

Appendix C: State Program Inventory

The State Program Inventory lists existing State of Ohio programs that affect land use, infrastructure, and development decisions. It is a resource for local communities to help identify programs that will support development or redevelopment in Priority Development Areas, agriculture in Priority Agricultural Areas, and conservation in Priority Conservation Areas. There is a complete index of the programs starting on page C-152 at the end of the program list.

The State Program Inventory is classified by whether the program supports the Priority Development Areas, Priority Agricultural Areas, or Priority Conservation Areas (one program, the Coastal Management Assistance Grant, occurs in both conservation and development categories). The programs are then organized into three subcategories: infrastructure; site; or services. Infrastructure programs provide support for roads, bridges, rail, and/or transit; water supply plants and/or pipes; and sanitary and/or storm sewers. Site programs provide funding for site assessment, site development and/or cleanup, or parcel acquisition for conservation. Services include technical assistance and regulatory support.

The listing provides a short summary of each program. These state programs, operated independently of the Ohio Balanced Growth Program, are constantly undergoing program and policy changes as well as changes in resource levels. The state performs periodic updates (at least each biennium) to the State Programs Inventory to reflect these changes. Each page in the Inventory lists the month and year in which the Inventory was last updated for that program. For the most up to date and complete information, please contact the listed program specialist or office.

An online version of this list is available at <http://balancedgrowth.ohio.gov/BalancedGrowthStrategy/InventoryofStatePrograms.aspx>.

Priority Conservation Areas

A. Infrastructure

1. Metro Park Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance – Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides state funds for park drives or park roads within the boundaries of township or county parks, together with roads leading from state highway to any into any such park. The Ohio Parks & Recreation Association (OPRA) serves as the program manager.

Funds can be used for the materials and labor necessary for construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, and maintenance of park drives, park roads, park access roads, parking lots, and for purchase and hauling of materials, and for equipment rental.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 5511.06. The Metro Parks Program provides state funds for park drives or park roads within the boundaries of county parks created under sections 511.18 to 511.34 and 1545.01 to 1545.22 of the Revised Code.

Funding Source: ODOT state funds.

Current funding level: Funds are provided to the park districts through the Biennial Transportation Appropriations Act. Biennial funding is currently \$4.456M, and is allocated evenly over a 2 year period, e.g., 2012-2013. OPRA's Project Coordinator determines an individual allocation for each park district by using the percentage of total vehicle registrations by county, as provided by the Ohio Department of Public Safety. Upon receipt of the funding breakdown by park, the ODOT Program Manager updates the allocation list (called the FUND SHEET) and forwards it to the ODOT District Contacts. All costs in excess of the metro park district allocation are paid by the park district.

Application cycle: N/A

Local role: The Metropark Board is responsible for knowing their fund availability, identifying eligible projects within the park, and initiating action on projects by contacting OPRA and the appropriate ODOT District.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Park roads are built, gravel roads are paved, and damaged roads are repaired. People have easy entry into the parks as a result.

Program Contact: Each ODOT District has appointed a person to be the contact for the park program dollars used in that District. Park Districts are to contact the ODOT District Contact when initiating projects or making inquiries. The ODOT Central Office Program Manager is Wendi Snyder, Office of Systems Planning and Program Management, (614) 728-8062, Wendi.Snyder@dot.state.oh.us.

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/LocalPrograms/Pages/MetroParksProgram.aspx>

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B. Site

1. Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG Program)

Type of program: Financial Assistance; recreational boating access development – capital projects

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Improve opportunities for transient recreational boating

Authority citation: Federal Legislation and ORC 1547.72

Funding source: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Current funding level: Depends on funding level, \$100,000 minimum annual allocation

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 25%

Outcomes/Direct Impacts (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Increased boater satisfaction, public/private partnership, and positive economic impacts.

Grant application deadline: August 1

Program Contact: Carl Miller
Division of Watercraft
Resource Planning
2045 Morse Road, A-2
Columbus, Ohio 43229
(614) 265-6446; e-mail to carl.miller@dnr.state.oh.us

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2. Cooperative Boating Facility Grant Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance; recreational boating access development – capital projects

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Improve opportunities for recreational boating

Authority citation: ORC 1547.72

Funding source: Waterway Safety Fund, 086

Current funding level: \$3.6 million annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): none required

Outcomes/Direct Impacts (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Increased boater satisfaction, public/private partnership, positive economic impacts, increase access to Ohio's waters for boaters

Grant application deadline: April 1

Program Contact: Julie McQuade
Division of Watercraft
Resource Planning
2045 Morse Road, A-2
Columbus, Ohio 43229
614-265-6443

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3. Land and Water Conservation Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR – Div. of Parks and Recreation

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to local governments and ODNR to acquire and/or develop properties for outdoor recreation.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1504.02

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal

Current funding level: approx. \$1.0 million per year

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 50% reimbursement grant

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created):

Grant application deadline: February 1

Special Incentive: Balanced Growth Communities can receive up to 10 additional points out of a possible 145 on review criteria for proposed projects.

Program contact:

ODNR- Division of Parks and Recreation – 614-265-6646
Dameyon Shipley – Recreation Services Manager
dameyon.shipley@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.ohiodnr.com>

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4. Nature Works

Type of program: Financial assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR – Div. of Parks and Recreation

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to local governments to acquire and/or develop properties for outdoor recreation.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1557.06

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): State capital funds

Current funding level: approx. \$1.5 million per biennium

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 75% reimbursement grant

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created):

Grant application deadline: February 1

Special Incentive: Balanced Growth Communities can receive up to 10 additional points out of a possible 150 on review criteria for proposed projects.

Program contact:

ODNR- Division of Parks and Recreation – 614-265-6646

dameyon.shipley@dnr.state.oh.us

<http://www.ohiodnr.com>

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5. Clean Ohio Trails Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR – Div. of Parks and Recreation

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to local governments and nonprofit agencies to acquire and/or develop recreational trail properties.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1519.05

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): State capital funds

Current funding level: \$6.25 million

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 75% reimbursement grant

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created)

Grant application deadline: February 1

Program contact:

ODNR- Division of Parks and Recreation – 614-265-6417

D’Juan Hammonds – Grants Manager – djuan.hammonds@dnr.state.oh.us

<http://www.ohiodnr.com>

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6. Clean Ohio Conservation Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance- grants

Administering agency: Ohio Public Works Commission

Purpose: The Clean Ohio Conservation Fund was developed to provide funding for open space and riparian corridors.

Authority citation: ORC Section 1521.14

Funding source: State capital funds

Current funding level: \$37,500,000 per year

Local role:

Outcomes/direct impact:

Program contact: Ohio Public Works Commission
65 East State Street, Suite 312
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 466-0880
www.pwc.state.oh.us

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7. Ohio Lake Erie Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR - Div. of Soil and Water Conservation

Purpose: To improve water quality by reducing sediment pollution and field runoff throughout six of northwest Ohio's watersheds that drain into Lake Erie through the installation of filter strips, riparian buffers, wetland, hardwood trees, wildlife habitat and field windbreaks. Eligible funding area includes: Lake Basin-Maumee, Sandusky, Auglaize, Blanchard, Portage, Black, Vermilion, and Huron.

Authority citation: (e.g., law, rules, guidance): State of Ohio's Director of State's OBM under Section 126.07 ORC

Funding source: (e.g., state, federal, bonds): State GRF and USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC).

Current funding level: Total State Funds \$12,023,105 USDA-CCC will contribute \$16,754,000 annually.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 20% local Match with 10% in Cash. Local SWCD staff in partnership with USDA-NRCS/FSA staff work to sign up landowners into the CREP program. Provide technical assistance to producers who are installing eligible practices under this program. Report to the DSWC quarterly and annually fiscal accounting of state funds, monitor the installation of practices completed and make financial incentive payments to producers on eligible practices. For example pay a one-time state bonus payment of \$100/acre for tree planting and \$500/acre for a wetland restoration, riparian buffer, hardwood tree planting practices.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Goal of 67,000 acres in 10 years through 2010. Since May 2000 the Lake Erie CREP program has been successful in enrolling 36,075 acres of conservation practices on approx. 7,800 contracts with producers. Also Heidelberg College Water Quality Lab reports that through 2006 CREP has reduced or saved an estimated 2.4 million tons of sediment going into Lake Erie.

Financial assistance request deadline: ongoing

Program contact: Local Soil & Water Conservation District Offices

<http://ofswcd.org/districts.htm>

<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/tabid/9093/Default.aspx>

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ODNR-Division of Soil & Water Conservation

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419-424-5006

<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/tabid/8867/default.aspx>

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8. Recreation Marine Loan Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance; recreational boating access development – capital projects

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Improve opportunities for recreational boating. This program is available to any privately owned marina planning a project that serves the boating public.

Authority citation: ORC 1547.721 through ORC 1547.726

Funding source: Waterway Safety Fund, 086

Current funding level: \$5 million

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): none required

Outcomes/Direct Impacts (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Increased boater satisfaction through improved facilities, public/private partnership, and positive economic impacts.

Grant application deadline: No deadline (applications accepted year round)

Program Contact: Phil Miller
Division of Watercraft
Resource Planning
2045 Morse Road, A-2
Columbus, Ohio 43229
614-265-6497

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9. Recreational Trails Grant Program

Type of program: Financial assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR – Div. of Parks and Recreation

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to all level of governments and nonprofits to acquire and/or develop recreational trail properties.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1504.02

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal

Current funding level: approx. \$1.5 million per year

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 80% reimbursement grant

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): additional/ improved trail opportunities, jobs created.

Grant application deadline: February 1

Program contact:

ODNR- Division of Parks and Recreation – 614-265-6417

D’Juan Hammonds – Grants Manager – djuan.hammonds@dnr.state.oh.us

<http://www.ohiodnr.com>

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10. Coastal Management Assistance Grant

Type of program: Financial assistance - reimbursement grants

Administering agency: ODNR - Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to local governments, state agencies, non-profits and educational institutions for projects that preserve, protect and enhance Lake Erie coastal resources and/or support their sustainable use.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1506.02

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal - NOAA funds

Current funding level: Up to \$250,000 per year

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 100% non-federal match (1:1)

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): watershed and coastal community planning which enables communities to more successfully pursue grant funding for implementation, increased public access facilities, increased public education on sustainable coastal development issues

Grant application deadline: third Friday of November

Program contact: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management - 419-626-7986 or 7980
Yetty Alley, yetty.alley@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal>

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11. Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP)

Type of program: Financial assistance – reimbursement grants

Administering Agency: ODNR – Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: Established in 2002 to protect coastal and estuarine lands considered important for their ecological, conservation, recreational, historical or aesthetic values. The program provides state and local governments with matching funds to purchase significant coastal and estuarine lands, or conservation easements on such lands, from willing sellers.

Authority citation: 16 U.S.C. 1456-1

Funding source: Federal – NOAA funds

Current funding level: Varies; Each eligible state is able to submit up to three project proposals requesting a maximum of \$3 million in federal funding per proposal.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 1:1 non-federal match (project costs 50% federal/50% local match)

Outcomes/Direct Impacts (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Since the program's inception, Ohio has spent over \$16 million in CELCP funds to protect over 3,000 acres of significant coastal lands. Ohio was also awarded \$1.2 million in FY2010 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative funding that was offered through CELCP.

Grant application deadline: Varies

Program Contact: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management - 419-626-7986 or 7980
Yetty Alley, yetty.alley@dnr.state.oh.us
www.ohiodnr.com/coastal (under "Grants")

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12. Watershed Coordinator Grant Program

Type of program: Financial Asst.

Administering Agency: ODNR - Div. of Soil and Water Resources

Purpose: To provide non-profits, and local governments with four year grants to employ watershed coordinators to plan nonpoint source pollution programs via stakeholder compiled watershed action plans.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 6111 and 1511

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): \$275,000 GRF, \$400,000 in Federal 319 funding; \$100,000 in Division of Mineral Resources AMD Implementation funds; \$70,000 from Division of Wildlife and \$70,000 from the Office of Coastal Management.

Current funding level: \$ 915,000 annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): This grant builds capacity statewide for local units of governments, NGOs, and other local entities to collaborate effectively to improve a water resource. This state grant pays up to \$35,000 per year for a watershed coordinator's salary and fringes. The local sponsor and local watershed partners provide additional salary each year and the office space, equipment and resources needed. By participating in the watershed coordinator program, these watershed partnerships are offered additional technical assistance by Ohio EPA, ODNR and OSU Extension personnel. Personnel from these agencies form an Area Assistance Team that delivers technical information such as water quality data, applied soils information, BMP selection, pollution loading estimates, organizational assistance, etc. These services are provided to all groups committed to producing state endorsed watershed action plans.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): 44 watershed coordinators are currently in place state-wide. 14 of the watershed coordinators are located in the Lake Erie Basin. 1 of the watershed coordinator grants were awarded to Lake Erie Watershed Organizations in 2010 and will begin activity in 2010.

Grant application deadline: Summer 2010 - Check web site for updates

Special Incentive: Although extra points are not given, an endorsed Watershed Balanced Growth Plan would reflect well in the application process.

Program contact: ODNR - Division of Soil & Water Conservation
Greg Nageotte, 614-265-6619
greg.nageotte@dnr.state.oh.us

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Matt Adkins 419-609-4102
Matt.Adkins@dnr.state.oh.us

Ohio River Watershed
Constance White
Constance.White@dnr.state.oh.us
614-581-5954

<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/soilandwater/water/watershedprograms/default/tabid/9192/Default.aspx>

The current and 2010 Lake Erie Watershed Coordinator Grants include:

Watershed Coverage	Sponsor	Watershed Coordinator Name	Phone	E-mail
Vermilion River	ODNR, Natural Areas and Preserves	Tim Kwiatkowski	440-839-1561	Tim.Kwiatkowski@dnr.state.oh.us
Ashtabula River	ODNR, Natural Areas and Preserves	Matthew Smith	440-992-5845	Matthew.smith@dnr.state.oh.us
Sandusky River	WSOS, Inc.	Cynthia Brooks	419-334-5016	CABROOKES@wsos.org
Euclid Creek	Cuyahoga SWCD	Claire Posius	216-524-6580 ext 16	cposius@cuyahogawcd.org
Upper Grand	Grand River Partners Inc.	George Warnock	440-375-7311	george@grandriverpartners.org
Portage River	Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments	Elaine Mobius	419-241-9155 x. 139	moebius@tmacog.org
Firelands Coastal Tributaries	Friends of Old Woman Creek	Bre Hohman	419 626 5211	bhohman@erie-county-ohio.net
Black River	Lorain County	Christina Cznidarsik	440-328-2336	cznidarsic@yahoo.com
Rocky River	Cuyahoga SWCD	Jared Bartley	216-524-6580 x. 14	jbartley@cuyahogawcd.org
Tinkers Creek	Cuyahoga. Board of Health	Michael McNutt	216-201-2001 x. 1221	mmcnutt@ccbh.net
Chagrin River	Chagrin River Partners	Amy Holtshouse Brennan	440 975 3870	abrennan@crwp.org
Middle Cuyahoga	NEFCO- Northeast Ohio Four Counties Planning Organization	Maia Peck	330-252-0337	mpeck@necoplanning.org
Blanchard River	Blanchard River Watershed Partnership	Phil Martin	419-422-6487	gbbm@woh.rr.com
West Creek	West Creek Preservation Committee	Derek Shafer	216.749.3720	dschafer@westcreek.org

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13. Ohio Water Trails Program

Type of program: Technical Assistance; boating access and state water trail designation

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Improve recreational boating access opportunities with focus on non-motorized watercraft.

Authority citation: ORC 1547

Funding source: Waterway Safety Fund, 7086

Current funding level: \$20,000. No match required.

Local role: Trail sponsor/managing agency

Outcomes/Direct Impacts: Improve boating opportunities and access for recreational boaters

Grant application deadline: None

Program Contact: Douglas Leed
ODNR, Division of Watercraft
2045 Morse Road, A-2
Columbus, Ohio 43229
Phone: 614-265-6675
Fax: 614-267-8883
Email: douglas.leed@dnr.state.oh.us
Website: www.ohiodnr.com/boating

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14. Clean Vessel Act Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance; recreational boating support amenity development – capital projects

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Positive impacts to the water quality for Ohio's waterways. The purpose of this grant is to construct and renovate waste reception facilities for recreational vessels at public and private marinas and at other vessel facilities.

Authority citation: Clean Vessel Act (federal legislation)

Funding source: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Current funding level: Depends on annual federal appropriation level

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): none required

Outcomes/Direct Impacts (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Recreational boaters' efforts to maintain good water quality for the waters of Ohio.

Grant application deadline: August 1

Program Contact: Carl Miller
Division of Watercraft
Resource Planning
2045 Morse Road, A-2, Columbus, Ohio 43229
(614) 265-6446; e-mail to carl.miller@dnr.state.oh.us

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15. Recreational Harbor Evaluation Program (RHEP)

Type of program: Recreational boating access development – dredging projects on Lake Erie and Ohio River

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Improve opportunities for recreational boating

Authority citation: ORC 1547.71; ORC 1547.72

Funding source: Waterway Safety Fund, 086

Current funding level: \$750,000 annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 50%, 25% or no match required, depending on project

Outcomes/Direct Impacts (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Increased boater satisfaction, public/private partnership, positive economic impacts, increase access to Ohio River and Lake Erie

Grant application deadline: April 1

Program Contact: Phil Miller
Division of Watercraft
Resource Planning
2045 Morse Road, A-2
Columbus, Ohio 43229
614-265-6497

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16. Wetland Restoration Program

Type of program: Financial Asst.

Administering Agency: ODNR - Div. of Wildlife

Purpose: To provide grants to individuals and organizations for costs associated with wetland restoration projects on private land in Ohio. Cost-share grants are eligible only in specified focus counties identified through the Division of Wildlife Wetland Tactical Plan (Ottawa, Sandusky, Erie, Lucas, Trumbull, Ashtabula, Wayne, Marion, Wyandot, and Hardin Counties).

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1533.112

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Funds from the sale of state waterfowl stamps; Ducks Unlimited (\$20,000)

Current funding level: \$75,000 annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 50 % match required or up to \$750/wetland acre restored for a 10-year agreement;
100% of the cost covered or up to \$1,500/wetland acre restored for a 20-year agreement

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Since 1991, a total of 765 wetland projects accounting for 5,326 acres on private land across Ohio have been restored through this program. Jobs created include work for construction contracts, sale of grass seed, and water control structures.

