



APPLICATIONS FOR TDECD UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANTS
DUE BY APRIL 23, 2021

March 15, 2021

Last week the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (TDECD) announced the opening for applications of Infrastructure Planning Grants. Below is the information provided on these grants by Brooxie Carlton with TCECD on March 10, 2021.

We are excited to announce that TNECD is offering another round of Infrastructure Planning Grants! (<https://www.tn.gov/ecd/rural-development/infrastructure-planning-grant.html>)

Eligible applicants are utility districts on the financially distressed list (linked on the website) or the cities or counties served by those districts or distressed counties, their cities or their utility districts. Grants are up to \$50,000 with a 5% match. Up to 5% is also available for grant administration this year.

We have \$500,000 available this fiscal year. If we have more fundable applications than available funds, we will consider funding projects from next year's funds if our budget is approved.

The grants can be used for mapping of your utility, water loss studies, I/I studies, or the development of an asset management plan (if you already have the water loss or I/I data). Applications are due April 23 and will be scored by TNECD, TDEC and the Comptroller's Office.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the application process or the grant. Thank you! Good luck!

Applications can be made on the above-referenced website. Utilities eligible for the Infrastructure Planning Grants can be found on the website as well.

The deadline is April 23, 2021 so do not delay in making the application if your utility is eligible.