

# Nevada Grant Matching Program

## SUMMARY REPORT

### SFY 2023-2024

As Required per NRS 223.498



## Table of Contents

Program Background.....	3
Required Reporting.....	3
Program Updates .....	3
Prior Awardees .....	5
Summary Report .....	5
1. Grant Requests Received by State Fiscal Year.....	5
State Fiscal Year 2023 .....	6
State Fiscal Year 2024 .....	7
State Fiscal Year 2025 ~ Year to Date .....	9
2. Grant Requests Approved with a Letter of Commitment.....	11
State Fiscal Year 2023 .....	11
State Fiscal Year 2024 .....	12
State Fiscal Year 2025 ~ Year to Date .....	14
3. Totals of Federal Grant Funding Received Due to the Grant Matching Program .....	17
Conclusion.....	17



## Program Background

From the 2019 legislative session, Assembly Bill 489 created the Grant Matching Fund (GMF) pilot program to provide matching funds to state agencies, local governments, tribal governments, and nonprofit organizations applying for federal and non-governmental organization grants. Senate Bill 528 of the 2019 session appropriated \$1 million to fund the grants awarded by the pilot program. The pilot GMF was approved by the Interim Finance Committee in December 2019 and launched in January 2020. Due to the COVID-19 public health crisis, the program stopped accepting applications in April 2020.

Assembly Bill 445 of the 2021 Nevada legislative session extended the GMF, renaming it to the Grant Matching Program (GMP) and narrowing it to fund matches for federal grants only. An appropriation of \$1 million was approved to fund the Grant Match Account annually beginning in state fiscal year 2022. The balance of funds remaining at the end of an even year, rolls over to the next year. In odd years, any uncommitted funds without a Letter of Commitment from the Office of Federal Assistance revert back. As of July 1, 2022, the permanent program is administered by the newly formed Office of Federal Assistance.

## Required Reporting

As required per NRS 223.498, the Nevada Governor's Office of Federal Assistance is submitting the below information by January 1, 2025, to the director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature summarizing the GMP program.

NRS 223.498 states:

On or before January 1 of each odd-numbered year the Director of the Office shall prepare and submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature a summary report for the Program detailing:

1. The number and purpose of grant requests received from state agencies, local agencies, tribal government and nonprofit organizations;
2. The number and purpose of grant requests approved, and the amount of money awarded from the Grant Matching Account created by NRS 223.492 to each approved grant request applicant; and
3. The amount of federal grant funding received by each grant applicant as a result of receiving money from the Grant Matching Account.

## Program Updates

The Grant Matching Program is continually improving to provide better service and maximize efficiency. Below are the updates made to the program since 2023:

1. Eligibility Checker



To provide faster service to our stakeholders, all applicants must complete a nine (9) question eligibility checker to see if the project being proposed qualifies for the Grant Matching Program. The questions come directly from the NRS. The Eligibility Checker takes on average 1.5 minutes to fill out. The applicant gets immediate results.

When a project is eligible, a congratulation screen pops up with a detailed list of items needed to fill out the application and the link to the application. Applicants are encouraged to print the list and gather the documents to save the applicant time when filling out the application.

## 2. Extended the Period of Eligibility

Prior to June 30, 2024, applicants who had received the Notice of Grant Award (NoGA) were not eligible for the program. Starting July 1, 2024, the period of eligibility was extended to include before the Notice of Grant Award (NoGA) was received AND up to 90 days after the NoGA has been received. The intention is to preserve a federal award when a previous match commitment fails to provide the promised match. Rather than the award being returned due to the inability to fulfill the match requirement.

## 3. The Open Application Period Updated

To provide a consistent open application period year over year and not lose application momentum, the open application period is from July 1st to June 1st of every year. This allows the last 30 days of a fiscal year to process any outstanding applications and issue a Letter of Commitment which locks the funds.

## 4. The Grant Payment Period Updated

To provide consistent payment periods year over year and account for fluctuations in rollover periods (even fiscal years where unexpended funds roll over to the next year's balance) vs non-rollover periods (odd fiscal years where the funds are used or lost). The grant payment period is from September 1st of each fiscal year to June 30th of each fiscal year.

