Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Grant in Aid Program (2021)

Eligible Applicants

• Cities, villages, and townships participating as active members of the DCRPC

Eligible Projects and Expenses

- Financial Impact Studies and Forecasts
- Small Area and Corridor Long Range Studies
- Comprehensive Plans, Zoning Resolutions, or Code Revisions
- Trail and Park Facilities Planning

Ineligible Uses

- Administrative costs and general operating expenses
- Purchase of equipment
- Physical improvements and construction

Applicant Requirements and Responsibilities

Application must be complete upon submission. All requirements shall be addressed within the application. Additional requirements and responsibilities of the applicant or their consultant include:

- Compliance with Federal, State, and Local laws regarding non-discrimination, prevailing wage legislation, public bidding requirements, building and health regulations, conflict of interest rules, and other similar matters assured before obligating funds;
- Regional Planning Commission reserves the right to waive informalities in grant applications and to reject any and all grant applications as it deems appropriate.

Program Information

- Up to \$20,000 is available for the Grant in Aid for 2021, to be divided among grantees at the discretion of the DCRPC;
- Funds requested shall not equal more than the applicant's own contribution or more than 50% of the total project cost;
- Projects must be initiated in 2021, at which point funding will be distributed to the member community or the consultant, as agreed by all parties during the award process;
- Projects which are denied may be resubmitted in future funding rounds. Deficiencies will be noted for denied requests;
- All expenses and payments are subject to state audits;
- No significant changes shall be made to the intent of the project for which funding was awarded, unless approved in writing by the Regional Planning Commission;
- Grant funds may be required to be repaid by applicants to the Regional Planning Commission for failure to complete eligible projects or if grants are used outside the intent and scope of the project.

Timeline

- After applications are submitted, they are reviewed by the Executive Committee.
- After review, recommendations for aid will be forwarded to the full Commission.
- The Commission will meet and confirm recipients after which grantees shall receive notification and first draft of agreement;
- Projects may be presented at an RPC meeting near the beginning of the project (general goal/purpose and outline of activities) with progress tracked on the RPC website;
- Projects should be completed within two years of the Agreement execution date.