Funding & Technical Assistance

Economic Development Administration CARES Act Funding
Economic Development Administration (EDA) is now accepting applications for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) supplemental funds (EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance) intended to help communities prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. Under this announcement, EDA will make CARES Act Recovery Assistance grants under the authority of its Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) program, which is intended to be flexible and responsive to the economic development needs and priorities of local and regional stakeholders. More information and apply here. Contact Rachel Lunney for more information.

Community Mobility Design Challenge
The National Center for Mobility Management will make available grants of up to $25,000 through the Community Mobility Design Challenge 2020. These grants will support communities that want to create innovative mobility solutions for community members who face transportation barriers in advancing their personal well-being. Funding is for design and planning purposes only. The applicant organization must be a non-profit or a government agency that is able to receive, or be a subrecipient of, federal funding. Applications are due at on July 6.

National Endowment for the Arts Our Town Grants
More info here. Our Town projects lay the groundwork for systemic changes that sustain the integration of arts, culture, and design into local strategies for strengthening communities. These projects require a partnership between a local government entity and nonprofit organization, one of which must be a cultural organization; and should engage in partnership with other sectors. Matching grants range from $25,000 to $200,000, with a minimum cost share and match equal to the grant amount.

Arts in Society
More info here. A collaborative grant-making program that fosters cross-sector work through the arts by supporting the integration of arts and culture into multiple disciplines critical to the health and well-being of Coloradans. These grants will provide funding to support individuals and organizations who seek to implement projects that utilize the arts
as an integral element in promoting social justice and community welfare, including, but not limited, to projects responding to COVID-19 related needs. Grants will range in size from $5,000-$35,000. Applications are due by June 1, 2020.

Colorado Artist Relief Fund
The Colorado Artist Relief Fund supports artists experiencing economic distress as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This fund is a collaboration between multiple funders and arts organizations working at state, regional, and local levels. Individuals, foundations and organizations from across Colorado can contribute to the Colorado Artist Relief Fund and if foundations or corporations are interested in partnering on this initiative they should contact louise.martorano@redlineart.org.

Charge Ahead Grants for EV Stations
Deadline: June 15. In an effort to improve air quality and encourage deployment of electric vehicles across the State of Colorado, the Regional Air Quality Council (RAQC) and Colorado Energy Office (CEO) have teamed up to provide financial support for electric vehicles (EV) and charging stations. Please find a summary of each agency's funding information in the chart below. See the Application Guide for detailed information.

Colorado Health Foundation - June 15 deadline
Information on all of these funding opportunities HERE.

- **Maintain Healthy Bodies**: Funding Opportunity: Capital Infrastructure in Support of Team-based Comprehensive Primary Care
- **Nurture Healthy Minds**: Funding Opportunity: Family, Friend and Neighbor Caregiver Supports; Funding Opportunity: Supporting Coloradans in Recovery through Nonclinical Programs
- **Champion Health Equity**: Funding Opportunity: Amplifying Health Advocacy
- **Rapid Response Funding**: Advocacy

Colorado Health Foundation - October 15 Deadline
Information on all these funding opportunities HERE.

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- **Champion Health Equity**: Rapid Response Funding: Advocacy

Suicide Prevention Grants - The Cardinal Health Foundation
Deadline: June 24. More info here. Seeking proposals from hospitals and healthcare organizations that are ready to commit to the utilization of the Zero Suicide framework and the provision of safer care for suicidal patients and support for clinical staff, with a focus on suicide prevention.

State and Local Government Financial Wellness Grants Program
Deadline July 15. More info here. Administered by the National Association of State Treasurers Foundation and its partners, will provide support to state and local governments that have the interest and capacity to develop and offer a financial wellness program to their employees. Grants can be used to expand programming already offered, to establish new programs, to work with third-party vendors to reach the public sector workforce, or to reach a wider audience through other quality programming.

National Council on Aging: COVID-19 Community Response Fund
Deadline: Rolling. More info here. To support community-based organizations that are directly serving older adults during the COVID-19 pandemic. Support is available for organizations that are meeting the critical needs of older adults, allowing them to stay safe,
secure, and healthy in their own homes during the crisis. In addition, support is available to organizations targeting underserved populations, including women, people of color, LGBTQ, low-income, and rural individuals who are at greatest risk of being admitted to a hospital or nursing home or dying as a result of COVID-19.

**Main Street Lending Program**
The Federal Reserve has created the Main Street Lending Program to provide a total of $600 billion in financing for small and medium-sized businesses. This is a lending program separate from the PPP that is designed to assist small businesses through government-backed loans. While the program's start date has yet to be announced, [here's what you need to know](#) to check eligibility and get ready to apply.

**Arts & Transportation: Using arts to create better pandemic projects**
Offered by Smart Growth America. [More info and apply here](#). Selected agencies will be matched with an artist who will work with the agency over the next few months on their proposed project. Participating artists will receive between $5,000 to $20,000 to support the artists' time and project materials, as well as a short series of training sessions to prepare them to work with the transportation agencies.

**Colorado Lending Source - Small Business Emergency Loans**
This new financing option is for rural-based Colorado businesses that have been impacted by COVID-19. Loan details of the Small Business Emergency Loan Program are as follows: $10,000 loans; 3.75% fixed interest rate; Two year terms; Payments deferred for six months; [More info here](#).

**Virtual Educational Opportunities**

**Strategic Workforce Planning in a Crisis**
June 23 | 9 a.m. -10 a.m.
Amid COVID-19, there is a level of uncertainty in the average workplace. This interactive Skillful workshop will go over the current state of small businesses, the effects that the pandemic has made on them, and what business decisions you can make in efforts to retain employees while being as cost-effective as possible. [Register here](#).

**The Long and Winding Road to Economic Recovery**
Recorded - [watch here](#). Offered by the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Research Foundation. This webinar highlights lessons learned from other long-term recovery efforts, and shares information about how communities can recover from economic shocks over the long-term. This webinar highlights tools and strategies for recovery including economic diversification, business assistance, entrepreneurship, talent development, improved infrastructure and amenities, and much more.

**State and Local Recovery Structures - Setting Up For Success**
May 28 | [Register here](#). Colorado Adaptations and Futures Series Webinar.

**Budgeting Strategies for Challenging Times**

**Summit Biz Weekly Coffee Meetups and Educational Sessions**
The Summit Chamber is hosting weekly coffee meetups, every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. These meetups are informal and fun! Educational Sessions will be held every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. and will include a featured speaker. For more information, please visit the [Summit Chamber Facebook page](#).
Resources

Northwest Colorado Small Business Development Center
Small business resources for COVID-19. Click here.

U.S. Department of Agriculture - COVID-19 Telehealth Service Changes

Aspen Institute: Job Quality Tools Library | COVID-19 Response Tools and Resources

Community Builders: 5 Tips for Facilitating a Virtual Workshop

Northwest Colorado Small Business Development Center
The Northwest SBDC's consultants and partners, including the SBA and OEDIT, provide services to assist with disaster loan applications, long term planning, insurance navigation, physical and economic loss estimations, business preparedness, and more.