## 5. Independent Review Application Delivery

Previously the whole application was emailed to independent reviewers in pieces. To make it easier for the reviewer to examine the application and to protect the applicant's private fiscal information, reviewers are given temporary access to the application and scoring sheet on the State's servers. The application is in one pdf file with a table of contents that helps the reviewer find the item they need to review.

This has reduced the amount of time a reviewer needs to examine the application from over an hour on average to less than 30 minutes. When the review is complete, access to the file is removed.

## 6. Independent Reviewer Experience Surveys



To continually improve the Independent Reviewer Experience, once a reviewer has completed their review, a reviewer experience survey is sent. The survey asks the reviewer to rate their experience, how long the review took to complete, if they would like to review again and any suggestions, they believe would make the experience easier.

The survey revealed three specific pinch points that have since been resolved: a table of contents was needed for the review packet; the time spent to review dropped significantly after the table of contents request was implemented, and MAC users had difficulty with their access link requiring work arounds.

## 7. Letters of Commitment & Unexpended Funds at the End of Biennium

The definition of what gets returned at the end of the odd year in each biennium was clarified to honor Letters of Commitment issued by the Office of Federal Assistance. Any unexpended funds not committed in a Letter of Commitment will revert to the general fund at the end of each odd year. This change protects awardees who are working through a federal grant negotiation, so they do not lose the match required to get the whole grant.

## Prior Awardees

- SFY 2022  
City of Las Vegas-FFY21: American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance-  
\$225,216.00
- SFY 2023  
Western Nevada College-FY2022-FY2023 Pollution Prevention Grant Program-  
\$289,270.50

## Summary Report

Grants and applicants had to meet certain eligibility criteria upon a technical review by the GMP Administrator to apply for the Grant Matching Program (GMP) match assistance. Certain types of grants (e.g., federal pass-through funding and mandatory grants) were ineligible for the program, and all applicants must demonstrate and certify that they exhausted all potential sources of match.

The Summary report is broken down into three sections:

1. Grant Requests Received by State Fiscal Year
2. Requests Approved and Money Awarded
3. Totals Federal Grant Funding Received Due to the Grant Matching Program

---

### 1. Grant Requests Received by State Fiscal Year

---

Below are the total numbers of grant request received from July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024.



Total Grant Requests Received	SFY 2023	SFY 2024	SFY 2025 (YTD)
Completed	4	4	5
Disqualified	4	3	2
Incomplete	3	2	1
Withdrawn	2	1	0

## State Fiscal Year 2023

Below is a summary of the grant requests received in SFY23. Each summary category is broken down by stakeholder type, opportunity and grant purpose below. Of the 14 applications received, two applicants withdrew their applications before a review could be conducted. Four (4) applications were not qualified after the technical review was conducted. Two (2) applications were not completed. No applications were disqualified after the independent review process was completed.

### Reviewed & Completed Applications

#### Local Agencies:

##### 1. *Western Nevada College*

**Grant:** FFY22: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Pollution Prevention Grant Program

**Purpose:** EPA is announcing a grant competition to fund two-year Pollution Prevention assistance agreement for project that provide technical assistance (e.g., information, training, tools) to businesses to help them develop and adopt source reduction practices (also known as “pollution prevention” or “P2”). P2 means reducing or eliminating pollutants from entering any waste stream or otherwise being released into the environment prior to recycling, treatment, or disposal. In keeping with the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990, EPA is encouraging P2 because implementing these practices can result in reductions in pollutants, and the use of water, energy, and other raw materials, while also lowering business costs, States, stat entities, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, any territory or possession of the U.S., federally recognized tribes and intertribal consortia are eligible to apply.

##### 2. *University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)*

**Grant:** FFY2023 DOL Nursing Expansion Grant Program

**Purpose:** The purpose of this program is to increase nursing instructors and educators, and to expand and diversify the pipeline of nursing professionals who can fill quality jobs to boost the nation’s healthcare systems while advancing equity.

##### 3. *Las Vegas Fire and Rescue*



**Grant:** Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grant Program DHS-22-GPD-044-00-97

**Purpose:** The objectives of the FP&S Program are to provide critically needed resources to carry out fire prevention education and training, fire code enforcement, fire/arson investigation, firefighter safety and health programming, strategic national projects, prevention efforts, and research and development.