Grant application deadline: ongoing

Program contact: ODNR - Division of Wildlife - 614-265-6300
Luke Miller - luke.miller@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/wildlife>

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17. Submerged Lands Lease/Permit Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To provide exclusive use and occupation of a portion of Lake Erie

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1506.10 and 1506.11, OAC 1501-6-01 through 1501-6-06

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal - NOAA funds and lease fees

Current funding level: Information not available

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): R.C. 1506.11(B) requires a local government resolution or ordinance. A.C. 1501-6-03(D)(4) enables the Director, DNR, to incorporate local land use planning and waterfront master plans in the review of submerged lands lease applications.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Ensures the Lake Erie Public Trust is protected and available for the citizens of Ohio. Half of the lease fees are returned to the local community and can be used for local projects to improve Lake Erie.

Program contact: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management - 419-626-7980
Patrick M. Ernst, P.S. patrick.ernst@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal/>

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18. State and Federal Consistency

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To ensure certain state and federal activities are consistent with the policies of the Ohio Coastal Management Program

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1506.03 (for state consistency) and the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (for federal)

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal - NOAA funds

Current funding level: Information not available

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): may provide input into the reviews; no local funding required

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Oversight of federal activities affecting Ohio's coastal area.

Program contact: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management - 419-626-7980
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<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal>

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19. Shore Structure Permit

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering Agency: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To ensure structures constructed along or near the shoreline of Lake Erie that will act to control erosion, wave action or inundation are appropriately designed in accordance with standard engineering practice, will function as intended, and potential impacts by the structures to adjacent shorelines are minimized.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1506.40

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal - NOAA funds

Current funding level: Information not available

Local role: No local funding required

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Reduces the risk of damage to or loss of property, possessions, infrastructure and life due to improperly designed shore structures.

Program contact: Deborah Beck ODNR- Office of Coastal Management
419-626-7980
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<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal>

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20. Stream Wetland Mitigation Program

Type of Program: Regulatory - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: The Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: To avoid, minimize, and mitigate impacts to streams and wetlands during the design, construction, or maintenance of the state transportation systems as required by federal, state, and local law. Mitigation opportunities may include mitigation banking, stream and wetland creation, restoration, and/or preservation, and possibly even preservation, and possibly even preservation of upland buffer adjacent to stream and wetland resources.

Authority citation: USACE Regulatory Guidance Letter 02-02; Ohio Administrative Code Sections 3745-1-50 through 3745-1-54; Federal Clean Water Act Sections 404 & 401; 1899 Rivers and Harbor Act Sections 9 & 10.

Funding Source: Project Specific Funding; Purchase of Mitigation Bank Credits from Multiple Projects.

Current Funding level: N/A

Application Cycle: Wetland mitigation credits are purchased as needed from commercial mitigation banks.

Local Role: Partner with ODOT to determine potential mitigation opportunities within the project area and/or close proximity.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Reduction in the adverse impacts to streams and wetlands during the design, construction, or maintenance of the state transportation system.

Program Contact: William R. Cody, Assistant Administrator
Office of Environmental Services
Ecological Resources and Waterway Permits
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614-466-5198

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21. Water Quality Standards

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA- Division of Surface Water and Director's Office, Ohio General Assembly; Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review

Purpose: To establish environmental targets (chemical and biological criteria) applicable to specific waters of the State and to use these in determining pollution control requirements (WQ based permits, TMDLs, watershed plans) and measuring progress towards achieving CWA goals.

Authority citation: Clean Water Act Section 303; 40 CFR 131 and 40 CFR 132; ORC 6111.042 and 6111.12; OAC 3745-1

Funding source: Federal 106 grant; State GRF and annual discharge fees

Local role: Not applicable, except for local participation in public review and input during rule making process.

Outcomes/direct impact: Appropriate WQS established for all waters of the State; rules reviewed every 5 years

Program contact: Dan Dudley, 614-644-2876
dan.dudley@epa.ohio.gov
<http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wqs/index.aspx>.

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22. Total Maximum Daily Load Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA- Division of Surface Water and Director's Office; local planning participants

Purpose: To identify and prioritize waters within Ohio for which technological controls are not sufficient to meet water quality standards. For each of the waters identified as impaired, prepare a plan to bring the water body into attainment with the water quality standards.

Authority citation: Clean Water Act Section 303(d); 40 CFR 130.7; ORC 6111.042; OAC 3745-2-12

Funding source: Federal 106 and 319 grants and annual discharge fees

Local role: Local participation is important in developing acceptable and effective implementation strategies. There is, at minimum, a 30-day public review for TMDLs before submittal to US EPA for approval.

Outcomes/direct impact: TMDLs are active in about 75% of Ohio's watershed units. By the end of 2011, 50 TMDL projects (many including more than one unit) had been approved by U.S. EPA and about 30 others are currently being developed. TMDL findings are reflected in NPDES permits, and local groups use TMDL recommendations to secure funding for remediation of nonpoint source impacts. The modification of the dams on the Cuyahoga River at Kent and Munroe Falls is a direct result of a TMDL recommendation.

Program contact: Trinka Mount, TMDL Coordinator, Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 614-644-2140
trinka.mount@epa.ohio.gov

Also see http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/tmdl/TMDL_contacts.aspx

<http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/tmdl/index.aspx>

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23. Clean Water Act Section 319 Implementation Grants Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance - grants

Administering agency: Ohio EPA - Division of Surface Water

Purpose: The 319 Implementation Grants Program provides financial assistance to local soil and water conservation districts, local watershed groups, local governments and others to implement watershed management actions designed to eliminate impaired waters and reduce nonpoint source pollution in Ohio.

Authority citation: Section 319 of the Clean Water Act

Funding source: Federal, combined with state and local matching funds

Current funding level: \$6 million/year of which approximately \$3 million/year is awarded as local subgrants.

Local role: Section 319 grants require a 40% local match.

Outcomes/direct impact: Grants provide assistance for a wide variety of stream restoration and NPS pollution reduction projects and practices.

Financial Incentive:

Ohio EPA provides additional scoring credit for projects in watersheds that are within a Balanced Growth Project (BGP.) Possibilities include adding a separate project evaluation and scoring factor and weighing the BGP as a positive scoring factor within the context of existing evaluation criteria such as the evidence for local project commitment, likely environmental results, etc.

Grant application deadline: March 29, 2013

Special Incentive: Additional scoring available; 2 points out of 62

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24. 401 Water Quality Certifications and Isolated Wetland Permits

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA- Division of Surface Water and Director's Office

Purpose: To review applications for projects that propose the placement of fill or dredged material into waters of the State, including streams, lakes and wetlands, to review required mitigation of issued permits, and to perform wetland research.

Authority citation: CWA- contains Sections 404 and 401
ORC 6111- general prohibitions and isolated wetland provisions (6111.12-.029)
Ohio Administrative Code 3745-1 (WQS)- wetland provisions in 3745-1-50 through 54
OAC 3745-32 (401 certification)- state rules for issuing 401 certifications

Funding source: Fees, 106 grant funds, ODOT, Federal Wetland Grant

Local role: Provide comments on applications and suggestions for mitigation projects.

Outcomes/direct impact: Number of projects approved, water resources impacted, mitigation required.

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25. Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP) of the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF)

Type of program: Financial Assistance; full reimbursement for eligible expenses

Administering Agency: Ohio EPA

Purpose: To counter the loss of ecological function and biological diversity that jeopardizes the health of Ohio's water resources. This program funds both preservation and restoration of aquatic habitat to accomplish this goal.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 6111.036

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): state funds (interest paid on loans made to project sponsors)

Current funding level: In 2012, \$7.5 million for restoration actions, and \$9.5 million for protection actions. Ohio EPA anticipates approximately \$15 million per calendar year will be made available for this program.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): No match is required. However, an applicant who is simultaneously receiving loan project assistance from the WPCLF must sponsor the WRRSP action.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Number of lineal feet of river/stream restored or protected, number of acres of high quality wetland or riparian corridor protected or restored, increases in the QHEI or ORAM scores, and attainment of Ohio water quality standards for aquatic life use designations or Category 3 (highest quality) wetland status.

Application deadline: Deadline set annually; applications due usually in the fall preceding the year in which the sponsoring project will be funded.

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26. Emergency Boating Access Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance; recreation boating access development

Administering Agency: ODNR, Division of Watercraft

Purpose: Improve boating opportunities through addressing urgent needs at boating access facilities.

Authority citation: ORC 1547.72

Funding source: Waterway Safety Fund 7086

Current funding level: \$300,000 annually

Local role: no match required

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Increase boater satisfaction, public private partnership, positive economic impacts, improved access to Ohio waters for boaters

Grant application deadline: August 1

Program contact: Phil Miller
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27. Litter Cleanup Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention

Purpose: To provide grant funds to Ohio counties, municipal corporations, townships, villages, Solid Waste Management Districts or Authorities, Soil & Water Conservation Districts, Keep Ohio Beautiful affiliates and any agencies of the state as defined in Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code for costs associated and participation in community based litter cleanup and public awareness efforts. An agency of the state may be a municipal corporation, county, township, state college or university, and solid waste management district or authority.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1502

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Construction and Demolition Debris Fee

Current funding level: \$150,000 annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Applicants are not required to offer matching funds but local financial or in-kind contributions will help to demonstrate a sense of commitment. Maximum grant amounts are up to \$2,000 per project.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. volunteer hours generated, development of local partnerships): Increased number of volunteer hours and opportunities, while ensuring a cleaner community and promoting a more positive environmental message to residents and local businesses. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources wants to highlight the educational components of Earth Day/Keep Ohio Beautiful Month by supporting activities during the spring period.

Grant application deadline: November 5, 2010

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C. Services

1. Biological and Water Quality Sampling

Type of program: Technical Assistance, Environmental Assessment

Administering Agency: Ohio EPA

Purpose: To provide information about the quality of surface water resources. Ohio EPA can provide services for sampling and interpreting water quality data at a limited number of sites (on the order of 10 sites per year). The services could include water sampling, chemical analyses, sediment sampling and analyses, biological monitoring of fish and macroinvertebrates, and an abbreviated interpretation of results. This work might have a role in helping communities confirm the existence of water quality problems in targeted PDAs and the existence of better water quality within candidate PCAs. This initial baseline monitoring could be a benchmark to measure future changes in water quality conditions and possible connections with progress with Balanced Growth Projects (BGPs.)

Monitoring and assessment data may exist for specific watersheds which could be used to establish baseline conditions and existing resource quality if the Ohio EPA has conducted recent sampling in the area. Refer to the following website to determine if monitoring and assessment has occurred: http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/document_index/psdindx.aspx.

Authority citation: ORC 6111.03, 6111.41 & 6111.42

Funding source: State and federal 106, 319 & 604b federal grants

Current funding level: No specific funding for assistance to Balanced Growth WPPs; however, Ohio EPA can earmark enough resources from its general reserve of monitoring and technical assistance capacity to sample and assess up to 10 sites per year specifically for sites in participating Balanced Growth communities.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): No match required. However, local project leaders must develop a preliminary study plan and obtain the permission to sample on private land. Local assistance with certain aspects of the sampling is possible.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Number of sites sampled; knowledge of water quality conditions over time.

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2. Urban Forestry

Type of program: Organizational and Technical Assistance

Administering agency: ODNR- Division of Forestry

Purpose: To provide community officials and allied agencies with the organizational and technical ability to effectively manage the trees along streets, within parks, and on public grounds.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1503

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): General Revenue Fund, Forestry Fund, and Federal

Current funding level: Approximately \$500,000 for statewide program

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): No local requirement for assistance, but 50/50 grant match is required.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): An improved quality of urban life for all Ohio communities where comprehensive urban forestry programs are integrated and on par with other municipal services.

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5/2010

3. Forestry Watershed Program

Type of program: Tech Asst./Financial Asst.

Administering agency: ODNR- Division of Forestry

Purpose: To provide tech asst. and cost-share funding in priority watersheds

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): Healthy Forest Restoration Act

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal funds

Current funding level: TBD

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match):

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created):

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4. Lake Erie Protection Fund

Type of program: Financial and Technical Assistance

Administering Agency: Ohio Lake Erie Commission

Purpose: (1) Research into the economic, environmental, and human health effects of contamination; (2) Research and data collection regarding water quality and toxic contamination; (3) Developing improved methods of measuring water quality and establishing a firm scientific base for implementing a basin-wide system of water quality management; (4) Improving scientific knowledge on which protection policies are based and devising new and innovative clean-up techniques for toxic contaminants; and (5) Supplementing state commitments to policies and programs pertaining to water quality and resource protection.

Authority citation: Section 1506.23 of the Ohio Revised Code

Funding source: State funds consisting of moneys deposited into the fund from the issuance of Lake Erie license plates under Section 4503.52 of the Ohio Revised Code and donations, gifts, bequests, and other moneys received for the purposes of this section.

Current funding level: SFY 2010 will consist of funding for small grants, targeted priorities, and support for Balanced Growth program needs. The distribution of funds is announced annually by the Commission at its June meeting.

Local role: Available to any federal and state agencies, any political subdivision, any educational institution, or any nonprofit organization. Cannot be used to fund state staff salaries. Federal funds can be counted as match.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Research and implementation projects that benefit the protection and restoration of Lake Erie.

Grant application deadline: Quarterly

Special Incentive: Funding is reserved for one Balanced Growth Project per year of up to \$15,000; additional Balanced Growth projects will receive priority consideration in funding decisions.

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5. NW Ohio Windbreak Program

Type of program: Reforestaton/Tree Planting, Tech Asst.

Administering Agency: ODNR - Division of Forestry

Purpose: Turn-key tree planting program to get field windbreaks planted on qualifying agricultural land in 17 counties in NW Ohio.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance):

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Participating landowners receive federal and state funds through cost-share and incentive payments via the Conservation Reserve Program and the Lake Erie CREP.

Current funding level:

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): SWCD's in participating counties meet with interested landowners, prepare the windbreak plans and stake the location of the windbreaks in the field. The Division of Forestry obtains the seedlings, plants the windbreak, applies an herbicide in the Spring and Fall, and offers replacement seedlings for those that die in the first growing season. The landowners pay \$0.30 per row foot planted to the Division of Forestry for the above mentioned services. (\$0.30/row foot is 2010 cost. May increase in future)

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): This program offers an option for interested landowners to get field windbreaks planted on their agricultural land in NW Ohio. The amount of row feet and acres planted varies from year to year. The program has been in existence for 33 years (since 1977). To date, over 1500 windbreaks have been planted, covering nearly 6.4 million row feet or 1,200 row miles.

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6. Lake Erie Shore Erosion Management Plan (LESEMP)

Type of program: Guidance document for shoreline property owners regarding prevention of erosion and flooding problems.

Administering Agency: ODNR – Division of Geological Survey and Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: Gain information about the perceived needs of local communities with the aim of incorporating specific measures into the erosion management plan. To establish a plan for local communities and individual property owners to use in addressing Lake Erie based erosion and flooding concerns in conjunction with the restoration of some of the shore and near shore habitats and resources along Ohio's Lake Erie coast. The plan will be used to support policy development focused on protecting and restoring coastal property. Specific issues to be researched include:

- Beach erosion and sand resources
- Types of shore protection structures as solutions to erosion problems
- The effects of shore armoring and natural alternatives/plantings
- Regional management, local ordinances, and partnerships
- Incentives/assistance, beneficial use of dredged material
- Prohibitions on structures and shoreline classification
- Environmental area designation and development setback
- Manuals/publications and engineering design guidance
- Public education and outreach

The plan will integrate all levels of stakeholders by identifying federal, state and local governments for partnerships in funding opportunities. The plan will be integrated with the Lake Erie GIS project to support an overall shore erosion management plan and included in the Lake Erie Coastal Atlas.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1501.10 to 1501.06.13

Funding source: Federal grants, state severance tax revenues

Current funding level: Funding complete, but will continue to assist as needed using severance tax, as needed

Local role: Funded participation is complete, but Geological Survey will continue to provide expertise, assistance and support to the Office of Coastal Management. Copies of the plan and supporting documents will be available at the ODNR, Office of Coastal Management

Outcomes/Direct Impact: The guidance document will provide solutions to erosion and flooding problems based on scientific research and historical data for coastal communities and property owners to protect and restore critical coastal resources.

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7. Remapping of Ohio's Lake Erie Coastal Erosion Areas

Type of program: Geologic hazards maps providing the predicted 30-year coastal recession rates along Ohio's Lake Erie coast.

Administering Agency: ODNR – Division of Geological Survey

Purpose: To prepare an updated designation of Lake Erie coastal erosion areas (CEAs). The CEA maps and supporting shoreline recession data will achieve the following objectives:

- Provide information to lakefront property owners so they can assess erosion risks, plan for and mitigate potential erosion, and comply with requirements of real estate disclosure laws;
- Provide local communities and other government agencies with coastal erosion information to help them manage coastal resources and implement plans for sustainable growth along the Ohio coast; and
- Support permit-review process for erosion control structures and structures sited in the CEAs.

The Division of Geological Survey will use these data to estimate the impact of erosion control measures on coastal sand resources, which serves as essential nearshore habitat.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1501.10 to 1501.06.13

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): State severance tax and royalty revenues

Current funding level: FY10 funding=\$80,000, FY 11=\$55,000 based on severance tax and royalty funds.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Updated Coastal Erosion Area maps are being provided for lakefront property owners and the general public at coastal municipal and county locations.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g., acres planted, jobs created): Through the identification of areas prone to coastal erosion, economic losses are prevented, such as loss of property and infrastructure, reduction of tax revenue due to property loss, etc..

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8. Statewide Geologic Mapping Program

Type of program: Geologic information and maps on surficial materials, bedrock geology, bedrock-surface topography, bedrock structure, mineral resources, and geologic hazards (e.g., abandoned underground mines, landslide-prone areas, radon, and seismicity).

Administering Agency: ODNR – Division of Geological Survey

Purpose: To perform the necessary, field, laboratory, and administrative tasks to map and make public reports on the geology and mineral resources of the state. Current program priorities include the production of regional maps (1:100,000 scale) depicting major surficial-material units from the surface down to and including the uppermost bedrock unit. In addition, the program is producing detailed (1:24,000 scale), three-dimensional maps of surficial materials for select 7.5-minute quadrangle areas as pilot projects of the Great Lakes Geologic Mapping Coalition—a state/federal partnership of the U.S. Geological Survey and the state geological surveys of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Ohio. Funds from the Coalition grant are currently being used to map sensitive karst areas and create derivative maps for northern Ohio.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1501.09

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Mineral severance tax and federal grants

Current funding level: Approximately \$600,000 per year from mineral severance tax and \$200,000 per year from federal grants.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Statewide Geologic Mapping Program maps and reports can be obtained in hard copy and/or digital format from the division's Geologic Records Center at nominal cost.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g., acres planted, jobs created): Consideration of geologic conditions and limitations when developing plans for public recreation and natural-resource-conservation areas will result in facilities that are better designed with respect to geologic conditions and limitations.

