, 2021. (See page 16 of NOFO)
- To be considered for funding under Phase II the proposed project must support a Concept Proposal selected as a finalist under Phase I, and the applicant for that project must be a member of the Coalition associated with the Concept Proposal. All Phase 2 projects must be part of a Phase 2 Full Application to be considered.
- Applications for Phase 2 must be submitted *no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on March 15, 2022.*
- *Awards will be announced no later than September 2022.*



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## Who is Eligible to Apply?

- District Organization
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- State, county city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium or political subdivisions;
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## Ineligible Projects

- Projects that directly improve facilities owned by an individual or for-profit entity
- Projects primarily residential in nature
- Projects to create community amenities (e.g., swimming pools, zoos, rec centers)
- Projects to support general governmental or public safety operations (firehouses, public safety, municipal government buildings, etc.)
- Projects to supplement operating budgets or replace lost revenue
- Projects that are primarily directed at public health responses to coronavirus (testing or vaccination centers)



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## Matching Share

- Phase I – 100% Federal Grant Rate
- Phase II – Generally expected to be 80% Federal Grant Rate

Matching Share funds must:

- *Be available and committed* to use for the specific EDA project outlined in the application as of the date that the application is submitted;
- *Be unencumbered*, or not otherwise limited or directed to specific tasks (Matching Share funds need to be available for the entire EDA SOW requested); *and*,
- *Be from eligible sources* (generally other Federal funds may not be used as Matching Share for an EDA award).



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## Application forms and process

Phase I – submitted via Grants.gov

- Maximum 5-page (12-point font 1-inch margin) Concept Proposal addressing items on page 17 of NOFO
- Appendix addressing Regional Assets, Industry Leadership, Sustainability, and Equity as detailed on page 18 of NOFO
- Clear identification of coalition members (see page 18 of NOFO)
- Budget narrative
- Documentation evidencing that each coalition member has read the application and is committing to executing its component(s)
- Letters of support
- Lead applicant submit federal forms (424, 424A, CD-511, SF-LLL, and if non-profit, bylaws, articles of incorporation, and current certificate of good standing)
- **Full details available beginning on page 17 of NOFO**





# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## Application forms and process

Phase II – Portal will be made available to those selected as part of Phase I

- Maximum 10-page (12-point font 1-inch margin) Overarching Narrative that responds to requirements beginning on page 20
- Appendix addressing Regional Assets, Industry Leadership, Sustainability, and Equity as detailed on page 18 of NOFO
- Updated letters of support detailing commitments of Partners and coalition members
- Documentation evidencing that each coalition member has read the application and is committing to executing its component(s)
- Full application materials for each of the identified 3-8 projects – see beginning on page 22 of NOFO
- Full details for all Phase II requirements available beginning on page 19 of NOFO



**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

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# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

## FRAUD ALERT

EDA has become aware of a telephone/email scam in which the perpetrator claims that the victim has won an EDA award and needs to provide personal information and a processing fee to claim it. Please note that EDA does not provide grants or other forms of financial assistance or benefits (including unemployment benefits) to individuals and does not ask individuals to disclose personal information. In addition, EDA does not require applicants to submit a processing or other fee. EDA grants can only be obtained by following the procedures described in the Notices of Funding Opportunities provided for the programs below.

If you believe you have been the victim of one of these scams, or for more information, please read the following notice.

## FISCAL YEAR 2021 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Under the American Rescue Plan, EDA was allocated \$3 billion in supplemental funding to assist communities nationwide in their efforts to build back better by accelerating the economic recovery from the coronavirus pandemic and building local economies that will be resilient to future economic shocks.

American Rescue Plan funding enables EDA to provide larger, more transformational investments across the nation while utilizing its greatest strengths, including flexible funding to support community-led economic development.

With an emphasis on equity, EDA investments made under the American Rescue Plan will directly benefit previously underserved communities impacted by COVID-19.

