

Arkansas Economic Development Commission, Division of Rural Services
Fiscal Year 2018, Cycle 1 Grant Funding
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PURPOSE:

To present funding recommendations from AEDC Rural Services for the Arkansas Rural Community and Arkansas County Fair Building Grant Programs.

BACKGROUND:

Each fiscal year, AEDC Rural Services receives legislative appropriation to award funds from the above named grant programs.

Applications received by AEDC Rural Services go through the following process:

1. Reviewed for eligibility by Rural Services staff;
2. Eligible applications and rankings are then reviewed by the Rural Development Commission;
3. Recommendations are forwarded to the Governor; and
4. Recommendations are forwarded to Legislative Council for final approval.

COMMUNITIES IMPACTED:

- **Rural Community Grant Program** – Cities and towns with a population of less than 3,000 (no limit on unincorporated areas). Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, community centers, fire stations, parks, storm sirens, storm shelters, beautification projects and any equipment associated. The cap for this grant program is \$15,000 and requires a 50/50 match from all applicants.
- **Arkansas County Fair Building Grant Program** – Counties with a population of less than 55,000. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, construction or renovation of livestock barns, exhibit building, concession stands, bathroom facilities, auditorium and pavilion. It can also be used to purchase equipment such as doors, windows, siding, roofing, lawn mowers, toilets, showers, bleachers or other seating, major appliances. The cap on this grant program is \$4,000 and requires a 50/50 match from all applicants.

PROPOSED FUNDING:

- **Rural Community Grant Program**
 - Total Dollars Requested from Complete and Eligible Applications: \$368,344.00
 - ***Amount of Total Funding Recommendations: \$246,225.00***
- **Arkansas County Fair Building Grant Program**
 - Total Dollars Requested from Complete and Eligible Applications: \$5,885.50
 - ***Amount of Total Funding Recommendations: \$5,885.50***

Arkansas Rural Community Grant Programs
Complete and Eligible Applications By Program
Fiscal Year: 2018 Cycle: I

Grant Type: Community Development

Community	County	Requested	Project Narrative	Resubmit	Senator	Representative	Recommendation
City of Mountainburg	Crawford	\$6,586.00	The City of Mountainburg is requesting \$6,586 to continue the remodel of the community/senior center.	<input type="checkbox"/>	King	Coleman	\$0.00
City of Yellville	Marion	\$15,000.00	The City of Yellville is requesting \$15,000 to add fencing and dugouts for the T-Ball fields for the summer youth sports programs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flippo	Fortner	\$15,000.00
Town of Rudy	Crawford	\$15,000.00	The Town of Rudy is requesting \$15,000 to renovate the city park including removal of an existing storage building and construction of a new one. They will also be adding electricity to the concession stand and updating the pavilion and the stage.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	King	Coleman	\$15,000.00
City of Black Oak	Craighead	\$15,000.00	The City of Black Oak is requesting \$15,000 to renovate a building to use as a museum to preserve the rich history of Black Oak, Arkansas.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wallace	Sullivan	\$15,000.00
City of Greenland	Washington	\$15,000.00	The City of Greenland is requesting \$15,000 to add lighting at Taylor Park. The lighting would be focused around the playground equipment, exercise equipment and the walking trail.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lindsey	Collins	\$15,000.00
City of Holly Grove	Monroe	\$10,162.00	The City of Holly Grove is requesting \$10,162 to purchase a mini track-hoe and trailer.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dismang	Murdock	\$10,162.00
City of Horseshoe Bend	Izard	\$15,000.00	The City of Horseshoe Bend is requesting \$15,000 for park renovation to include the pavilion and related concrete work and picnic tables.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Collins-Smith	Michelle Gray	\$0.00
City of Jasper	Newton	\$14,584.00	The City of Jasper is requesting \$14,584 for the continued development of Bradley Park and recreational facilities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Standridge	Branscum	\$14,584.00
City of Leachville	Mississippi	\$15,000.00	The City of Leachville is requesting \$15,000 to purchase additional playground equipment for the city park.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wallace	Rye	\$15,000.00

