

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS, RESOURCES, AND WEBINARS NEWSLETTER

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES

November 30, 2023

HUD Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)

This program awards \$1,145,000-\$13,500,000 in grant funds for FY 2023 to eligible national and regional non-profit organizations and consortia to purchase home sites and develop or improve the infrastructure needed for volunteer-based homeownership programs for low-income persons and families. Eligible costs are land acquisition, infrastructure improvements, and reasonable and necessary planning and administration costs (not to exceed 20 percent). Deadline to apply is **December 4th, 2023**. To apply, click [here](#)!

U.S Department of Labor (DOL) Youthbuild Program

This Program will provide \$700,000 to \$1.5 million to ISDs, state governments, counties, local governments, institutes of higher education, special district governments, and nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status for pre-apprenticeship services that support education, occupational skills training, and employment services to opportunity youth, ages 16 to 24, who are performing meaningful work and service to their communities. Applicants must include construction skills training and may include occupational skills training in other in-demand industries. Programs should include:

- Training and curriculum that aligns with the skill needs of employers in the economy of the state or region involved;
- Access to educational and career counseling and other supportive services, directly or indirectly;
- Hands-on, meaningful learning activities that are connected to education and training activities;
- Opportunities to attain at least one industry-recognized credential; and
- A partnership with one or more registered apprenticeship programs that assists in placing individuals in a registered apprenticeship program.

The period of performance is 40 months and match is 25%. Deadline is **Feb.1**. For more information and to apply, click [here](#)!

FEDERAL & STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Proposition 10

On Nov. 7, Proposition 10 was approved by Texas voters, allowing for a constitutional amendment providing exemptions from ad valorem taxation on equipment or inventory held by a manufacturer of medical or biomedical products created by S.J.R. No. 87 at the 88th Legislative session. This Proposition will allow for increased investment in the state by medical equipment and product manufacturers to strengthen the state's medical supply chain and boost medical industry employment. For more information, click [here](#)!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Comprehensive Understanding Of ChatGPT

December 1, 2023, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM
Registration Fee: \$285 individual, \$485 group
To register click [here](#)!

TxCDBG Grant Awardee Kickoff

December 4, 2023, 9:00-11:00 AM
Registration Fee: Free
2180 N. Main Street
Belton, Texas 76513

Texas Broadband Development Office Local Government Roundtable

December 7, 2023, 10:00-11:00 AM
Registration Fee: Free
To attend click [here](#)!



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TDA Stakeholder Feedback Opportunity: Proposed Pre-Application Process Session 2

December 12, 2023, 10:00-11:00 AM
Registration Fee: Free
To register click [here](#)!