

News from the Emergency Management Committee Chair (5/28/21)

California Offering Vaccinated Residents a Chance to Win \$1.5 Million, Other Prizes

KTLA 5 reports as California eyes a June 15 date to lift most of its COVID-19 restrictions, the state announced Thursday that it is offering cash and other incentives for residents to get vaccinated.

Up to \$116.5 million in total prizes will be up for grabs under the "Vax For The Win" vaccine incentive program, making it the biggest in the country, according Gov. Gavin Newsom.

Ten vaccinated people will be chosen to win a grand prize of \$1.5 million apiece during a drawing on June 15. To be eligible, Californians have to have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, meaning it's open to everyone 12 years old and up.

Additionally, 30 winners will be selected for \$50,000 prizes over two Fridays — 15 on June 4 and 15 on June 11.

California residents who have received at least one dose don't need to register as they will be entered into the drawing automatically, according to the <u>state's website</u>.

To date, more than 62% of Californians who qualify for the shot are at least partially vaccinated, according to the governor's office. But around 12 million eligible residents still haven't received a dose yet, and officials hope that the financial incentive will push them toward vaccination.

The goal, ultimately, is to get everyone who is eligible for the vaccination to receive the shot. To that end, beginning Thursday, May 27, the state will offer \$50 gift and prepaid cards to the next 2 million newly vaccinated residents.

Those who begin and complete their vaccination on or after that date will qualify for either a \$50 virtual prepaid card, or a \$50 gift card to select grocery stores, while supplies last.

Anyone who gets vaccinated on or after May 27 will receive a redemption code via text or email within 7 to 10 days after their last vaccination, so those getting the Pfizer or Moderna shot will get the card after their second dose.

More information about the program can be found <u>here</u>. Vaccination appointments can be scheduled at <u>MyTurn.ca.gov</u> or by calling 1-833-422-4255.

WATCH: Governor Newsom on Wildfire and Emergency Preparedness

<u>ABC News 7 reports</u> on Monday, Governor Newsom detailed more of California's wildfire preparedness plans and his \$2 billion proposal to bring on more firefighters and equipment to battle fires this summer.

The governor wants to spend \$2 billion, with \$1.2 billion being used on wildfire preparations, as part of his \$100 billion economic recovery plan.

The funding would be used to purchase new firefighting C-130 helicopters based on the military's Black Hawk, which officials say fly faster and safer.

The money would also go toward improving forest health, fuel management and fire breaks.

CAL FIRE officials said that while forest management and prescribed burns will be helpful, the state will need to build up its capacity.

Around \$800 million will be used for emergency preparations for other hazards, like earthquakes.

His proposal comes after California saw an unprecedented wildfire season last year. Approximately 4 million acres were scorched, devastating communities up and down the state.

With temperatures warming, firefighters have said they're prepared for what could be another intense wildfire season this summer.

In late March, less than one-third of California was suffering extreme or exceptional drought. Now more than 73% is, according to the National Drought Monitor, which is based on precipitation, temperature, soil moisture and streamflow measurements. A year ago, heading into the record-smashing 2020 fire year when more than 4% of California burned, just 3% of the state was in extreme or exceptional drought.

To watch Governor Newsom discuss his wildfire preparedness plans, click here.

Eight Killed in San Jose Shooting, Suspect Also Dead

<u>KCRA 3 reports</u> an assailant opened fire Wednesday at a California railyard serving Silicon Valley, killing eight people. Authorities said the suspect was also dead.

Santa Clara County sheriff's spokesman Deputy Russell Davis said the suspect was an employee of the Valley Transportation Authority, which provides bus, light rail and other transit services throughout Santa Clara County, the largest county in the Bay Area.

Santa Clara County Sheriff Laurie Smith said it was "undetermined" how the shooter died.

The shooting took place around 6:30 a.m. at a light rail facility in San Jose next door to the sheriff's department and across a freeway from the airport. The facility is a transit control center that stores trains and has a maintenance yard.

Davis said he did not know the type of weapon used or whether the gunfire happened indoors or outdoors. He said the victims include VTA employees. Authorities did not release any of the victims' names.