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9. Forest Stewardship Program

Type of program: Technical Assistance

Administering agency: ODNR- Division of Forestry

Purpose: The Forest Stewardship Program (FSR) encourages active management by private landowners of their forested lands and related resources. In cooperation with the State forestry agencies and the State stewardship coordinating committees, the FSP promotes a healthy sustainable forest for present and future property owners, and increases the economic and environmental sustainability of these lands.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): Ohio. Revised Code 1503, Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (PL 95-313),

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): General Revenue Fund, U.S. Forest Service (Federal funds)

Current funding level: Approximately \$1,800,000

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): None

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): The main goal of the program is to provide woodland owners with advice needed to help keep their woodlands healthy and forested. Advice provided through the Forest Stewardship Program will guide and assist landowners in sustainably managing their woodlands for forest products, wildlife, soil & water protection and recreation. In 2009, the Ohio Division of Forestry assisted private landowners in receiving nearly \$1.8 million in federal landowner incentive funds and provided direct assistance to more than 900 landowners.

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10. Streams and Storm Water Program

Type of program: Technical and Financial Assistance (Financial assistance is primarily to SWCDs and other units of local government for storm water training)

Administering Agency: ODNR - Div. of Soil and Water Conservation

Purpose: To protect and enhance the integrity of stream resources with an emphasis on preventing and addressing the degradation common to Ohio's urbanizing areas and historically modified streams. The Division provides assistance to local government, business and individuals in the areas of site development, storm water management, stream mitigation, rehabilitation and restoration (mitigation review and design assistance). The Division assists with the development of standards, storm water/construction site best management practices, stream assessment tools and design tools for rehabilitating physically degraded streams; reviews proposed stream impacts and mitigation plans; provides support for corridor/floodplain protection programs; provides training in the areas of stream morphology, storm water management and construction site erosion and sediment control; and provides technical assistance with the rehabilitation of channelized streams and the design of stream mitigation projects.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1511.02; OAC 1501:15-1-01; Responsible for Rainwater and Land Development: Ohio's Standards for Stormwater Management, Land Development and Urban Stream Protection.

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): State general revenue, Great Lakes Commission; NOAA Coastal Program, Federal 319 and the Ohio Water Development Authority.

Current funding level: Current Division Staff, plus storm water training grants totaling less than \$10,000 to organizations that provide needed storm water training to professionals and local government officials (soil and water conservation districts, county governments, municipal governments, regional planning organizations, non-profit groups and academic organizations) in the Lake Erie watershed.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Requests for assistance, matching support for small training grants.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Technical assistance provided as requested and through training events, including an annual storm water conference, updates provided to Rainwater and Land Development, the state's standards and specifications for storm water management, land development and urban stream protection.

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11. Lake Erie Lakewide Management Plan

Type of program: Planning and Implementation

Administering agency: This is a bi-national program with USEPA-GLNPO and Environment Canada as the leads, but all federal and state agencies with some jurisdiction along the lake have been involved in the process. Ohio EPA is the lead state agency.

Purpose: To protect and restore the biological, physical, and chemical integrity of Lake Erie.

Authority citation: LaMPs are required under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement and further codified as a US requirement in the 1990 Great Lakes Critical Programs Act amendment to the Clean Water Act. The LaMP program is also a priority under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Funding source: Funding source for planning is largely federal grants.

Current funding level: For Ohio, about \$300,000 through September 2011. There will be grant funds available for implementation under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Local role: At this point, much of the planning has been done by state and federal agencies. As the LaMP moves into implementation, much of the anticipated actions will be done at a local level as land-use management decisions are typically made at the local level.

Outcomes/direct impact: Outcomes for this program will be hard to measure as it is difficult to see a measurable response on the entire lake. What's important about this program is that it sets goals for the lake and then all the partner agencies need to determine how their existing programs can help to meet those goals.

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12. Great Lakes Remedial Action Plans (RAPs)

Type of program: Planning and Implementation

Administering agency: USEPA- Great Lakes National Program Office is the lead federal agency, Ohio EPA is the lead state agency and there are numerous local agencies and stakeholders involved in decision-making and fund-raising for assessment and implementation activities.

Purpose: To restore beneficial uses to the four Lake Erie Areas of Concern in Ohio (Maumee, Black, Cuyahoga, and Ashtabula Rivers). There are 43 AOCs around the Great Lakes. This program concentrates on using an ecosystem approach and considerable public participation and ownership to restore the 14 beneficial use impairments listed in the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

Authority citation: This program is based on the 1987 amendments to the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement between Canada and the US. The US further codifies its authority under the 1990 amendment to the Clean Water Act referred to as the Great Lakes Critical Programs Act. There are no specific state or local statutes or rules; however, Ohio EPA (in consultation with its local partners) has completed delisting targets to measure when the beneficial uses have been restored. The restoration of AOCs is a high priority under the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy and the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Funding source: The basic administrative funding for the program is primarily from federal grants, although the states and local governments have also contributed a significant amount. Funding for implementation comes from many different sources including: federal and state grants; foundations; donations; SEPs from enforcement actions (both federal and state); local matching funds; and volunteer support.

Current funding level: Currently, Ohio EPA has a federal grant of around \$860,000 to help support the program through September 2011. An additional approximately \$800,000 is anticipated in a federal grant under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative in federal fiscal year 2011. This support funds three state staff, monitoring and the support of local administration of the AOC program.

Local role: The local communities are very involved in the RAPs. They are responsible in many cases to provide the local match for state, federal and foundation grants either directly or in kind, and lead most restoration and remediation projects.

Outcomes/direct impact: The final outcome will be restoration of the AOCs and removal from the list of AOCs (delisting). Direct impacts will be measured by milestones and targets set by Ohio EPA and the local RAPS. Milestones and targets are based on indicators to measure progress toward restoration of the 14 beneficial uses.

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13. Section 208 planning (State Water Quality Management Plan)

Type of program: Planning, some regulatory aspects

Administering agency: Six areawide planning agencies (TMACOG, NEFCO, NOACA, ERCOG, MVRPC, and OKI) and the Ohio EPA maintain these plans; all plans must be certified by the Governor and approved by U.S. EPA.

Purpose: To meet requirements in federal regulations; to apply knowledge of the water quality problems and threats in a region in developing plans that identify what steps will be taken, by what entities and by when to help improve and maintain good water quality. Nine specific planning “elements” are covered in the State WQM Plan.

Authority citation: Clean Water Act Sections 208 & 303; 40 CFR 130, ORC 6111.03

Funding source: For Areawides: Federal 604(b) grant, state funds and local funds. For Ohio EPA: Federal 604(b) & 106 grants.

Current funding level:

For each Areawide: State funding \$75,000 per year; federal 604(b) funding varies from ~\$30,000 to \$75,000 per year

For Ohio EPA: 1 FTE (with overhead costs= ~\$100,000) (for basic administration and technical oversight of program only; does not include water quality and biological survey work or special studies that support identification of water quality issues.)

Local role: Areawide agencies have various technical committees with local participation & a governing board made of local officials. Ohio EPA solicits local input on wastewater facility planning and provides public input and comment on all 208 plans prior to recommending plan certification by the Governor.

Outcomes/direct impact: Clarity on wastewater infrastructure planning and when and where central sewers and treatment will be provided; abatement of pollution problems; avoiding future pollution problems caused by failed on-lot treatment and disposal systems; identification of other water quality problems such as storm water and excessive impervious cover in new growth areas, along with potential solutions.

Consistency Incentive: Section 208 Water Quality Management Plans prepared by either the State of Ohio or one of the six Areawide Planning Agencies offer a special venue to memorialize decisions agreed upon by local governments regarding Priority Areas. A 208 Plan identifies all the publicly owned treatment works that operate wastewater collection and treatment systems. Where local communities have agreed upon the details for wastewater treatment options within discrete geographic areas in the context of a Balanced Growth Watershed Plan, these may be included in the 208 Plan. Ohio EPA cannot issue permits for sewers or treatment plants that conflict with the approved 208 Plan. Thus, there is the opportunity to “prescribe” the details for who, what, when and where of sewer service delivery within PDAs and to “prescribe” the decision to provide limited or no sewer service within PCAs if included in the 208 Plan.

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Priority Agricultural Areas

A. Site

1. Clean Ohio Agricultural Easement Purchase Program (AEPP)

Type of program: Competitive easement purchase program

Administering agency: Ohio Department of Agriculture- Office of Farmland Preservation

Purpose: Purchases agricultural easements from interested farmland owners with the ultimate goal of preserving Ohio's farmland for future generations. An agricultural easement is a voluntary and legally-binding restriction placed on a farm. The easement limits the use of the land to predominantly agricultural activity. The land remains under private ownership and management and stays on the tax rolls under Current Agricultural Use Valuation (CAUV). The farmland can be sold or passed along as a gift to others at any time, but the restriction prohibiting non-agricultural development stays with the land.

Authority citation: ORC Sections 901.21-23; Sections 5301.67; Section 5301.691

OAC Sections 901-2-01 to 901-2-13

Policy recommended by Ohio Farmland Preservation Advisory

Board and approved by director of ODA

Funding source: Clean Ohio bonds

Current funding level: The 2008 Clean Ohio Bond renewal provides for \$25 million over a four year period, \$6.25 million each year. In 2012, \$6 million was appropriated for the program in the Mid-Biennial Budget.

Monies are issued for up to 75 percent of the points-based appraised value of a farm's development rights. A payment cap has been set at \$2,000 per acre, with a maximum of \$500,000 per farm. All easement transactions are recorded on the property deed and transfer with the land to successive owners. The farmer and/or local entity must provide (or donate) a 25% minimum local match of the points-based appraised value of the agricultural easement.

Local role: Counties, townships and land trusts apply on behalf of farmers/landowners.

Outcomes/direct impact: Since the beginning of the program, the AEPP has preserved 246 farms, totaling 44,813 acres, including pending offers as of May 25, 2012.

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2. Agricultural Security Area (ASA)

Type of program: Farmland protection and possible financial tax incentive

Administering agency: Ohio Department of Agriculture- Office of Farmland Preservation

Purpose: Promotes agricultural retention by creating special areas in which agriculture is encouraged and protected. ASAs provide certain benefits to farmers, including protection from non-agricultural development, a critical mass of land to help keep farming viable, and possible tax benefits for investing in new real-agricultural property.

The ASA program authorizes one or more landowners, with at least 500 acres of contiguous farmland, to request enrollment into an ASA for a 10-year period from the boards of county commissioners and township trustees. The farmland must be enrolled in Agricultural Districts (R.C. Chapter 929) and must be enrolled in Current Agricultural Use Valuation (CAUV) (R.C. 5713.30).

Authority citation: ORC 931.01-931.99

Funding source: Local governments

Current funding level: N/A

Local role: Townships and County governments must approve applications and commit not to initiate, approve, or finance any non-farm development activity, such as extending water and sewer lines, building new roads, housing subdivisions, commercial or industrial facilities, etc., within the ASA during a 10-year term. In addition, local officials may grant a real property tax exemption on new or expanded farm buildings. A minimum investment of \$25,000 is required and local officials may establish a maximum investment cap. The tax exemption would be up to 75% and up to 10 years.

Outcomes/direct impact: The program became effective May 18, 2005, and has undergone a few minor amendments. Since its inception, the Office of Farmland Preservation has documented 38 ASAs, which protect 30,200 acres of Ohio farmland.

Program contact: Ohio Department of Agriculture
Office of Farmland Preservation
614-728-6210

http://www.agri.ohio.gov/divs/FarmLand/FarmLand.aspx?div=Farm_ASA_Index.htm

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3. Ohio Agricultural Easement Donation Program (AEDP)

Type of program: Voluntary agricultural easement donation

Administering agency: Ohio Department of Agriculture- Office of Farmland Preservation

Purpose: The Agricultural Easement Donation Program is a tool for landowners to protect their farm's soils, natural resource features, and scenic open space. It provides landowners the opportunity to donate the easement rights on viable farmland to the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA). The department assures the land remains in agricultural use forever. There are no stewardship fees or costs to the farmland owner for donating the easement to ODA. All easement transactions are permanent. They are recorded on the property deed, and will transfer with the land to successive owners.

The applicant farm must be enrolled in CAUV and the Agricultural District Program through the county auditor's office. The farm must be a minimum of 40 acres unless the farm is adjacent to a preserved farm, then it must be a minimum of 25 acres.

Financial benefits such as tax deductions and federal tax advantages may also be available with easements. A perpetual agricultural easement is an IRS tax deductible, charitable gift. ODA encourages every landowner to seek advice from an accountant, tax attorney, or other financial professional regarding any tax benefits or consequences that might result from a gift of a perpetual agricultural easement to ODA.

Authority citation: ORC Sections 901.21 through 901.23, Section 5301.67-69

Funding source: N/A

Current funding level: N/A

Local role: Townships and Counties will receive notification of when a landowner within their jurisdiction is interested in donating an easement

Outcomes/direct impact: Since 1999, ODA has accepted easements from Ohio citizens to support the preservation of farmland for future generations. The department's Office of Farmland Preservation has preserved 53 farms, totaling 6,390 acres, through this program.

Program contact: Ohio Department of Agriculture
Office of Farmland Preservation
614-728-6210

http://www.agri.ohio.gov/divs/FarmLand/FarmLand.aspx?div=Farm_AEDP_Index.htm

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4. Ohio Agricultural Easement Donation Partnership Program (AEDPP)

Type of program: Grant

Administering agency: Ohio Department of Agriculture- Office of Farmland Preservation

Purpose: Introduced August 6, 2012, the AEDPP is a new pilot program that will reimburse local partners (counties, townships, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, or land trusts) for real estate closing and administrative costs of assisting landowners with donations under the state's farmland preservation program.

The department has set aside \$50,000 to cover \$3,000 in costs for the donation of farms up to 200 acres. The incentive would increase by \$5 per acre for easements more than 200 acres in size. Funds will be available statewide.

Potential donations will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, as certain legal requirements must be met in order for an agricultural easement to be placed on a property. Landowners should check with their financial advisor regarding tax benefits that may be associated with easement donations.

Authority citation: ORC Sections 901.21 through 901.23, Section 5301.67-69

Funding source: N/A

Current funding level: N/A

Local role: Townships and Counties will receive notification of when a landowner within their jurisdiction is interested in donating an easement

Outcomes/direct impact: Since 1999, ODA has accepted easements from Ohio citizens to support the preservation of farmland for future generations. The department's Office of Farmland Preservation has preserved 49 farms, totaling approximately 6,000 acres, through this program.

Program contact: Ohio Department of Agriculture
Office of Farmland Preservation
614-728-6210

http://www.agri.ohio.gov/divs/FarmLand/FarmLand.aspx?div=Farm_AEDP_Index.htm

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5. Agricultural Pollution Abatement Program

Type of program: Financial and Technical Assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR - Div. of Soil and Water Conservation

Purpose: To provide landowners with cost-share and technical assistance to solve agricultural or forestry related sediment or livestock waste pollution problems that impact waters of the State.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1511 & 1515

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): state GRF

Current funding level: FY 08 funding level for pollution abatement cost share is \$100,000. Personnel costs for technical assistance are \$500,000 annually.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): SWCD technical staffs provide technical assistance to agricultural producers and forest landowners to solve pollution problems. Agricultural and Silvicultural pollution complaints are filed with the Division or locally with the SWCDs, who have statutory authority and responsibility to investigate such complaints. The SWCDs utilize division staff for support in solving agricultural pollution problems.

Cost share through the Agricultural Pollution Abatement Program is provided to eligible producers at a 75% level not to exceed cost share maximums per individual of \$5,000, \$10,000, and \$15,000 respectively, dependent on the type of best management practice installed.

Outcomes/Direct Impact:

FY	Funding	Complaints	Projects
2001	\$1,269,357	<40	155
2002	\$871,579	<40	122
2003	\$221,500	<50	54
2004	\$283,500	82	46
2005	\$125,000	83	20
2006	\$90,000	78	13
2007	\$95,000	84	19
2008	\$41,000	82	7
2009	\$15,000	94	2
2010	\$83,000	16 (in process)	(in process)

Technical assistance is also provided through the Division's Agricultural Pollution Abatement Program by 3 Resource Management Specialists (RMS). The RMSs also provide technical assistance to watershed coordinators in the form of BMP selection and pollutant load reductions.

Financial Assistance application deadline: ongoing

Program contact:

Rob Hamilton, Administrator (937) 382-2315 Rob.Hamilton@dnr.state.oh.us
http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/H_Nav2/ProgramsProjects/AGPollutionAbatementProgram/tabid/8856/Default.aspx

Local Soil & Water Conservation District Offices:

<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/tabid/9093/Default.aspx>

<http://ofswcd.org/districts.htm>

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Priority Development Areas

A. Infrastructure

1. Emergency Relief Grant Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance- The program provides grants in the form of loan repayments made by the Authority for local governments so they can pay for repairs to their

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: For short-term relief from OWDA Loan repayments so communities can use their repayment funds to recover from damages or loss resulting from a federal and/or state declared disaster. The program is designed to allow local governments to use funds on hand to address emergencies created by natural disasters.

Authority citation: ORC 6121 and 6123; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board. These guidelines include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Emergency Relief Fund from OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus. Funds are from Authority funds no longer required for the payment of debt service on tax-exempt bonds.

Current funding level: A maximum of 2 semi-annual OWDA loan repayments can be made on behalf of qualifying communities.

Local role: Local governments must apply for the loans. The county that the local government is in must be declared a disaster area by either the Governor or the President of the United States. Local governments need to have received a loan from OWDA previously.

Outcomes/direct impact: The outcome of the program is to allow a local government to address an emergency situation quickly and with reduced red tape.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Ken Heigel, Chief Engineer
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2. Research and Development Grant Program

Type of program: Grant program - The program provides grants to local governments and/or State Agencies that are developing new techniques for making improvements to their drinking water treatment, wastewater treatment or storm water treatment systems or eliminating pollution.

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program is designed to provide incentives to local governments or industries which try new techniques in order to develop them for broader use within the State

Authority citation: ORC 6121.02.11; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board. These guidelines include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: Funds are from OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus no longer required for debt service on bonds.

Current funding level: Funding is not impacted by current budget problems.

Local role: There is a 50% local match required for the program.

Outcomes/direct impact: The hoped for direct outcome is the implementation of new techniques that will improve the environment and/or will reduce the cost of pollution controls to save local governments or businesses operating in the State.

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3. Roadwork Development (629) Account

Type of program: Grant for public roadway improvements

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: These grant funds are available for public roadway improvements, including engineering and design costs. This fund is available for projects primarily involving manufacturing, R&D, high technology, corporate headquarters, and distribution activity. Grants are usually provided to the local jurisdiction and require local participation.

