



LOCKTON® Occupational Safety Grants 2012

1. **Maine**

http://www.memun.org/RMS/LC/enhancement_grant.pdf

Safety Enhancement Grants offer financial incentives to members to purchase safety equipment or services that assist in reducing the frequency and severity of workplace injuries. The grants match your investment on a 2:1 ratio basis. Interested members must submit an application form including the description and intended purpose of the safety equipment or service and how it will make the workplace safer. Grant requests must be for single items or groups of related items.

Eligibility

Only current Workers' Compensation Fund members are eligible to participate. Grants are awarded in May and October of each year. To be eligible for the May awards, your application must be received between October 1 and April 30. Applications for the October awards must be received between May 1 and September 30.

Maine Municipal Association

Risk Management Services

60 Community Drive

PO Box 9109

Augusta, ME 04332-9109

Attn: Loss Control Department

2. **Massachusetts**

http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=elwdterminal&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Businesses&L2=Workers'+Compensation&L3=Office+Of+Safety&L4=Safety+Grant+Program&sid=Elwd&cb=terminalcontent&f=dia_safety_grant_program&csid=Elwd

SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Every fiscal year, the Department of Industrial Accidents (DIA) through the Office of Safety, awards \$800,000 in safety training grants to various organizations. In each fiscal year, thousands of persons receive workplace training through programs funded by the DIA grant. This highly successful program provides monies for workplace safety training aimed at workers throughout the Commonwealth.

The prevention of occupational injury and illness is in everyone's best interest. This grant, entitled "Occupational Safety Health Education and Training Program", is issued under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law 152, Chapter 23E, Section 3, and is administered by the DIA's Office of safety. The goal of the program is to promote safe and healthy conditions in the workplace through training, education, and other preventative programs for employees and/or employers of industries operating within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and whose entire staff are covered by the Massachusetts Workers' Compensation Law (MGL c. 152), sole proprietorship, DBA or self-insured.

The Department of Industrial Accidents, through the Office of Safety, is the only state agency in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts whose primary function is to provide financial assistance for the prevention of occupational injury, illness and death in the workplace.

Under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law 152, Chapter 23E, Section 3, the DIA Office of Safety Grant Program is charged with funding programs for the education and training of employees and employers in the recognition, avoidance and prevention of unsafe or unhealthy conditions in the workplace. To fulfill this mandate, the Office of Safety will award funds to qualified applicants.

How to Apply for a Safety Grant

The application process:

- ❖ In October to December, the DIA Office of Safety sends a letter to those on our mailing list, announcing the availability of the Grant Application. The application is also available online.
- ❖ The proposals that are received are reviewed by the Application Evaluation Committee within 30-60 days, and are graded for program administration, scope, design, budget and other factors (see the current Grant Application for complete details).
- ❖ Upon completion of the process, in April or May, the organizations whose grants are selected for funding will be notified.
- ❖ The programs can begin and budgets developed once final contract documentation has been processed, upon the signing of the state budget and upon receiving your contract.

For More Information

Any questions concerning the FY11 grant application process can be directed to the Office of Safety automatic response system by e-mailing safety@dia.state.ma.us.

To learn more about the Commonwealth Procurement Access and Solicitation system, please visit [Comm-PASS](#).

3. Michigan

BCBSM: <http://www.bcbsm.com/foundation/grant.shtml>

4. Minnesota

www.dli.mn.gov/WSC/grants.asp

SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM

The Safety Grant Program awards funds up to \$10,000 to qualifying employers for projects designed to reduce the risk of injury and illness to their workers. To qualify, an employer must meet the following conditions:

- ❖ The employer must have workers' compensation insurance.
- ❖ The employer must come under the jurisdiction of Minnesota OSHA.
- ❖ A qualified safety professional must have conducted an on-site inspection and there must be a written report with recommendations based on the inspection.
- ❖ The project must be consistent with the recommendations of the safety inspection and must reduce the risk of injury or disease to employees.
- ❖ The employer must have the knowledge and experience to complete the project, and must be committed to its implementation.
- ❖ The employer must be able to match the grant money awarded and all estimated project costs must be covered.
- ❖ The project must be supported by all public entities involved and comply with federal, state and local regulations where applicable.

If the number of qualified applicants exceeds the availability of funds, priority will be given to:

1. Sites providing goods-producing (mining, construction, manufacturing) or service-producing (transportation, communication, utilities, trade, finance, insurance, real estate services, government) jobs for a large proportion of workers in the area;
2. Projects at sites where jobs have been lost or are jeopardized because of problems related to safety shortcomings; and other projects.

If your grant is approved, you will be notified in writing of the specific approval. Whether we approve your grant application or not, in no way diminishes, delays or absolves you of any obligation to abate hazards as required by law. No state funds will be distributed until all grant documents are signed by all parties; funds expended before that must not rely on grant approval.

Invoices dated prior to the fully executed contract date are not eligible for this program. Each grant project must be completed within 120 days of the final date of the grant agreement document.

Note: Grants do not cover computers or programs, vehicles, weapons or your employee labor costs, equipment time or materials.

