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<b>U.S. Rural Development- US Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b> a. Water and Environmental Loan and Grant Program b. Pre-Development Grants c. Search Grants d. Emergency Grants	Counties & Municipalities, Water/Sewer Districts, Federally recognized Indian Tribes and Non Profits - Associations	Water, Wastewater, Storm water, and Solid Waste Systems (Planning, Construction, Repair, Expansion)	<b>Steve Troendle USDA/Rural Development</b> 2229 Boothill Ct. Bozeman, MT 59715 (406) 585-2520 Email: <a href="mailto:steve.troendle@mt.usda.gov">steve.troendle@mt.usda.gov</a>
<b>Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) Renewable Resource Grant &amp; Loan Program (RRGL)</b> a. Renewable Resource Grants and Loans b. Project Planning Grants c. Emergency Grant Program	Government entities (Includes Indian Tribes)	Projects must conserve, manage, develop, or preserve a renewable resource. Emergency projects that result in property damage or legal liability  <a href="http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/cardd/resource-development/renewable-resource-grant-program">http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/cardd/resource-development/renewable-resource-grant-program</a>	<b>DNRC - RRGL Program</b> 1539 11th Avenue PO BOX 201601 Helena, MT 59620 Lindsay Volpe (406) 444-9766 Email: <a href="mailto:lmvolpe@mt.gov">lmvolpe@mt.gov</a>
<b>Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)</b> a. Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund Loan (WPCSRF) b. Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program (DWSRF)	Municipalities and private entities for wastewater and nonpoint source projects  All community public water systems	Wastewater projects that solve water quality problems  Drinking water projects that achieve compliance with the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act  Projects must be included on the Project Priority List and Intended Use Plan <a href="http://www.deq.mt.gov">www.deq.mt.gov</a>	<b>DEQ - State Revolving Fund</b> Helena, MT (406) 444-5546  Mike Abrahamson, Wastewater (406) 444-6886 Email: <a href="mailto:mabrahamson@mt.gov">mabrahamson@mt.gov</a>  Mark Smith, Drinking Water (406) 444-5325 Email: <a href="mailto:marks@mt.gov">marks@mt.gov</a>
<b>Montana Department of Commerce (DOC) Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)</b> a. Public & Community Facility Grants b. Community Planning Grants c. Economic Development and Housing Grants (Federal grant administered by Commerce)	Incorporated cities and towns, and counties  Note: Counties may apply on behalf of water/sewer district and tribal utility authorities	Water, wastewater, solid waste, hookup fees and assessments, economic development, housing (multifamily & single family)  Planning & community development planning. See website for eligibility options. <a href="http://comdev.mt.gov">http://comdev.mt.gov</a>	<b>Community Development Division</b> Helena, MT (406) 841-2770 Email: <a href="mailto:dccdd@mt.gov">dccdd@mt.gov</a>
<b>Montana Department of Commerce Montana Board of Investments INTERCAP Loan Program</b> a. Loans	Local government units, Special Purpose Districts, Water/Sewer Districts	Water & Wastewater Systems, Solid Waste (Construction, repair, expansion, equipment, vehicles, planning, interim financing)  <a href="http://www.investmentmt.com">www.investmentmt.com</a>	<b>MT DOC Board of Investments</b> Helena, MT  Louise Welsh, (406) 444-0891 Email: <a href="mailto:lwelsh@mt.gov">lwelsh@mt.gov</a>  Savannah Morgan (406) 444-0257 Email: <a href="mailto:SMorgan@mt.gov">SMorgan@mt.gov</a>
<b>Montana Department of Commerce Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP)</b> a. Construction Grants b. Infrastructure Planning Grants c. Emergency Grants	Incorporated cities and towns, counties, water, sewer and solid waste districts, and federally recognized tribal governments	Drinking water systems, wastewater treatment, sanitary or storm sewers, solid waste systems, and bridges	<b>Community Development Division</b> Helena, MT (406) 841-2770 <a href="mailto:dccdd@mt.gov">dccdd@mt.gov</a>

