

Worcester County Reinvestment and Repair Grant Program

Purpose

The Worcester County Reinvestment and Repair Grant Program aims to distribute funds from the Worcester County Reinvestment and Repair Special Revenue Fund to support initiatives that benefit low-income communities or serve disproportionately impacted areas as identified on the Office of Social Equity website, [Licensing & Eligibility](#). The program will fund community-based projects in economic development, public health, and community improvement.

Funding Source

The program will utilize Worcester County's allocated share of the state's Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund (CRRF), which receives 35% of the state's 9% adult-use cannabis sales tax revenue and license conversion fees. Worcester County's specific allocation will depend on the Office of Social Equity's distribution formula, based on historical enforcement data.

Eligibility

- **Applicants:** Nonprofit organizations, community groups, small businesses, and local government entities operating in Worcester County, Maryland.
- **Restrictions:** Funds cannot be used for law enforcement activities, per state guidelines.

Application Process

- Require a concise proposal outlining project goals, target community, budget, and measurable outcomes.
- Include a section for applicants to demonstrate alignment with CRRF goals (e.g., serving historically impacted areas). Project must benefit a low-income community or a disproportionately impacted area.
- Include letters of support from community organizations located within Worcester County.

Funding Allocation

- **Total Budget:** Based on Worcester County's CRRF allocation, there is \$1,084,316 available.
- **Maximum Award:** There is no maximum award. Scalable or smaller grants are encouraged to maximize reach. All awards are at the sole discretion of the County Commissioners of Worcester County and are subject to all applicable law and funding being available.
- **Disbursement:** Funds will be reimbursed with proper documentation.

Estimated Timeline

- **Application Period:** July – August 2025
- **Review and Award Decisions:** September 2025
- **Grant Award Announcements:** October 2025

Evaluation and Reporting

- An annual report will be submitted to the Office of Social Equity and published on the county website, detailing funds allocated, projects funded, and community outcomes.

Completed applications can be submitted by mail or delivered on or before August 31, 2025.

Worcester County
Office of the County Commissioners
Government Center
Attention: Dhara Patel
1 West Market Street, Room 1103
Snow Hill, MD 21863-1195

The number of people who this grant will serve:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 50-100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11-25 | <input type="checkbox"/> 100+ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26-50 | |

Section II. Grant Request Budget Form (must use this form)

A. Program Funding Sources: (identify ALL sources of funding applied to this program, not entire organization revenue if not applicable to request). Attach additional pages, if needed:

<u>FY2026 Estimate</u>	<u>Cash (A)</u>	<u>In Kind (B)</u>
1. Worcester County Request	\$ _____	\$ _____
2. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
3. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
4. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
5. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
6. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Total Cash (A) = \$ _____ Total in Kind (B) = \$ _____

B. Project / Program Expenses: (Please enter the total projected budget for the program (not entire organization expense if not applicable to request).

<u>Program Expense Estimate</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>	<u>Source of Estimate</u>
1. Salary/Wages/Benefits	\$ _____	_____
2. Professional Fees	\$ _____	_____
4. Operations	\$ _____	_____
5. Supplies	\$ _____	_____
6. Equipment	\$ _____	_____
7. Other _____	\$ _____	_____
8. Other _____	\$ _____	_____
9. Other _____	\$ _____	_____
10. _____	\$ _____	_____

Total project expenses: (C) = \$ _____

The Total Revenue (A+B) \$ _____ must equal the Total Project Expense (C) \$ _____

Section III. Program / Project Goals Form (must use this form)

PROGRAM GOAL(S) & STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE STATED PROGRAM GOALS- Please identify the specific goals and strategies that will enable your organization to achieve the goals. Please list activities, start and end dates and frequency of activities (ex. One-time event, weekly activity, etc.) Please limit to 3 goals.

GOAL 1:

GOAL 2:

GOAL 3:

Section VI. Supplemental Attachments – attach copies of the following documents

1. Letters of support from community organizations within the county.
2. 501c (3) IRS determination letter, if applicable.
3. Listing of current board of directors (or governing body).
4. Copy of most recent available board (or governing body) meeting minutes or meeting minutes at which the project or operational funding request was discussed.
5. Copy of most recent audit or financial statement.

Application must contain:

- Complete all sections (pages 1-5) of the requested attachment for projects and operating request.
- Please provide supplemental attachment documents per Section VI.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the information reported is correct and accurate.

Name

Date

Title

Distribution of Funds:

The County Commissioners of Worcester County, Maryland reserves the right to award grants in their sole discretion. Grantees should not assume that approval of a grant implies commitment of ongoing future support. If grant funding is awarded, reporting on use of grant funds will be required.

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