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FY2026 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PRE-APPLICATION IS LIVE!

The North Dakota Department of Commerce Division of Community Services (NDDCS) is announcing the opening of a pre-application period for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY2026 beginning May 28, 2026, through July 24, 2026. Pre-applications must be received by 5pm central time on July 24, 2026, to be considered for funding!

Pre-applications will be reviewed based on the scoring criteria outlined in the 2026 CDBG Program Distribution Statement (PDS). At this time, a DRAFT 2026 CDBG PDS is available and is subject to change until final approval given by HUD at a to be determined time.

The pre-application and FY2026 CDBG PDS is available at:
<https://www.commerce.nd.gov/community-services/community-development/community-development-block-grant-cdbg>

Application submission please email dcsc@nd.gov

For any application submission questions can be directed to CDBG staff at 701-328-5300 or call Jennifer at our office at 701-952-8050.



Meet our
Summer
Intern,
Cale!

Cale is a college student who is working on CDBG administration projects. She has been an asset to our team and we are going to be sad to see her go back to college. She completed many projects in her time here!

Does your City need Ordinances?

South Central Dakota Regional Council Can Help!

Our Team will work with your team to create the perfect ordinances for your jurisdiction. Ordinances are what you need to have the authority to make your community a great place to live in 2026. Give us a call to learn more!



SCDRC Loan Program:

- No Lead Lender Needed!
- Interest Rate at or Above Prime!
- Apply [HERE!](#)

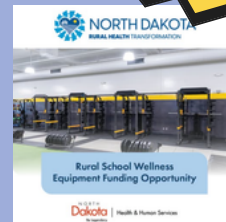
EDA Revolving Loan Fund - New Microloan

- For primary, service, or retail sector businesses.
- Funding limit: No minimum or maximum
- 2:1 match
- Job development
- Fees: Includes filing fees, legal fees, and 1% of value of the loan with a minimum of \$500

USDA Intermediary Relending Program

- For primary, service, or retail sector businesses.
- Can be used for CD projects, the establishment of new businesses, or expansion of existing businesses.
- The term of the loan will be based upon the life of the assets financed and the ability of the ultimate recipient to cash flow the debt payments.
- Includes 2% closing costs

Rural School Wellness Equipment Funding Opportunity!



Healthy students are better prepared to learn, participate and thrive. Rural and tribal schools can now apply for funding to support student wellness.

Approximately \$500,000 is available through the School-Based Wellness Equipment funding opportunity to help schools invest in physical activity, mental well-being and healthy learning environments.

APPLY HERE

South Central Dakota Regional Council awarded a \$500,000 grant!

BRIEF | BY JAMESTOWN SUN STAFF

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced on Wednesday, June 24, that the South Central Dakota Regional Council was awarded a \$500,000 Assessment grant!

South Central Dakota Regional Council will use the grant funds to assess asbestos, lead-based paint and petroleum contamination at four priority sites, including the Tourist Park Campground in Valley City, which is recognized as the oldest campground in North Dakota.

With these funds, the EPA is investing directly in American communities to cleanup and redevelop blighted properties, delivering on the Trump Administration's commitment to ensure that clean air, land and water for goes hand-in-hand with economic growth and opportunity. the EPA said in a news release.

"EPA is focused on delivering practical results that transform contaminated properties into clean, valuable spaces that spark economic growth and that directly benefit American families," said Thomas Croci, acting assistant administrator for Land and Emergency Management.

"Addressing environmental contamination and reusing brownfield properties revitalizes neighborhoods, drives local job creation and unleashes new economic opportunities. EPA is proud to partner with local communities to ensure they have the cleanest air, land, and water as we power the Great American Comeback."

After selection, awards will be made once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied by selected applicants.

