

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS, RESOURCES, AND WEBINARS NEWSLETTER

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

April 12, 2023

### EDA STEM Talent Challenge

This program aims to build STEM talent training systems to strengthen regional innovation economies through grants of up to \$500,000 with a 50% match. Funding will be for 24 months of a program that identify opportunities in high-growth potential sectors, and expand and empower the innovation economy workforce, including by:

- Engaging regional entrepreneurs, innovators, and the organizations that support them to assess and forecast current and future talent needs and to develop collaborative solutions with work-based programs;
- Building highly skilled talent and connecting it to highly technical opportunities that foster professional development and provide continuing advanced skills training to develop the technical and scientific workforce that regional innovation initiatives need;
- Strengthening collaboration among entrepreneurs, industry leaders and employers, educational organizations, established corporations, economic and/or workforce development organizations, and the public sector to enable better access to skilled workers and to develop demand-driven workforce pipelines for the innovation economy; and
- Placing new employees into immediate job openings with regional employers in need of STEM talent.

Political subdivisions of the state, non-profits, institutes of higher education, science/research parks, and public-private partnerships are eligible to apply. Deadline to apply is Jun.12, 2023.

For awards made after Apr.1st, 2023, the new scoring criteria will be applied. The next deadline for this quarter is **Jun.30th, 2023**. For more information and to apply, click [here!](#)

## OTHER RESOURCES

### TWDB Lead Service Line Replacement

This Program is offered through the TWDB's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF), with \$213,455,000 in low interest loan funding available for developing lead service line inventories and removal. Deadline for Project Information Forms is **May.23, 2023**. For more information, click [here!](#)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Working with Water Utilities: Critical Partnerships for Building Community Resilience

April 12th, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

For more information, click [here!](#)

### TxCDBG Fair Housing: Overview & Best Practices

April 18th, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

To attend, click [here!](#)

### Graduate Pathways Hiring Event

April 13th, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

For more information, click [here!](#)



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### Partner with Emergency Management Officials to Prepare for Disasters

April 20th, 1:00-2:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

For more information, click [here!](#)