VTA trains were already out on morning runs when the shooting occurred. Light rail service was to be suspended at noon and replaced with bus bridges, Hendricks said.

Two patients were transported to Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, according to spokesperson Joy Alexiou. One person was pronounced dead upon arrival, and the other was in critical condition.

Outside the scene, Michael Hawkins told The Mercury News that he was waiting for his mother, Rochelle Hawkins, who had called him from a co-worker's phone to assure him that she was safe.

When the shooting started, "she got down with the rest of her coworkers" and dropped her cellphone, Michael Hawkins told the newspaper. Rochelle Hawkins did not see the shooter, and she was not sure how close she had been to the attacker, her son said.

The attack was the county's second shooting in less than two years. A gunman killed three people before killing himself at a popular garlic festival in Gilroy in July 2019.

At a news conference, San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo lamented the "horrific day for our city." Gov. Gavin Newsom said in a tweet that his office was "in close contact with local law enforcement and monitoring this situation closely."

A Look at California's Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Gaps

<u>The Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) reports</u> that the State Water Board recently completed a multi-year <u>needs assessment of the state's safe drinking water challenges</u>. One big takeaway: more money is needed. The study identified a funding gap of \$4.6 billion to resolve safe drinking water problems over the next five years. We talked to <u>Greg Pierce</u>—the study's lead researcher and associate director of the UCLA Luskin Center for Innovation—about the findings.

When PPIC asked Pierce about the biggest takeaways from the study, he shared data that was quite alarming.

Pierce explained, "the study assessed public water systems currently out of compliance, public systems at risk, and communities served by very small systems, domestic wells, and tribal systems. Among the publicly regulated systems, we found that 326 were failing and 617 were at risk of failing. One thing that was a bit surprising was the regional variation in systems that are failing or at risk. Many of the state's troubled systems are concentrated in the San Joaquin Valley, but we also found trouble spots across most of urbanized Southern California. We found very few problem areas in the Bay Area and Orange County."

He continued, "we learned a lot about what it will take to solve these problems. While there has been a lot of talk about consolidating small, troubled systems into bigger ones, it won't work for every system. The assessment found that 1:1 system consolidation—an approach that combines two systems—is an option for about 40% of domestic wells, but when you look at all types of public water systems, this approach is only practical in about 25% of cases."

Expanding, Pierce said, "a regional approach—for instance, consolidating several systems and wells at a time—can bring the costs of solutions down a lot. This involves joint efforts to build regional resilience in the water supply, pooling insurance, regional agencies and governments taking steps to share financial and staff resources, and facilitating larger systems taking responsibility for larger groups of small failing systems that are unable to manage their own. In addition, it's going to be important to have better coordination with groundwater agencies going

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To read the rest of PPIC's interview with Greg Pierce regarding the study, <u>click here.</u> To view the details of the study, <u>click here.</u>

Face Coverings and Social Distancing Remain a Reality for California Businesses After Cal/OSHA Delays Vote

JD Supra reports on May 13, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) made an unexpected change in its guidance for fully vaccinated people as to the use of face coverings and physical distancing. The announcement that "Fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask or physically distance in any setting, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal or territorial laws, rules and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance," has many employers asking questions. Confusion lingers as state and local officials in California still mandate facemasks. Additionally, the Cal/OSHA Standards Board delayed voting on an Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) COVID-19 standard until June 3, 2021. The delay will allow the Board to consider the surprise CDC announcement.

Despite the CDC's announcement, face coverings and social distancing are still required in California—at least for now. Cal/OSHA implemented the first ETS on November 30, 2020. Among other requirements, the ETS requires face coverings and social distancing in the workplace.

The Cal/OSHA Standards Board was scheduled to convene on May 20, 2021, to consider numerous revisions to the ETS, including face coverings and social distancing requirements in the workplace. But based on the May 13, 2021 CDC guidance to allow fully-vaccinated individuals to forego masks in most situations and the May 17, 2021 California Health & Human Services Agency Secretary expressing that California intended to implement the CDC's masking guidance on June 15, 2021, Cal/OSHA asked the Standards Board not to adopt the new draft ETS proposal on May 20, 2021.

