MassDEP Grant & Funding Opportunities

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Overview of the Massachusetts State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program

Each year MassDEP develops the Intended Use Plan (IUP), committing funding to projects throughout the state for both Clean Water (CW) and Drinking Water (DW) SRFs.

Clean Water SRF (CWSRF) Annual Funding: Almost \$903 Million for 2023

Established in 1987 as an amendment to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972 (aka Clean Water Act).

PROJECTS INCLUDE:

- Wastewater Treatment Improvements
- Collection Systems
- Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Correction
- Stormwater Management
- Infiltration/Inflow (I/I) Remediation
- · Sewer System Rehabilitation Projects
- Non-Point Source (NPS) and Nutrient Enrichment Mitigation
- Planning and Projects

Drinking Water SRF (DWSRF) Annual Funding: Almost \$431 Million in 2023

Established in 1996 as amendments to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act.

PROJECTS INCLUDE:

- Drinking Water Treatment Improvements
- Transmission and Distribution Projects
- Source Protection and Storage Improvements
- Planning and PFAS Design Projects
- Lead Service Line Replacements

Project Selection Criteria

PROBLEM DEFINITION IS PARAMOUNT

Does this project mitigate...

Public Health Impacts

- Exposures
- Frequency
- Seriousness



Environmental Impacts

- Resource(s) Affected
- Frequency
- Seriousness

Priority Project Categories

- Lead Service Line Replacement
- PFAS Remediation
- Combined Sewer Overflow Control

Project Selection Criteria (cont'd)

PROJECT EVALUATION FORM – PROJECT RANKING FRAMEWORK

Tier V Projects

• Drinking Water projects proposed to protect public health by addressing compliance with a Federal or State drinking water standard or correcting a water contamination issue. (Examples include lead service line removal, Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water, or water treatment system failure).

Tier IV Projects

• Drinking Water projects proposed to protect public health by addressing imminent threats to the reliable delivery of drinking water to a population, including threats caused by expected climate change impacts. (Examples include treatment systems near failure due to critical component failure or beyond useful life)

Tier III Projects

 Projects proposed to address water quality conditions as a result of Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL) exceedances that make the water currently provided to customers aesthetically unfit to drink and results in consumers using or seeking an alternative water supply.

Tier II Projects

 Projects to upgrade or rehab non-critical water treatment components or proposed to meet future regulation or standard changes.

Tier I Projects

 Drinking water projects that are proposed to install, replace, or upgrade water system components that have an indirect connection to providing safe drinking water.

State Revolving Fund Loan Process





Loan Terms and Fees

	Permanent Financing	Interim Financing
Standard Loan Rate	2% (20 Years) Calculated (30 Years) ¹	0%
Housing Choice Loan Rate	1.5% (20 Years) ²	0%
Nutrient Enrichment Reduction Rate	0%	0%
PFAS Remediation Rate	0%	0%
Maximum Term	30 Years ³	3 Years
Administrative Fee	0.15%	NA
Origination Fee (One Time)	Approx. \$5.00/\$1,000	NA
Effective Loan Rate	2.15% (20 Years)	0%

Other Subsidy Programs Offered by the Trust







- Asset Management Planning Grants
 The program provides a 60% grant or \$150,000, whichever is less, to assist communities with completing or updating asset management plans for wastewater, drinking water, stormwater utilities, or any combination of the three to ensure the operational integrity of the water utility.
- Housing Choice Loan Program
 Communities that have achieved the "Housing Choice" designation under the Housing Choice Initiative will be eligible for an interest rate reduction up to .50% from the standard below market rate of 2% offered by the Trust.
- 0% Nutrient Enrichment Reduction Loans
 This loan program is for CWSRF loans that are primarily intended to remediate or prevent nutrient enrichment of a surface water body or water supply which can cause environmental degradation of the surrounding water bodies.
- 0% Interest PFAS Mitigation Loans
 Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a family of chemicals that are classified as emerging contaminants and are known to cause health issues when found in drinking water. Projects that have the purpose of reducing PFAS in water below the established Maximum Contamination Level of 20 parts per trillion, are eligible for 0% interest loans.
- LSL Planning Grant Program \$20 million are being offered in grants for planning activities that assist public water suppliers with completing planning projects for lead service line inventories and replacement programs.

