

Canalway Grants Program

- Q1. Do funds also apply to fragments of old canals as well as the new sections?**
A1. Projects along the historic alignment of the four canals that comprise today's NYS Canal System – Champlain, Erie, Oswego and Cayuga-Seneca are eligible for funding. Other historic/abandoned canals in the state are not.
- Q2. Are planning funds available through the CFA?**
A2. The Canal CFA is for Capital Projects only
- Q3. How do I know if my project is located in an eligible community?**
A3. A list of Canalway grant eligible communities can be found at this link:
<http://www.canals.ny.gov/community/grant-muni.html>
- Q4. What waterways does a project have to be along in order to become eligible for this program?**
A4. The project has to be along one of the four NYS canals, the Erie, Oswego, Champlain and Cayuga/Seneca, along the historic canal alignment, or along or connecting to the Canalway trail.
- Q5. Can matching grants be used for property that has been purchased, but undeveloped?**
A5. Yes as long as the project being developed meets the criteria for a canalway project
- Q6. We've already been funded and have not yet completed the project, can we request more even though we're not finished with the project from the first round of funding?**
A6. You may apply for additional funding, but the application may score lower than one that has completed their project.
- Q7. Can you offset with another canal project?**
A7. Yes.
- Q8. If you add more to an existing project that had been awarded previously, can that be the basis to apply again?**
A8. Yes.
- Q9. Can you use the same project to apply for funding with different agencies?**
A9. Yes.
- Q10. If you already have an Environmental Protection Fund grant and are looking for further improvements, can you apply for additional funding through Canals?**
A10. Yes, the canal grant can be used to compliment EPF funded improvements on canal projects.
- Q11. Is the NYS Canal System an eligible waterway under the LWRP?**
A11. Yes

Q12. **Can an LWRP grant for the same project in the same round be used as the match for the canal grant?**

A12. Yes. There is not a problem using another grant to match ours. If a grantee is trying to use another grant that they don't have yet -because it's the same round - we allow the application and leave it to the scoring team. Normally they would score lower in the budget category since the match is not guaranteed.