Instead, the Board will release the proposed new language for public comment on May 28th and plans to vote during a June 3, 2021 emergency session. This timing should allow the revised ETS to take effect by June 15th, the date Governor Gavin Newsom announced as the official state reopening without face coverings. So, while it remains to be seen exactly how Cal/OSHA will apply the CDC's recent guidance, physical distancing and face covering remain a staple of California workplaces for the time being. Employers should also continue to consult relevant guidance issued by their city and county officials even after June 15, 2021, to ensure they are fully compliant, as it is possible local guidance may be more restrictive than the new Cal/OSHA standard.

As employers prepare to respond to the new Cal/OSHA ETS that will likely reduce or eliminate mask requirements for fully vaccinated employees, many employers are creating or evaluating vaccination policies.

First, employers can generally require vaccination of their employees in the workplace subject to certain accommodations for medical and/or sincerely held religious reasons. Even though the

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing reaffirmed that position, many employers are not requiring COVID-19 vaccinations, but are instead only encouraging them.

Employers are also permitted to verify vaccination status by checking vaccination cards so long as they do not request other medical information that may violate employees' privacy. Copying such vaccination documentation requires the employer to treat such copies as a medical record. In fact, one California County—Santa Clara—is requiring employers to verify the vaccination status of their employees. Employees have the right to refuse to answer, but employers are then required to treat those employees as unvaccinated.

Finally, individuals are considered to be fully vaccinated two weeks after the final required dose—either the second shot for the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or the single shot of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

LAUSD Schools Will Reopen Fully, Five Days a Week in the Fall, Supt. Beutner Says

<u>*The Los Angeles Times* reports</u> Los Angeles schools Supt. Austin Beutner on Monday committed to reopening campuses full time on a normal schedule in the fall, in perhaps his clearest statement yet to students and families.

The L.A. Unified School District — like all school systems in California — will soon need to abide by the state resumption of rules that largely link funding to in-person school attendance in the new academic year. Emergency pandemic rules that have allowed districts to operate online expire on June 30.

"Looking down the path to recovery and the new school year which starts this fall, all students will have the opportunity to participate in full-day, on-campus, in-person instruction," Beutner said in his regular Monday broadcast.

While his broadcast is prerecorded, Beutner's words offered a direct response to about 70 parents who gathered outside district headquarters on Sunday to demand a full reopening. Some of the organizers are involved in litigation that makes similar demands.

Elementary campuses are currently operating on a hybrid schedule, with students on campus for half the school day. Middle and high school students also can choose to be on campus half-time, but once there, they remain in one classroom where they work online, just as they would have at home. The vast majority of students have remained at home.

The parents who participated in the demonstration were not yet reassured that the schedule will return to normal.

They have been worried that the L.A. Board of Education has not officially voted to return to a normal schedule, as has happened in some other school systems. And they view recent statements by teacher's union President Cecily Myart-Cruz as indicating she intends to hold the next school year hostage unless the district agrees to a list of union demands.

The Reclaim Our Schools coalition, which is allied with the union, is organizing students and parents who are in support of the union's call to keep pressing on health and safety issues. On that front, district officials are insisting that no battle cry is needed: They say they fully intend to follow strict safety protocols.

Since mid-March 2020, school systems have operated under emergency rules allowing for online-only schedules and hybrid formats that return students to campus for part of a typical school week. These rules were set to expire with the end of the current budget year on June 30.

After that, school districts that don't offer full-time, on-campus schooling will face funding cuts — because much of state funding is based on in-seat, in-person attendance.

While the emergency rules could have been — and still could be — extended, that course appears unlikely given the state's plan to fully reopen on June 15 and the opportunity for all school employees to be vaccinated against COVID-19. Moreover, state and federal health officials have concluded that schools can be operated safely in most circumstances regardless of whether employees are vaccinated. Gov. Gavin Newsom, for one, has stated he expects schools to be open full time in the fall.

In addition, students 12 and older also can be vaccinated, which could prove key to getting many families to take advantage of their option to return to campus. (Families also will have the option to remain online.)

L.A. Unified continued to press on the vaccination front Monday, with the official launch of its school-based student campaign for middle and high schools. Campuses that reach a 30% vaccination threshold will win \$5,000 to spend as they choose, Beutner announced.