Massachusetts SRF Resources

SRF Program

State Revolving Fund Program

CWSRF Program

<u>SRF Clean Water Program</u>

DWSRF Program

SRF Drinking Water Program

How to Get an SRF Loan

Getting an SRF Loar

MassDEP Water Grants & Loans

MassDEP Water Grants & Loans

MassDEP SRF Loan Applications & Forms

State Revolving Fund Applications & Forms | Mass.gov

Lead Service Lead Inventories & Replacement Plan Guidance

LSL Inventory Grant Guidelines
LSL Replacement

PFAS (Design + Construction)

PFAS Funding Opportunities

Combined Sewer Overflows

CSO Elimination & Remova

Nutrient Removal

Nutrient Removal

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Website

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MassDEP Waste Reduction and Recycling Grants

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Sustainable Materials Recovery Program

- Grant application open now!
- Application deadline: June 14
- Estimated budget \$4.5 million
- For more information: https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-sustainable-materials-recovery-program-smrp-municipal-grant
- Minimum eligibility criteria
 - Buy Recycled Policy
 - Submit Recycling & Solid Waste Survey (Deadline 2/15/2023)
 - Waste Ban Compliance

Sustainable Materials Recovery Program

- Recycling Dividends Program
 - \$3-3.5 million in awards for about 265 municipalities
 - Receive points for meeting program criteria receive payment based on number of points and population size
 - 12 program categories
 - Modified criteria for 51 environmental justice municipalities
 - Regional small scale initiatives regional solid waste/recycling groups only
 - Approved spending categories for payments earned & submit spending report
 - \$7 million carried over into FY 2023

PAYT and Equipment Grants (through SMRP)

- Pay As You Throw Grants up to \$300K
- Universal Waste Sheds up to \$5K
- Organics Carts \$20/cart up to \$105K
- Mattress Collection Containers up to \$10K
- HHW Permanent Collection Centers up to \$50K for single municipality/\$250 K for regional

School Green Team

- Interactive school education program waste reduction, reuse, recycling, composting, energy conservation and pollution prevention
- Educational tools, lesson plans, activities aligned with curriculum frameworks
- Recognition and prizes
- Recycling and composting equipment, idling reduction signs
- This year 243 participating schools and 60,000 students
- www.thegreenteam.org

RecycleSmart

- Recycling education and outreach tool
- Recycling guidance in multiple languages
- Learn more at https://recyclesmartma.org/
- View Beyond the Bin listings at https://recyclesmartma.org/beyond-the-bin-search/
- Sign up as partner at https://recyclesmartma.org/become-a-partner/

RecyclingWorks in Massachusetts

- Primarily business assistance for waste reduction, reuse, recycling and composting
 - Robust website
 - Searchable service provider database
 - Technical assistance via email, phone and in person
 - Newsletter, meetings, and workshops
 - www.recyclingworksma.com
- Have worked with municipalities and public schools
- Also offer compost site technical assistance for any compost operation taking food materials

Transportation Branch Grants

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MassDEP Transportation Branch Grants

- MassEVIP Programs
- Diesel Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Programs





MassEVIP Program Overview

Workplace & Fleet Charging (WPF)

- \$6.25M allocated
- Rolling program, up to \$50,000 per address

Multi-Unit Dwelling & Educational Campus Charging (MUDC)

- \$2.5M allocated
- Rolling program, up to \$50,000 per address

Public Access Charging (PAC)

- \$15M allocated
- Rolling program, up to \$50,000 per address

Direct Current Fast Charging Program (DCFC)

- \$13.1M allocated, competitive program
- Awardees announced February 2022
- up to \$50,000 per station

Fleets

- ~\$2.0M allocated, for electric vehicles (EVs)
- Rolling Program, up to 25 vehicles per entity

MassEVIP Funding Levels

MassEVIP Level 1 and Level 2 funding is capped at \$50,000 per address

	Level 1	Level 2	Direct Current Fast Charging	
Private Fleets Public Fleets Workplace	60%		N/A	
Educational Campus			60%	
Public	100% govt-owned; 80% other		100% govt- owned; 80% other	
Multi-Unit Dwelling (5+ units)	60%		N/A	
Residential (1 - 4 family)	N/A			





MassEVIP Charging Program Details

WPF

- Level 1 & 2 charging stations
- Up to 60% of eligible costs
- Workplaces with 15+ employees on-site
- Practically accessible to all employees
- Electric fleet vehicles must be garaged in MA
- Non-residential location

DCFC - Awarded Feb. 2022

- Minimum 50kW per station
- CHAdeMO and CCS connectors for each port
- Practically accessible to the general public, 24/7

MUDC

- Level 1 & 2 charging stations
- Up to 60% of eligible costs
- Multi-unit dwellings with 5+ units
- Campuses with 15+ students on-site
- Practically accessible to all students/staff/residents

PAC

- Level 1 & 2 charging stations
- Up to 100% of eligible costs on government property, 80% for non-government property
- Practically accessible to the public, min. 12 hrs/day, 7 days/week
- Non-residential location