### Non-Profits:

#### 1. *Nevada Volunteers*

**Grant:** FFY2023 Volunteer Generation Fund ARP

**Purpose:** AmeriCorps improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. AmeriCorps bring people together to tackle the country's most pressing challenges through national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Senior volunteers serve with organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities and those serving. President Biden's American Rescue Plan (ARP) calls for Americans to come together to support our communities. The plan offers additional funding for the Volunteer Generation Fund grants which will support efforts that expand the capacity of volunteer connector organizations to recruit, manage, support, and retain individuals to serve in high quality volunteer assignments.

## State Fiscal Year 2024

Below is a summary of the grant requests received in SFY24. Each summary category is broken down by stakeholder type, opportunity and grant purpose below. Of the ten (10) applications received, one applicant was withdrawn their application before a review could be completed, two (2) were incomplete applications, and three (3) applications did not qualify after the technical review was completed. No applications were disqualified after the independent review process was completed.

### *Reviewed and Completed Applications*

#### State Agencies:

##### *Nevada Department of Education*

**Opportunity:** School Based Mental Health Services Grant Program

**Purpose:** The School-Based Mental Health (SBMH) program provides competitive grants to State educational agencies (SEAs), local educational agencies (LEA's), and consortia of LEAs to increase the number of credentialed school-based mental health service providers providing mental health services to students in LEAs with demonstrated need.



## Local Agencies:

### *Western Nevada College*

**Opportunity:** FY 2024 – FY 2025 Pollution Prevention Grant Program

**Purpose:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a two-year competitive funding opportunity for awards to eligible entities to provide technical assistance (TA) to businesses to encourage the development and implementation of source reduction practices also known as pollution prevention or “P2”. EPA is requiring recipients to develop at least one P2 case study and one P2 success story during the grant period. A P2 case study should provide detailed technical information on one or two specific source reduction/P2 practices implemented by a business, and the benefits achieved, so that other P2 TA providers or interested businesses have enough technical information that they can learn from and replicate those P2 practices. A P2 case study should focus on P2 approaches that are new and not widely known or adopted and/or where the recipient believes detailed information on the project could support more widespread project replication.

## Tribal Governments:

### *Walker River Paiute Tribe*

**Opportunity:** WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for Fiscal Year 2024 - Task D: Domestic Water Supply Projects

**Purpose:** This NOFO’s objective is to invite eligible applicants to submit proposals for projects that can increase water management flexibility—making our water supply more resilient. This helps to prepare for and address the impacts of drought and water supply shortages. Projects that may be funded under this NOFO are divided into four task areas (Task A, B, C, or D), and a brief summary of each task area is provided below.

Eligible Projects.

- Task A: Increasing the Reliability of Water Supplies through Infrastructure Improvements.
- Task B: Increasing the Reliability of Water Supplies Through Groundwater Recovery.
- Task C: Projects to Improve Water Management through Decision Support Tools, Modeling, and Measurement.
- Task D: Construction of domestic water supply projects for Tribes or disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water supplies.

## Non-Profits:

### *Carson City Arts Initiative*

**Opportunity:** NEA Challenge America FY2024





**Purpose:** Challenge America offers support primarily to small organizations for projects in all artistic disciplines that extend the reach of the arts to groups/communities with rich and dynamic artistic and cultural contributions to share that are underserved.

## State Fiscal Year 2025 ~ Year to Date

Below is a summary of the grant requests received from July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 for SFY25. Each summary category is broken down by stakeholder type, opportunity and grant purpose below. Out of eight (8) applications received to date, five (5) are complete, two (2) do not qualify after technical review and one (1) application is not complete.