Authority citation: No permanent Revised Code language. Allocation through ODOT Budget Bill line item 629. MOU between ODOT and ODOD.

Funding source: Gas sales tax

Current funding level: \$11.6 million annually. Generally 50 projects funded annually.

Local role: Community covers 50% of project.

Outcomes/direct impact: Jobs created or retained within three years.

Program contact: Community Services Division
(800) 848-1300
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_r629.htm

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4. Transportation Enhancement Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides funds for projects that enhance surface transportation by improving the cultural, historic, aesthetic and environmental aspects. ODOT encourages adding enhancements to planned transportation projects rather than stand-alone projects. The funds are available for twelve "transportation enhancement activities" specifically identified by Congress. These activities fall into three main groups: Bicycle and Pedestrian; Historic and Archaeological Transportation Enhancements; and Scenic and Environmental Transportation Enhancements.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

Funding Source: Federal Funds.

Current funding level: About \$11 million suballocated to MPOs for local governments within their regions. ODOT retains about \$11 million for rural areas and ODOT – sponsored projects. There is no limitation on the amount of funds that can be requested, however, due to the competitive nature of the program only partial funding may be available.

Application cycle: The project solicitation process begins January 1st of each year with a Letter of Interest to determine a project's eligibility. Sponsors of eligible projects are then invited to complete an application. Applicants are notified of funding by that fall.

Local role: ODOT's Enhancement funds are solely for state-owned and/or state-maintained facilities, and those projects sponsored by local governments outside the county boundaries of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), unless the local is within a small MPO (population less than 200,000) that has joined the ODOT program.

The program pays 80% of eligible costs for construction and/or eligible acquisition activities up to a specified maximum amount.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Improved cultural, historic, aesthetic and environmental aspects of our transportation infrastructure.

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5. Ohio Airport Grant Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides financial assistance for obstruction removal and pavement maintenance projects at publicly-owned, public use airports.

Projects are given scores in the following categories: Effect on safety (for obstruction removal projects); pavement condition (for pavement maintenance projects); type of critical based aircraft; number of based aircraft; local economic conditions; and applicant's compliance with the airport's Pavement Maintenance Plan.

Authority citation: Am Sub HB 119, 127th General Assembly, Line Item 777-471.

Funding Source: General Revenue Funds and aircraft registration receipts.

Current Funding level: Total available funding is approximately \$1 million annually. There is no maximum state share per project. Engineering costs are not eligible. The state share may not exceed 80% of eligible construction costs.

Application Cycle: The Office of Aviation sends a program announcement to potential applicants about January 1. The deadline for receiving applications is about May 1, and Notices of Project Approval will be sent out June 15.

Local Role: Airport sponsors pay 20% of total project construction and construction engineering/inspection costs plus 100% of design engineering costs, and are responsible for awarding bids, preparing (or contracting for preparation of) design engineering, and overseeing (or contracting for overseeing of) construction.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Infrastructure maintenance (pavement resurfacing), safety enhancement (obstruction removal, e.g., trees, building, terrain).

Program Contact: David Dennis, Office of Aviation
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Link: <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Operations/Aviation/Pages/OhioAirportGrantProgram.aspx>

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6. Federal Discretionary

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) administers a variety of discretionary programs through its various offices. These programs represent special funding categories where FHWA solicits for candidates and selects projects for funding based on applications received. Each program has its own eligibility and selection criteria that are established by law, by regulation, or administratively. Eligible applicants are State Departments of Transportation and local governments; however, funds flow through the DOT to ensure the required oversight. See <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/discretionary/> for list of discretionary programs.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

Funding Source: Federal Funds

Current funding level: Nationwide funding varies between programs and is provided for in the multi-year transportation reauthorization acts and annual appropriations acts. When selecting projects, FHWA considers national geographic distribution among all discretionary programs.

Due to the increased number of congressional delegations for specific projects (known as earmarks), the amount available by application has lessened over the years. It is important to work with the appropriate ODOT district office to make them aware of potential earmarks in order to identify any issues that may delay the expenditure of the funds. Depending on the nature of the earmark, some funds must be obligated in the federal fiscal year they are provided.

Application cycle: N/A

Local role: Local governments must adhere to all Federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain to Federal-aid projects.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Depending on the specific Discretionary program, funds assist in the development and construction of a variety of transportation facilities.

Program Contact: Randy Lane, Internal Program Manager, Local Projects
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7. Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) Funds

Type of Program: Financial Assistance – Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: The TRAC selects the major new capacity projects to be constructed in a six-year period. Major new capacity projects are those which cost ODOT more than \$12 million and do one or more of the following: increase mobility, provide connectivity, increase the accessibility of a region for economic development, increase the capacity of a transportation facility, or reduce congestion. Applicants include political subdivisions, metropolitan planning organizations, transit boards and port authorities.

TRAC funds may be used for preliminary engineering, right of way acquisition and construction. Projects include highway lane additions, bypasses, corridor upgrades and roadway extensions that increase the system's ability to handle more traffic. Projects such as transit hubs and intelligent transportation systems are also eligible.

In December 2008, a "new era of TRAC" began with the adoption of innovative project selection criteria for ODOT's Major New construction program. This action followed a year of work by the TRAC, ODOT, and transportation stakeholders to focus TRAC policies and procedures with an emphasis on multi-modal solutions, economic development, innovative financing and fiscal responsibility.

Authority citation: O.R.C. – Chapter 5512

Funding Source: State Gas Tax Funds and Federal Transportation Funds.

Current Funding level: ODOT determines how much money is available for the Major New Program after basic maintenance and operational needs have been met.

Application Cycle: Annual Cycle – Applications are due in May. Hearings are held August through October, and a draft list is released in December. The public comment period is January through April; in May, the final six-year program is published.

Local Role: Applicants include political subdivisions, metropolitan planning organizations, transit boards and port authorities.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Infrastructure development.

Program Contact: Jim Gates, TRAC Coordinator, Systems Planning,
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8. County Local Bridge Funds (LBR)

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides federal funds to counties for bridge replacement or rehabilitation. The County Engineers Association of Ohio (CEAO) serves as the program manager and is responsible for project selection, funding criteria and program priorities.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

Funding Source: Federal Funds.

Current funding level: This program is funded at approximately \$35 million annually. The standard federal participation rate is 80% of the construction cost, with increased share up to 100% with the availability of bridge credits or Toll Revenue Credit. Each county has a \$5 million overall federal funding limit for projects within any four-year program period, subject to a six-year statewide programming limit. Funding is only provided for construction unless the program manager determines that preliminary engineering and right-of-way costs are warranted.

To guarantee funding for counties with the worst bridge conditions, up to \$10 million is earmarked annually for eligible bridges in targeted counties having a deck area deficiency percentage greater than the statewide average based on a GA of 4 or less. The remaining bridges are ranked according to condition and importance to the community, but counties not receiving any funds within a six-year period are given priority.

Application cycle: The CEAO annually selects new bridge projects each August to maintain a six-year funding program. Bridge applications may be submitted throughout the year, but all applications are held and only the applications received through July are included when the bridge ranking process is applied each August to select new projects for approval.

Local role: Counties must adhere to all Federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain to Federal-aid projects.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Rehabilitation of deficient county bridges.

Program Contact: County Engineers Association of Ohio
External Program Manager, (614) 221-0707
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<http://ceao.org/CSTPpage/Manual/CEAOPOLICYMANUAL2007.doc>

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9. County Surface Transportation Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides construction funding for eligible roadway improvements with \$1 million annually set aside for sign upgrades. The County Engineers Association of Ohio (CEAO) serves as the program manager and is responsible for project selection, funding criteria and program priorities.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

Funding Source: Federal Funds.

Current funding level: This program is funded at approximately \$12 million annually, of which \$750,000 is set aside for safety studies. The standard federal participation rate is 80% on roadway projects, up to 100% on safety projects, and 90% on safety studies. Each county has a \$5 million overall federal funding limit for projects within any four-year program period, subject to a six-year statewide programming limit. Funding is only provided for construction unless the program manager determines that preliminary engineering and right-of-way costs are warranted.

Application cycle: Construction project applications are accepted on a first come-first serve basis throughout the year. The safety study program is administered on a Federal fiscal year basis. Counties are therefore required to submit applications to the CEAO for the upcoming annual program prior to August 31st each year.

Local role: Counties must adhere to all Federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain to Federal-aid projects. Counties provide a cash match of 20% of eligible costs on roadway projects.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Roadway and safety improvements on local county routes.

Program Contact: County Engineers Association of Ohio
External Program Manager, (614) 221-0707
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10. Local Major Bridge Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides federal funds to counties and municipalities for bridge replacement or major bridge rehabilitation projects.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The Highway Bridge Program – Title 23 USC 144, 23 CFR 650.

Funding Source: Federal Funds.

Current funding level: This program was historically funded at approximately \$25 million annually, however has not received an allocation since SFY 2009. ODOT will provide up to 80% of the eligible costs for construction only. The Local Government is responsible for the balance of the construction costs and also for all costs associated with preliminary engineering, environmental studies and documents, final design and right of way. The local match for construction is required to be cash.

Application cycle: The project solicitation process begins January 1st of each year. Each year's process is for the last year of a rolling four-year program. The applicant completes an application made available both through the districts and through ODOT's website at <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/local>. The applicant will complete the application and submit it to the respective district office by March 1 of each calendar year. The applicant will then be notified June 1 that year.

Local role: Local Governments must adhere to all Federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain to Federal-aid projects. Local Governments must provide a cash match of 20% of eligible costs.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Rehabilitation or replacement of deficient high cost, locally-owned bridges.

Program Contact: Randy Lane, Internal Program Manager, Local Projects
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11. Municipal Bridge Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides federal funds to municipalities for bridge replacement or rehabilitation projects.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The Highway Bridge Program – Title 23 USC 144, 23 CFR 650.

Funding Source: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The Highway Bridge Program – Title 23 USC 144, 23 CFR 650.

Current funding level: This program is funded at approximately \$8 million annually. ODOT will provide up to 80% of the eligible costs for construction only. The municipality is responsible for the balance of the construction costs and also for all costs associated with preliminary engineering, environmental studies and documents, final design and right of way. The local match for construction is required to be cash.

Application cycle: The project solicitation process begins January 1st of each year. Each year's process is for the last year of a rolling four-year program. The applicant completes an application made available both through the districts and through ODOT's website at <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/local>. The applicant will complete the application and submit it to the respective district office by March 1 of each calendar year. The applicant will then be notified June 1 that year.

Local role: Local Governments must adhere to all Federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain to Federal-aid projects. Local Governments must provide a cash match of 20% of eligible costs.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Rehabilitation or replacement of deficient municipally-owned bridges.

Program Contact: Randy Lane, Internal Program Manager, Local Projects
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Local Projects Municipal Bridge Page:
www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/SPPM/LocalPrograms/Pages/MunicipalBridge.aspx

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12. Type II Noise Walls Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides funds for retrofitting existing highways with noise barriers.

Noise abatement measures will be authorized only for those projects that were approved before November 28, 1995 or are proposed along lands where at least 90% of the land development or substantial construction predated the existence of any highway. Specifically, this program is targeted for residential areas in existence prior to the construction of a roadway. Federal regulation requires states to identify noise impacts, demonstrate that abatement measures will reduce those impacts, and determine if the benefits outweigh all costs and adverse impacts.

The proposed project must be in a non-commercial noise-sensitive area. Primarily, these are residential areas but they also may contain schools, nursing homes, hospitals, churches, libraries, parks and recreation areas. In order for an area to qualify for a noise wall, an impact must be determined via a noise analysis.

Public meetings are held to determine aesthetic and material options are made available and answer any final questions. Additionally, landscaping is considered and determined upon completion of the public involvement process.

Authority citation: 23 CFR772.13(b).

Funding Source: ODOT Capital Budget

Current Funding level: Historically, the annual budget statewide has been \$5 million. Any local government that desires to add a new retrofit noise wall must meet Federal and State Eligibility criteria to be eligible for funding.

Application Cycle: N/A

Local Role: Public meetings are held to determine if affected residents want barriers and, if so, aesthetic and material options are made available. Additionally, landscaping is considered and determined upon completion of the public involvement process.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Lower traffic noise levels in communities adjacent to multilane roadways. Drastic reduction in complaints from public, legislators and Local Authorities.

Program Contact: District Planning & Program Administrator

Program Manager – Kevin Davis, Environmental Services, (614) 752-2788

OES Noise Page:

http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/Environment/NEPA_policy_issues/NOISE/Pages/default.aspx

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13. Small City Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides federal funds to cities with populations of 5,000 to 24,999 that are not located within Metropolitan Planning Organizations. There are currently 54 cities that meet this criterion (based on 2010 Census). Funds are for construction only, and may generally be used for any road, safety or signal project on the Federal Aid System.

Authority citation: The current Reauthorization Act, SAFETEA-LU – Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

Funding Source: Federal Funds.

Current funding level: This program is funded at approximately \$8 million annually. ODOT will provide up to 80% of the eligible costs for construction only. The city is responsible for the balance of the construction costs and also for all costs associated with preliminary engineering, environmental studies and documents, final design and right of way. The local match for construction is required to be cash.

Application cycle: The project solicitation process begins January 1st of each year. Each year's process is for the last year of a rolling four-year program. The applicant completes an application made available both through the districts and through ODOT's website at <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/local>. The applicant will complete the application and submit it to the respective district office by March 1 of each calendar year. The applicant will then be notified on or about June 1 that year.

Local role: Small cities must adhere to all Federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain to Federal-aid projects. Small cities must provide a cash match of 20% of eligible costs.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Roadway and safety improvements on local routes within the boundaries of the small city.

Program Contact: District Planning & Program Administrator

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14. Urban Paving Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides funds for eligible surface treatment and resurfacing projects on state and U.S. Routes within municipal corporations.

Authority citation: Discretionary Policy of the ODOT Director

Funding Source: State Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Revenue

Current Funding level: An annual allocation is set statewide and distributed to each of ODOT's 12 Districts in the same manner in which other pavement funds are allocated and added to each district's annual pavement allocation. The allocation amount is based on a district's "City, State and U.S. Route System" mileage, the condition of those routes according to ODOT's Pavement Condition Rating System, and the traffic volumes carried on those routes.

Funding is provided on an 80-20 basis with the local governments providing the 20% match for project construction costs; however, locals are encouraged to provide more than 20% to stretch the amount of available funds. The ODOT Director, at his discretion, may waive or reduce the local match for cities in fiscal distress.

Application Cycle: N/A

Local Role: 20 Percent Cost Share

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Provides sufficient funding to maintain consistent, good pavement conditions on state and US routes in incorporated municipalities.

Program Contact: ODOT District Planning and Program Administrators
<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/districts/Pages/default.aspx>

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15. Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program – Urban Transit Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides state operating, capital and planning assistance to providers of public transportation services in urbanized areas of Ohio. Eligibility is limited to Regional Transit Authorities, County Transit Boards, municipalities, or counties that own or operate public transportation systems and private nonprofit corporations that provide public transportation service under the Rural Transit Program in nonurbanized areas.

ODOT allocates OPTGP Funds among six categories: I. Rail/Bus Systems; II. Large Bus Systems; III. Mid-sized Bus Systems; IV. Intermediate Bus Systems; V. Small Bus Systems; VI. Once the categorical funding allocations have been determined, funds are sub-allocated to the individual systems within each category using a formula which incorporates system data and performance measures based on ridership, revenue service miles, revenue hours, costs, and farebox revenue.

These funds may be used for any eligible operating, planning or capital project at the discretion of the individual systems. Maximum state participation is 50% of the non-federal share for net operating costs, 10% of total costs for planning projects and up to 80% of the non-federal share for capital projects (excluding preventive maintenance and ADA expenses).

Authority citation: ORC Section 5501.07

Funding Source: State General Revenue Funds.

Current Funding level: Program funds are approximately \$6 million annually.

Application Cycle: Existing grantees receive an annual allocation of Urban Formula Funds for which they apply for each year. Applications for urbanized areas are due approximately December 15 each year. A combined application can be submitted for capital, operating and planning.

Local Role: Eligible recipients operate the local public transit system and administer all funds allocated to the system.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Provides public transportation services to urban areas in the state.

Program Contact: Juana Hostin, Program Coordinator
Juana.Hostin@dot.state.oh.us
614-644-0304

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16. Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program – Rural Transit Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: Federal and State funds are used to assist with operating and capital expenses in the provision of general public transportation services in rural areas.

Eligible applicants are: Counties, Municipalities, Villages, Regional Transit Authorities, County Transit Boards, Private Nonprofit Corporations designated by a county or municipality and a County or Municipal department on behalf of a county, municipality, or village.

Section 5311 funds can be used for up to 50% of the net project cost of operating projects and up to 80% of the cost of capital projects. State General Revenue funds, through the Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program, are also available to provide up to 30% of the eligible operating costs of operating projects and up to 10% of the costs of capital projects.

Authority citation: Federal Transit Administration 49 USC Section 5311

Funding Source: State and Federal funds

Current Funding level: Annual funds based on federal appropriation. \$12.6M Federal Operating Assistance, \$2.2M Federal Capital Assistance and \$3.2M State Operating Assistance for Federal Fiscal Year 2009.

Application Cycle: Existing grantees receive an annual allocation of Federal and State operating funds for which they can apply each year. ODOT uses a performance-based allocation to annually allocate State and Federal operating funds. Capital funds are discretionary and are approved based on a system's Four-Year Capital and Operating Plan. Applications on behalf of new systems are accepted on a funding availability basis. Applications are due each September for the following calendar year. A combined application can be submitted for capital and operating assistance.

Local Role: Eligible recipients operate the local public transportation system and apply for and administer all the funds allocated to the program. Provide match based upon current federal requirements.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Provides public transportation services to rural areas in the state.

Program Contact: Tony Lococo, Rural Transit Program Coordinator
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(614) 466-7410

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/Transit/Pages/Rural.aspx>

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17. State Infrastructure Bank

Type of Program: Financial Assistance – Loans and Bond Issuances

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation, Division of Finance

Purpose: This revolving loan program maximizes the use of federal and state funds to make direct loans to eligible projects. The intent is to enhance the number of transportation projects that can be completed within the state that otherwise would not be considered for traditional financing. Funds were leveraged within the SIB to create two bond fund programs to also assist public entities with the financing of their projects. Qualified applicants include any public entity, such as political subdivisions, boards or commissions, regional transit boards, and port authorities.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 5531.09 and 5531.10

Funding Source: The SIB was capitalized with \$87 million in federal funds, \$40 million in General Revenue Funds, and \$10 million of motor fuel tax funds. The availability of dollars is dependent upon the SIB activity of loan repayments and bond issuances. There is no set limit and 100% financing is available.

