

# April 2024 Newsletter

The days are getting longer, and now is as good a time as any to make sure your community is grant ready. Check out the following happenings, resources, and ways to get support from MI Funding Hub.

# April Webinar: Energy Efficiency Grants and Rebates

Join us for a webinar on April 25 at 10:00 a.m. to learn about the launch of the MI Funding Hub resource website and hear about energy efficiency grants and rebates for local governments. Featured speakers will include Jeff Spencer from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) and Eli Lieberman from Michigan Saves. They will cover topics such as current and upcoming grant opportunities, interest-rate buy-downs, and other programs available to support municipalities. Don't miss your chance to learn how you can save energy and reduce costs while working toward your decarbonization goals for your local unit of government.

Register today

# **Featured Grant Opportunities**

### **Community Energy Management Program**

Deadline: Until funding is allocated or June 30, 2024, whichever comes first

Awards: \$5,000-\$100,000 per award

EGLE seeks to fund diverse community energy projects, including energy management, efficiency, renewables, and electric vehicle infrastructure. This program is open to local and tribal governments, prioritizing disadvantaged areas and those without prior program funding.

### **Recycling Infrastructure Grant**

Deadline: May 17, 2024

Awards: \$5,000-\$1,000,000 per award, with 20 percent in matching funds

EGLE is offering grants to communities for recycling infrastructure projects, including the transition from recycling bins to carts, public space recycling containers, drop-off recycling sites, processing infrastructure, school recycling initiatives, collection vehicles, and multifamily recycling projects.



## **Events and Resources**

#### May 14 Webinar: Bridges for Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure

This webinar will provide information about the Bridge Investment Program and feature mayors who have received previous grants.

#### What's in It for Rural?

A publication from the Brookings Institution examines funding from the Infrastructure, Investment, and Jobs Act; the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) and Science Act; and the Inflation Reduction Act—categorizing them into three groups:

- Exclusively targeting rural areas
- Having rural preferences
- Significantly impacting rural areas

The publication identifies \$464 billion in opportunities aimed at fostering rural community and economic development.

### Webinar Recording: Introduction to MI Funding Hub

If you missed our session or if you attended and want to revisit the information shared, look no further. Get an overview of MI Funding Hub, the program benefits, and ways you can leverage the resources being offered.

# **Get Support**

Have a question? Looking for technical assistance? Get in touch with us at helpdesk@mifundinghub.org