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<b>U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)</b> <b>Public Works</b> a. Grants (federal)	Municipalities, Counties, Indian Tribes, nonprofits	Water and Wastewater Systems  Project tied to economic development, job creation, or retention. Must comply with federal regulations <a href="http://www.eda.gov">www.eda.gov</a>	<b>Kirk Keysor</b> PO BOX 10032 Bozeman, MT 59719 (406) 599-9795 Email: <a href="mailto:kkeysor@eda.gov">kkeysor@eda.gov</a>
<b>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)</b> <b>Section 595 of the Water Resources Reform &amp; Development Act (WRRDA)</b> a. Grants	Public entities (Includes Indian Tribes)	Wastewater treatment and related facilities, water supply and related facilities, environmental restoration and surface water resource protection and development  Funds typically must be spent in the same fiscal year that the money is received, but with approval can be carried over into the next year	<b>USACE, Omaha District</b> 215 N 17th St Omaha, NE 98102 (888) 835-5971 or (402) 995-2229 Email: <a href="mailto:hqplanning@usace.army.mil">hqplanning@usace.army.mil</a>
<b>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)</b> <b>Technical Assistance Programs</b> a. Planning Assistance to States & Tribes (Sec. 22, WRDA 74) b. Flood Plain Management Services Program (FPMS) (Sec. 206, Flood Control Act (FCA) of 1960)	States, local governments, federally-recognized Indian Tribes, non-federal entities (w/local government support)	Broad range of water resource issues. These programs are planning level only and do not lead to construction.	<b>Planning Branch USACE, Omaha District</b> 1616 Capitol Avenue Omaha, NE 68102 (402) 995-2701 (402) 995-2680 Email: <a href="mailto:hqplanning@usace.army.mil">hqplanning@usace.army.mil</a>
<b>Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation</b> <b>Reclamation &amp; Development Grants</b> a. RDG Project Grants b. RDG Planning Grants	Government Agencies (Includes Indian Tribes)	Reclamation of land, water or public infrastructure affected by mining or hazardous waste sites  a. Primary purpose is to reclaim land damaged by resource extraction. Also, funds projects that meet a crucial state needs. b. Funds available for site investigations and project planning <a href="http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/cardd/resource-development/reclamation-and-development-grants-program">http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/cardd/resource-development/reclamation-and-development-grants-program</a>	<b>Heidi Anderson Folnag</b> 1539 11th Avenue PO BOX 201601 Helena, MT 59620 (406) 444-6687 Email: <a href="mailto:hfolnag@mt.gov">hfolnag@mt.gov</a>
<b>Department of Commerce</b> <b>Montana Coal Board Grant Program</b> a. Grants	Counties & Municipalities, Local Government Units, State Agencies, Special Districts, Water/Sewer Districts, federally recognized Indian Tribes	a. Water, wastewater, solid waste systems, roads, bridges, road equipment, planning, other types of projects that are impacted by coal development.  Areas experiencing impacts from coal development or decline. Funding approved by Coal Board. <a href="http://comdev.mt.gov">http://comdev.mt.gov</a>	<b>Community Development Division</b> 301 S Park Avenue, PO Box 200523 Helena, MT 59620 (406) 841-2770 Email: <a href="mailto:doccdd@mt.gov">doccdd@mt.gov</a>
<b>Department of Environmental Quality:</b> <b>Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIIN Act)</b> a. Grants (federal)	Assistance for small and disadvantaged communities	Public drinking water systems	<b>Water Quality Division - Engineering &amp; Public Water Supply Bureaus</b>  Amy Steinmetz (Public Water) (406) 444-2409 Email: <a href="mailto:ASteinmetz@mt.gov">ASteinmetz@mt.gov</a>  Mark Smith (DW Engineer) (406) 444-5325 Email: <a href="mailto:marks@mt.gov">marks@mt.gov</a>

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<b>U.S. EPA-Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA)</b> Provides funding for wastewater and drinking water infrastructure projects. a. Grants	Local, state, tribal, and federal entities; partnerships & joint ventures, corporations, trusts and CWA/SDWA Revolving Fund projects	Planning, engineering, design, environmental review, construction, acquisition of real property for water, wastewater infrastructure	<b>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</b> Director, WIFIA Program; US EPA William Jefferson Clinton West Building-room6210 A; 1301 Constitution Ave, NW; Washington, DC 200004 <a href="https://www.epa.gov/wifia">https://www.epa.gov/wifia</a>
<b>U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA</b> Provides preparedness grant funds for pre-disaster mitigation, hazard mitigation, terrorism and citizen protection. a. Grants	Local, state, tribal, and non-profit	Drinking water systems, safety and protection	<b>Montana Department of Transportation</b> Transportation Alternatives Program Dave Holien (406) 444-6118 <a href="https://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/ta_application.shtml">https://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/ta_application.shtml</a>
<b>Montana Department of Transportation - Traffic Safety Projects</b> Provides grants for traffic safety programs a. Grants	Law enforcement agencies	Costs for increased overtime patrols and to purchase new law enforcement equipment	<b>Montana Department of Transportation</b> State Highway Traffic Safety Section Janet Kenny (406) 444-7417 <a href="https://fundingmt.org/index.do">https://fundingmt.org/index.do</a>
<b>Montana Department of Transportation - EMS</b> Provides grants to help communities implement hazard mitigation measures following a Presidential major disaster declaration. a. Grants	EMS providers compliant with EMS agency licensure	Prehospital emergency services	<b>Montana Department of Transportation</b> Emergency Medical Services Grant Program Chad Newman (406) 444-0856 <a href="https://fundingmt.org/index.do">https://fundingmt.org/index.do</a>
<b>Montana Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - HMGP</b> Provides grants to help implement hazard mitigation measures. a. Grants	Gov entities and private nonprofit organizations  Must have a current FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan	Hazard mitigation to reduce or eliminate long term risk to people and property from natural hazards	<b>Montana Department of Military Affairs</b> State Hazard Mitigation Officer Jake Ganieany (406) 324-4776  FEMA external E-Grants site <a href="https://grantee.fema.gov/">https://grantee.fema.gov/</a>
<b>Montana Disaster &amp; Emergency Services - DES BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities)</b> - Administers several grants to coordinate comprehensive emergency management with a focus on mitigation and resilience projects to help prepare before disaster strikes	State, Local jurisdictions and Tribes	Assist local jurisdictions in consistently planning and executing mitigation projects/programs to reduce their disaster risk	<b>Montana Disaster &amp; Emergency Services</b> <b>Sara Hartley, CFM</b> Fort Harrison, MT Phone: (406) 324-4794 PO Box 4789, Ft Harrison, MT 59636 Email: <a href="mailto:sara.hartley@mt.gov">sara.hartley@mt.gov</a> <a href="https://readyandsafe.mt.gov/Emergency/Grants">https://readyandsafe.mt.gov/Emergency/Grants</a>

