

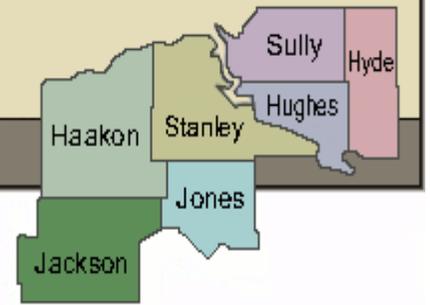
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SD Governor’s Economic Development Conference Scheduled

The 2014 South Dakota Governor’s Economic Development Conference is scheduled for April 15-16 in Sioux Falls. Keynote speaker Mike Hourigan, President of Hourigan & Associates, will present a fun and fact-filled session that will help make your next meeting, hosting or phone call even more effective.



Participants will also have the chance to learn about growing entrepreneurs, marketing, a closer look at the SD workforce, and the economic development resources available in South Dakota. For a complete conference agenda and other registration information, please visit www.sdreadytopartner.com.

Recreation Trails Program Funding Available



Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is a federal aid assistance program to help states provide and maintain recreational trails for both motorized and non-motorized trail use. Applications are due April 11, 2014.

Upcoming Events/Deadlines

May 26—Memorial Day Observed—District Office Closed

SDDENR Application Deadlines for Water, Wastewater, and Storm Drainage Grant and Loan Funds are due **April 1 & July 1**

State Water Plan Application Deadlines for Water, Wastewater and Storm Drainage projects that wish SDDENR financing—**May 1 and August 1.**

SD DOT Industrial Park grants and Agri-Business Grants Deadline – April 15 and July 15

Recreation Trails Program Funding Grant Application Deadline- April 11

CDBG Application Deadlines—April 1, & October 1

Economic Development Partnership Program Deadline – April 30th

The program provides up to 80% reimbursement funds for all kinds of recreational trail uses ranging from pedestrian use, bicycling, and snowmobiling. If your county or community is interested in having the District assist with an application or has questions, please contact the District at 773-2780.

Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission's Outside of Deadwood Grant Program

Since 2002 the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission has helped promote the preservation and interpretation of historic sites, buildings, and properties throughout the state with the Outside-of-Deadwood Grant program. The program, which awards up to \$250,000 each year, stimulates quality restoration, protection, and interpretation of buildings, sites, and properties that contribute to an understanding of Deadwood's unique history. This total exceeds \$2.5 million dollars.

In the past Outside-of-Deadwood Grants have been awarded to communities across South Dakota including: Buffalo Gap, Sisseton, Dell Rapids, Hitchcock, Hot Springs, Gettysburg, Gregory, Lead, Pierre, Rapid City, Spearfish, Mitchell, and Sioux Falls.

Grants are awarded in the winter and summer. The deadline for receipt of an application is **January 2** and **June 2** annually. National Historic Landmarks or National Register properties owned and operated by not-for-profits or governmental entities are welcome to apply. Other projects with a relationship to Deadwood's history organized by not-for-profits are also encouraged to apply. Funds will typically not exceed \$25,000.

The Deadwood Fund

The Deadwood Fund is created out of gaming proceeds from the City of Deadwood. The purpose of the fund is to make loans and grants to purchase, restore, or develop historic South Dakota properties for residential, commercial, or public purposes.

Individuals, organizations, and public agencies sponsoring projects to retain, restore or rehabilitate historic buildings, structures or sites by returning them to a state of utility, through repair or alteration, which makes possible an efficient contemporary use while preserving those portions and features of the properties which are significant to their historic, architectural, and cultural values and meeting the grant criteria are eligible to apply for a Deadwood Fund grant.

There are two opportunities to apply for funding annually. The first deadline is **February 1** and the second is **October 1**. Projects may not start until after an award is granted. Under this historic preservation program, the grants ranging from \$1,000

to \$25,000 will be awarded for projects that retain, restore, or rehabilitate historic buildings, structures, and archaeological sites in South Dakota for residential, commercial, or public purposes. The Deadwood Fund is run out of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), a program of the South Dakota State Historical Society.