EDA is making a Coal Communities Commitment, allocating \$300 million of its \$3 billion American Rescue Plan appropriation to ensure support for these communities as they recover from the pandemic and create new jobs and opportunities, including through the creation or expansion of a new industry sector. This commitment will be fulfilled through \$100 million in Build Back Better Regional Challenge grants and \$200 million in Economic Adjustment Assistance grants.

EDA has published the following funding opportunities:

- [Economic Adjustment Assistance](#)
- [Travel, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation](#)
- [Indigenous Communities](#)
- [Build Back Better Regional Challenge](#)
- [Statewide Planning, Research and Networks](#)
- [Good Jobs Challenge](#)



**Deadlines:** Varies based on program.

# Build Back Better Regional Challenge Application forms and process

The screenshot shows the GRANTS.GOV website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, LEARN GRANTS, SEARCH GRANTS, APPLICANTS, GRANTORS, SYSTEM-TO-SYSTEM, FORMS, CONNECT, and SUPPORT. A search bar is located on the right side of the navigation bar. Below the navigation bar, the page title is "VIEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY" and the opportunity ID is "EDA-HDQ-ARPBBS-2021-2006976". The opportunity title is "FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Build Back Better Regional Challenge". There are "Apply" and "Subscribe" buttons on the right side of the page. Below the title, there are tabs for "SYNOPSIS", "VERSION HISTORY", "RELATED DOCUMENTS", and "PACKAGE". The "PACKAGE" tab is highlighted with a red arrow. The main content area is titled "General Information" and contains the following details:

Document Type:	Grants Notice	Version:	Synopsis 4
Funding Opportunity Number:	EDA-HDQ-ARPBBS-2021-2006976	Posted Date:	Jul 22, 2021
Funding Opportunity Title:	FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Build Back Better Regional Challenge	Last Updated Date:	Jul 22, 2021
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary	Original Closing Date for Applications:	Oct 19, 2021
Opportunity Category Explanation:		Current Closing Date for Applications:	Oct 19, 2021
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement Grant	Archive Date:	Nov 14, 2021
Category of Funding Activity:	Other (see text field entitled "Explanation of Other Category of Funding Activity" for clarification)	Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$30,000,000
Category Explanation:	Economic Development	Award Ceiling:	\$500,000
Expected Number of Awards:	55	Award Floor:	\$200,000
CFDA Number(s):	11.307 -- Economic Adjustment Assistance		
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	No		

Below the "General Information" section, there is an "Eligibility" section with the following details:

Eligible Applicants: Special district governments  
State governments  
Public and State controlled institutions of higher education  
Private institutions of higher education  
County governments  
Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)  
Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)  
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education



# Build Back Better Regional Challenge

## Key things to know

- Not for funding single large project – must connect to cluster include 3-8 complimentary projects proposed by coalition
- If project is submitted as part of application for Build Back Better, it may not be selected under another ARP award until and unless EDA determines unsuccessful in Build Back Better
- Don't forget about Coal Commitment – make sure to include data on impacts in application if applicable
- All Projects subject to Federal procurement and construction requirements
- Property constructed or improved must be held by applicant for useful life to advance economic development objectives – generally 20 years
- No work may proceed until if and when EDA issues an award document
- In order to submit application via Grants.gov, need DUNS and must be registered and designated as AOR



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation

**\$750 million**



*Accelerate communities impacted by COVID-related travel and tourism decline through block grants to states and competitive grants*

## State Grants: \$510M

- Award allocations to each state and territory based on economic development indicators in the leisure and hospitality industries
- Can fund destination marketing, but cannot fund economic diversification projects

## Challenge: \$240M

- Assist communities that suffered economic injury because of job losses in travel, tourism, or outdoor recreation sectors
- EDA prefers projects that directly support the travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation sectors; but will consider diversification projects



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Eligible Projects



- EDA anticipates funding both construction and non-construction projects ---- but generally these are separate projects and separate applications
- Funds are intended to support new and expanded infrastructure projects with a multi-state or national focus and projects in regions most adversely affected by damage to the travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation sectors from the coronavirus
- Page 7 of NOFO refers to list of potential construction projects, these are illustrative and not all inclusive --- any construction project must be owned by the eligible applicant
- Because state and local tourism promotion and marketing projects are eligible uses of funds under State Tourism Grants such projects **are not** eligible under the EDA Competitive Tourism Grants component
- Applicant must notify EDA if they are seeking or receive any other funding for the project, including under State non-competitive grants for Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Ineligible Projects