### *Reviewed and Completed Applications*

#### Local Agencies

##### *Truckee-Carson Irrigation District (Received Notice of Grant Award)*

**Opportunity:** WaterSMART Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for Fiscal Year 2024

**Purpose:** Through WaterSMART, Reclamation leverages Federal and non-Federal funding to work cooperatively with States, Tribes, and local entities as they plan for and implement actions to increase water supply reliability through investments in existing infrastructure and attention to local water conflicts. This Environmental Water Resources Projects NOFO provides funding for water conservation and efficiency projects, water management and infrastructure improvements, and river and watershed restoration projects and nature-based solutions that provide significant ecological benefits, have been developed as part of a collaborative process, and help carry out an established strategy to increase the reliability of water resources. The Environmental Water Resources Projects also support the goals of the Interagency Drought Relief Working Group established in March 2021 and the National Drought Resiliency Partnership.

##### *Washoe County*

**Opportunity:** Office of Manufacturing and Energy Supply Chains (MESC) Smart Manufacturing and Recycling Tactics for States (SMART)

**Purpose:** The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Smart Manufacturing and Recycling Tactics for States (SMART) funding opportunity announcement (FOA) will provide funding to support access to smart manufacturing technologies and high-performance computing resources for small- and medium-sized manufacturers by states and the recycling of batteries and battery-containing devices by states and units of local government. Area of Interest 2: For States and units of local government to establish or enhance battery collection, recycling, and reprocessing to support a domestic battery and critical materials supply chain.



## Non-Profits

### *Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance (Received Notice of Grant Award)*

**Opportunity:** FY 2023 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs

**Purpose:** EDA has authority to provide grants to meet the full range of communities' and regions' economic development needs from planning and technical assistance to construction of infrastructure. These grants are designed to support the economic development activities most useful to a community based on its needs and circumstances. EDA funds community or regionally generated ideas and assists communities to advance to the next level of economic development. EDA supports bottom-up strategies that build on regional assets to spur economic growth and resiliency. EDA encourages its grantees throughout the country to develop initiatives that present new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.

### *Access to HealthCare Network*

**Opportunity:** FY 2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Enhancing Mobility Innovation

**Purpose:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the opportunity to apply for a total of \$1,936,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Public Transportation Innovation funds in competitive cooperative agreement awards for projects that enhance mobility innovations for transit. Funds will be awarded for projects that advance emerging technologies, strategies, and innovations in travel-centered mobility in two distinct areas. Of the total available funds, \$968,000 is available for projects to accelerate innovations that improve mobility and enhance the rider experience with a focus on innovative service delivery models, creative financing, novel partnerships, and integrated payment solutions. Another \$968,000 is available for projects to develop software solutions that facilitate the provision of integrated demand-response public transportation service that dispatches public transportation fleet vehicles through riders' mobile devices or other means.

### *Nevada Partners, Inc*

**Opportunity:** Promise Neighborhoods FY2024 Early Implementation Competition

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Promise Neighborhoods (NP) program is to significantly improve the academic and developmental outcomes of children and youth living in the most distressed communities of the United States, including ensuring school readiness, high school graduation, and access to a community-based continuum of high-quality services. The program serves neighborhoods with high concentrations of individuals with low incomes; multiple signs of distress, which may include high rates of poverty, childhood obesity, academic challenges, and juvenile delinquency, adjudication, or incarceration; and adverse childhood experiences; and also serves schools



implementing comprehensive support and improvement activities or targeted support and improvement activities.

*Nevada Free Taxes Coalition*

**Opportunity:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP Competition

**Purpose:** This funding announcement is an opportunity for communities to apply for funding to engage adults ages 55 and older in tackling the community’s most pressing needs through the AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP program.

## 2. Grant Requests Approved with a Letter of Commitment

The grant requests approved with funds committed or awarded and expended from the Grant Matching Program (GMP) fund are listed below for SFY23, SFY24 and the first half of SFY25. Each summary category is broken down by stakeholder type, opportunity and grant purpose below. A Letter of Commitment indicates that funds have been obligated or committed from the GMP and are pending expenditure upon the grantee receiving the Notice of Grant Award (NoGA).

