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<i>Alternative Fuel Vehicle Conversion Grants</i> Ohio Revised Code 122.076	Public and private sector diesel fleets in any Ohio county, operating class 7 and class 8 trucks (with a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 26,000 pounds).	One-time only offering of \$5 million in grants to repower or replace large gasoline or diesel trucks with alternative-fueled trucks that can run on compressed natural gas, liquid natural gas or propane, including bi-or dual-fueled trucks that can run on both alternative fuel and gasoline or diesel. Grants will pay the lesser of \$25,000 per vehicle, or 50% of the engine components or the cost of conversion parts and equipment. Maximum grant award of \$400,000.	First-come, first-served. Open until all available funds have been allocated	2018 — Present	Funding Questions Carolyn Watkins Ohio EPA Office of Environmental Education P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-2873 derg@epa.ohio.gov Technology Questions Alan Harness Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control (614) 644-4838 derg@epa.ohio.gov
<i>Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Grants</i> Ohio Revised Code 6111.037	Local governments, nonprofit organizations, watershed groups, SWCDs and local park districts.	Up to \$400,000 to conduct stream restoration and nonpoint source pollution management projects. 40 percent of total project costs are required to be provided as local match. Approximately \$2.6 million per year is available.	Deadline varies.	2007 — Present	John Mathews Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 265-6685 john.mathews@epa.ohio.gov
<i>Community Recycling and Litter Prevention Grants</i> Ohio Revised Code 3736	Eligible applicants include Ohio counties, municipal corporations, townships, villages, state colleges and universities, solid waste management districts or authorities, park districts, health districts, Keep Ohio Beautiful affiliates, boards of education and non-profit organizations.	The Recycling and Litter Prevention Grant Program offers up to \$200,000 for projects that initiate or expand recycling programs, encourage sustainable practices, and support litter prevention efforts. Local governments can receive funding to purchase equipment for the collection and processing of recyclables. Communities and non-profit organizations can also receive funding to implement litter collection events and tire amnesty programs (tire amnesty programs require a minimum \$0.50 collection fee). Applications are submitted through the online Recycle Ohio Grant (ROG) system.	Annually on or about February 1	2008 — Present	Katie Courtright Ohio EPA P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 705-1147 katie.courtright@epa.ohio.gov

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<i>Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant Program</i> Ohio Revised Code 122.861 and 512.90	Currently limited to public transit systems for replacement of diesel buses that are eligible under the Federal Highway Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program and located in an eligible Ohio county.	\$8-10 million awarded annually for engine repowers and vehicle replacements in SFY 2017 and 2018	Varies. One round annually, usually in the fall. Dates not set for 2019.	2009 — 2011 2012 — Present	Funding questions Carolyn Watkins Ohio EPA Office of Environmental Education P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-2873 derg@epa.ohio.gov Technology Questions Alan Harness Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control (614) 644-4838
<i>Grant Funded Brownfield Technical Assistance</i> Federal Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Act P.L. 107-118	Local governments, port authorities, park districts and other public entities in Ohio.	Grant funding is available to cover costs associated with providing technical assistance (TA) by Ohio EPA staff to assist with property assessment and cleanup under the Voluntary Action Program. In general, the volunteer determines the scope of VAP TA review and what questions or issues are evaluated during VAP TA. Some examples of grant-funded technical assistance that can be provided includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidance on technical or legal issues related to potential NFA letters or VAP urban setting designation (USD) requests VAP document review (e.g., review of Phase I and II assessments, sampling plans, risk assessments, remedial action plans and draft NFA Letters where CNS has not yet been requested) For more funding resources, please visit the Community Brownfield Funding Resources page.	Applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis.	Grant Funded Brownfield Technical Assistance provided since 2000	Dan Tjoelker Ohio EPA Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-3750 daniel.tjoelker@epa.ohio.gov
<i>Home Sewage Treatment Systems</i> Ohio Revised Code 6111.036	Public entities (Cities, village, and county health departments) are eligible to establish linked deposit programs in their county. These public entities can then administer assistance to individual homeowners.	Two options are potentially available to eligible applicants. First, a Linked Deposit program can be established, which will provide an interest rate buy down on loans that homeowners receive from a commercial bank. Second, a direct loan can be awarded from the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) to the eligible entity to establish its own revolving loan program.	Nominations are accepted (as part of the WPCLF program) on an annual basis, with a deadline of August 31, for the upcoming program year, which begins January 1.		Becky McKinney Program Administrator Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-3636 rebecca.mckinney@epa.ohio.gov

