

Delivering Local Assistance Program Grant Guidance

As of March 2020

MCA 90-6-710, 2019 legislative session, provided funding for infrastructure projects through the "Delivering Local Assistance Grant" distributed by the Department of Commerce to Local Governments for school districts. More information about the grant can be found on the Department of Commerce website (https://comdev.mt.gov/Programs-and-Boards/Delivering-Local-Assistance).

A school district may use the grant funds for Infrastructure projects:

- (i) that is related to life safety or security issues;
- (ii) for major repairs or deferred maintenance to an existing school facility; or
- (iii) for major improvements or enhancements to an existing school facility.

If a grant recipient does not complete all of the conditions described in <u>HB652</u> section 5(1) by September 30, 2020, any obligation to the grant recipient is extinguished.

Grant Recipient's Obligation per Section 5(1):

The disbursement of grant funds for the projects chosen by the Department of Commerce pursuant to [section 3] is subject to completion of the following conditions.

The grant recipient:

- shall document that other funds required for completion of the project are firmly committed.
- must have a project management plan that is approved by the department.
- must be in compliance with the auditing and reporting requirements provided in <u>2-7-503</u>,MCA and have established a financial accounting system that the department can reasonably ensure conforms to generally accepted accounting principles. Tribal governments shall comply with auditing and reporting requirements provided for in 2 CFR part 200.
- shall execute a grant agreement with the Department of Commerce.
- shall satisfactorily comply with any conditions described in the application (project) summaries section of the treasure state endowment program 2021 biennium report to the 66th legislature.
- shall satisfy other specific requirements considered necessary by the Department of Commerce to accomplish the purpose of the project as evidenced by the application to the department.

Grant Funding should be deposit into

Fund 15 Revenue Code 3720 Expenditures should be recorded using Fund 15
Program Code 372

A Unique Project Reporter Code is required

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