GOED - Economic Development Partnership Program and Local Infrastructure Improvement Program

The Economic Development Partnership program provides matching grants to assist in funding equipment and training needs, new staff, or to elevate existing part-time staff, for the purpose of developing or expanding local and community economic development programs. Economic Development Partnership Grants may also be used to commence or replenish local revolving loan funds for the purpose of developing or expanding housing, community development, and economic development programs. The Local Infrastructure Improvement program provides grants to assist in funding the construction or reconstruction of infrastructure for the purpose of serving economic development projects.

Any nonprofit development corporation, tribal government, municipality, county, or other political subdivision of this state may apply to the Board of Economic Development for either/both grants under this program. Any funds awarded under the economic development partnership fund shall be provided on a matching basis. The board will consider applications on a quarterly basis. Any application received by **April 30th** will be considered by the board at their June meeting.



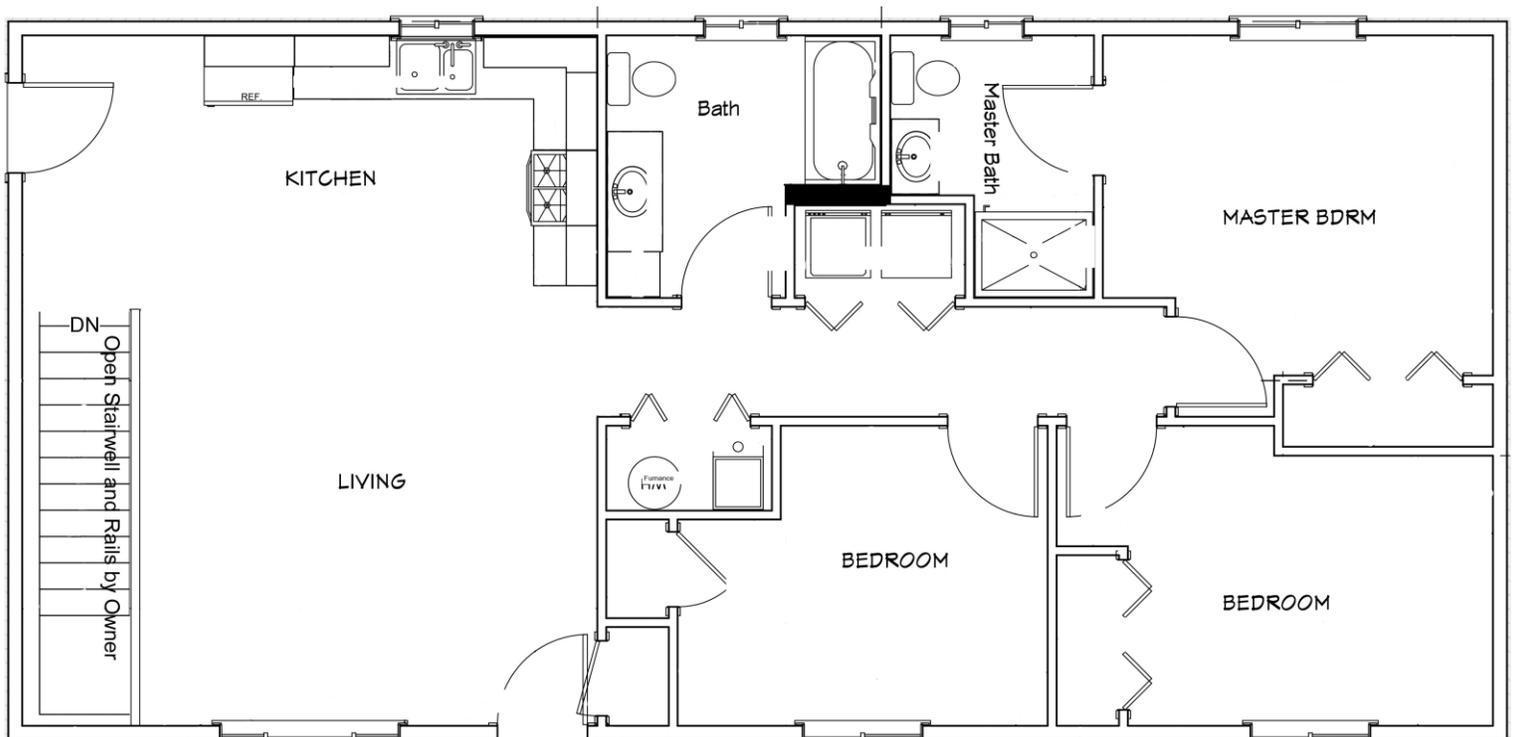
Governor's House Program Update

In 1996, the Governor's House program was created as a way to provide reasonably sized, affordable homes to income-qualified individuals and families. More than 2,000 Governor's Houses have been sold to elderly, persons with disabilities, and income-qualified families in South Dakota. These South Dakota residents have a quality, low-cost, low-maintenance, energy efficient place to call home.