Current funding level: Funding levels vary dependent on repayment revenues.

Application cycle: Applications are available on-line at www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Finance/Pages/StateInfrastructureBank.aspx and may be submitted anytime throughout the year. The application and loan process takes 30-60 days.

Terms/Interest Rate:

Loan program: The loan program financing term is two to ten years. The interest rate is determined at the time of application by a SIB loan committee and is always below the stated prime rate. Interest is deferred for the first year. The second year interest accrues but no payment is due. The first payment is typically due 30 months after the first disbursement of funds. Closing costs can be financed into the loan.

Bond program: The bond program has financing up to twenty years. The interest is the current market rate at the time of the bond sale. Payments may be deferred up to two years by capitalizing interest in the issuance. The bond program can provide credit enhancement for some communities.

Local role: N/A

Outcomes/Direct Impact: N/A

Program Contact: Melinda Lawrence, SIB Coordinator
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(614) 644-7255

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Finance/Pages/StateInfrastructureBank.aspx>

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18. State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP)

Type of program: Financial Assistance- grants and low-interest loans

Administering agency: Ohio Public Works Commission

Purpose: Provides grants and low-interest loans for roads, bridges, culverts, wastewater treatment systems, water supply systems, solid waste disposal facilities, storm water and sanitary collection, storage and treatment systems and facilities.

Authority citation: ORC 164

Funding source: Bond issuance

Current funding level: A maximum of \$12 million annually is set aside for the Small Government Program and \$2.5 million for Emergency Assistance Funds.

Local role: A minimum of 10% for Repair/Replacement, 50% for New/Expansion and 0% for Loans.

Outcomes/Direct Impact:

Program contact: Ohio Public Works Commission
<http://www.pwc.state.oh.us/>
(614) 466-0880

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19. Local Transportation Improvements Program (LTIP)

Type of program: Financial Assistance- grants

Administering agency: Ohio Public Works Commission

Purpose: Provides grants for local road and bridge projects.

Authority citation:

Funding source: Funded from .01 of the motor fuel tax

Current funding level: The program provides \$60 million annually in grants. Moneys are distributed on a per capita basis.

Local role:

Outcomes/direct impact:

Program contact: Ohio Public Works Commission
<http://www.pwc.state.oh.us/>
(614) 466-0880

March 2010

20. Fresh Water Loan Group - OWDA Master Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: To provide financing for Drinking Water, Wastewater, and Storm Water projects such as: development or acquisition of potable water sources, construction and/or expansion of water and wastewater treatment facilities, installation or improvement of water distribution and wastewater collection systems, well-head protection planning studies, or storm water management facilities. The program is designed to make financing available to local governments at a low cost and with a process that is relatively easy to complete. Eligible costs include engineering & design fees, construction costs, and legal and inspection fees.

Authority citation: ORC 6121; Rules: Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02 and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Fresh Water Funds from OWDA Revenue Bonds

Current funding level: There is no maximum loan amount.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Effective 5/1/2009 through 12/31/2011 Calculated monthly, as of the first day of each month, based on previous 8 week average of Bond Buyer GO 20 Bond Index. Rates for annual loan amounts per local government agency above \$40,000,000 will be based on previous 8 week average of the Bond Buyer GO 20 Bond Index + .50 basis points. See guidelines for additional details. The Loan Admin Fee is 0.35% (.0035) of total estimated project costs OR \$400 minimum.

Special Incentive: There is a rate discount of 0.5% for being in compliance with a Balanced Growth Plan endorsed by the State.

Local role: There is no local match required for the program. Funds from OWDA can provide 100% of the project costs. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and rate ordinances that will provide sufficient revenues to repay the loan.

Outcomes/direct impact: The hoped for direct outcome is the minimization of pollution and the provision of potable water to residents of the State of Ohio. Loans typically are provided to areas that have been developed; however, water and sewer services may create the opportunity for further development.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>

Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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21. Community Assistance Loan Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program provides below market rate loans to local governments that are making improvements to their drinking water treatment or wastewater treatment systems. The program is designed to make financing available to local governments at a low cost and with a process that is relatively easy to complete. Eligible costs include engineering & design fees, construction costs, and legal and inspection fees.

Authority citation: ORC 6121; Rules: Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02 and 6121-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Community Assistance Fund from OWDA Community Assistance Revenue Bonds and OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus

Current funding level: Maximum of \$3 million per system per each loan recipient

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: 2% with discounts available. See guidelines for additional details. The Loan Admin Fee is 0.35% (.0035) of total estimated project costs OR \$400 minimum.

Special Incentive: There is a rate discount of 0.5% for being in compliance with a Balanced Growth Plan endorsed by the State.

Local role: There is no local match required for the program. Funds from OWDA can provide 100% of the project costs. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and rate ordinances that will provide sufficient revenues to repay the loan.

Outcomes/direct impact: The hope for direct outcome is the minimization of pollution and the provision of potable water to residents of the State of Ohio. The lower interest rate loans are offered to minimize the impact on local user charges. Loans typically are provided to areas that have been developed; however, water and sewer services may create the opportunity for further development.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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22. Local Economic Development Loan Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: This program provides financing where local governments need to provide water, wastewater or storm water treatment to a site that is being developed by a business locating within the State.

Authority citation: ORC 6121.01 and 6121.03; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 6121-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board. These guidelines include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Local Economic Development Fund from OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus

Current funding level: Maximum loan amount determined by Ohio Development Services Agency.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Varies; determined by Ohio Development Services Agency.

Local role: There is no local match required for the program. Funds from OWDA can provide 100% of the project costs. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and rate ordinances that will provide sufficient revenues to repay the loan. In addition, local governments must have the recommendation of the Director of the Ohio Development Services Agency.

Outcomes/direct impact: The direct outcome is the location of a new business in order to provide jobs to the citizens of Ohio.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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23. Rural Development Loan Advance Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program provides market rate loans to local governments that are making improvements to their drinking water treatment, wastewater treatment or storm water treatment systems with permanent funding from the United States Department of Agriculture. The program is designed to make financing available to local governments that is at a low cost and with a process that is relatively easy to complete.

Authority citation: ORC 6121.02.11; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 6121-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Rural Development Fund from OWDA Revenue Notes Surplus

Current funding level: There is no maximum loan amount.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Calculated quarterly beginning Jan 1 based on previous 1 year average of US Treasury Note Index + 85 basis points.

Local role: Funds are limited to the loan portion of funding from USDA Rural Development. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and agree to enter into permanent financing with USFA in order to repay the loan.

Outcomes/direct impact: The hoped for direct outcome is the minimization of pollution and the provision of potable water to residents of the State of Ohio.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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24. Solid Waste Loan Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program provides market rate loans to local governments that are making improvements to their solid waste infrastructure. The program is designed to make financing available to local governments for their solid waste infrastructure that is at a low cost and with a process that is relatively easy to complete.

Authority citation: ORC 6123; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 6121-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Solid Waste Fund from OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus

Current funding level: No maximum loan amount.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Calculated quarterly beginning Jan 1 based on previous 8 week average of Bond Buyer 20 Bond Index + 100 basis points.

Local role: There is no local match required for the program. Funds from OWDA can provide 100% of the project costs. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and rate ordinances that will provide sufficient revenues to repay the loan.

Outcomes/direct impact: The hoped for direct outcome is the minimization of pollution within the State of Ohio.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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25. Water Pollution Control Loan Fund

Type of Program: Financial / Technical Assistance

Purpose: To provide low-cost financing and technical assistance for the planning, design and construction of wastewater facilities improvements, and for the control of nonpoint source pollution of surface and ground waters.

Administering Agencies: Ohio EPA and Ohio Water Development Authority

Authority citations:

Title VI, Clean Water Act; 40 CFR Part 35, Subpart K
ORC 6111.036; OAC 3745-150

Program guidance is included in the annual Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Program Management Plan. The plan is available at <http://epa.ohio.gov/defa/Home.aspx>.

Funding source: Federal grants, state-issued bonds, fees.

Current funding level: \$250 million per year.

Local role description: Local applicant prepares planning analyses, design drawings, and undertakes construction of the proposed action with awarded funds.

Outcomes / Direct Impacts: Savings of approximately \$24 million per year to wastewater system customers and other borrowers. Protection and restoration of water quality in Ohio water bodies. Creation of 5700 jobs per year.

Program contact: Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance,
(614) 644-2798
<http://epa.ohio.gov/defa/Home.aspx>

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26. Private Industrial Revenue Bonds

Type of program: Financial assistance (bonds)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program allows companies to sell tax-exempt bonds. The program is designed to make financing available to industries for their environmental infrastructure that is at a lower cost.

Authority citation: ORC 6121 and 6123; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: Private businesses and individuals. Funds are raised through the sale of tax-exempt bonds.

Current funding level: The general health of the economy affects the industry's ability to issue bonds.

Local role: Industries must apply to the Authority in order to receive approval of the tax-exempt status of the bonds.

Outcomes/direct impact: The hoped for direct outcome is the minimization of pollution from industries.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Ken Heigel, Chief Engineer, 614-466-0257, kheigel@owda.org

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27. Water Supply Revolving Loan Account of the Drinking Water Assistance Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio EPA and Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: Provide low interest loans to eligible public water systems to fund improvements to eliminate public health threats and ensure compliance with federal and state drinking water laws and regulations.

Authority citation: Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act amendments of 1996; 40 CFR Parts 9 and 35 (August 7, 2000); ORC 6119.22; “Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Guidelines,” EPA 816-R-97-005, February 1997; “State of Ohio Drinking Water Assistance Fund Program Management and Intended Use Plan,” May 2009 (This management plan is updated annually and is available on the Ohio EPA web site).

Funding source: This program is federally funded by USEPA Capitalization Grants and proceeds of state bonds issued through the Ohio Water Development Authority.

Current funding level: For program year 2009 (July 1, 2008- June 4, 2009) the program issued twenty-nine loans for a total amount of \$49,154,969. To be eligible for loan consideration, systems must submit a pre-application by March 15 for the July 1 list and October 15 for the January 1 list.

Local role: A local match is not required for communities to participate in the program.

Outcomes/direct impact: There are several positive impacts for environmental, public health and compliance associated with this program. Through June 2009, Ohio EPA has issued over \$625 million in the form of low-interest loans for systems to alleviate drinking water contamination, return systems to compliance and replace aging drinking water plants and transmission and distribution lines.

Program contact: Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters
(614) 644-2752
<http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/DrinkingandGroundWaters.aspx>

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28. Village Capital Improvement Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority, Ohio EPA

Purpose: To provide low-cost or no-cost loan financing to qualifying villages for the preparation of preliminary plans and design documents for the construction of water supply or distribution facilities, or wastewater collection and treatment facilities

Authority citation: ORC 717.10, 717.11; Guidelines have been established and approved by the Ohio Water Development Authority and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: Ohio Water Development Authority revolving loan fund.

Current funding level: Variable, from \$300,000 to \$700,000 over the past three years. Loan maximum of \$25,000 for Planning and \$50,000 for Design for any one Village.

Application cycle: Due at OEPA-DEFA 60 days prior to Jan, April, July, Oct OWDA Board meetings (which are conducted last Thursday of each month).

Terms/Interest Rate: 0% for first 3 years, 2.2% for remaining 7 years if not yet repaid.

Local role: Local applicant prepares facilities plans and designs with awarded funds.

Outcomes/direct impact: An average of 14 projects per year assisted in preparation of water quality or drinking water improvements.

Program contact: Sue Farmer, Loan Officer
sue@owda.org, 614-466-0228
<http://www.owda.org>

Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters
(614) 644-2752
<http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/DrinkingandGroundWaters.aspx>

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29. Permits to Install

Type of program: Regulatory (construction permit for wastewater collection, storage, transport, treatment, and/or disposal)

Administering agency: Ohio EPA - Division of Surface Water

Purpose: To ensure compliance with state and federal permitting and planning requirements and to protect water quality. A PTI is needed when a person wishes to construct any wastewater collection, storage or treatment system or wishes to modify any existing wastewater collection, storage or treatment system.

Authority citation: ORC 6111.03 contains the general permitting authority and prohibitions against conflicts with Section 208 plans (this state statute also implements federal Clean Water Act). ORC 6111.44-.45 require a permit from Ohio EPA prior to constructing sewage or industrial wastewater disposal systems. Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 3745-42

Funding source: PTI fees and tipping fees

Local role: None

Outcomes/direct impact: Direct land use outcomes are varied, but the permit reviews can affect decisions regarding wastewater treatment options (e.g. technology used, or on-site systems vs. centralized sewers). Also, permits can not be approved if there is a conflict with a Clean Water Act Section 208 plan. The primary measurement of success for this part of the permitting program is the ability of the installed technology to comply with the discharge (NPDES) permit for the facility and/or not otherwise result in an adverse water quality impact.

Program contact: Any questions on the permit-to-install program should be directed to the appropriate District Office or Central Office.

District Offices: See <http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/pti/PTIContacts.aspx>

Central Office: Daniel Kopec

(614) 644-1987

daniel.kopec@epa.ohio.gov

<http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/pti/index.aspx>

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30. Community Development Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention

Purpose: To provide grant funds to any agency of the state, as established in ORC Sections 343, 1502, and all applicable sections of the ORC to specifically develop the infrastructure for collection, and processing of materials, and strengthening of recycling markets for end-products. An agency of the state may be a municipal corporation, county, township, state college or university, solid waste management district or authority, park districts created under Section 511.18 and 1545.04 of the ORC, health districts as defined by 3709.01 of the ORC or a soil & water conservation district.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1502

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Construction and Demolition Debris Fee

Current funding level: \$1.0 million annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Applicants must demonstrate that they will provide a financial contribution to the project equal to 50% of the amount of funds requested from the Department. Maximum grant amounts are up to \$150,000 per project and are based on the type of community development project.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. jobs created, taxes generated): Improved/increased markets for recycled or recyclable materials. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources is also soliciting grant applications proposing the implementation of distributed energy resource and waste to energy projects including but not limited to industrial heat recovery, and landfill or biomass methane for electric generation

Grant application deadline: February 4, 2011

Program contact: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention
Chet Chaney
Telephone: (614) 265-6407
E-Mail: chet.chaney@dnr.state.oh.us
Web Address: <http://www.ohiodnr.com/recycling>

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B. Site

1. Ohio Coastal Management Assistance Grant

Type of program: Financial assistance - reimbursement grants

Administering agency: ODNR - Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to local governments, state agencies, non-profits and educational institutions for projects that preserve, protect and enhance Lake Erie coastal resources and/or support their sustainable use.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1506.02

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal - NOAA funds

Current funding level: Up to \$250,000 per year

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): 100% non-federal match (1:1)

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): watershed and coastal community planning which enables communities to more successfully pursue grant funding for implementation, increased public access facilities, increased public education on sustainable coastal development issues

Grant application deadline: third Friday of November

Special Incentive: Additional points; 6 out of 140. Also, Balanced Growth projects receive additional priority credit in some years.

Program contact: ODNR - Office of Coastal Management - 419-626-7986 or 7980
Yetty Alley, yetty.alley@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal>

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2. Coastal Erosion Area Permit

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering Agency: ODNR- Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To promote wise land use in that the applicant must demonstrate that measures are taken to effectively protect certain new construction projects in the designated Coastal Erosion Area from shore erosion and bluff instability

Authority citation: ORC 1506.07, OAC 1501-21 through 1501-6-28

Funding source: Federal - NOAA funds

Current funding level: Information not available

Local role: Ohio Revised Code provides for the permitting program to be administered locally by counties or municipalities. To date, no local governments have elected to administer the coastal erosion area permit system.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Reduces the risk of damage to or loss of property, possessions, infrastructure and life due to coastal erosion. Ensures that appropriate measures are taken during the planning and construction phase to protect the investment of upland construction within a designated Coastal Erosion Area.

Program contact: Bridget Stefan ODNR- Office of Coastal Management
419-626-7980
bridget.stefan@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal>

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3. Market Development Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention

Purpose: To provide grant funds to Ohio businesses and non-profit organizations, through their local sponsor (applicant), which can include an agency of the state, as established in ORC Sections 343, 1502, and all applicable sections of the ORC for costs associated with the development of Ohio markets for recycled or recyclable materials. An agency of the state may be a municipal corporation, county, township, state college or university, and solid waste management district or authority.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1502

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Construction and Demolition Debris Fee

Current funding level: \$2.0 million annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Applicants must demonstrate that the local business will provide a financial contribution to the project equal to the amount of funds requested from the Department. Maximum grant amounts are up to \$250,000 per project.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. jobs created, taxes generated): Improved/increased markets for recycled or recyclable materials. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources is also soliciting grant applications proposing the implementation of distributed energy resource and waste to energy projects including but not limited to industrial heat recovery, and landfill or biomass methane for electric generation

Grant application deadline: February 4, 2011

Special Incentive: Balanced Growth participation is a portion of the applicant's Executive Summary, which is credited with 15% of the applicant's 100% grade.

Program contact: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention
Chet Chaney
Telephone: (614) 265-6407
E-Mail: chet.chaney@dnr.state.oh.us
Web Address: <http://www.ohiodnr.com/recycling>

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4. Scrap Tire Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: Ohio DNR – Division of Recycling & Litter Prevention

Purpose: The Scrap Tire Grant program provides financial assistance to Ohio’s local governments, businesses, schools, state college or university, and non-profit organizations for the following purposes; convert manufacturing operations to accept scrap tire material as feedstock, expand tire processing, utilize scrap tire material in civil engineering projects, develop recycling related technology for scrap tire material.

Authority citation: ORC 1502.12

Funding source: Fee on new tire sales

Current funding level: \$900,000

Local role: Applicants must demonstrate that the local business will provide a financial contribution to the project equal to the amount of funds requested from the department. Maximum grant amounts are up to \$350,000 for projects involving scrap tires.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Improved/increased markets for scrap tires and scrap tire material collected in Ohio.

Grant application deadline: February 4, 2011

Program contact: ODNR – Division of Recycling & Litter Prevention
Stephen “Matt” Dummitt, Grant Coordinator
Telephone: (614) 265-7003
Email: matthew.dummitt@dnr.state.oh.us
Web address: <http://www.ohiodnr.com/recycling>

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5. JobsOhio Revitalization Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance – grants and loans

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: The JobsOhio Revitalization Program is focused on helping revitalize sites in preparation for end-users that support future job creation opportunities for Ohioans. The program, comprised of both loans and grants, is available to public and private entities seeking to cleanup and redevelop sites across Ohio.

