Building back better means investing in projects that will promote equity and develop local economies that will be resilient to future economic shocks and climate change.

Through the Statewide Planning, Research & Networks program, EDA is supporting states in planning efforts by allocating $59 million for Statewide Planning Grants.

In addition, the program will allocate $31 million for Research and Networks Grants to invest in research that assesses the effectiveness of EDA’s programs, and provides support for stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

State Planning Grants
Eligible applicants for EDA’s Statewide Planning Grants include Governors, the Mayor of DC, and other applicable Territory leaders or their designees. EDA will send these applicants a formal invitation to apply.

Research and Networks Grants
Eligible applicants for EDA’s Communities of Practice and Research Grants include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities are not eligible.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

State Planning Grants
Application due 45 days after receiving invitation

Research and Networks Grants
Suggested Application Submission Date: October 31, 2021
Applications reviewed on a rolling basis

CONTACTS

- For Statewide Planning inquiries, please visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative
- Please email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Research program to research@eda.gov
- Please email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Networks program to networks@eda.gov

To learn more about EDA’s American Rescue Plan Statewide Planning, Research and Networks program, visit eda.gov/arpa/planning-grants/.