Total Grant Requests Approved	State Agencies	Local Agencies	Tribes	Non-Profits	Totals
SFY 23	0	1	0	0	1
SFY 24	0	1	0	1	2
SFY 25 (YTD)	0	3	1	1	5
<b>Total Grant Requests Approved:</b>					<b>8</b>

### State Fiscal Year 2023

Total number of approved grant requests: 1

Total money committed from the GMP: \$ 289,270.50

#### Western Nevada College (Local Agency)

**Grant:** FFY22: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Pollution Prevention Grant Program

**GMP award amount:** \$289,270.50

**Purpose:** EPA is announcing a grant competition to fund two-year Pollution Prevention assistance agreement for project that provide technical assistance (e.g., information, training, tools) to businesses to help them develop and adopt source reduction practices (also known as “pollution prevention” or “P2”). P2 means reducing or eliminating pollutants from entering any waste stream or otherwise being released into the environment prior to recycling, treatment, or disposal. In keeping with the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990, EPA is encouraging P2 because implementing these practices can result in reductions in pollutants, and the use of water, energy, and other raw materials, while also lowering business costs.



**Funds Expended:** \$289,270.50 on October 4, 2022

## State Fiscal Year 2024

Total grant requests with Letters of Commitment: 4

Total money expended awarded from the GMP: \$5,968.37

Total number of Grant Received in SFY24 but will be expended in SFY25: 2

Total Amount Obligated with Letters of Commitment: \$413,831.00

### City of Las Vegas – Las Vegas Fire & Rescue (Local Agency)

**Grant:** Fiscal Year 2022 Fire Prevention & Safety, (FP&S) Grant Program

**GMP award amount:** \$2,775.37

**Purpose:** The objectives of the FP&S Program are to provide critically needed resources to carry out fire prevention education and training, fire code enforcement, fire/arson investigation, firefighter safety and health programming, strategic national projects, prevention efforts, and research and development.

**Funds Expended:** \$2,775.37 on December 6, 2023

### Carson City Arts Initiative (Non-Profit)

**Grant:** NEA Challenge America FY2024

**GMP award amount:** \$3,193.00

**Purpose:** Challenge America offers support primarily to small organizations for projects in all artistic disciplines that extend the reach of the arts to groups/communities with rich and dynamic artistic and cultural contributions to share that are underserved. The program is rooted in principles that include, but are not limited to, our recognition that:

- Some groups/communities and some geographic areas with rich cultural identities have limited grant funding opportunities, and/or have been historically underserved by national arts funding;
- Some small organizations may face barriers to accessing grant funding; and
- Some applicants to the NEA may benefit from enhanced technical assistance resources.

Challenge America seeks to address these potential barriers for organizations seeking funding. The program features an abbreviated application, a standardized \$10,000 grant amount, and a robust structure of technical assistance to facilitate entry to NEA funding opportunities.



To support an exhibition featuring Ruby Barriento, with related outreach activities.

**Funds Expended:** \$3,193.00 on March 22, 2024

#### **Walker River Paiute Tribe (Tribe)**

**Grant:** WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for Fiscal Year 2024 - Task D: Domestic Water Supply Projects

**GMP award amount:** \$ 63,831.00

**Purpose:** The objective is to invite eligible applicants to submit proposals for projects that can increase water management flexibility—making our water supply more resilient. This helps to prepare for and address the impacts of drought and water supply shortages. Projects that may be funded under this NOFO are divided into four task areas (Task A, B, C, or D), and a brief summary of each task area is provided below.

- Task A: Increasing the Reliability of Water Supplies through Infrastructure Improvements.
- Task B: Increasing the Reliability of Water Supplies Through Groundwater Recovery.
- Task C: Projects to Improve Water Management through Decision Support Tools, Modeling, and Measurement.
- Task D: Construction of domestic water supply projects for Tribes or disadvantaged communities that do not have reliable access to water supplies.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$63,851.00 on December 13, 2023, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has been notified of award upon completion of the award negotiations. There is no estimate of the negotiation's completion date nor when the NoGA will be issued.

#### **Western Nevada College (Local Agency)**

**Grant:** FY 2024 – FY 2025 Pollution Prevention Grant Program

**GMP award amount:** \$350,000.00

**Purpose:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a two-year competitive funding opportunity for awards to eligible entities to provide technical assistance (TA) to businesses to encourage the development and implementation of source reduction practices also known as pollution prevention or "P2". EPA is requiring recipients to develop at least one P2 case study and one P2 success story during the grant period. A P2 case study should provide detailed technical information on one or two specific source reduction/P2 practices implemented by a business, and the benefits achieved, so that other P2 TA providers or interested businesses have enough technical information that they can learn from and replicate those P2 practices. A P2 case study should focus on



P2 approaches that are new and not widely known or adopted and/or where the recipient believes detailed information on the project could support more widespread project replication.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$350,000.00 on April 3, 2024, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has been notified of award upon completion of the award negotiations. There is no estimate of the negotiation's completion date nor when the NoGA will be issued.

