

SCDOT's Grants Overview

IIJA

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Resources for Local Entities Submitting Grants

What's in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)?

- Signed into law on November 15, 2021, [IIJA](#) authorizes approximately \$1.2 trillion for transportation, rail, transit, water/sewer, and broadband, including \$550B in new funding.
- The law reauthorizes surface transportation authority until 2026, which is important for large multi-year projects like [Carolina Crossroads](#).
- IIJA created new programs for carbon reduction, resiliency, bridges, electric vehicle charging, and more.
- Numerous [discretionary grant programs](#) have also been established.



IIJA Discretionary Grants

- IIJA has created ~\$100B in discretionary grants which presents an opportunity to bolster investments being made in new formula funds.
- The Administration has signaled it intends to support both state and local projects with particular emphasis on multi-modal projects that support safety, equity, and environmental goals.



How Will SCDOT Pursue Grants?

- Focus on projects that align with [10-Year Plan](#):
 - Pavements
 - Rural Road Safety
 - Interstates
 - Bridges
- Will not pursue grants not aligned with the agency's priorities.
- SCDOT does not typically pursue state grants.



SCDOT has focused its grant pursuits on mega-bridges like I-95 over Lake Marion.

SCDOT's Grant Application Submittals: Calendar Year 2022

Grant Program	Project	Status
RAISE	I-26 Noise Wall – North Charleston	Not Awarded
MPDG	I-20 Wateree Bridges	Not Awarded
Reconnecting Communities	I-526 Corridor Community Commitments Program	Not Awarded
BIP Large	I-95 Lake Marion Bridge Replacements	Not Awarded
BIP Bridge	Union County Bridge Package 17	Awarded
BIP Planning	I-95 Great Pee Dee River PEL	Awarded

SCDOT's Grant Application Submittals: Calendar Year 2023

Grant Program	Project	Status
MPDG	I-95 Lake Marion Bridge Replacements	Not Awarded
RAISE	Manning Avenue Bridge Replacement (Sumter County)	Not Awarded
Bus and Bus Facilities	Replacement Vehicles for 25 Rural Transit Agencies	Awarded
BIP Large	I-95 Lake Marion Bridge Replacements	Awarded

SCDOT's Grant Application Submittals: Calendar Year 2024

Grant Program	Project	Status
Bus and Bus Facilities	Vehicle and Facility Replacements	Not Awarded
MPDG	I-526 – Long Point Interchange	TBD
LCTM	Asphalt, Concrete Projects	TBD
ADCMS	Customized DBE Web Platform; CADD Items, Training	TBD
ATIIP – Planning	East Coast Greenway Planning and Design	TBD
BIP Planning	I-85 Bridges PEL Study	Awarded

SCDOT's Forthcoming Grant Application Submittals: Calendar Year 2024

- SCDOT intends to submit additional grants through the end of the calendar year, including, but not limited to:
 - BIP Planning
 - BIP Bridge Project
 - Reconnecting Communities Planning and/or Construction

Local Entities Seeking State or Federal Grants

- Locals must be prepared to independently undertake the following if they are pursuing **state or federal** grants:
 - Seek grant opportunities.
 - Prepare and submit grant applications.
 - If awarded, enter into grant agreement with the relevant federal funding agency.
 - Manage and administer all aspects of the project.*
 - Assume all financial risk, including match and any overruns.
 - Enter into a maintenance agreement with any improvements above SCDOT's maintenance standard.

*To assist local governments, SCDOT has established a qualified list of On-Call consultants to provide assistance with program management support for awarded grants. Usage of the list is not mandatory. **Please contact the Procurement Division at (803) 737-1488 for additional information.**

Local Entities Seeking State or Federal Grants

- If a local entity wishes to pursue a grant for a project **impacting the State Highway System (SHS)**, it must notify the Grants Director **at least 45 days in advance** of the due date by completing **SCDOT's form for applicants**. [HYPERLINK]
 - If the impact to the SHS is unknown, please contact the Grants Director (contact information on last slide).
 - The 45-days advance notice and form completion also apply to entities requesting **“letters of support”** as well as **state and federal earmarks**.

GRANTS ACTIVITIES



The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) authorizes approximately \$1.2T in funding surface transportation, rail, transit, water/sewer, and broadband, including \$550B in new funding. It reauthorizes surface transportation authority until 2026, which is important for SCDOT's large multi-year projects like Carolina Crossroads (i.e., "Malfunction Junction"). IIJA also creates new programs for carbon reduction, resiliency, bridges, and electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure.

SCDOT-Sponsored Discretionary Grants

IIJA established numerous discretionary grant programs totaling approximately \$100B for state and local governments. SCDOT intends to pursue grants that advance its priorities in the 10-Year Plan, including pavements, bridges, safety, and interstate capacity; we will not focus on grant opportunities that do not align with our priorities.

The Office of Local Government Services will oversee SCDOT's IIJA grants process, from seeking grant opportunities, to application development, to submittal. SCDOT is prepared to manage all awarded grants for which we apply.

Local Governments and Other Political Subdivisions Seeking Grants

What should local entities be prepared to do if seeking grants?

- Independently seek grant opportunities and prepare all grant applications in their entirety.
- Enter into grant agreements with the relevant federal funding agency.

What should local entities be prepared to do if seeking grants on the State Highway System?

If a local entity pursues a grant for a project on the State Highway System, it should provide notice to the Office of Local Government Services (IIJAGrants@scdot.org) at least 30 days before the grant application is due. The minimum required information is listed below.

SCDOT's IIJA Grants Resources

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