Revitalization projects typically retain and/or create at least 20 jobs at a wage rate commensurate with the local market. Priority will be given to job creation and retention projects within JobsOhio Targeted industry sectors, those making additional capital investment beyond remediation and redevelopment and/or projects with wages higher than the average local wage rate.

Current funding level:

1. Site Improvement Loans

Amount: Up to 75 percent of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$5 million.

2. Site Improvement Gap Grants

Amount: Up to \$1 million

3. Asbestos and Lead Paint Abatement Grants

Amount: Up to \$500,000

Outcomes/direct impact: Brownfield reclamation and improvements to public health.

Program contact: JobsOhio
41 S. High Street, Suite 1500
Columbus, Ohio 43215
Phone: 614-224-6446
Email: contact@jobs-ohio.com

Web: <http://jobs-ohio.com/funding/>

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6. N/A

7. Safety Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance – Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides funds to ODOT and local governments for highway safety treatments or corrective activity designed to alleviate a safety problem or a potentially hazardous situation.

Authority citation: Title 23, U.S.C. (Section 152, 148, 409); SAFETEA-LU; Chapter 23, CFR; Chapter 55, Ohio Revised Code (sections 5501.11(D), 5501.31) – Highway Safety Program Policy – 20-008(P).

Funding Source: Federal and State funding.

Current Funding level: The Highway Safety Program is funded at \$70 million annually. The standard federal participation rate is 90% federal and 10% state/local.

Application Cycle: N/A

Local Role: Local projects are eligible for safety funds for any public roadway.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Program priorities are those projects with recommended activities to improve safety at those intersections and highway sections with high crash frequency and severity.

Program Contact: ODOT District Safety Representatives
<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/districts/Pages/default.aspx>

Michelle May, Highway Safety Program Leader
Michelle.May@dot.state.oh.us
614-644-8309

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8. Community Development Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance - grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: The Community Development Program provides funding to Ohio's non-entitlement counties and cities for housing rehabilitation, economic development and public works improvements that meet federal and state objectives to benefit low- and moderate-income persons and/or eliminate blighted areas. The program also includes a set-aside of funds, to be distributed on a competitive basis to eligible communities, to complete public facility improvements in targeted areas of distress. Through the FY 2010 Community Development Program, 79 non-entitlement counties and 45 non-entitlement cities will be guaranteed funding and direct cities will be eligible to receive additional Neighborhood Revitalization grant funds.

Authority citation: CDBG program through HUD

Funding source: Federal CDBG

Current funding level: Approximately \$22.1 million for FY 2010

Local role: Locality responsible for creating assessment and strategy for program fund needs. Responsible for distribution of funds.

Outcomes/direct impact: Focused on revitalization and especially focused on low to middle income areas.

Program contact: Office of Community Development
(614) 466-2285
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_cdbg.htm

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9. Community Housing Improvement Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance- grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: The Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) provides grants to eligible communities interested in undertaking housing-related activities, including necessary infrastructure improvements. The grants are awarded competitively and encourage a flexible, community-wide approach to the improvement and provision of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income persons, and help develop local administrative capacity.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 122:6

Funding source: Federal CDBG/HOME

Current funding level: FY 2013 – \$20,872,000

Local role: Develop community housing improvement strategy or consolidated plan. Locality responsible for distribution of funds.

Outcomes/direct impact: Improve low and middle income housing.

Program contact: Office of Community Development
Residential Revitalization Specialist
(614) 466-2285
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_chip.htm

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10. Homeless Assistance Request for Proposals Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance- grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: The Homeless Assistance Grant Program provides grants to eligible applicants for homeless prevention, emergency shelter, transitional housing, direct housing and permanent supportive housing that meet the housing needs of homeless and low-income families and individuals.

Authority citation: OHTF program language, Ohio Revised Code chapter 174

Funding source: Federal ESG and Ohio Housing Trust Fund

Current funding level: TBD for FY 2010

Local role: Each \$2 in Homeless Assistance Grant Program funds must be matched with \$1 in cash and/or in-kind resources for all activities except Homelessness Prevention/Housing Placement. Must have continuum of care.

Outcomes/direct impact: Helps to prevent/lessen homelessness and provide emergency shelter

Program contact: Office of Community Development
Supportive Housing Section
(614) 466-2285 or (800) 848-1300
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_homelessassist.htm

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11. Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance- grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency, Community Development Division

Purpose: The Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Program provides eligible nonprofit organizations and units of local government with funds to devise long-term, comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing and supportive service needs of persons with AIDS or HIV-related diseases.

Authority citation: HOPWA program language

Funding source: Federal HOPWA

Current funding level: Approximately \$1.2 million for FY 2012

Local role: 1:1 match ratio required from community. The community must provide continuum of care.

Outcomes/direct impact: Supports improved housing and services to people infected with AIDS.

Program contact: Office of Community Development
Supportive Housing Section
(614) 466-2285
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_hopwa.htm

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12. Housing Assistance Request for Proposals Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance- grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency, Community Development Division

Purpose: The Housing Assistance Request for Proposals (HARP) Program provides grants to eligible applicants for emergency home repair, handicapped accessibility and homebuyer counseling/downpayment assistance for projects that meet the housing needs for low-income families and individuals.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code chapter 174

Funding source: Ohio Housing Trust Fund

Current funding level: Approximately \$5 million for FY 2012

Local role: Each \$2 in Housing Assistance Grant Program funds must be matched with \$1 in cash and/or in-kind resources. Grants or loans from the Ohio Development Services Agency cannot be used as match.

Outcomes/direct impact: Promotes affordable housing and better conditions, especially for low to middle income families.

Program contact: Office of Housing and Community Partnerships
Supportive Housing Section
(614) 466-2285
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_homelessagp.htm

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13. Erosion Control Program (or Lake Erie Soil Erosion Prevention Program)

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering Agency: Ohio Water Development Authority with technical assistance from ODNR-Office of Coastal Management

Purpose: To provide low interest loans to owners of properties in designated Coastal Erosion Areas along Lake Erie for constructing a shore erosion control structure.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1507.071

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): OWDA Erosion Control Fund from OWDA Bonds Surplus

Current funding level: No maximum loan amount.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Calculated quarterly beginning Jan 1 based on previous 8 week average of Bond Buyer 20 Bond Index + 50 basis points.

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Counties may provide financial assistance to property owners for the construction of erosion control structures. The program is voluntary.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): Enables property owners to obtain the funds necessary to protect their property from erosion. Ensures that all appropriate federal, state and local authorizations required for the erosion control structure are obtained prior to construction.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

Erie, Lake, Lorain, Lucas, and Ottawa Counties are participating in the program as of 2010.

ODNR - Office of Coastal Management
419-626-7980, coastal@dnr.state.oh.us
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/coastal/>

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14. Brownfield Loan Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program provides market rate loans to local governments or private individuals to cleanup polluted industrial sites. The program is designed to make affordable financing available to local governments and individuals for site assessments and cleanup of polluted industrial sites.

Authority citation: ORC 6123; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02 and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Brownfield Fund (under LED) from OWDA Revenue Bonds Surplus

Current funding level: Maximum Planning/Design Loan: \$500,000; no maximum loan amount for Construction Loan.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Based on the higher of the comparable Treasury Note Rate or the comparable MMD AAA scale, plus 50 basis points.

Local role: There is no local match required for the program. Funds from OWDA can provide 100% of the project costs. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and rate ordinances that will provide sufficient revenues to repay the loan. An individual or business must demonstrate the ability to repay the loan through projected revenues.

Outcomes/direct impact: The program is designed to put underutilized industrial sites back into productive use. These type of facilities tend to be located in center cities.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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15. Dam Safety Loan Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program provides market rate loans to local governments that are making improvements to their publicly owned dams. The program is designed to make financing available to local governments for improvements to their dams as required by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources at a low cost and with a process that is relatively easy for the local governments to complete.

Authority citation: ORC 6121.01 and 6121.03; Rules: Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Fresh Water Funds from OWDA Revenue Bonds

Current funding level: No maximum loan amount.

Application cycle: Due the 15th of each month.

Terms/Interest Rate: Based on 8 week average of Bond Buyer 20 Bond Index calculated bimonthly + 50 basis points.

Special Incentive: There is a 0.5% rate discount for Balanced Growth participating communities.

Local role: There is no local match required for the program. Funds from OWDA can provide 100% of the project costs. Local governments must pass an ordinance to enter into an agreement with OWDA and rate ordinances that will provide sufficient revenues to repay the loan.

Outcomes/direct impact: The direct outcome of the program is protection of the local government's dam in order to protect the water of wastewater systems and the population from failure of the structure.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Sue Farmer, Loan Officer, 614-466-0228, sue@owda.org

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16. Dam Safety Linked Deposit Program

Type of program: Financial assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: The program provides below market rate loans to individuals or home owner associations to protect dam structures. The Authority invests in a Certificate of Deposit at a reduced rate at a participating bank in order for the bank to provide a loan at a reduced rate of interest to the borrower. The program is designed to make financing available to individuals for improvements to their dam as required by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources at a low cost and with a process that is relatively easy for the individual to complete.

Authority citation: ORC 6121.01 and 6121.03; Rules- Chapter 6121-2-01, 6121-2-02, and 61-21-04; Guidelines have been established and approved by the OWDA Board and include the purpose of the program, eligibility criteria, contract terms, timing deadlines, contact persons and process explanations. The guidelines are available at www.owda.org.

Funding source: OWDA Fresh Water Funds from OWDA Revenue Bonds

Current funding level: No maximum loan amount.

Application cycle: Application is made to the local bank.

Terms/Interest Rate: Subsidized rate: Current bank rate less maximum of 500 basis points.

Local role: N/A

Outcomes/direct impact: The direct outcome of the program is protection of the borrower's dam in order to protect the water or wastewater systems, the recreation facility and the population from failure of the structure.

Program contact: <http://www.owda.org>
Ron Shankman, Chief Operating Officer, 614-466-6558,
ron@owda.org

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17. Minority Business Direct Loan

Type of program: Financial Assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Provides fixed rate, low interest loans to state-certified minority-owned businesses for the purchase or improvement of fixed assets. Company must be an Ohio minority business enterprise creating or retaining jobs and purchasing, constructing or renovating land, buildings or equipment.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code Chapter 122

Funding source: Take-Out financing. The State requires that a conventional lender and the business itself participate in the project to the maximum extent possible. Preference will be given to projects which maximize these sources.

Current funding level: Amount cannot exceed 40% of project. Minimum amount is \$45,000. Guidelines used by the Office of Minority Financial Incentives normally limit the loan amount to \$450,000. However, the Director of Development may authorize a higher loan amount or modified terms which address a unique and demonstrated economic development need.

Local role: Business will need to complete its project utilizing interim financing from a conventional lender, and its equity.

Outcomes/direct impact: Provides access to low-rates and favorable terms and increases capital availability to encourage minority owned business.

Program contact: Office of Business Assistance, Minority Business Section
(614) 644-8019
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_ombdlp.htm

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18. Jumpstart Launch 100

Type of program: Financial Assistance - Grant

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Jumpstart is a comprehensive business assistance model designed to stimulate and support the growth of “high impact” minority owned businesses.

Authority citation: HB 584 Ohio Revised Code 122.71-75

Funding source: Minority Business Enterprise Division

Current funding level: \$125,000

Local role: In order to qualify for funding, Jumpstart has to provide “cash match” based on the total dollars requested.

Outcomes/direct impact: Provide intensive technical assistance to high impact minority businesses.

Program contact: Office of Business Assistance, Minority Business Section
(614) 644-8019
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_mbac.htm

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19. 166 Direct Loan Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance (loans)

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: Provides long-term, fixed-rate, low-interest loans to businesses willing to commit to create new jobs or preserve existing employment opportunities in the state of Ohio. Eligible projects include those related to commerce, manufacturing, distribution, or research activities in targeted industries. Retail projects and refinancing are ineligible.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code chapter 166

Funding source: Facilities Establishment Fund. The program requires a 10% minimum equity contribution in the allowable project costs/uses. The required contribution may be higher, depending on the company's financial and operating position and the project's characteristics. At least 50% of the allowable project costs must be funded by the borrower, either directly or indirectly through third-party investors and/or lenders.

Current funding level: The program may finance allowable project costs with 166 Direct Loans typically ranging in size from \$500,000 to \$1,500,000. The amount of the 166 Direct Loan will take into account additional financing offered through other State loan programs; total financing from State programs should typically range from 20% to 40% of a project's total investment.

Local role: The program requires the creation of jobs within a three-year period, with typically one new job created for every \$35,00-\$75,000 of proceeds from State loan programs. Projects at the higher end of this range will have some combination of significant job creation, high average hourly wage, or will be located in a priority investment area.

Outcomes/direct impact: Provides financing for projects that create/retain jobs

Program contact: JobsOhio

614-224-6446

contact@jobs-ohio.com

http://jobs-ohio.com/images/166_direct_loan_program.pdf

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20. Ohio Capital Access Program (CAP)

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Designed to help financial institutions lend funds to small businesses that may not meet conventional underwriting criteria. To do this, unique loan “guarantee” reserve accounts are established at participating CAP lenders; the lenders use these reserve accounts to recover losses on loans enrolled in the CAP. All Ohio small businesses with under \$10 million in sales that are creating and/or retaining jobs.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 122.60-.605

Funding source: Fees from the State, participating lenders, and borrowers.

Current funding level: Generated \$3.7 million in loans. The maximum loan size is \$500,000 for fixed assets and \$250,000 for working capital loans; there are no minimums.

Local role: Company must apply and meet criteria for loan.

Outcomes/direct impact: Increases available capital to small-medium business through loan guarantees to lenders.

Program contact: Office of Strategic Business Investments
Business Services Division
(614) 466-5656 or (614) 995-3802
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_ocap.htm

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21. Ohio Enterprise Bond Fund Loan Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance (loans)

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: Provides long-term, fixed-rate, one-stop project financing for qualifying businesses that create or retain jobs in the state of Ohio. Enables large and small credit-worthy businesses access to capital at costs comparable to those of rated multi-national corporations. Businesses that are engaged in, but not limited to, manufacturing, research and development and distribution. Retail projects are ineligible.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code chapters 122 and 166

Funding source: Ohio's bond availability

Current funding level: The program may finance allowable project costs with OEBF loans typically ranging in size from \$2,500,000 to \$10,000,000. The amount of the OEBF Loan will take into account additional financing offered through other State loan programs; total financing from State programs should typically range from 20% to 40% of the project's total investment.

Local role: Must demonstrate ability to repay and document job creation. The program requires the creation of jobs within a three-year period, with typically one new job created for every \$35,000-\$75,000 of proceeds from State loan programs.

Outcomes/direct impact: Provides access to highly rated bond financing that would otherwise be unavailable to companies.

Program contact: JobsOhio
(614) 224-6446
<http://jobs-ohio.com/funding/>

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22. Research & Development Investment Loan Fund Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance (loans)

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: Provides funding for capital purchases for private-sector R&D investments that will create high-wage jobs.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 166.20

Funding source: State Treasury

Current funding level: The program may finance allowable project costs with R&D Loans typically ranging in size from \$500,000 to \$5,000,000. The amount of R&D Loan will take into account additional financing offered through other State loan programs; total financing from State programs should typically range from 20% to 40% of the project investment.

Local role: Must demonstrate repayment ability and document job creation/retention. The program requires a commitment to create jobs to the State of Ohio through the R&D Loan program. The number of jobs committed, as well as the annual payroll will be considered when determining the funding amount.

Outcomes/direct impact: Encourages new investment in R&D and encourages high-wage job growth.

Program contact: JobsOhio
(614) 224-6446
<http://jobs-ohio.com/funding/>

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23. Energy Loan Fund Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance (loans)

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: To incentivize installation of solar electric, solar hot water and/or wind energy systems for all non-residential customer classes, including agricultural, commercial, industrial, institutional, governmental, and non-profit. Provides linked deposits to facilitate interest rate reductions on bank loans for eligible projects that upgrade building shells and mechanical and electrical systems to exceed the minimum energy efficiency standards required by the State Energy Code. Eligible projects must be located entirely within Ohio and within the service territory of a participating electric utility (American Electric Power and subsidiaries, Cinergy, First Energy and subsidiaries, Dayton Power & Light and Monongahela Power).

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 4928.61-.63

Funding source: Advanced Energy Loan Fund

Current funding level: Not available.

Local role: Applicant must meet minimum energy efficiency standards to be eligible.

Outcomes/direct impact: Upgrade buildings and equipment to improve efficiency beyond the minimum standards.

Program contact: Office of Energy
(614) 466-6797
energy@development.ohio.gov
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_renewenergy.htm

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24. Technology Investment Tax Credit (TITC)

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax credit

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: To offer a variety of benefits to Ohio taxpayers who invest in small, research and development, and technology-oriented firms. Through this innovative program, Ohio investors may reduce their state taxes by 25 percent on the amount they invest in qualified, technology-based Ohio companies. Both the companies and their investor's must meet several requirements specified by Ohio law in order to be considered for the Technology Investment Tax Credit program.

Effective November 1, 2012, the Ohio Development Services Agency is no longer accepting new entity and investor applications for the Technology Investment Tax Credit program. Due to a strong increase in the number of investor applications coming in for the program that has far exceeded the average rate, the program has reached its cap of \$45 million. This is a strong indicator of the growth in investment opportunities in Ohio, and is further evidence that the collaborative approach to building an established investor network and entrepreneurial ecosystem is gaining momentum. An alternative program that investors may consider is [InvestOhio](#). InvestOhio has \$45 million available for qualified investments and may provide an opportunity for investors. Updates on the TITC program going forward will be posted to this website.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 122.15, 122.154, 5707.05, 5727.41, 5733.34, 5733.98, 5747.32, 5747.98

Funding source: Tax Credit (25 or 30%)

Current funding level: \$14 million remaining of initial \$15 million as of April 2010.

Local role: Company must have at least 50% of its assets and 50% of its employees in Ohio. Must be a technology based entity. Must have revenue of less than \$2.5 million

Outcomes/direct impact: Increase small business investment in technology related products and services.

Program contact: Technology Division
(800) 848-1300 or (614) 466-3887
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_titc.htm
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_investohio.htm

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25. Community Reinvestment Area Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax incentive

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Provides local real property tax incentives for residents and businesses that invest in designated areas in Ohio. Incentives are available for residential, commercial, and/or industrial projects involving remodeling or new construction. The local legislative authority establishes rates and terms for incentives, and approves commercial and industrial project agreements. Commercial and industrial projects must have an agreement in place prior to investment.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 3735.65-.70

Funding source: Tax exemptions

Current funding level: Up to 100% of real property liability

Local role: In order to use the Community Reinvestment Area program, a city, village, or county petitions to the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) for confirmation of a geographical area in which investment in housing has traditionally been discouraged (click here for the process to establish a Community Reinvestment Area). Once an area is confirmed by the Director of ODSA, communities may offer real property tax exemptions to taxpayers that invest in that area.