## State Fiscal Year 2025 ~ Year to Date

Total number of grant requests with Letters of Commitment: 5

Total money committed from the GMP: \$1,210,486.50

### Truckee-Carson Irrigation District (Local Agency)

**Grant:** WaterSMART Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for Fiscal Year 2024

**GMP award amount:** \$1,000,000.00

**Purpose:** Through WaterSMART, Reclamation leverages Federal and non-Federal funding to work cooperatively with States, Tribes, and local entities as they plan for and implement actions to increase water supply reliability through investments in existing infrastructure and attention to local water conflicts. This Environmental Water Resources Projects NOFO provides funding for water conservation and efficiency projects, water management and infrastructure improvements, and river and watershed restoration projects and nature-based solutions that provide significant ecological benefits, have been developed as part of a collaborative process, and help carry out an established strategy to increase the reliability of water resources. The Environmental Water Resources Projects also support the goals of the Interagency Drought Relief Working Group established in March 2021 and the National Drought Resiliency Partnership.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$1,000,000.00 on July 19, 2024, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has been notified of award upon completion of the award negotiations. There is no estimate of the negotiation's completion date nor when the NoGA will be issued.

### Washoe County (Local Agency)

**Grant:** Office of Manufacturing and Energy Supply Chains (MESCC) Smart Manufacturing and Recycling Tactics for States (SMART)

**GMP award amount:** \$125,232.50

**Purpose:** The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Smart Manufacturing and Recycling Tactics for States (SMART) funding opportunity announcement (FOA) will provide funding to support access to smart manufacturing technologies and



high-performance computing resources for small- and medium-sized manufacturers by states and the recycling of batteries and battery-containing devices by states and units of local government. Area of Interest 2: For States and units of local government to establish or enhance battery collection, recycling, and reprocessing to support a domestic battery and critical materials supply chain.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$125,232.50 on December 5, 2024, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has been notified of award upon completion of the award negotiations. There is no estimate of the negotiation's completion date nor when the NoGA will be issued.

### Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance (Non-Profit)

**Grant:** FY 2023 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs

**GMP award amount:** \$20,000.00

**Purpose:** EDA has authority to provide grants to meet the full range of communities' and regions' economic development needs from planning and technical assistance to construction of infrastructure. These grants are designed to support the economic development activities most useful to a community based on its needs and circumstances. EDA funds community or regionally generated ideas and assists communities to advance to the next level of economic development. EDA supports bottom-up strategies that build on regional assets to spur economic growth and resiliency. EDA encourages its grantees throughout the country to develop initiatives that present new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$20,000.00 on July 30, 2024, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has been notified of award upon completion of the award negotiations. There is no estimate of the negotiation's completion date nor when the NoGA will be issued.

### Access to Health Network (Non-Profit)

**Grant:** FY 2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Enhancing Mobility Innovation

**GMP award amount:** \$15,254.00

**Purpose:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the opportunity to apply for a total of \$1,936,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Public Transportation Innovation funds in competitive cooperative agreement awards for projects that enhance mobility innovations for transit. Funds will be awarded for projects that advance emerging technologies, strategies, and innovations in travel-centered mobility in two distinct areas. Of the total available funds, \$968,000 is available for projects to accelerate innovations that improve mobility and enhance the rider experience with a focus on innovative service delivery models, creative financing,



novel partnerships, and integrated payment solutions. Another \$968,000 is available for projects to develop software solutions that facilitate the provision of integrated demand-response public transportation service that dispatches public transportation fleet vehicles through riders' mobile devices or other means.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$15,254.00 on September 23, 2024, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has not been notified if they won the grant. The federal funder has not indicated an award announcement date.