Qualifications for the program: Household income cannot exceed \$45,220 for couples or individuals and \$51,680 for families of three or more. For families and individuals under the age of 62, net worth must be less than \$90,000 and less than \$70,000 in liquid assets. For families and individuals age 62 and older, net worth must be less than \$175,000 and less than \$100,000 in liquid assets. All qualification figures are subject to change. The house must be used as the homebuyer's only residence. The house must be placed within South Dakota and be owned by the individual(s) living in the home. There are several two-bedroom floor plans. There is the 1,008 square feet standard and reverse layout as well as a narrow house layout.

New Three Bedroom Governor's House

As of January 17, 2014, South Dakota Housing Authority announced that available for purchase is a 1,200 square feet three-bedroom Governor's House. The three-bedroom homes are subject to the same eligibility requirements as the two-bedroom homes. The reverse layout of the three-bedroom home is pictured below:



The house price, which includes delivery and placement, is **\$39,800** for the two-bedroom and **\$45,500** for the three-bedroom plus excise and sales tax. The house price is subject to change.

To learn more about the Governor's House Program, including opportunities for school districts and private development, income guidelines, or if you know of someone who might want to purchase a home, please have them contact the CSDED Office or go to the District website at www.csded.org.



Community Development Block Grant Program

The CDBG program is changing for 2014 with a two application cycle for the Community Projects Account, instead of three. New deadlines will be April 1 and October 1. Contact CSDED for assistance with applications as CDBG applications must be prepared and administered with the assistance of a planning district.

The state’s CDBG program is funded through an annual formula allocation from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program allows the state to fund a variety of different projects in small cities and rural areas. All projects must meet one of HUD’s national objectives, with the primary objective to benefit people of low-moderate income (LMI.)

Eligible applicants include all incorporated municipalities and counties. (Rapid City, Sioux Falls, and Tribal governments are the exception because these entities receive direct funding from HUD.) Eligible applicants may apply for funding on behalf of townships, unincorporated communities, and certain non-profit associations.

South Dakota separates their annual allocation into three separate accounts:

1. The Community Projects Account is available for a wide range of community development needs. Typical projects include water and wastewater infrastructure, community centers, workforce training, medical centers, and senior centers.
2. The Special Projects Account is available to help communities provide industrial infrastructure to assist businesses promising to create new job opportunities for LMI persons.
3. The Imminent Threat account is available to help communities address an urgent need of recent origin which poses a risk to the health and safety of its residents.

Eligible projects must be consistent with at least one of the State’s program objectives:

1. Promote more rational land use.
2. Provide increased economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons.
3. Correct deficiencies in public facilities that affect the public health, safety or welfare, especially of low and moderate income persons.

SDDOT Grant Programs Available

The South Dakota Department of Transportation has developed a grant program to foster economic development and enhance community access in South Dakota. The program has three categorical purposes.

The **Industrial Park grants** will be made to any local unit of government for the development of new or expanded access for new industry located within industrial parks. Applications due April 15, July 15, or October 15.

The **Agri-Business grants** will be made to any local unit of government for the development of new or expanded agri-business industries. Applications are due April 15, July 15, or October 15.

The **Community Access Grants** are state funds for towns less than 5,000 in population and are for the construction or reconstruction of major streets in each town such as Main Street, the road to the elevator, schools, hospitals, etc. Applications are due July 15.

These programs provide for 60% of the construction costs of the project, not including engineering or utility work. Grant size is limited to \$200,000.

Please contact the District Staff if you need assistance with an application. Applications will need engineering reports with cross-sectional drawings and cost estimates.



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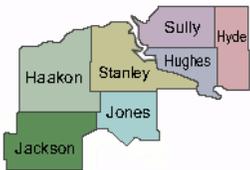
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