

**Economic Development Grants,  
Resources, and Webinars Newsletter**  
7/27/2021

### Upcoming Events

#### USDA Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Households

Applications are ongoing  
[Click Here!](#) To apply.

#### EDA 101 and America Rescue Plan Overview

Jul. 29, 2021 2:00pm CDT  
Registration Fee: Free  
[Click Here!](#) To register.

#### Texas Mainstreet Designation

Applications due July 30, 2021  
[Click Here!](#) To apply.

#### USDA Rural Development Rural Utilities Service (RUS)

Aug. 4, 2021 1:00pm-2:00pm CDT  
Registration Fee: Free  
[Click Here!](#) To register.

#### Virtual ED Sales Tax Workshop

Aug. 13-27, 2021  
Registration Fee: \$175  
[Click Here!](#) To register.

#### 2021 Texas Groundwater Summit

Hyatt Regency Hill Country  
San Antonio, Tx  
Aug. 31-Sept. 2, 2021  
Registration Fee: \$375  
[Click Here!](#) To register.

#### 2021 National Recreation and Park Association Hybrid Conference

Nashville, Tn  
Sept. 21-23, 2021  
[Click Here!](#) To register and view registration packages.

### Other Resources

#### 5 Year CEDS Update

The MRB Group and DDCT will be hosting a regional CEDS committee workshop to update the regions 5 year CEDS plan; on August 10, 2021 from 10:00am-12:00pm CDT. To register for this event please email Anna Barge at [Anna.Barge@ctcog.org](mailto:Anna.Barge@ctcog.org).

### Funding Opportunities

#### National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Applications for NTIA's Broadband Infrastructure Program, which includes \$288 million in grant funding for the deployment of broadband infrastructure, are due August 17, 2021. [Click Here!](#) To learn more.

#### EDA

The Economic Adjustment Assistance program is EDA's most flexible program, and grants made under this program will help hundreds of communities across the nation plan, build, innovate, and put people back to work through construction or non-construction projects designed to meet local needs. [Click Here!](#) To learn more.

U.S. Secretary of Commerce Gina M. Raimondo announced that the Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA) will implement a series of programs, collectively called Investing in America's Communities, to equitably invest the \$3 billion it received from President Biden's American Rescue Plan Act to help communities across the country build back better. Six Notices of Funding Opportunity:

[Build Back Better Regional Challenge](#) (\$1 billion)

[Good Jobs Challenge](#) (\$500 million)

[Economic Adjustment Assistance Challenge](#) (\$500 million)

[Indigenous Communities Challenge](#) (\$100 million)

[Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation Grants](#) (\$750 million)

[Statewide Planning, Research, and Networks Grants](#) (\$90 million)