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<p><b>U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration - FHWA</b> Provides grant funds for transportation related projects- bike routes, sideways, trails, safe school routes. "FAST Act" a. Grants</p>	<p>Local , state, tribal, transit, school districts, schools</p>	<p>Infrastructure for small scale transportation alternatives - bike trails, pedestrian walks</p>	<p><b>Montana Department of Transportation</b> Transportation Alternative Dave Holien (406) 444-6118  <a href="https://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/ta_application.shtml">https://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/ta_application.shtml</a></p>
<p><b>Montana Department of Justice - NRDP</b> Natural Resource Development Program - To recover damages for injured natural resources and uses settlement monies to prepare and implement restoration plans</p>	<p>Municipalities, Counties, Indian Tribes, sites across Montana</p>	<p>Restoration of man-caused damaged natural resources</p>	<p><b>Natural Resource Damage Program</b> Helena, Main Office: Phone: (406) 444-0205 Fax: (406) 444-0236 PO Box 201425, Helena, MT 59620 Email: <a href="mailto:nrdp@mt.gov">nrdp@mt.gov</a></p>
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<p><b>GRANTS.GOV</b> Grants.gov is an E-Government initiative operating under the governance of the Office of Management and Budget</p>	<p>All interested persons</p>	<p>A common website for federal agencies to post discretionary funding opportunities and for grantees to find and apply to them.</p>	<p><b>GRANTS.GOV Applicant Support</b> 1-800-518-4726 <a href="mailto:support@grants.gov">support@grants.gov</a>  <a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/home.html">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/home.html</a></p>
<p><b>GOV SPOT</b> A non-partisan government information portal designed to simplify the search for the best and most relevant government information online.</p>	<p>All interested persons</p>	<p>A virtual resource center for U.S. citizens, students, educators, business people, government employees and anyone exploring the Web for government information</p>	<p><b>Getting Grants -</b> Funding sources online  <a href="http://www.govspot.com/features/grants.htm">http://www.govspot.com/features/grants.htm</a></p>

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<b><u>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS</u></b>			
<b>Midwest Assistance Program (MAP)</b> Provides free technical assistance for water, wastewater and solid waste needs	Montana rural communities and tribal nations	Midwest Assistance Program (MAP) offers communities and tribal nations a wealth of skills and approaches to help them creatively solve their problems	<b>Erinn Zindt Regional Field Manager</b> PO Box 621 Bozeman, MT 59771 (406) 580-4812 ezindt@map-inc.org  <a href="http://www.map-inc.org/">http://www.map-inc.org/</a>
<b>Montana Rural Water Systems</b> Water & Waste Water Technical Assistance and Training, Source Water Protection - USDA EPA Water Training, Septic, and Wastewater Program	All Public Water Supply Systems	Circuit Riders serve populations less than 10,000, all other programs serve all public water supplies	<b>MRWS</b> 525 Central Avenue M6 Great Falls, MT 59401 (406) 454-1151 MTRuralWater@mrws.org  <a href="http://www.mrws.org/">http://www.mrws.org/</a>
<b>Rural and Tribal Environmental Solutions (RATES)</b> Provides training and technical assistance for water and wastewater projects and community capacity development	Rural and tribal governments	Assistance for small water systems (less than 10,000 people)  Funding throughout the state is provided by a grant from the SRF program. All assistance to the system is free of charge	<b>Sarah Robbin, RATES</b> 1900 5 <sup>th</sup> St. NW Great Falls, MT 59404 (719) 433-6137 Ratesinc.net
<b>Department of Environmental Quality</b> Providing technical and compliance assistance	All public water and wastewater systems in Montana	Assistance regarding regulatory requirements, sampling, recording keeping, operations and maintenance for water treatment facilities and wastewater treatment systems	<b>Water Quality Division</b> Helena and Field Offices-Billings, Bozeman, Missoula and Kalispell (406) 444-5546  <a href="http://deq.mt.gov/Water/Resources/SectionContacts">http://deq.mt.gov/Water/Resources/SectionContacts</a>

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