He's especially concerned about lagging adult and student vaccine rates in lower-income communities.

In West L.A., for example, with a median income over \$100,000, the vaccination rate for those 16 and 17 is 54% and it's 66% for those 18 and older, according to data released Monday by the school district. In South Los Angeles/Watts, with a median income of about \$40,000, the vaccination rate for those 16 and 17 is 20% and it's 40% for those 18 and older.

State of California Places Order for 52 More EV ARC Solar-Powered Charging Systems

<u>Renewable Energy Magazine reports</u> sustainable EV charging provider <u>Beam Global</u> has announced an order from the California Department of General Services (DGS) for 52 Beam Global EV ARC solar-powered EV charging systems.

The EV ARC sustainable charging unit is ideal for EV charging, outdoor media, and energy security. The units will expand access to sustainable EV charging and emergency power for 12 state government agencies. They are transportable, off-grid and require no construction, permitting or electrical work, providing fleet vehicles with access to clean, resilient EV charging.

The units are also wind rated to 120mph, flood-proof to 9½ feet and feature an emergency power panel. They can serve as emergency preparedness sustainable generators for fleet operators and first responders as they continue to operate during grid failures and provide power in locations without access to the utility grid.

The order for the units by DGS was funded by a California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) grant and executed by the DGS Office of Sustainability's Transportation Unit. It will bolster the state's off grid and resilient EV charging infrastructure for governmentowned fleets, which already incorporates Beam Global products previously deployed statewide. The systems will provide power during emergencies and charge State of California EV fleets year-round.

DGS has allocated the new EV ARC systems, according to each agency's needs, for delivery and deployment within 90 days of order placement. This bulk purchase reflects Beam Global's capability to fulfill orders of increasing scale while generating recurring demand, particularly in the public sector.

Federal, state and local authorities are accelerating demand for renewably-powered EV charging in the US in response to recent grid failures and ambitious clean energy and electrified transportation targets. California is a leader in the transition, with Governor Gavin Newsom setting a 2035 deadline for phasing out internal combustion engine vehicle sales and advocating for \$1.5 billion in public investments in the state's EV charging networks. The State of Washington has announced a similar ban five years earlier in 2030. At the federal level, President Biden aims to deploy 500,000 new public EV charging outlets as part of the administration's strategy to revitalize the country's transportation infrastructure and fight climate change.

For more information, visit **Beam Global**.

Emergency Medical Service Nonprofit United Hatzalah Announces Northern California Board and Regional Launch Event

<u>Yahoo! Finance reports</u> friends of United Hatzalah today announces the formation of its Northern California Board of Advisors and regional launch event, "<u>Reimagining Community</u> <u>Response After COVID: Lessons from Jewish Wisdom and Modern Technology for a</u> <u>Traumatized World</u>," scheduled for May 26, featuring panelists Shlomi Kofman, Consul General of Israel to the Pacific Northwest; Carmen Dowell, Director for Technology Investments, Salesforce.org; Rabbi David Wolpe, Max Webb Senior Rabbi, Sinai Temple; Amanda Berman, Founder and Executive Director, Zioness; and United Hatzalah volunteers Rania Abu-Shaban and Miriam Miedzinski.

The board's leading priority is to promote and support <u>United Hatzalah</u>'s vision of free, universal access to emergency healthcare in Israel through life-saving urgent treatment delivered to any person experiencing a medical or mental health crisis – regardless of race, religion, gender, or national origin.

Each day UH's 6,000 volunteers answer more than 1,800 emergency calls across the country. The opportunity to save thousands of lives each year would not be possible without the support of philanthropists from around the world, including donors in the U.K., France, Canada, and the U.S. The nonprofit, which is fully donor-supported, provides volunteers with emergency medical service training, medical supplies, technical support, and transportation – including cutting-edge ambucycles that can cut traffic to deliver treatment in an average of 90 seconds to address life threatening emergencies across the country each day.