Outcomes/direct impact: Increase investment in underdeveloped areas through tax incentives

Program contact: Office of Strategic Business Investments
Tax Incentives Section
(614) 466-2317
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_comreinvest.htm

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26. Enterprise Zone Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax incentive

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Provides real and personal property tax incentives for businesses that expand or locate in designated areas in Ohio. Enterprise zones are designated areas of land in which businesses can receive tax incentives in the form of tax exemptions on eligible new investment. The zone's geographic area is identified by the local communities involved in the creation of the zone. The boundary should (1) include areas appropriate for business development, (2) have a single continuous boundary, (3) meet minimum population requirements, and (4) evidence the distress characteristics, when applicable. Once a zone is defined, the local legislative authority participating in the creation must petition the director of the Ohio Development Services Agency. The director must then certify the area for it to become an active Enterprise Zone.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 5709.61-.69

Funding source: Tax Exemptions

Current funding level: Municipalities can offer exemption of real and/or personal property assessed values of up to 75% for up to 10 years or an average of 60% over the term of the agreement on new investments in buildings, machinery/equipment and inventory and improvements to existing land and buildings for a specific project.

Non-Incorporated areas can offer exemption of real and/or personal property assessed values of up to 60% for up to 10 years or an average of 50% over the term of the agreement on new investments in buildings, machinery/equipment and inventory and improvements to existing land and buildings for a specific project.

Local role: Applicant responsible for designating geographic area meeting the minimum population requirements: counties with a population greater than 300,000 must have a minimum population of 4,000. Counties with a population less than 300,000 must have a minimum population of 1,000.

Outcomes/direct impact: Tax incentives used to increase area's competitiveness and spur business activity.

Program contact: Office of Strategic Business Investments
Tax Incentives Section
(614) 466-2317
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_oezp.htm

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27. Ohio New Markets Tax Credit

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax benefits

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Helps to finance business investments in low-income communities by providing investors with state tax credits in exchange for delivering below-market-rate investment options to Ohio businesses. Investors receive a 39% tax credit spread over seven years if they make an investment in a qualified low-income community business.

Authority citation: OAC 122:22

Funding source: No money is transferred

Current funding level: No money is transferred

Local role: Community Development Entities (CDEs) apply to the program for allocation authority, and work with investors to make qualified low-income community investments.

Outcomes/direct impact: The program helps to spark revitalization in Ohio's communities with this attractive tax credit.

Program contact: Office of Redevelopment
(614) 995-2292
ohionewmarkets@development.ohio.gov
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_onmtcredit.htm

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28. Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax credits

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: Creates a refundable tax credit to companies generally creating at least 10 new jobs (within three years) with a minimum annual payroll of \$660,000 that pay at least 150 percent of the federal minimum wage.

The tax credit is measured as a percentage of the state income tax withholdings for all new employees hired under the program, and is applied toward the company's commercial activity tax liability. Should the amount of the credit exceed the company's commercial activity tax liability for any given year, the difference is refunded. A business must apply for the credit before committing to the project. Applicants must be approved through the Ohio Tax Credit Authority before hiring begins.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 122.171

Funding source: Tax Credit

Current funding level: Rate and terms determined for each project

Local role: Local match is required based on the size of the tax credit. Company must document job creation.

Outcomes/direct impact: Encourage job creation.

Program contact: JobsOhio
(614) 224-6446
<http://jobs-ohio.com/funding/>

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29. Ohio Job Retention Tax Credit

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax credits

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: Nonrefundable corporate franchise or state income tax credits of up to 75% to minimize the costs of maintaining an operation in the state. The company's project must involve a significant investment in Ohio facilities engaging in either manufacturing or significant corporate administrative functions. Businesses that currently employ at least 1,000 full-time employees and make an investment of at least \$20-50 million may be eligible.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 122.17

Funding source: Tax Credit

Current funding level: Tax credit up to 75% of state taxes

Local role: Must retain at least 500 jobs to be eligible.

Outcomes/direct impact: Provides incentive for companies to retain Ohio jobs

Program contact: JobsOhio
(614) 224-6446
<http://jobs-ohio.com/funding/>

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30. Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment Sales Tax Exemption

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax exemption

Administering agency: Ohio Department of Taxation, Sales Tax Division

Purpose: Exempts business from entire state and county sales tax for purchases of machinery and equipment used primarily for manufacturing, including machinery, equipment, supplies, and fuel used primarily in a manufacturing operation to produce tangible personal property for sales.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 5733.33, 5747.31

Funding source: Tax Exemption

Current funding level: Exemption up to 7.5% (13.5% in priority investment areas)

Local role: Companies must submit notice of intent and receive approval prior to purchase

Outcomes/direct impact: Reduces the costs of creating or expanding manufacturing production in Ohio

Program contact: Ohio Department of Taxation, Sales Tax Division
(888) 405-4039 or (614) 466-7351
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_busgrantsloans.htm

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31. Research and Development Investment Tax Credit

Type of program: Financial Assistance - tax exemption

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Provides a nonrefundable tax credit against the Commercial Activity Tax (CAT) and is designed to encourage Ohio's corporations to invest in increased research and development activities. Seven percent is applied against a company's corporate franchise tax.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 5751.51

Funding source: Tax Exemption

Current funding level: Provides full sales tax exemption

Local role: In order to qualify, the taxpaying Corporation must invest in "Qualified Research Expenses", as defined in Section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Outcomes/direct impact: Encourages purchase of R&D related materials

Program contact: Ohio Department of Taxation
Sales Tax Division
(888) 405-4039
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_rditcredit.htm
www.tax.ohio.gov

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32. Ohio Vacant Facilities Fund

Type of program: Financial assistance - grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: To leverage private investment and payroll within existing communities and assist small and large businesses improve and equip business sites for job creation.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code

Funding source: Not available.

Current funding level: The Ohio Vacant Facilities Fund has been allocated \$2 million, allowing up to 4000 jobs to be created within existing buildings and using existing infrastructure.

Local role: For-profit businesses that are required to deduct and withhold income tax from an employee's compensation are eligible to apply. Applicants are not eligible if they have previously received a grant through the fund or are eligible to claim an incentive under an agreement with the Ohio Tax Credit Authority.

Outcomes/direct impact: Reuse of vacant and historic properties.

Program contact:

Nathaniel Kaelin
Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program Manager
Office of Redevelopment
Community Services Division
(614) 995-2292

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http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_ovff.htm

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33. OWDA Brownfield Loan Fund

Type of program: Financial Assistance - loans

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency with the Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: To offer below-market rate loans to assess and clean up brownfield properties.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code

Current funding level: Up to \$500,000 is available for assessments, and up to \$5,000,000 is available for cleanups.

Local role: The program is open to both public and private entities that may use the funds to pay for Phase II assessments, demolition, cleanup, and consultant costs.

Outcomes/direct impact: By making these funds available to a variety of stakeholders, the economic development potential of the property is maximized and these once dormant properties can be brought back to beneficial use.

Program contact: ODSA, Office of Redevelopment
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http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_owda.htm

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34. Warehouse Machinery and Equipment Sales Tax Exemption

Type of program: Financial Assistance- tax exemption

Administering agency: Ohio Department of Taxation, Sales Tax Division

Purpose: Exempts business from entire state and county sales tax for purchases of eligible machinery and equipment for warehousing, distribution and direct marketing activities.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code 5739.02, 122.17

Funding source: Tax Exemption

Current funding level: Based on individual projects. Up to full sales tax exemption

Local role: County agrees to exemption

Outcomes/direct impact: Reduces costs for the creation/operation of warehousing/distribution facilities

Program contact: Ohio Department of Taxation, Sales Tax Division
(888) 405-4039 or (614) 466-7351
http://development.ohio.gov/Business/tax_credit.htm
www.tax.ohio.gov

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35. Ohio Workforce Training Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering agency: JobsOhio

Purpose: To support companies that are making investments in facilities, equipment, and training that result in the retention and creation of jobs for Ohioans. The program provides reimbursable financial support to employers for training, paying for a portion of instructor salaries, materials, travel, and special needs.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code Chapter 122:17-1

Funding source: State funds

Current funding level: The amount of the grant is based on the training activities and costs identified in this application.

Local role: Business must document new jobs and training.

Outcomes/direct impact: Assists in creating a skilled workforce in Ohio by encouraging training.

Program contact: JobsOhio
614-224-6446
<http://jobs-ohio.com/funding/>

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36. Ohio Job Ready Sites Program

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: To bolster the State's inventory of available facility locations served by utility and transportation infrastructure. Properties in this program are strategically chosen for their ability to provide optimal infrastructure capabilities and attract economy shifting investment. Funds from the Ohio Job Ready Sites Program are targeted to offset costs traditionally incurred in speculative commercial and industrial development to accelerate investment decisions and to maximize the development potential of each property.

Authority citation: [Ohio Administrative Code §122:20-1-01 through 122:20-1-05](#)

Funding source: Sale of Bonds

Current funding level: In FY2012, 10 projects received funding totaling \$10 million under the fourth round of the Ohio Job Ready Sites Program.

Local role: At least 25% match for eligible costs. Projects that receive funding from the Ohio Job Ready Sites Program must satisfy stringent industry standards in order to receive Certification.

Outcomes/direct impact: Funding can be utilized for site acquisition, infrastructure, demolition, construction, remediation activities, and construction of utilities.

Program contact: Office of Redevelopment
(614) 995-2292
JobReadySite@development.ohio.gov
<http://www.development.ohio.gov/redev/default.htm>

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37. Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund Program

Type of program: Low interest rate loans and grants

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: To provide low interest rate loans and grants for remediation of Ohio brownfields, petroleum-contaminated sites, and mine-scarred lands to result in redevelopment or greenspace creation. Eligible costs include cleanup but not assessment or redevelopment activities.

Authority citation: Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act Public Law 107-118 (H.R. 2869)

Funding source: US Environmental Protection Agency

Current funding level: Up to \$2 million in loans and/or \$200,000 in grants per project.

Local role: Assistance to eligible brownfield and petroleum sites state-wide.

Outcomes/direct impact: Provides financial assistance in the form of loans and grants to remediate environmental contaminants, stimulate economic development, and create greenspace.

Program contact: Office of Redevelopment
(614) 995-2292
http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_brownfieldloan.htm

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38. Construction & Demolition Debris Disposal (C&DD)

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Purpose: To regulate the disposal of C&DD, prohibit the illegal disposal of C&DD, and establish a notification requirement for the use of clean hard fill. C&DD facilities include only landfills. The regulatory program addresses the siting, design, environmental monitoring, operation, financial assurance, and closure of these facilities.

Authority citation: ORC Chapter 3714

Funding source: An Ohio construction & demolition debris disposal fee of \$0.30 per cubic yard or \$0.60 per ton of C&DD disposed in C&DD disposal facilities and certain solid waste landfills fund the OEPA and local approved health department C&DD regulatory program.

There are additional Ohio construction & demolition debris disposal fees which are dedicated to the Ohio EPA construction & demolition debris ground water monitoring fund. Additional construction & demolition debris disposal fees support ODNR soil and water conservation district projects and recycling and litter prevention program.

Local role: Ohio EPA issues licenses. Ohio EPA approved local health districts are delegated shared authority and the local responsibility for inspection, enforcement, and licensing of facilities within their jurisdiction.

Outcomes/direct impact: Environmentally sound siting, design, environmental monitoring, operation, financial assurance, and closure of these facilities.

Program contact: Sharon Gbur, 614-728-5346

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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dmwm/Home/CDD.aspx>

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39. Biosolids Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA - Division of Surface Water, Permits and Compliance Section

Purpose: To regulate the disposal and/or beneficial use of sewage sludge and biosolids generated by non-industrial wastewater treatment plants in the State of Ohio, as well as any sewage sludge or biosolids brought into the State of Ohio by non-industrial wastewater treatment plants located outside of the state. The goals of the Biosolids Program are to protect public health and the environment, encourage the beneficial reuse of biosolids, and minimize the creation of nuisance odors.

Authority citation: The regulations under the Clean Water Act are Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 503. Ohio has statutory authority under Chapter 6111 of the Ohio Revised Code. Rules thereunder are Chapter 3745-40 of the Ohio Administrative Code, and for NPDES permitting, Chapter 3745-33 of the OAC.

Funding source: The Biosolids Program is funded through a fee based on dry tons of sewage sludge used or disposed in the state in a calendar year.

Current funding level: The fees are capped at \$600,000 dollars per calendar year. The per dry ton fee is adjusted every two years as needed to maintain the \$600,000 cap.

Local role: Local government jurisdictions generate biosolids at their wastewater treatment plants and are responsible for complying with the Ohio program.

Outcomes/direct impact: Biosolids can be used as a fertilizer and soil amendment, at agronomic rates, on 20,000 to 40,000 acres per year. There is a significant cost savings to the farmer who utilizes biosolids.

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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/sludge/biosolid.aspx>

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40. Storm Water Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: The Ohio EPA administers the program regulating municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), industrial storm dischargers, and construction storm water dischargers. Regulated Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) operators (which can include: cities, townships, counties, the Ohio Department of Transportation, and other public entities) will regulate construction storm water discharges to their systems, as well as, prohibit non-NPDES discharges to their systems.

Purpose: To minimize the contamination of storm water discharges and its impact to surface waters of Ohio.

Authority citation: The Storm Water Program is part of the NPDES program which was created by the Clean Water Act. The Storm Water Program was specifically created by the CWA amendments of 1987. Ohio EPA's authority to implement the NPDES program is within amendments of 1987. Ohio EPA's authority to implement the NPDES program is within ORC 6111. Federal storm water rules can be found within 40 CFR 122 and Ohio EPA's storm water rules can be found with OAC 3745-39.

Funding source: Ohio EPA's storm water program is currently funded through fees and federal grants.

Current funding level: Approximately 1.5 million dollars (17 FTEs)

Local role: Not applicable, except for public participation activities during the rule adoption and permit issuance processes.

Outcomes/direct impact: Regulation of discharges from MS4s, construction sites, and industrial sites. A reduction of impacts to surface water bodies from storm water discharges.

Program contact: Mark Mann, 614-644-2023
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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/index.aspx>

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41. Source Water Assessment and Protection Program

Type of program: Technical assistance - planning

Administering agency: The Ohio EPA - Division of Drinking and Ground Waters. Agency staff complete source water assessments and assist local public water systems officials in development and implementation of source water protection plans. The Agency also reviews and endorses locally developed source water protection plans.

Purpose: Ohio's Source Water Assessment and Protection program involves two phases. The first phase is collecting information about a public water system's source water, or the "assessment phase". The Ohio EPA (or local water supply) completes three steps to an assessment: delineating the protection area; identifying potential contaminant sources in that area; and determining the susceptibility of the source water to contamination. The findings of the source water assessment are summarized in report that is then provided to the public water system officials and made available to the public.

The second phase is developing and implementing a local drinking water source protection plan. This effort is led by the public water system owner/operator, with assistance from other stakeholders. The local plan addresses strategies that will be implemented to protect the source of its drinking water, whether it is surface water or ground water.

Authority citation: The SWAP Program was established by the 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act. Effective September 2009, community public water systems providing water to a political subdivision of Ohio and serving more than 250 consumers are required to develop a drinking water source protection plan when they receive plan approval for a new water supply well. In addition, various state environmental programs reference source water protection areas in their regulations.

Funding source: Set-aside for source water assessment and protection and wellhead protection from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

Current funding level: Approximately \$1 million is utilized annually.

Outcomes/direct impact: State outcomes include the development of source water assessment reports for all of Ohio's public water systems. Establish source water protection areas that are protected by state environmental regulation. Provide technical assistance to public water system officials and operators developing local source water protection plans. Local outcomes include the development of local source water protection plans to ensure the long-term availability of safe sources of drinking water.

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42. Scrap Tire Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Purpose: Scrap tire facilities are specifically regulated under the solid waste law and include landfills (scrap tire monofills and monocells in solid waste landfills), scrap tire recovery facilities, scrap tire storage facilities, scrap tire collection facilities, and scrap tire transporters. The regulatory program addresses the siting, design, environmental monitoring, operation, financial assurance, closure, and post-closure care of those facilities. Transporters are required to register, utilize shipping papers, and post financial assurance. There are regulatory requirements regarding storage and beneficial use of scrap tires.

Ohio's scrap tire abatement program also provides funds and contractual authority to remove accumulations of scrap tires.

Authority citation: ORC Chapter 3734

Funding source: The scrap tire program is funded through a \$1.00 fee on the retail sale of new tires in Ohio. This fee also supports the Ohio scrap tire abatement program.

In SFY 2011, \$0.50 of the \$1.00 fee will fund the ORC 1515.14 soil and water conservation district assistance fund.

Permit and most license fees go to Ohio's General Revenue Fund.

Current funding level: \$3.7 million for state fiscal year 2009.

Local role: Ohio EPA issues permits, licenses, and registrations. Ohio EPA approved local health districts are delegated shared authority and the local responsibility for inspection and enforcement of scrap tire transporters and facilities, and licensing of facilities within their jurisdictions.

Outcomes/direct impact: Management of scrap tires and abatement of abandoned scrap tire sites.

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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dmwm/Home/ScrapTires.aspx>

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43. Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Purpose: Solid waste disposal facilities include landfills (there are several types of landfills: municipal solid waste, industrial solid waste, and residual solid waste), solid waste transfer facilities, solid waste composting facilities, and solid waste incinerators/energy recovery facilities. The regulatory program addresses the siting, design, environmental monitoring, operation, financial assurance, closure, and post-closure care of these facilities.

Authority citation: ORC Chapter 3734; US EPA RCRA Subtitle D is specific to municipal solid waste landfills. Regulation of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) landfills is under Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-27, Rules 01 to 20.

Funding source: An Ohio solid waste disposal fee of \$1.00 per ton of solid waste disposed in a commercially available (non-captive) landfill provides the funding for the solid waste program.

There are additional Ohio solid waste disposal fees which are dedicated to other Ohio EPA programs and support. ODNR soil and water conservation programs also receive some of these additional fees. Local solid waste management districts also establish separate fees to fund their own district activities under ORC 3734.

Permit fees and most license fees go to Ohio's General Revenue Fund.

Local role: Ohio EPA issues permits, licenses, and registrations. Ohio EPA approved local health districts are delegated shared authority and the local responsibility for inspection, enforcement, and licensing of facilities within their jurisdictions.