- Projects that directly improve facilities owned by an individual or for-profit entity
- Projects primarily residential in nature
- Projects to create community amenities that are not specific to regional tourism (e.g., swimming pools, rec centers)
- Projects that directly support casinos or gaming
- Projects to support general governmental or public safety operations (firehouses, public safety, municipal government buildings, etc.)
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# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Eligible Applicants



- District Organization
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- State, county city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium or political subdivisions;
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# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Matching Share



Matching Share funds must:

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- ***Be from eligible sources*** (generally other Federal funds may not be used as Matching Share for an EDA award).
- EDA generally expects to fund 80% of eligible project costs



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Application Submission and Review



Applications must be submitted via Grants.gov (Need SAM and AOR.gov)

Deadline listed for competitive grant portion is January 31, 2022; however, EDA will begin reviewing applications expeditiously upon receipt of complete application, so don't wait! (See page 22 of NOFO)

Applications must be complete to be reviewed, and forms are listed beginning on page 16



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## How will applications be reviewed?



- Extent to which the region served by the project has suffered economic injury as a result of job and gross domestic product losses in the travel tourism, and outdoor recreation sectors;
- Extent to which the project is responsive to the needs of communities impacted by the coronavirus pandemic's impact on the travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation sectors;
- Extent to which the project supports economic recovery and long-term resilience to future pandemics or other sudden and severe economic dislocations;
- Project's ability to foster well-paying jobs with good benefits;
- Degree of economic distress experienced in the project community/region, including economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic;
- Project feasibility, sustainability/durability; and applicant organizational capacity;
- Alignment with the CEDS and EDA Investment Priorities;
- Extent to which the project is based on community-oriented and collaborative economic development;
- Extent to which the application articulates a plan for ensuring that the project's benefits are shared across all affected communities.



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Key Things to Know



- EDA does not reimburse pre-award costs
- All Projects subject to Federal procurement and construction requirements
- Property constructed or improved must be held by applicant for useful life to advance economic development objectives – generally 20 years
- No work may proceed until if and when EDA issues an award document
- In order to submit application via Grants.gov, need DUNS and must be registered and designated as AOR
- Match needs to be committed and available at time of application



# Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation Challenge

## Key Things to Know



A screenshot of a web browser displaying the GRANTS.GOV website. The page title is "VIEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY". The main heading is "EDA-2021-ARPA TOURISM" with the subtitle "FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation Notice of Funding Opportunity". The page is from the Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration. There are tabs for "SYNOPSIS", "VERSION HISTORY", "RELATED DOCUMENTS", and "PACKAGE". The "SYNOPSIS" tab is active, showing "General Information" with fields for Document Type, Funding Opportunity Number, Title, Category, Instrument Type, Activity, Explanation, Awards, and CFDA Number(s). Two red arrows point from the left and right sides of the page towards the "PACKAGE" tab and the "Original Closing Date for Applications" field respectively. The browser's address bar shows the URL "grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=334748". The taskbar at the bottom shows the date as 8/2/2021 and the time as 7:25 AM.



# Economic Adjustment Assistance

## \$500 million/Atlanta Regional Office - \$100,630,929

*Invest in infrastructure, technical assistance, planning, and revolving loan programs through competitive grants available to every community*

- Most flexible American Rescue Plan program; intended to fund non-construction and construction activities not already part of another Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program.
- EDA encourages application submissions based on long-term, regionally oriented, coordinated, and collaborative economic development or redevelopment strategies that foster economic growth and resilience. This includes plans aimed at building stronger regional economic links between urban centers and rural areas.