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City of Little Flock	Benton	\$15,000.00	The City of Little Flock is requesting \$15,000 to fund the cost of constructing a per-fabricated modular restroom building with two fixtures and two lavatories at the Little Flock City Park.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hester	McCollum	\$15,000.00
City of Marshall	Searcy	\$15,000.00	The City of Marshall is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a 90 hp tractor with snow plow for clearing of streets and roadways during severe weather events.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irvin	Branscum	\$15,000.00
City of Pangburn	White	\$5,707.00	The City of Pangburn is requesting \$5,707 to replace concrete bleachers with aluminum bleachers to increase the seating capacity for their games.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irvin	Farrer	\$5,707.00
City of Ravenden Springs	Randolph	\$3,200.00	The City of Ravenden Springs is requesting \$3,200 to purchase a zero turn lawn mower.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Collins-Smith	Cavanaugh	\$0.00
City of Salesville	Baxter	\$15,000.00	The City of Salesville is requesting \$15,000 for the demolition of their current contaminated fire station in order to rebuild a bigger station in the future.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irvin	Payton	\$0.00
City of Sulphur Springs	Benton	\$15,000.00	The City of Sulphur Springs is requesting \$15,000 to replace the windows and doors in the Sulphur Springs Library.	<input type="checkbox"/>	J. Hendren	K. Hendren	\$15,000.00
Rose Creek	Perry	\$1,742.00	The community of Rose Creek is requesting \$1,742 for building improvements to their community building to include HVAC, hot water heater, paint, replace the door and locks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sanders	Bentley	\$1,742.00
Searcy County	Searcy	\$8,877.00	Searcy County is requesting \$8,877 to replace the ceiling tiles at the Searcy County Civic Center and paint the interior walls.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irvin	Branscum	\$0.00
The Town of Cale	Nevada	\$4,133.00	The Town of Cale is requesting \$4,133 to purchase and install a generator for the Cale Community Center.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maloch	Fielding Watson	\$4,133.00
Town of Ravenden	Lawrence	\$4,500.00	The Town of Ravenden is requesting \$4,500 to build a 20x30 foot pavilion with a handicap ramp in the Ravenden Town Park.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Johnson	Cavanaugh	\$0.00
Yarborough	Little River	\$4,625.00	Yarborough is requesting \$4,625 to purchase and install a new HVAC in the community center.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hickey, Jr.	Vaught	\$4,625.00

Summary for 'Grant Type' = Community Development (20 detail records)

Total Requested: \$214,116.00

Total Recommendation: \$160,953.00

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Grant Type: Fire Protection

Community	County	Requested	Project Narrative	Resubmit	Senator	Representative	Recommendation
Armored Fire Department	Mississippi	\$15,000.00	Armored Fire Department is requesting \$15,000 to construct a 40x50 addition to their existing fire station.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wallace	M. Hodges	\$0.00
City of Bay	Craighead	\$15,000.00	The City of Bay is requesting \$15,000 to construct a new fire station to replace a 60 year old fire station that can no longer be expanded.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wallace	Tosh	\$15,000.00
City of Big Flat	Baxter	\$14,725.00	The City of Big Flat is requesting \$14,725 to purchase 6 SCBAs, and 3 spare carbon cylinders to bring fire fighting equipment in line with NFPA requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irvin	Payton	\$0.00
City of Mansfield	Sebastian	\$9,672.00	The City of Mansfield is requesting \$9,672 to purchase 13 sets of structure fire turnout gear.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rice	Eubanks	\$0.00
Columbia County	Columbia	\$11,465.00	Columbia County is requesting \$11,465 to purchase and install a repeater for emergency services communication between 7 fire departments and ambulance services.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maloch	Fielding	\$0.00
Crows Station Volunteer Fire Department	Saline	\$5,617.00	The Crows Station Volunteer Fire Department is requesting \$5,617 to purchase 4 new sets of turnout gear.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sample	L. Fite	\$5,617.00
Glencoe Fire Department	Fulton	\$7,781.00	The Glencoe Fire Department is requesting \$7,781 to purchase 8 SCBA bottles, 2 SCBA back packs with bottles and mask, 2 AEDs, auto extrication pump, cutter, and spreader.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irvin	Baltz	\$7,781.00
HWY 94 East VFD	Benton	\$15,000.00	HWY 94 East Volunteer Fire Department is requesting \$15,000 to purchase a fire/rescue quick response boat to be used on Beaver Lake.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bledsoe	G. Hodges	\$15,000.00
Salem Fire Department	Saline	\$15,000.00	The Salem Fire Department is requesting \$15,000 to begin phase I construction of a new fire station at the corner of Old Congo Road and Brown Lane outside of Benton.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hutchinson	L. Fite	\$0.00
Satellite VFD	Miller	\$15,000.00	Satellite VFD is requesting \$15,000 for phase I of building a new fire department (slab and lay out of plumbing) to house a 40x80 building.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hickey, Jr.	Jean	\$15,000.00

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Scranton Rural Fire Department	Logan	\$14,015.00	The Scranton Rural Fire Department is requesting \$14,015 to purchase five new SCBA systems that will allow SRFD to comply with NFPA 2013 standards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stubblefield	Eubanks	\$14,015.00
Watalula Vol. Fire Department	Franklin	\$3,094.00	The Watalula Volunteer Fire Department is requesting \$3,094 to purchase fire fighting equipment, specifically water supply and delivery equipment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stubblefield	Capp	\$0.00
Williford Vol. Fire Department	Sharp	\$12,859.00	Williford Volunteer Fire Department is requesting \$12,859 to construct a 40x50 metal building to house their tanker truck.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Collins-Smith	Cavanaugh	\$12,859.00
Summary for 'Grant Type' = Fire Protection (13 detail records)							
Total Requested:		\$154,228.00	Total Recommendation:		\$85,272.00		
Total Requested:		\$368,344.00	Total Recommendation:		\$246,225.00		