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Lake Erie Protection Fund Ohio Revised Code 1506.23	Government, non-profit and for-profit entities are eligible to apply for funding. Funding may not be used to fund staff salaries for state employees. Applicants must be based in Ohio, although work may be contracted with outside entities as necessary.	Small grants up to \$50,000 are available to fund research and on-the-ground projects aimed at protecting, preserving and restoring Lake Erie or its tributary watersheds in Ohio. The Lake Erie Protection Fund focuses on projects that lead to better management decisions for both environmental protection and economic development. Special grant projects may be funded - amounts and topics change annually. The Fund is supported through donation or purchase of a Lake Erie license plate displaying the Marblehead Lighthouse or Toledo Harbor Lighthouse by Ohio artist Ben Richmond, or the Lake Erie life ring.	Due dates available bi-annually – dates change annually.	2006 — Present	Lynn Garrity Ohio Lake Erie Commission PO Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 506-0619 lakeeriecommission@lakeerie.ohio.gov
Mosquito Control Grants Ohio Revised Code 3734	Local health departments and other related governmental entities defined as an agency of the state. Any agency of the state applying for MCG monies that is not a local health department must demonstrate collaboration with a local health department by obtaining sponsorship of the MCG and a letter of support.	The Mosquito Control Grant (MCG) Program is a collaborative effort between Ohio EPA and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). The MCG Program was developed to make funding available to entities responsible for implementing mosquito control and source reduction measures in support of Ohio's efforts to reduce the potential for an outbreak of mosquito-borne viruses such as Zika, West Nile, and La Cross Encephalitis. Approximately \$650,000 are available for 2019.	March 31	2016 — Present	Leanne Greenlee or Jeff Montavon Ohio EPA P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-2621 mosquito.grant@epa.ohio.gov
Ohio Environmental Education Fund Ohio Revised Code 3745.22	All local subdivisions of government, local schools and school boards, universities, non-profit organizations, for-profit companies, state agencies.	Mini grants \$500 — \$5,000 and General Grants \$5,000 — \$50,000. Education projects targeting pre-school through university students and teachers, the public and the regulated community. Ten percent cash or in-kind match required. Approximately \$750,000 awarded annually.	January 15 and July 15 each year. Applications must be submitted online through Ohio EPA's eBusiness Center. (Electronic Letter of Intent to Apply due no later than January 8 and July 8 to receive user ID and password for online grant application software.)	1991 — Present	Dennis Clement or Carolyn Watkins Ohio EPA Office of Environmental Education P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-2873 oeef@epa.ohio.gov
Ohio Environmental Science and Engineering Scholarships Ohio Revised Code 3745.22(A)	Full-time students majoring in environmental science, environmental engineering or related fields at Ohio colleges and universities.	\$1,250 for students in the second year of two-year programs; \$2,500 for students in the fourth or fifth year of 4-5 year programs. Administered by the Ohio Academy of Science for the Ohio Environmental Education Fund at Ohio EPA.	Postmarked by May 1 every year.	2000 — Present	Carolyn Watkins Ohio EPA Office of Environmental Education P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-2873 oeef@epa.ohio.gov or oas@iwaynet.net

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Recycling Market Development Grants Ohio Revised Code 3736	Businesses and non-profit organizations are eligible to receive MDG funds, but must be sponsored by agency of the state, as established in ORC Sections 343, 3736, and all applicable sections of the ORC. An agency of the state may be a municipal corporation, county, township, village, state college and university, or solid waste management district and authority.	The Recycling and Litter Prevention Grant Program offers up to \$200,000 for Market Development projects that propose to create the infrastructure necessary for successful markets of recyclable materials and related products.	Annually on or about February	2008 — Present	Katie Courtright Ohio EPA P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 705-1147 katie.courtright@epa.ohio.gov
Scrap Tire Grants Ohio Revised Code 3736	Businesses and non-profit organizations are eligible to receive STG funds, but must be sponsored by agency of the state, as established in ORC Sections 343, 3736, and all applicable sections of the ORC. An agency of the state may be a municipal corporation, county, township, village, state college and university, or solid waste management district and authority.	The Recycling and Litter Prevention Grant Program offers up to \$300,000 for Scrap Tire projects that propose to create the infrastructure necessary for successful markets of scrap tire materials and related products.	Annually on or about February	2008 — Present	Katie Courtright Ohio EPA P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 705-1147 katie.courtright@epa.ohio.gov
Surface Water Improvement Fund Ohio Revised Code 6111.0382	Local governments, county park districts, soil and water conservation districts, city and/or county health departments, 501(c)(3) nonprofit conservation groups with land management responsibilities, watershed groups (with local government sponsorship), state agencies with land managing responsibilities, recognized land conservancies or trusts.	Up to \$150,000 for implementation of specific projects that address nonpoint source pollution and/or storm water runoff and result in water quality improvements in Ohio's streams, rivers and lakes.	Annually	2010 — Present	John Mathews Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 265-6685 john.mathews@epa.ohio.gov
Targeted Brownfield Assessment (TBA) Program Federal Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Act P.L. 107-118	Local governments, port authorities, park districts and other public entities in Ohio.	Grant funding is available to provide property assessments that will facilitate brownfield redevelopment and encourage participation in the Voluntary Action Program at no cost to eligible public entities. Assessment services are provided to public entities by qualified environmental firms under contract with Ohio EPA as well as the Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization's Site Investigation Field Unit. Examples of assessment projects that can be provided include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase I environmental site assessments • Certified asbestos inspection of buildings • Geophysical surveys • Limited Phase II Property Assessment (screening evaluation or supplemental assessment) For more funding resources, please visit the Community Brownfield Funding Resources page.	Applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis.	2002 — Present	Dan Tjoelker, TBA/Grant Coordinator Ohio EPA Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-3750 daniel.tjoelker@epa.ohio.gov

