



Recreational Trails Program

Moving Ahead for Progress in the
21st Century Extension
(MAP-21 Extension)



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and Historic Preservation**

RTP in CFA 2015

- **Up to \$1.2 Million** is available.
- The maximum grant award is **\$200,000**, and the minimum award is **\$5,000**.
- All trails must be physically and legally accessible to the public



Eligible Project Categories

1. Maintenance and restoration of existing trails
2. Trailside, trailhead facilities, and trail linkages
3. Purchase/lease of trail equipment
4. Construction of new trails
5. Acquisition of easements and fee simple title to property
6. Assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance



Eligible Applicants

- Municipalities
- State Agencies
- Federal Agencies
- Other Government entities
- Not-for-profit Corporations



All applicants must have an ownership interest in the project property



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Requirements for Not-for-Profit Applicants

- Register AND pre-qualify in the **Grants Gateway** by the application due date.
- Provide the **Document Vault Identifier** in the CFA such as GDV-XXXXXX-XXXX.
- Upload the **State Prequalification Application Status Report** from the **Grants Gateway** to the CFA as proof of successful prequalification.



Reimbursement

- Successful applicants are reimbursed for up to **80 percent** of their eligible expenditures.
- All grantees are expected to submit a payment request within ten months of the federal approval date and at least annually thereafter.
- All projects must be completed within five (5) years from the federal approval date.



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Pre-Construction Requirements

- Environmental review:
SEQR & NEPA
- Design Report
concurrence by NYSDOT
- Buy America
- Affirmative Action
Contract Requirements:
DBE& EEO



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Tips for Preparing a Competitive Application

Visit www.nysparks.com/grants.

1. Read the **CFA Guidance Document** as linked from the Consolidated Funding Application web page.
2. Work closely with the **Regional Grants Administrator** for your county as listed on the Grants Contact web page.
3. Provide all of the required documentation and any necessary supporting documentation as described on the **Attachment Checklist** on our web site and as marked in the online application.



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More Tips for Preparing a Competitive Application

4. Explain how project is identified by or advances the Statewide Trails Plan or a local trail plan.
5. Demonstrate how your project meets the 2015 funding priorities
6. Pay particular attention to the **Budget** questions.



More Tips for Preparing a Competitive Application

7. Click on **HELP** for each question in the CFA.
8. **Do not commence work, purchase equipment, or hire professionals** before award or contract without consulting with the Regional Grants Administrator for your county.
9. If you are applying to other agencies in addition to OPRHP, **show what part of the project is specific to the RTP Program.**



APPLICATION DEADLINE: **FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2015**

Do not wait until 4:00 PM to submit your application. Start now, read all available guidance, and prepare accordingly.

Good luck!



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