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City Announces Grant Opportunities

The City of Portland announces that the grant application process for the Community Opportunities and Enhancement Program is open. These grants are intended to help build a more diverse, local construction workforce and assist disadvantaged, minority-owned, women-owned, service disabled veteran owned and emerging small businesses with technical and project management assistance. The funds were allocated by City Council for the Portland Building Reconstruction, Washington Park Reservoir, and Yamhill Garage projects.

All three projects include aggressive requirements and goals for workforce diversity and certified subcontractor utilization at all levels and in all trades. The City is dedicated to improving opportunities and increasing participation by women and minorities on construction projects.

Grant funding will be considered for two areas: workforce development for women and minorities, and technical and project management assistance for disadvantaged, minority-owned, women-owned, service disabled veteran owned and emerging small businesses. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 3, 2018. More information – including the grant application and instructions – can be found at www.portlandoregon.gov/brfs/coep

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