#### **Nevada Partners, Inc. (Non-Profit)**

**Grant:** Promise Neighborhoods FY2024 Early Implementation Competition

**GMP award amount:** \$50,000.00

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Promise Neighborhoods (NP) program is to significantly improve the academic and developmental outcomes of children and youth living in the most distressed communities of the United States, including ensuring school readiness, high school graduation, and access to a community-based continuum of high-quality services. The program serves neighborhoods with high concentrations of individuals with low incomes; multiple signs of distress, which may include high rates of poverty, childhood obesity, academic challenges, and juvenile delinquency, adjudication, or incarceration; and adverse childhood experiences; and also serves schools implementing comprehensive support and improvement activities or targeted support and improvement activities.

**Status:** Letter of Commitment (LOC) issued for \$50,000.00 on November 6, 2024, pending Notice of Grant Award (NoGA). Applicant has not been notified if they won the grant. The federal funder has not indicated an award announcement date.





### 3. Totals of Federal Grant Funding Received Due to the Grant Matching Program

As a fund of last resort, the Grant Matching Program enables stakeholders to pursue federal grants where the stakeholder has exhausted all other means of match. Below are the totals of the federal grant dollars brought into the State of Nevada as a result of the Grant Matching Program. For the applicants that have been awarded to date with funds either expended or obligated in support of federal projects, the GMP has a current 13:1 ratio, exceeding the 2:1 as set forth in NRS. For every \$1 that Nevada has committed to federal funding there has been a return, on average, of \$12.85.

Fund Status	LOC Date/Obligated	Applicant Organization	Opportunity Name	GMP Match \$ Requested*	Federal Request Amount \$	Ratio (Federal Request Amount/GMP Match)
Expended		Carson City Arts Initiative (CCAI)	NEA Challenge America	3,193	10,000	<b>3:1</b>
Pending NoGA	12/4/2023	Walker River Paiute Tribe	WaterSMART Drought Response Program	63,831	2,297,920	<b>36:1</b>
Expended		City of Las Vegas-- Las Vegas Fire and Rescue	FFY22 Fire Prevention and Safety, Grant Program	2,775	111,015	<b>40:1</b>
Pending NoGA	4/3/2024	Western Nevada College	FFY24-25 Pollution Prevention Grant Program	350,000	700,000	<b>2:1</b>
Pending NoGA	7/23/2024	Truckee Carson Irrigation District	WaterSmart Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for FFY24	1,000,000	2,192,857	<b>2:1</b>
Pending NoGA	7/31/2024	LVGEA	FY2023 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs	20,000	150,000	<b>8:1</b>
Pending NoGA	9/23/2024	Access to Healthcare Network	FY2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Enhancing Mobility Innovation	15,254	122,032	<b>8:1</b>
Pending NoGA	12/5/2024	Washoe County	BIL Smart Manufacturing and Recycling Tactics	125,232	250,465	<b>2:1</b>
Pending NoGA	11/6/2024	Nevada Partners, INC	Promise Neighborhoods FY2024 Early Implementation Competition	50,000	742,104	<b>15:1</b>

### Conclusion

In the last biennium and first half of state fiscal year 2025, the Governor's Office of Federal Assistance (OFA) proved the value of Grant Matching Program via solid results and an impressive rate of return on the investment. The law requires the Grant Matching Program provide at least



\$2 of federal grant dollars for every \$1 invested. In diligently supporting our stakeholders, the State of Nevada is obtaining more federal grant dollars, increasing our share of available federal grants and maximizing federal assistance.

The Program is experiencing growth in demand and quality applications received. Ineligible applicants receive eligibility results immediately before filling out the application via the new eligibility checker – saving staff and applicant’s time. Internal processes are under continuous improvement resulting in faster processing times and better tracking systems for pre-award and post-award activities. The positive program improvements are guided by an invested leadership structure with gift for team building.

With the increase in program demand and the dollar value of requests rising, GMP has a growing challenge of leveraging the 1-million-dollar allocation per year with larger match demands with the upcoming federal opportunities.

While other states ask how we do it, we know there is still much to be done to educate our stakeholders about the Grant Matching Program and streamline the process to better enable stakeholders to obtain federal grant dollars for Nevada. However, it is a start we can all be proud of.