MassEVIP Fleets Program

- Open to public entities only
- Funding to purchase or lease electric vehicles
 - Up to \$7,500 for Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs)
 - Up to \$5,000 for Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEVs)
 - \$750 for Zero emission Electric Motorcycles (ZEMs)
- Charging station funding available under the Workplace and Fleet Charging program

MassEVIP Requirements

EVSE not ordered
until an approval
letter has been sent,
not delivered and no
work done (if applying
for installation
funding) until grantee
has a MassDEPsigned contract

Charging station can support vehicles from multiple manufacturers

Charging station must be new

Level 1 or 2 charging station is Energy Star certified and listed in State Appliance
Standards Database
(SASD)

5% of charging stations built to be accessible to persons with disabilities

Charging station is
certified to
Underwriters
Laboratories (UL)
standards by a
Nationally Recognized
Testing Laboratory
(NRTL)

Grantee shall operate and maintain charging station for 3 years

1 designated parking space for each port, reserved for EV parking only

..and others



Eligible & Ineligible Costs:



Hardware

- A console wired into the electrical supply
- A cable and connector to plug into the EV
- Cable management strategy (e.g., coil, retractable, etc.)
- Mounting hardware, either pedestal or wall.
- Pedestal: hard wired to a permanent pole or box
- Wall: hard-wired to a wall and typically includes a mounting plate
- Separate payment module
- Shipping/Freight for "Costs Covered"

Installation

- Upgrading the electric supply
- Construction costs related to installation (including ADA EV Parking space)
- Signage and pavement painting

Ineligible

- Land/parking space purchase or lease
- Software subscription
- Warranty
- Taxes
- Internet connection or cell signal
- Planning or permitting for the project
- Shipping/Freight for "Costs not Covered"
- Bollards, curbs, wheel stops, setbacks, bumper guards
- Electricity consumption and demand charges
- Preventative and corrective maintenance on EV charging station
- Others as determined by MassDEP

DERA and VW Settlement Programs

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA)

- \$1.8 million Open Solicitation 2021
- \$2.1 million Electric Solicitation 2022
- 25-45% project coverage depending on replacement fuel (45% is to go all-electric)

VW Solicitations

- \$7.5 million Open Solicitation 2019
- \$7.5 million Electric Solicitation 2023 (opening soon)
- Percentage coverage allowed higher than DERA



VW Settlement Grant Programs

Total Funding

- \$75 million allocated to MA for NOx reductions
- To be spent over the next 10 years
- Eligible equipment includes medium- and heavy duty trucks, tugboats and ferries, airport ground support equipment

Goals

- Reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions from the transportation sector
- Promote electrification of the state's transportation network
- Foster equitable distribution of funding across Massachusetts by considering projects' geographic locations and benefits to environmental justice communities.

Funding Allocation

- \$48.8 million to regional transit authority electric buses and chargers
- \$11.3 million for the purchase and installation of light-duty electric vehicle charging infrastructure
- \$7.5 million to a new electrification-only VW Open Solicitation offering
- \$7.5 million to a prior VW Open Solicitation offering
- \$50,000 to administrative costs associated with grant disbursements.

DERA Grant Program

Funding

- Annual funding from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to projects that reduce diesel emissions from vehicles and equipment
- MassDEP can match for a bonus
- Annual grants (but leftover money will rollover)

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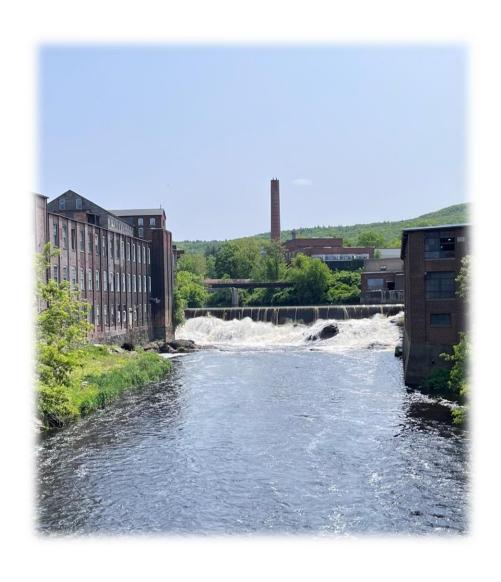
Annual Funding Allocation

- ~ \$350k
- MassDEP match + EPA bonus
 = ~ \$850-\$900k annual
 funding available
- Project percentage covered decided by EPA
- 45% to replace with all electric
- 2022 program was electric only
- Eligible equipment includes medium- and heavy-duty trucks, transportation refrigeration units, marine vessels, locomotives

