

Exhibit A-6 Grant Programs

1 MDOT- Transportation Enhancement Program

This funding program was established in 1992 by MDOT as a result of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991. The Transportation Enhancement program was reauthorized in 1998 in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), and has been recently reauthorized in 2005. TEA-21 requires a minimum of 10 percent of US Surface Transportation Funds be used for the Transportation Enhancement Program.

Eligible Activities

- Nonmotorized
 - Pedestrian and bicycle facilities
 - Preservation of abandoned railway corridors
 - Pedestrian and bicycle safety and education activities

- Transportation Aesthetics
 - Landscaping and scenic beautification
 - Acquisition of scenic or historic easements and sites
 - Control and removal of outdoor advertising
 - Scenic or historic highway programs, including tourist and welcome centers

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2 MDOT - Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF)

The Transportation Economic Development Fund was created to assist in the funding of highway, road, and street projects necessary to support economic growth. The TEDF provides for the distribution of money to counties and municipalities through three formulas and two grant programs.

MDOT determines criteria requirement for eligible projects and specifies which agencies are eligible to receive funding. Funding has been authorized for the following categories:

- Category A: Road projects related to target industry development and re-development opportunities.

- Category C: Reduction of traffic congestion in urban counties.

- Category D: Road improvements in rural counties to create an all-season road network.

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- Category E: Construction or reconstruction of roads essential to the development of commercial forests in Michigan.
- Category F: Road and street improvement in cities in rural counties.

Agencies eligible to apply for TEDF funds are MDOT, county road commissions, and city and village street agencies.

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3 MEDC - Grow Michigan Communities Initiative

As part of Governor Granholm’s Grow Michigan Communities Initiative, \$30 million in federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding has been earmarked for two new programs, the Michigan *Downtown Gateways* program and the Michigan Public Works program. Unlike most projects receiving assistance from MEDC, there is not a direct job-creation component of these grant programs.

Michigan’s Downtowns and Gateways funding may be used for public infrastructure improvements in support of specific, private projects that will result in the creation of jobs and private investment in traditional downtown commercial centers or along major arteries leading into downtowns. Approved projects are required to have a minimum 10 percent local match, a 2:1 ration of private to public investment, and be located within a designated Downtown Development Authority.

Michigan public works was created to benefit cities, villages, and townships where a least 51 percent of the population is composed of low or moderate income residents as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The funds may be used for projects that upgrade existing public infrastructure systems by replacing deteriorating or obsolete systems or by adding capacity to existing but burdened systems.

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4 MDEQ - Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF)

Michigan's Drinking Water Revolving Fund offers low-interest loans (2.125% for FY 2008) to communities in need of *water systems*. It is designed to assist water utilities satisfy the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The program requires a comprehensive project plan prepared by your community's consulting engineer prior to application. Projects are ranked for funding by priority using criteria developed by MDEQ.

If your community water system serves fewer than 10,000 people, you can borrow from the program for your project plan even if you do not have the funds available to pay the professional fees for developing it. If your project plan is not approved for funding, you are obligated to repay the money advanced from the program required to develop your plan.

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5 MDEQ - State Revolving Fund (SRF)

This program offers low-interest loans (1.625% for FY 2008) to communities needing *sanitary sewer and wastewater treatment systems*. The program requires a comprehensive project plan, prepared by your community's consulting engineer, prior to application. Projects are ranked for funding by priority, using criteria developed by MDEQ.

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