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<i>Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF)</i> Ohio Revised Code 6111.036	Public entities (includes villages, cities, counties, and sewer districts) are eligible for wastewater projects; Public or private entities may potentially be eligible for nonpoint source projects. All applicants must demonstrate a dedicated source of repayment for the loan.	Below-market interest rate loans are awarded to eligible applicants for planning, design, and construction of wastewater treatment facilities and sewer systems. The standard below-market interest rate is established monthly and is 1.25% below the general obligation bond index rate. The program also offers a small community interest rate, as well as hardship interest rates of 0% and 1%. Limited principal forgiveness is available. There are currently no minimum or maximum loan amounts. Approximately \$500 million is loaned out each year.	Nominations are accepted on an annual basis, with a deadline of August 31, for the upcoming program year, which begins January 1. Actual loan applications are due approximately three months before the projected loan award date.		Becky McKinney Program Administrator Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-3636 rebecca.mckinney@epa.ohio.gov
<i>Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP)</i> Ohio Revised Code 6111.036	Public or private, non-profit entities.	The Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP) was created to counter the loss of ecological function and biological diversity that jeopardizes the health of Ohio's water resources. This program funds both preservation and restoration of aquatic habitat to accomplish this goal. The WRRSP relies on having a sponsoring wastewater loan from the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF). The WRRSP sponsor can be a different entity than the WRRSP implementer. Funds for WRRSP projects will be made available by advancing a portion of the estimated amount of interest to be repaid by the sponsor over the life of the WPCLF loan.	Nominations are accepted on an annual basis, with a deadline of July 31, for the upcoming program year, which begins January 1. Projects which are identified as fundable will meet program requirements in the first year, and then receive their assistance award in the second year.		Steve Malone Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-3663 steve.malone@epa.ohio.gov
<i>Water Supply Revolving Loan Account/Drinking Water Assistance Fund (WSRLA/DWAF)</i> Ohio Revised Code 6109.22	Community water systems, both privately and publicly owned, and nonprofit non-community water systems.	Below-market interest rate loans are awarded to eligible applicants for planning, design, and construction of water treatment facilities, storage facilities and distributions system improvements. The standard below-market interest rate is established monthly and is 1.25% below the general obligation bond index rate. The program also offers a small community interest rate, as well as three different tiers of Disadvantaged community rates. Limited principal forgiveness is available. There are currently no minimum or maximum loan amounts. Approximately \$150 million can be loaned out each year.	Nominations are accepted on an annual basis, with a deadline of March 1, for the upcoming program year, which begins July 1.		Becky McKinney Program Administrator Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-3636 rebecca.mckinney@epa.ohio.gov

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Volkswagen Mitigation Trust Fund Grants VW Clean Air Act Civil Settlement with U.S. EPA	Public and private sector diesel fleets located in an eligible Ohio county, for repower or in some cases replacement with new clean diesel, alternative fuel (CNG, propane, hydrogen) or all-electric technology.	Eligible fleets include class 4-8 medium and large local freight trucks; class 4-8 school buses, shuttle buses and transit buses; freight switcher locomotives; ferries and tugboats; airport ground support equipment; port cargo handling equipment and forklifts. Funds can also be used to install shorepower for large ships in Ohio ports along Lake Erie, and for fueling/charging infrastructure for zero emission vehicles fueled by electricity or hydrogen. Ohio EPA expects to offer a single grant round of approximately \$15 million annually for several years.	Open first Monday in June and closes first Friday in August, in 2019 and 2020.	2018 — Present	Funding questions Carolyn Watkins Ohio EPA Office of Environmental Education P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, OH 43216-1049 (614) 644-2873 derg@epa.ohio.gov Technology Questions Alan Harness Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control (614) 644-4838