Transportation Branch Resources

- All Grants https://www.mass.gov/lists/massdep-air-climate-grants-assistance
- MassEVIP Matrix https://www.mass.gov/doc/matrix-of-massevip-grant-programs/download
- MassEVIP FAQ https://www.mass.gov/doc/massevip-frequently-asked-questions/download
- EPA DERA Site https://www.epa.gov/dera
- VW Settlement Info https://www.mass.gov/guides/volkswagen-diesel-settlements-environmental-mitigation

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MassDEP Brownfields Program - 128a BIL

- \$900,000 in EPA BIL Funding January 2023
 Goal similar funding in years 2-5 (\$4.5M over 5 years)
 Implemented by SARSS & IRASS Contractors
- Site Assessment & Cleanup Projects in all four DEP Regions
- Most sites are in EJ areas & owned / controlled by municipalities
- Sites prioritized by Regional Brownfields Coordinators: Brimfield, Fitchburg, Wareham Southbridge, Bridgewater, Peabody

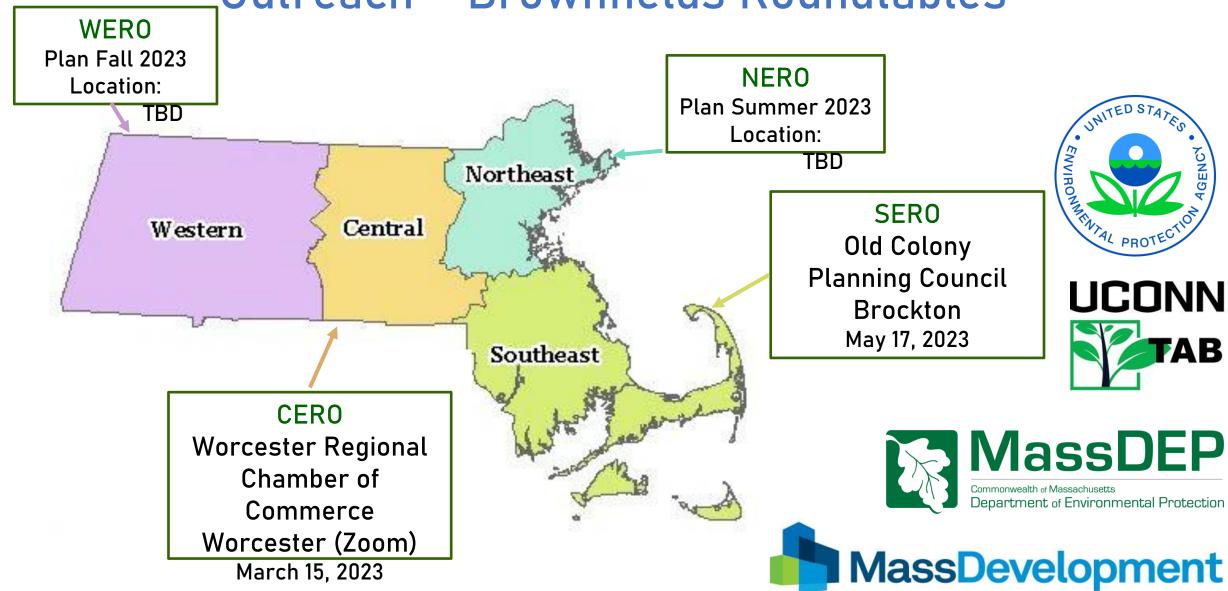




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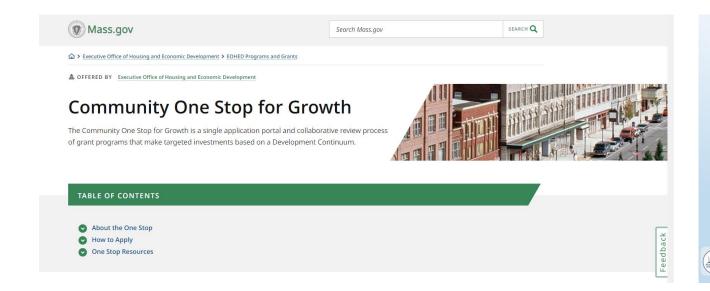


Outreach - Brownfields Roundtables



Common Brownfields Funding Sources

- MassDevelopment Brownfields Redevelopment Fund
- US EPA
- DOR Brownfields Tax Credits
- CERP Clean Energy Results Program