The Northern California Board of Advisors includes leaders from the legal, philanthropic, investment, and tech communities who aim to deploy their capital, networks, and skill sets in furthering the nonprofit's good works. Advisory Board members include Moses Libitzky, Debra Bogaards, Oded Hermoni, Don Abramson, Ashleigh Talberth, Gil Shotan, Valerie Demicheva, Jonathan Alden, Soraya Hoberman, and Jessica Donig.

About United Hatzalah: United Hatzalah of Israel is the largest independent, non-profit, fully volunteer Emergency Medical Service organization that provides the fastest emergency medical first response throughout Israel. United Hatzalah's service is completely free of charge and is available to all people regardless of race, religion, or national origin. The organization is completely funded by donations. United Hatzalah's 6,000 volunteers are available around the clock -24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. With the help of the nonprofit's unique GPS technology and iconic ambucycles, the organization's average response time is under 3 minutes across the country and 90 seconds in metropolitan areas.

The organization's mission is to arrive at the scene of medical emergencies as soon as possible and provide the patient with professional medical aid until an ambulance arrives, resulting in many more lives saved. To learn more or donate, visit <u>United Hatzalah</u>. For images, <u>visit here</u>.

ICYMI: Funding Opportunities Ending Soon

- <u>CalMoneySmart</u>; consumer protection; disadvantaged communities; education; housing, community, and economic development
 - <u>Funding by</u>: Department of Financial Protection and Innovation
 - o Deadline: Friday, May 28, 2021
 - Total estimated funding: \$1 million
 - Full grant guidelines: linked here.
- 2021-22 Minor's Counsel (MC) Program RFP; law, justice, and legal services
 - Funding by: Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)
 - o Deadline: Friday, May 28, 2021
 - <u>Total estimated funding</u>: \$600k
 - Full grant guidelines: linked here.
- <u>CAL FIRE Forest Health Research Program (FY 2020-21 & FY 2021-22);</u> environment & water; science; technology; and research & development
 - <u>Funding by</u>: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)
 - Deadline: Monday, June 7, 2021
 - Total estimated funding: \$3.8 million
 - Full grant guidelines: linked here.

Funding Opportunities

2021 Natural Community Conservation Planning (NCCP) Local Assistance Grant Program

<u>The Department of Fish and Wildlife</u> has created the Natural Community Conservation Planning Local Assistance Grant Program was created to assist local public and non-profit entities in the implementation of Natural Community Conservation Plans (NCCPs) throughout California. CDFW offers NCDDP LAGs to eligible Applicants on an annual basis for the highest priority tasks needed to implement NCCPs.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife seeks proposals for highest priority projects associated with NCCP implementation. The intention of this Proposal Solicitation Package is to solicit proposals of the highest quality that are consistent with the goals of the NCCP Program. To help achieve this intention, this Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) provides guidance on Applicant eligibility, the grant process and deadlines, and application and submission procedures.

Eligible Applicants are Implementing Entities (IEs) that are implementing a CDFW-approved NCCP as or will be implementing an NCCP within 12 months of the release of this Proposal Solicitation Package. Public agencies, tribes, and non-profit organizations that have an interest in assisting with the implementation of Eligible Projects are also eligible.

Proposals must address the highest priority tasks associated with the implementation of approved NCCPs or NCCPs that are likely to be approved by (date to be determined). Routine, on-going management activities are not eligible. Please refer to the following website for projects previously funded by the NCCP LAG Program:

https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Planning/NCCP/Grant-Funded-Projects.

Important: Projects legally required as mitigation by a regulatory agency as a condition for a permit are not eligible for funding under this grant program. However, a project that is additive to any required mitigation and addresses a high-priority task for implementation of the NCCP is eligible for funding.

Eligible Applicants include Implementing Entities (IEs) that are implementing a CDFWapproved NCCP as or will be implementing an NCCP within 12 months of the release of this Proposal Solicitation Package. Public agencies, tribes, and non-profit organizations that have an interest in assisting with the implementation of Eligible Projects are also eligible.

Proposals must address the highest priority tasks associated with the implementation of approved NCCPs or NCCPs that are likely to be approved within 12 months.