*\$200M Coal Communities Commitment*  
**Deadline: March 31 2022\***

# Economic Adjustment Assistance

## *Funding Availability*

- EDA expects to fund approximately 300 non-construction and construction projects that cost between \$500,000 - \$5,000,000, though EDA will consider applications above and below these amounts.
- Economic Recovery Strategy Grants are expected to be 12-24 months.
- Implementation grants involving construction of project facilities expected to range from 12-48 months.



# Economic Adjustment Assistance

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- EDA generally expects to fund 80% of eligible project costs





# Economic Adjustment Assistance

## *Eligible Applicants*

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# Economic Adjustment Assistance

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# Economic Adjustment Assistance – ARP

## What makes a complete application?



- List of required application materials is listed in NOFO beginning on page 14
- When determining applicant – who owns, operates, and maintains the asset or project?
- Make sure you are using current version of Environmental Narrative!
  - EDA.gov → Funding Opportunities → Scroll to bottom of page
- Make sure to have authorized representative sign the Applicant Certification Clause
  - Last three pages of Environmental Narrative
- If incubator or accelerator project, make sure to add requirements listed beginning on page 20
- Indirect costs not permitted on construction awards; to claim on non-construction must be *de minimis rate* or have current approved Indirect Cost Rate and submit with application
- Complete applications must be received by March 31, 2022; but EDA will begin reviewing applications on a rolling basis. **Applicants are strongly advised to submit applications as soon as possible as demand is expected to exceed available resources under this program.**



# Economic Adjustment Assistance – ARP

**How will applications be reviewed?  
See page 25 of NOFO**



- Extent to which the project is responsive to the needs of communities caused by the coronavirus pandemic, including long-term economic recovery and economic diversification;
- Extent to which the project is resilient to future pandemics or other sudden and severe economic dislocations;
- Project feasibility and sustainability;
- Project’s alignment with regional CEDS;
- Degree of economic distress experienced in the project community/region, including economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic;
- Project’s ability to foster well-paying jobs that have benefits;
- Ability to promote private investment in the regional economy;
- Whether and the extent to which the applicant proposes to incorporate strong labor protections into the performance of the project; and
- Extent to which the application articulates a plan for ensuring that the project’s benefits are shared across all affected communities. Although not required, EDA encourages efforts to reach historically underserved areas, rural areas, minority populations, and women.



# Economic Adjustment Assistance – ARP

Grants.gov

A screenshot of the Grants.gov website. The browser address bar shows the URL: grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=334743. The page title is "VIEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY". The main heading is "EDA-2021-ARPAEAA" followed by "FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity". Below this, there are tabs for "SYNOPSIS", "VERSION HISTORY", "RELATED DOCUMENTS", and "PACKAGE". The "SYNOPSIS" tab is selected. The "General Information" section contains the following details:

Document Type:	Grants Notice	Version:	Synopsis 3
Funding Opportunity Number:	EDA-2021-ARPAEAA	Posted Date:	Jul 22, 2021
Funding Opportunity Title:	FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity	Last Updated Date:	Jul 22, 2021
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary	Original Closing Date for Applications:	While EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit their applications as soon as possible, EDA strongly advises eligible applicants to submit complete applications no later than March 31, 2022 so that EDA can review and process the application in time to get a potential award in place prior to deadlines imposed by Congress. Submission by March 31, 2022 is not a guarantee of funding. Any award is subject to the availability of funds. See Section E of this ARPA EAA NOFO regarding EDA's review process.
Opportunity Category Explanation:		Current Closing Date for Applications:	While EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit their applications as soon as possible, EDA strongly advises eligible applicants to submit complete applications no later than March 31, 2022 so that EDA can review and process the application in time to get a potential award in place prior to deadlines imposed by Congress. Submission by March 31, 2022 is not a guarantee of funding. Any award is subject to the availability of funds. See Section E of this ARPA EAA NOFO regarding EDA's review process.
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement Grant	Archive Date:	
Category of Funding Activity:	Other (see text field entitled "Explanation of Other Category of Funding Activity" for clarification)	Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$500,000,000
Category Explanation:	Economic Development	Award Ceiling:	\$10,000,000
Expected Number of Awards:	250	Award Floor:	\$100,000
CFDA Number(s):	11.307 -- Economic Adjustment Assistance		
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	Yes		



## VIEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY

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FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity  
Department of Commerce  
Economic Development Administration

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**Opportunity Package(s) Currently Available for this Funding Opportunity:**

CFDA	Competition ID	Competition Title	Opportunity Package ID	Opening Date	Closing Date	Actions
11.307	ARPA-EAA-NC	ARPA EAA Non-Construction Application	PKG00268445		03/31/2022	<a href="#">Preview</a>   <a href="#">Apply</a>
11.307	ARPA-EAA-C	ARPA EAA Construction Application	PKG00268462		03/31/2022	<a href="#">Preview</a>   <a href="#">Apply</a>
11.307	ARPA-EAA-RLF	ARPA EAA RLF Application	PKG00268464		03/31/2022	<a href="#">Preview</a>   <a href="#">Apply</a>
11.307	ARPA-EAA-DE	ARPA EAA Design and Engineering Only Application	PKG00268463		03/31/2022	<a href="#">Preview</a>   <a href="#">Apply</a>



# Economic Adjustment Assistance

## Key Things to Know



- EDA does not reimburse pre-award costs
- All Projects subject to Federal procurement and construction requirements
- Property constructed or improved must be held by applicant for useful life to advance economic development objectives – generally 20 years
- No work may proceed until if and when EDA issues an award document
- In order to submit application via Grants.gov, need DUNS and must be registered and designated as AOR
- Match needs to be committed and available at time of application



# Indigenous Communities

**\$100 million**

*Develop projects designed to create the conditions for economic growth in Indigenous communities and to accelerate economic recovery from the pandemic*

- Additional \$100 million in Economic Adjustment Assistance funds will specifically support Indigenous communities and can be used to fund nontraditional EAA projects, like health centers
- A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program
- This competition is open only to Indian Tribes, as defined in EDA's regulations, nonprofits serving Native Hawaiians, and nonprofits serving Native Pacific Islanders
- **Deadline: March 31, 2022**





# Good Jobs Challenge

## \$500 million

*Get Americans back to work by establishing or strengthening regional systems to train workers with in-demand skills through employer-driven training models that support participants with wrap-around services and employer commitments to hire*

### System Development

Funding to help an organization establish and develop workforce systems and sectoral partnerships

### Program Design

Funding to develop skills training curriculum and materials, secure technical expertise to train workers, and secure employer commitments to hire

### Program Implementation

Funding for non-construction projects to provide workforce training and connect workers with quality jobs, including wrap-around services



# Good Jobs Challenge

- Capital expenses, such as equipment purchase and training facility leases, are permitted. However, construction activities are not allowable; any workforce program that requires construction can and should apply to other NOFOs, such as the Economic Adjustment Assistance NOFO
- Disbursement of funds gated upon successful completion of each phase of workforce program development benchmarks
- One of primary goals of program is to help Americans get back to work with good, quality jobs. Emphasis of this in review and can be documented through work-and-learn models like Registered Apprenticeships, Conditional Hiring models or Employer Commitments (see page 13 of NOFO)
- EDA expects projects to range in duration from 24 months to 36 months
- **Deadline:** January 26, 2022
- **Application submitted via Grants.gov.** Don't forget your SAM and AOR registration!
- See list beginning on page 19 of materials required for complete application.
- EDA does not reimburse pre-award costs
- Evaluation criteria outlined beginning on page 27 of NOFO

**System Development**

**Program Design**

**Program  
Implementation**



# Don't Forget about Regular Programs



EDA has grants through Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance to support **construction of new public or non-profit owned facilities, or facilitate renovation or improvement of such facilities**



EDA has grants to support **Technical Assistance and Local Planning efforts that can provide analysis or planning to meet local and regional economic development needs**



# Resources

Visit our website for resources: [www.eda.gov/arpa](http://www.eda.gov/arpa)

- One-page overviews
- FAQs
- Applicant support tools



# Questions?

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