

KENTUCKY G.R.A.N.T. PROGRAM

HOUSE BILL 9

Beginning last year, the federal government has allocated over \$3 trillion in competitive grants, and has prioritized 25 areas for billions in projects. Kentucky has two of these areas - a collection of 21 counties in Eastern Kentucky and 20 counties in Western Kentucky, priming the Commonwealth to receive major federal investment.

A majority of nonprofits surveyed by Grant Ready Kentucky say that grant match requirements are a significant barrier to accessing federal funding.

To mitigate this problem, Kentucky nonprofit advocates championed House Bill 9, the Government Resources Accelerating Needed Transformation (G.R.A.N.T.) Program, sponsored by Rep. Richard Heath and co-sponsored by Rep. Jason Petrie.

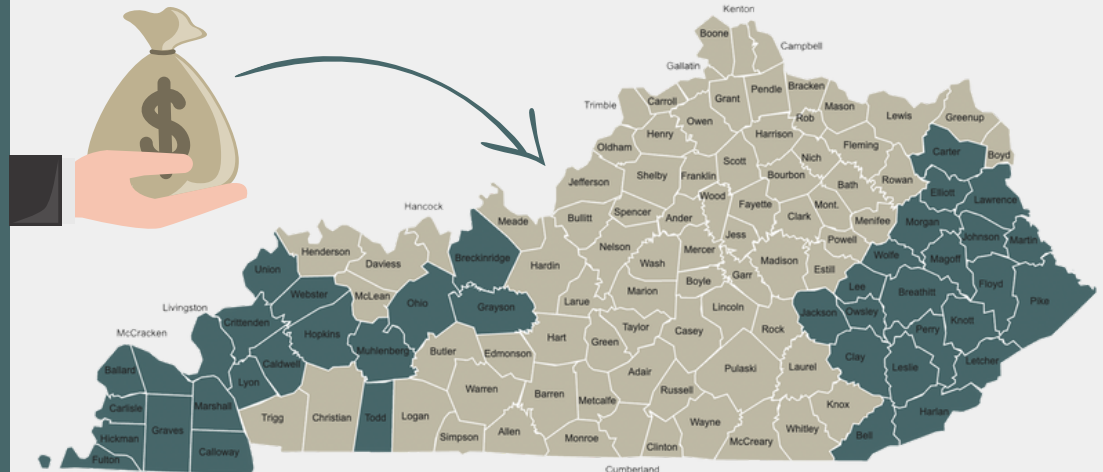


These federal grants cover a broad array of services and projects - infrastructure, housing, workforce development, STEM education, agriculture, substance use disorder treatment and more. The list is broad and expansive.

PUTTING KENTUCKY ON THE MAP WITH HB9

The G.R.A.N.T. program establishes an innovative grant matching fund in Kentucky, enabling better access to federal resources for nonprofit projects in rural communities. Any non-profit, local government, ADD, or coalition of these entities can apply for the matching component of a federal grant.

The program will be administered by the Kentucky Department for Local Government and will prioritize public benefit projects in 41 Kentucky counties that have seen significant energy job losses. Counties not included on the list can apply as part of a regional coalition provided that the federal grant project impacts one of the 41 counties. For additional information on federally identified areas visit energycommunities.gov



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