The deadline to apply is **Friday, June 18, 2021.** Total estimated funding available is \$2.576 million. To view the full grant guidelines, <u>click here.</u>

Infill Infrastructure Grant Program Round 7

<u>The Department of Housing and Community Development</u> has created the IIG Program to promote infill housing development by providing financial assistance for Capital Improvement Projects that are an integral part of, or necessary to facilitate the development of, a Qualifying Infill Project or a Qualifying Infill Area.

This Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) will provide grants to for-profit or nonprofit developers, localities, or public agencies for Capital Improvement Projects in support of Qualifying Infill Projects (QIPs) or Qualifying Infill Areas (QIAs).

To be eligible for funding, a Capital Improvement Project must be an integral part of, or necessary for the development of either a Qualifying Infill Project or housing designated within a Qualifying Infill Area. Eligible costs include the construction, rehabilitation, demolition, relocation, preservation, and acquisition of infrastructure.

IIG is grant assistance, available as gap funding for infrastructure improvements necessary for specific residential or mixed-use infill development projects or areas. Funds will be allocated through a competitive process, based on the merits of the individual Infill Projects and Areas. Application selection criteria includes project readiness, affordability, density, access to transit, proximity to amenities, leveraged funding commitments, local support, and consistency with regional plans.

The IIG program was established by Chapter 2 of Part 12 of Division 31 commencing with HSC section 53545.12.

Eligible applicants include businesses, nonprofits, public agencies, and tribal governments.

The deadline to apply is **Monday, July 12, 2021.** Total estimated funding available is \$160 million. To view the full grant guidelines, <u>click here.</u>

CAL FIRE Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program

<u>The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection</u> has created the Urban and Community Forestry Program (UCF) works to expand and improve the management of trees and related vegetation in communities throughout California. The program advances the development of sustainable urban and community forests to improve the quality of life in urban environments which are where Californians live, work, and play. The program administers grants throughout communities to advance urban forestry efforts.

Please see the program's grants web page for further details, grant guidelines, and the online concept proposal form.

GRANT TYPES

Urban Forest Expansion and Improvement

Urban tree planting and planting of urban vegetation to provide multiple benefits, tree and plant establishment care, and planting site preparation. In addition to tree planting, a project may also involve urban tree site improvements to create larger, more functional planting sites for trees and associated vegetation such as bio-swales and acquisition of small, vacant parcels to be improved for purposes consistent with the California Urban Forestry Act.

Urban Forest Management Activities

For local governments (cities, counties, districts). Improving long-term management of urban forests to improve urban forest performance over time. Projects may involve the establishment or updating of a jurisdiction-wide tree inventory, urban forest mapping and analysis, and/or long-term management plan. May include policy integration and ordinance development. An early action tree planting component is recommended.

Urban Forestry Education and Workforce Development

Creation, development, and implementation of projects to educate, train, and/or employ individuals with the purpose of preparing them for careers in urban forestry or a closely related discipline. There should be a strong emphasis on educating, training, or employing individuals from disadvantaged communities and/or unemployed individuals. Preference will be given for projects that place program participants in jobs.

If you are unsure if you qualify for this grant, or have any technical questions, please reach out to program staff as listed in the grant guidelines.

The deadline to apply is **Wednesday**, **July 14**, **2021**. Total estimated funding available is \$20 million. Estimated amount per award is \$150k - \$1.5 million. Matching can be in-kind. Matching requirements can be waived for projects that serve disadvantaged communities.

To view the full grant guidelines, <u>click here.</u> To view the online application, <u>click here.</u>

2021-22 Bullying and Violence in School Advocacy (XB) Program RFP

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services has created the XB Program to provide advocacy and counseling services to children/teenagers who have been victimized by bullying and/or school violence. VOCA funds must be used for preventive services.

Eligible applicants include businesses, nonprofits, public agencies, and tribal governments.

Match funding requires a cash and/or in-kind match equal to 20 percent of the total project cost. Applicants may request a partial or full match waiver. To request a match wavier, Applicants must submit the VOCA Match Waiver Request form (Attachment A) with their proposal. All sections of the form must be completed. Answers to questions 9 through 11 must be specific and unique to the Applicant and Program.

The deadline to apply is **Wednesday, July 14, 2021.** Total estimated funding available is \$575k. To view the full grant guidelines, <u>click here.</u>