Outcomes/direct impact: Environmentally sound siting, design, environmental monitoring, operation, financial assurance, closure, and post-closure care of solid waste facilities.

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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dmwm/Home/MunicipalSWLandfills.aspx>

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44. Infectious Waste Management Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Purpose: The management of infectious waste includes the generators of infectious wastes, the transporters of infectious wastes, the treatment of infectious wastes, and ultimately the disposal of treated infectious wastes in solid waste disposal facilities. The regulatory program addresses the siting, design, environmental monitoring, operation, financial assurance, and closure of treatment facilities, the use of approved treatment technologies, transporter registration and handling requirements, generator registration, infectious waste packaging requirements, and use of shipping papers.

Authority citation: ORC Chapter 3734

Funding source: A fee is charged for the registration of generators and transporters. Permit and most license fees go to Ohio's General Revenue Fund.

Note: The infectious waste fund is insufficient to cover program costs. The program costs are further subsidized by the Ohio solid waste disposal fee of \$1.00 per ton of solid waste disposed in a commercially available (non-captive) landfill which provides the funding for the solid waste program.

Local role: Ohio EPA issues permits, licenses, and registrations. Ohio EPA approved local health districts are delegated shared authority and the local responsibility for inspection and enforcement of generators, transporters, and treatment facilities, and licensing of treatment facilities within their jurisdictions.

Outcomes/direct impact: Environmentally sound management of infectious waste.

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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dmwm/Home.aspx>

<http://epa.ohio.gov/dmwm/Home/InfectiousWaste.aspx>

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45. Drinking Water Assistance Fund - Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (includes Disadvantaged Community Loan Program)

Type of program: Financial assistance - loans

Administering agency: Ohio EPA and Ohio Water Development Authority

Purpose: Provide low interest loans and principal forgiveness to eligible public water systems to fund improvements to eliminate public health threats and ensure compliance with federal and state drinking water laws and regulations.

Authority citation: Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act amendments of 1996; 40 CFR Parts 9 and 35 (August 7, 2000); ORC 6119.22; "Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program Guidelines," EPA 816-R-97-005, February 1997; "State of Ohio Drinking Water Assistance Fund Program Management and Intended Use Plan," May 2009 (This management plan is updated annually and available on the Ohio EPA web site.).

Funding source: This program is federally funded by U.S. EPA Capitalization Grants and proceeds of state and leverage bonds issued through the Ohio Water Development Authority.

Current funding level: For program year 2012 (July 1, 2011- June 30, 2012) the program issued forty-four loans for a total amount of \$68,630,102. Of these, 34 of the loans served a population of 10,000 or less. The small systems loans accounted for \$37,166,381, which is 54.1 percent of the funds awarded.

Total funds issued for Disadvantaged Community Loans in 2012 was \$40,272,850.

During PY 2012, Ohio funded nine systems for extensions to provide safe water due to wells with bacteriological contamination. The total amount for these loans is \$10,991,909.68.

Local role: A local match is not required for communities to participate in the program. To be eligible for loan consideration, systems must submit a pre-application by March 15 for the July 1 list and October 15 for the January 1 list. To be eligible for the Disadvantaged Community Program, which includes principal forgiveness and extended term loans, systems must submit an application by March 15.

Outcomes/direct impact: Through June 2012, Ohio EPA has issued \$887,390,944 in the form low-interest loans for systems to alleviate drinking water contamination, return systems to compliance and replace aging drinking water plants and distribution systems.

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46. Underground Injection Control Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA- Division of Drinking and Ground Waters
Underground Injection Control Section and US EPA

Purpose: To regulate the disposal of waste above, into or below underground sources of drinking water via Class I, IV and V injection wells.

Authority citation: Federal Safe Drinking Water Act; 40 CFR 144, 145, 146, and 147, Sections 6111.043 to 6111.049 of the ORC and Chapter 3745-34 of the OAC.

Funding source: State fees on Class I injection wells (ORC 6111.046) and State fees per ton of waste disposed of into a Class I injection well (ORC 6111.047) and federal grant and state matching funds.

Local role: State has primacy over the federal UIC program with Ohio EPA having administrative authority over the Class I, IV and V injection wells.

Outcomes/direct impact:

Class I- Assure proper disposal of hazardous waste into Class I injection wells per permits issued and enforcement of rules.

Class IV- Enforce ban of Class IV injection wells. Properly close any Class IV wells discovered.

Class V injection wells- Permit, inventory and regulate the operation and closure of Class V wells.

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<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/ddagw/uic.aspx>

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47. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Hazardous Waste Closure Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA, Division of Materials and Waste Management.

Purpose: The program's purpose is to ensure that areas/units (e.g., a surface impoundment, tank, or concrete pad on which drums of hazardous waste were placed) used to manage hazardous waste since 1980 that are no longer to be used for that purpose, and any environmental media potentially affected by the area/unit (e.g. soils, underlying ground water), are cleaned up (i.e., "closed") so that the remaining levels of contaminants, if any are still present, are protective of human health and the environment consistent with the future use of the area/unit.

Authority citation: Section 3734.12(d)(8) of the ORC and OAC rules 3745-55-10 through 3745-55-46 and rules 3745-66-10 through 3745-66-46. The legal basis is a state law that implements a federal law and the state rules implement the equivalent federal rules (40 CFR 264.110- 264.146 and 40 CFR 265.110- 265.146). The rules describe applicability, the closure performance standard, the required closure plan and its approval and amendment, the time allowed for closure, and the financial assurance requirements for closure. Guidance developed by the Division is called "Closure Plan Review Guidance," and is available through the Division's web site.

Funding source: Ohio EPA's Division of Hazardous Waste Management including the RCRA Closure Program is funded through a combination of federal grant monies, hazardous waste treatment and disposal fees and solid waste disposal fees.

Current funding level: \$347,385

Local role: There are no local requirements and there is no local match. Local involvement may include input on future use of the area/unit. The proposed future land use can impact the type of cleanup/closure that's proposed and eventually conducted.

Outcomes/direct impact: Specific measures may include the amount of contaminated ground water treated or the amount of contaminated soil removed or treated. In general, the outcome of the RCRA Closure Program is that once closure of an area/unit is completed and certified, that area/unit poses no threat to human health and the environment consistent with the future use of the area/unit.

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<http://epa.ohio.gov/dmwm/Home.aspx>

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48. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Hazardous Waste Corrective Action Program

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA, Division of Hazardous Waste Management and U.S. EPA, Land and Chemicals Division, Region 5

Purpose: The purpose of the program is to ensure that hazardous waste facility owner/operators investigate and, if necessary, clean up releases of hazardous waste and hazardous constituents to soil and underlying ground water resulting from past waste management activities at their facilities. The cleanup must be protective of human health and the environment consistent with the future use of the area/unit where the waste was managed.

Authority citation: ORC Chapter 3734: Solid and Hazardous Wastes and Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-54-101. State law implements a federal law but the universe of facilities addressed under state law is limited; U.S. EPA addresses the remainder of the facility universe under federal law.

Funding source: A combination of federal grant monies, requiring a state match, and state funds from a special revenue account funded by hazardous waste treatment and disposal fees and solid waste fees funds the program.

Current funding level: \$2,130,605

Local role: Local involvement is not required and there is no local match. Local input is sought in the context of future land use when cleanup measures are proposed; the proposed future land use can impact the type of cleanup that's proposed and eventually conducted.

Outcomes/direct impact: There are no specific measures for the entire program. For a limited number of facilities in the program universe, success is measured by determining if "human exposures are controlled," the "migration of contaminated ground water is under control" and "remedy construction is completed."

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<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/ca/index.htm>

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49. Targeted Brownfield Assessment (TBA)

Type of program: Technical Assistance to Local Communities for Brownfield Sites

Administering Agency: Ohio EPA Division of Emergency and Remedial Response

Purpose: Assist local governments in assessing brownfield property and position the property for potential cleanup funding programs (e.g. Clean Ohio Fund or US EPA cleanup grants).

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): N/A

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Federal 128(a) Brownfield Grant and State Funded TBA Grant

Current funding level: Approximately \$230,000 (federal) and \$100,000 (state) annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Applicant must be a local government that did not cause or contribute to the contamination.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. acres planted, jobs created): ASTM/AAI/VAP Phase I Property Assessment Reports, Asbestos Inspection Reports, Phase II Screening and Supplemental Assessments, and Water Quality Surveys of Adjacent Waterways (streams, rivers, etc.).

Grant application deadline: Open cycle.

Program contact:

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Website: <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/derr/SABR/sabr.aspx>

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50. Litter Cleanup Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention

Purpose: To provide grant funds to Ohio counties, municipal corporations, townships, villages, Solid Waste Management Districts or Authorities, Soil & Water Conservation Districts, Keep Ohio Beautiful affiliates and any agencies of the state as defined in Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code for costs associated and participation in community based litter cleanup and public awareness efforts. An agency of the state may be a municipal corporation, county, township, state college or university, and solid waste management district or authority.

Authority citation (e.g., law, rules, guidance): ORC 1502

Funding source (e.g., state, federal, bonds): Construction and Demolition Debris Fee

Current funding level: \$150,000 annually

Local role (e.g., local requirements, match): Applicants are not required to offer matching funds but local financial or in-kind contributions will help to demonstrate a sense of commitment. Maximum grant amounts are up to \$2,000 per project.

Outcomes/Direct Impact (e.g. volunteer hours generated, development of local partnerships): Increased number of volunteer hours and opportunities, while ensuring a cleaner community and promoting a more positive environmental message to residents and local businesses. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources wants to highlight the educational components of Earth Day/Keep Ohio Beautiful Month by supporting activities during the spring period.

Grant application deadline: November 5, 2010

Program contact: ODNR - Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention
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Web Address: <http://www.ohiodnr.com/recycling>

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51. Tire Amnesty Grant

Type of program: Financial Assistance

Administering Agency: Ohio DNR – Division of Recycling & Litter Prevention

Purpose: The Tire Amnesty Grant provides financial assistance to Ohio’s local governments, businesses, schools, state colleges, or public universities, health districts, soil and water conservation districts and non-profit organizations for the following purposes; design a program to promote sustainable scrap tire collection drives, sponsor a drop off effort during a specified period of time engage in targeted clean up events.

Authority citation: ORC 1502.12

Funding source: Fee on new tire sales

Current funding level: \$500,000 – funding subject to cash availability from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Local role: There is no match required from the local state agency. Maximum grant amounts are up to \$20,000 for projects involving scrap tires.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Projects will collect tires to be used as feedstock for a viable and technologically proven scrap tire end-use market or beneficial use as designated by the Ohio EPA.

Grant application deadline: April 5, 2010

Program contact: ODNR – Division of Recycling & Litter Prevention
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C. Services

1. Ohio Procurement Technical Assistance Centers

Type of program: Technical Assistance

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Helps Ohio's small and medium size businesses sell goods and services to local, state and federal governments. The centers provide marketing, training, technical and quality assurance counseling, and general government contracting counseling.

Authority citation: Ohio Revised Code Chapter 122

Current funding level: Centers do not provide financial assistance.

Local role: Businesses have access to the centers to receive mentoring and assistance.

Outcomes/direct impact: Increase number of government contracts obtained by Ohio businesses.

Program contact: Office of Business Assistance,
Minority Business Section
(614) 644-8019
http://development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_mbac.htm

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2. International Trade Assistance Center Program

Type of program: Technical Assistance

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: To help Ohio manufacturers and service providers identify and evaluate sales channels around the world. Located throughout the state, the centers provide technical assistance, training and financial counseling to Ohio's entrepreneurs, minority and small business owners.

Program contact: Office of Business Assistance, Small Business Section
(614) 466-2711
http://www.development.ohio.gov/bs/bs_itac.htm

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3. Minority Contractors and Business Assistance Program (MCBAP)

Type of program: Financial and technical assistance

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency

Purpose: Helps businesses develop business and marketing plans, feasibility studies, accounting, loan packages and state and local contract procurement opportunities. Existing and startup businesses that are 51% or more owned and controlled by African American, Hispanic, Native American or Asian American are eligible for assistance.

Authority citation: HB 584 (passed in 1980) Ohio Revised Code 122.71-.75

Local role: Each Minority Business Assistance Center is staffed with certified business counselors that assist minority entrepreneurs with loan and bond packaging services, management, technical, financial and contract procurement assistance.

Outcomes/direct impact: Improve skills and competitiveness of minority businesses owners.

Program contact: Office of Business Assistance,
Minority Business Section
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ohiomcbap@odod.state.oh.us

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4. Metropolitan Planning Organization and Large Cities Capital Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides funds for planning assistance to states to pass through to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) for comprehensive multimodal transportation planning and technical studies in metropolitan areas.

Authority citation: Am Sub HB 68, 126th General Assembly, Line Item 771-412.

Funding Source: Federal funds

Current Funding level: Approximately \$2.5 million.

Application Cycle: N/A

Local Role: MPOs prepare and implement transportation planning work program for urbanized area and provide 10% match.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Produces long range and short range transportation plans for metropolitan area; develops financial plans; programs transportation projects for implementation and provides technical assistance to local transportation systems.

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5. State Planning and Research Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program provides funds for planning assistance to each state for comprehensive statewide and local transportation planning and technical studies. ODOT services as the state's applicant.

Authority citation: Am Sub HB 68, 126th General Assembly, Line Item 775-452.

Funding Source: Federal funds

Current Funding level: Funding for the SPRP is allocated to each state by the Federal Transit Administration using a population based formula. The federal share for eligible planning activities is 80%.

Application Cycle: N/A

Local Role: Suggest technical assistance/training needs; provides nonfederal match on select projects.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Provides technical assistance and planning support for statewide and local transit projects.

Program Contact: Ohio Department of Transportation
Division of Transportation System Development
Innovation, Research & Implementation Section
614-644-5928

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6. Ohio Coordination Program

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: The primary goal of the Coordination Program is to enhance and expand transportation through coordination in Ohio's counties with no public transportation system. Currently, there are 28 counties without a public transportation system. All projects must demonstrate some level of interagency coordination in their local area to be eligible for funding. All projects must designate a lead agency to administer day-to-day operations, execute memorandums of understanding with all participating agencies, and have a full time Mobility Manager.

Authority citation: Federal Transit Administration 49 USC Section 5310, 5316, 5317 Funds.

Funding Source: Federal Funds

Current Funding level: Total annual funding is \$1 million. Eligible projects may apply for eligible mobility management project expenses. ODOT provides technical assistance during the course of the project to encourage continuation of coordination efforts. Eligible project expenses are limited to that of the Mobility Manager, e.g. salary and fringes; utilities, office supplies, postage, travel, marketing of the coordination project, etc. Program funding is intended to reimburse the applicant based on actual expenses for the Mobility Managers and their coordination activities. Mobility Managers are considered a capital expense and 80% of the direct cost of the Mobility Manager is reimbursable.

Application Cycle: Applications are due in January.

Local Role: Administration of the local coordination project. Acts as the fiscal conduit. Provides match as required by the program.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: The use of transportation funds for human service and public transportation is more efficient. Programs can decrease duplication of transportation services in the target community.

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7. Elderly and Disabled Transit Fare Assistance

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: This program encourages transit systems to offer reduced fares for the elderly and people with disabilities by reimbursing a portion of the revenue lost due to reducing the fares for this population. Eligible applicants include regional transit authorities, county transit boards, municipalities, counties and private non-profit corporations designated by the county commissioners to provide public transit service.

Authority citation: ORC Section 5501.07

Funding Source: State General Revenue Funds.

Current Funding level: Annual funding is approximately \$7 million.

Application Cycle: Contracts transmitted to eligible grantees no later than November 15.

Local Role: Eligible applicants receive the funds to be used to administer the local public transit system. Provides and certifies operating data including Elderly and Disabled ridership for use in allocation funds.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Encourages public transit systems in Ohio to offer a reduced fare for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

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<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/divisions/transsysdev/transit/pages/elderlydisabled.aspx>

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8. Specialized Transportation Funds

Type of Program: Financial Assistance - Reimbursement

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Transportation

Purpose: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) provides Federal funds for the purchase of equipment to support transportation services for the elderly and people with disabilities where existing transportation is unavailable, inappropriate, or insufficient. The Federal Transit Administration provides 80% of the cost of capital items; the remaining 20% must be provided by local funding, which may include transportation funding from other federal programs other than U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) programs or from DOT's Federal Lands Highway Program. ODOT writes the specifications and purchases the vehicles with costs reimbursed by FTA and the recipient.

Authority citation: Federal Transit Administration 49 USC Section 5310

Funding Source: Federal funds

Current Funding level: Funds are available each Federal Fiscal Year and are distributed through a competitive application process. While ODOT administers the program for the entire state, certain responsibilities are assigned to the seventeen Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). ODOT has established the eligibility requirements to be used for all applicants. Each MPO may establish additional eligibility requirements and deadlines to fit its urbanized areas' needs so long as such requirements and deadlines are not less restrictive than ODOT's.

Application Cycle: Applications due in January.

Local Role: Eligible local applicants apply for and receive vehicles which must be used according to the guidelines of the program as set forth by ODOT. Provides 20% match. Mobility management projects are administered by the locals.

Outcomes/Direct Impact: Assures that accessible vehicles are available for meeting the transportation needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities.

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9. OhioInSite

Type of program: Technical Assistance

Purpose: This non-profit organization provides real time, up to date site selection information. This searchable inventory of sites and buildings contains the latest information on available properties.

Funding source: Public and Private

Program contact: Ohio Business Development Corporation
(614) 857-0900
www.ohiomeansbusiness.com

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10. Ohio County Profiles

Type of program: Technical Assistance - Market Research

Administering agency: Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Policy Research & Strategic Planning

Purpose: Provides free current and historical on-line data about the population, economy and businesses of Ohio and its communities.

Authority citation: Division initiative

Local role: Open to all internet users

Outcomes/direct impact: Easy access to economic and historic Ohio data that is useful for business and planning-related questions.

Program contact: Operations Division / Office of Strategic Research
(800) 848-1300 or (614) 466-2116
<http://development.ohio.gov/research/files/s0.htm>
osr@odod.state.oh.us

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11. State Air Quality Implementation Plan

Type of program: Regulatory

Administering agency: Ohio EPA

Purpose: Develop air quality programs needed to meet ambient air quality standards.

Authority citation: ORC 3704, Clean Air Act, plus other rules, regulations, and guidance issued by Ohio EPA and US EPA.

Funding source: State fee money, State GRF, and US EPA grant money

Current funding level: About \$50 million dollars per year for entire air program.

Local role: Ohio EPA works with metropolitan planning organizations throughout the state on development of plans.

Outcomes/direct impact: Number of counties meeting ambient air quality standards.

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<http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dapc/sip/sip.aspx>

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