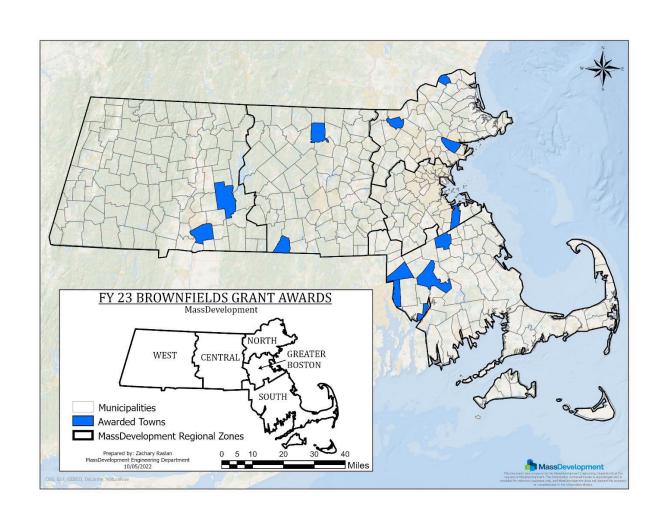


MassDevelopment Brownfields Financing

- \$92M Total Funding since FY1999
- Assessment up to \$250,000
- Remediation up to \$750,000
- Subject to M.G.L. Ch. 21E







MassDevelopment Brownfields - Eligible Entities

- Municipalities and their agencies
- o CDCs
- o EDICs
- Economic Development Authorities; and
- Certain Nonprofit organizations

Undertaking a project with a demonstrable public benefit that already has an identified development opportunity with a committed developer in place.





https://www.mass.gov/guides/community-one-stop-for-growth

Submit your One Stop Application

One Stop for Growth Applications are now being accepted.

The deadline for submission is Friday June 2, 2023.

DO NOT BE LATE!!!!

EPA - Grant Programs

Grant Type	Description	Grant Funding Amounts	
Assessment	To develop inventory, characterize, conduct assessment to determine if sites are contaminated (if so, to what extent), perform community involvement, and plan for cleanup	\$500K - \$2M	
Cleanup	For eligible municipalities and nonprofits to clean up contaminated properties	\$500K - \$2M	
Revolving Loan Fund	For larger organizations to capitalize funds for issuing cleanup loans and subgrants	\$1M (Initial)	
Multipurpose	For a flexible range of planning, assessment, and cleanup activities within a certain target area	\$800K	



EPA Funding Massachusetts FY2024 Awards

FUNDING SUMMARY				
Total	\$13.79M			
EJ Communities	\$ 8.44M			
RPCs / Partial EJ	\$ 4.35M			

Approximately 3X FY23 Funding!!

\$11.79M North & West of Worcester

Grantee	Туре	Amount	Source	EJ
Adams, Town of	Assessment	\$500,000		EJ
Berkshire Reg. Planning Commission	RLF Supplemental	\$2,350,000	BIL	partial
Chelsea, City of	Assessment	\$500,000		EJ
Franklin Reg. Council of Governments	Assessment	\$500,000		partial
Franklin, Town of (21 Grove Street)	Cleanup	\$500,000	BIL	
Lynn, City of (83 Willow Street)	Cleanup	\$500,000	BIL	EJ
Methuen, City of	Assessment	\$500,000		EJ
Montachusett Reg. Planning Comm.	Assessment	\$500,000		partial
New Garden Park, Inc. (Worcester)	Cleanup	\$2,000,000	BIL	EJ
Old Colony Planning Council	Assessment	\$500,000		partial
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	Assessment	\$500,000		partial
Springfield, City of	Assessment	\$500,000		EJ
Ware, Town of (31 Monroe Street)	Cleanup	\$500,000	BIL	EJ
Westford, Town of (12 North Main St)	Cleanup	\$500,000	BIL	
Westmass Area Dev. Corp. (Ludlow)	Cleanup	\$740,000	BIL	EJ
Worcester, City of	RLF Supplemental	\$2,700,000	BIL	EJ

Intra & Interagency Coordination















Brownfield Coalition of the Northeast September 19 & 20, 2023

Location: AC Hotel, Worcester, MA

MGL 21E Ch 2. Brownfields Liability Relief

The Brownfields Act established statutory liability relief for certain parties undertaking brownfields projects. Parties interested in determining if they are eligible for this protection should refer to MGL 21E Chapter 2, and consult with an attorney with expertise in liability relating to OHM releases.

- Eligible Person
 - "Eligible" Owners & Operators
 - Downgradient Property Owners
 - Tenants
 - Redevelopment Authorities & CDCs
 - Secured Lenders

Relief After Meeting Cleanup Standards

- No Significant Risk
- Permanent Solution or ROS



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