Grant applications are accepted on a continuous basis and are reviewed bimonthly.

An employer that has received a grant for a particular worksite will not be eligible to receive another grant for that worksite during the two years after the date of the award.

For more information, contact Workplace Safety Consultation at dli.grants@state.mn.us or (651) 284-5060; (toll-free at 1-800-731-7232).

5. **New Jersey**

http://www.hfnj.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=68&Itemid=73

GRANT GUIDELINES

To be considered for support, a proposal must fit the Foundation's mission and address key physical and/or mental health issues in the Foundation's priority areas:

- **Vulnerable populations in the greater Newark, NJ community**
- **At-risk individuals and families in the MetroWest Jewish community**
- **Clinical research/medical education initiatives that significantly and directly impact the above-**

named populations

- **Promotion of humanism in medicine in ways that directly impact patient care**

Grants are made only to private, non-profit organizations that have tax exempt status under Section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Service Code and that are not private foundations. The Foundation does not make grants to individuals or government agencies.

The Foundation receives far more requests for funding than it has funds available to contribute. A decision not to fund a grant application should not be construed as a reflection on the particular organization or the program's merits.

In reviewing a request for funding, the Trustees and staff of the Foundation are sensitive to the following five concerns:

Mission Appropriateness

The Foundation seeks grant proposals that promise innovation and change or a significant enhancement of services. Projects must be consistent with our mission of health and caring, and our commitment to vulnerable and at-risk populations in the greater Newark or MetroWest NJ catchment areas.

Impact and Value

Proposals should clearly identify the target population, the numbers served, and the specific impact that success will bring. The cost of the initiative should be commensurate with its anticipated impact.

Sustainability

A plan for sustainability is an important component of the grant proposal. How the agency will sustain the initiative and its benefits beyond the period of HFNJ funding plays a critical role in our decision making.

Efficacy and Evaluation

The Project Evaluation Chart is a key component of the proposal. The applicant is required to complete this logic model, setting forth project goals and objectives, specific activities that relate to each and that will support their successful achievement, and specific indicators to be used to define and measure the success of each activity. When interim and final reports are submitted, actual results that relate to each of the designated activities as measured by the tools specified must be recounted.

[Information to assist you in developing your Evaluation Plan.](#)

The Agency Partnership

The Foundation seeks to partner with agencies that are passionate with regard to their mission and meet high standards of governance, accountability, and fiscal management. Potential grantees should have a track record of programmatic integrity and success. We consider ourselves to be a responsive and collaborative organization, and look for the same in our grantees.

The Foundation does not typically fund the following:

Organizations outside of Essex, Morris, or Union County, NJ

Programs NOT related to health care

Direct support of an individual's healthcare needs

Fundraising events or campaigns

Advertising campaigns

Lobbying

Scholarships

Indirect or overhead costs are not automatically funded and must be justified as part of the proposed budget. Decisions on indirect costs will be made on a case by case basis.

6. Ohio

www.ohiobwc.com/employer/programs/safety/empgrants.asp

OHIOBWC – EMPLOYER: (SAFETYGRANT\$)

Safety Works for You[®] and your company, and BWC can give you the money to make it happen.

SafetyGRANT\$ for Ohio employers

The purpose of the Safety Intervention Grant\$ Program is to gather information about the effectiveness of safety interventions so that BWC may share the results with Ohio employers. The program is available to any Ohio state-fund or public employer who wishes to purchase equipment to substantially reduce or eliminate injuries and illnesses associated with a particular task or operation. The program is designed to work and partner with Ohio employers to establish safety intervention [best practices](#) for accident and injury prevention.

To participate in the program an employer must pay into the Ohio State Insurance Fund, maintain active coverage, be current on all monies owed BWC and demonstrate the need for a safety intervention.

With the safety intervention grant, private and public employers are eligible for a 2-to-1 matching grant, up to a maximum of \$40,000, meaning a total of \$60,000 — \$20,000 from the employer and \$40,000 from BWC. The employer will benefit through a substantial reduction or elimination of workplace injuries and illnesses, and their related costs.

In return, the employer will submit to BWC quarterly data reports and a case study one year after the date of the intervention. BWC will use this information to determine the effectiveness of the intervention and share successes with other employers.

Because of the large number of requests we received for particular intervention items, and in keeping within the scope of the SafetyGRANT\$ research project, the following interventions will no longer be considered for SafetyGRANT\$ funding:

- ❖ Automated beverage dispenser: A device used to deliver uniform ice and beverage volumes.
- ❖ Bathing systems: typically used in healthcare to provide height adjustment or easier entry.
- ❖ Beds: powered height adjustable beds, including electric powered.
- ❖ Ceiling lifts: patient lifting devices mounted to the ceiling.
- ❖ Cranes/hoists: crane/hoist systems (i.e. jib, bridge, gantry, mobile, etc.). This does not prevent applications for improved controls, effectors, etc.
- ❖ Deep fryers: Equipment designed and used in deep frying processes and designed to reduce the potential for employee injury from burns and material handling operations involved with oil changing and filtering.
- ❖ Earth moving equipment: all earth moving equipment (i.e. skid steers, front-end loaders, bobcats, etc.)
- ❖ Exercise equipment: equipment used for the purpose of exercising.
- ❖ Floor cleaning equipment: floor scrubbers, waxers, buffers, vacuums, dryers or any other manual or powered device whose purpose is to clean, wax, buff, vacuum or dry a floor or walking surface.
- ❖ Floor-based patient-lifting devices: patient lifting devices that are portable and moved on the floor.
- ❖ Flooring/floor treatments: flooring or floor treatments that minimize slipping.
- ❖ Forklifts: passenger industrial vehicles with the ability to lift and move loads.
- ❖ Fry hopper: A freezer/dispenser designed for the temporary frozen storage and batch processing of french fries at commercial restaurants.
- ❖ Lift tables: stationary tables that can be raised, lowered, tilted, etc. to provide better working postures.
- ❖ Lighting: improvements in lighting used to make it easier for the employees to see.
- ❖ Patient ambulation devices: devices that people push along as they walk for support.

Information and resources that are referenced in this material are provided to you for assistance and solely as a free service. No endorsement or recommendation, expressed or implied, is provided by Lockton Companies, LLC as to the quality of the product or service or as to the fitness of any product or service for your particular needs. You are solely responsible for determining whether you will use any particular product and/or service.

- ❖ Patient bathing and toileting chairs: devices that can be pushed into a shower and/or over a toilet.
- ❖ Patient scales: any scale intended to weigh a patient.
- ❖ Personal protective equipment: any equipment worn by a worker protecting him/her from harm or equipment associated with the equipment worn (e.g. tripod for body harness).
- ❖ Powered dolly equipment: any dolly equipment that can mechanically climb or descend on stairs.
- ❖ SawStops: saws designed to stop immediately when the blades come in contact with a person.

- ❖ Snow removal equipment: equipment in which the primary purpose is to remove snow and/or melt ice, i.e. blades, snow blowers, salt spreaders, etc.
- ❖ Stair chairs/cots: equipment used to make it easier to move people up/down stairs.
- ❖ Standard guardrailing systems: guardrails for platforms, walkways, process areas, etc.
- ❖ Standard machine guarding devices and equipment: fixed barrier guards, perimeter guarding, radio frequency guarding, light curtains, pressure sensitive matting, etc.
- ❖ Stretchers: medical stretchers used for transporting people.
- ❖ Transfer tables: powered or manual tables that are used to make it easier to move products.
- ❖ Transplanters, taggers: powered equipment typically used in vegetation for easier planting.
- ❖ Vehicles: all driven vehicles including cars, trucks, utility vehicles, etc.
- ❖ Weaponry: all weapons including tasers.

To begin the application process, simply download the [SafetyGRANT\\$ Procedural Guide](#).

Reporting

Safety grant reporting is available online! Submit your 90-day data reports through our Web site. [Click here to access Safety grant reporting](#). Employers are required to provide a one-year case study report on their SafetyGRANT\$ intervention item. Send the case study to:

BWC SafetyGRANT\$

c/o SafetyGRANT\$ Program Coordinator
13430 Yarmouth Drive
Pickerington, OH 43147-8310

or send a fax to 614-365-4972 one year after the implementation date.

Annual Reporting Forms

- ❖ [Case Study](#)
- ❖ [Cost Benefit Analysis](#)

Safety Grant Best Practices

The BWC SafetyGRANT\$ program proudly introduces a new interactive Web page designed to share results of the program. This initial introduction allows users to select an industry and risk factor type or enter a key word search to obtain case studies specific to their interests. Future additions to this page will include Web links, articles and other resources specific to the user's request.

Preliminary Results of the CTD Grant Program

We offer a series of publications that could help prevent CTDs in your workplace. You can download and print the manuals listed below. We developed these best-practice manuals based on the research data gathered through our SafetyGRANT\$ program.

- ❖ [Ergonomics Best Practices for the Construction Industry](#)
- ❖ [Ergonomics Best Practices for Extended-Care Facilities](#)
- ❖ [Ergonomics Best Practices for Manufacturing](#)
- ❖ [Ergonomics Best Practices for the Plastics Industry](#)
- ❖ [Ergonomics Best Practices for Public Employers](#)

Drug-Free Safety Program Grants

Drug-Free Safety Program (DFSP) grants will soon be available to assist employers who are implementing the DFSP at the Basic or Advanced level. However, employers operating a comparable program are not eligible for DFSP grant funding.

The new DFSP grants guidebook will soon be available for services supplied under the DFSP program requirements (services rendered after July 1, 2010). We will accept grant applications for the recently phased out Drug-Free Workplace Program (DFWP) through Nov. 30, 2010 for services rendered to meet the requirements of that program. To begin the DFWP application process, simply download the [SafetyGRANT\\$ Procedural Guide](#).

You can view a chart that summarizes the new DFSP grants policy and covered items by clicking [here](#).

Note: Participation in BWC's SafetyGRANT\$ DFSP, DFWP and safety intervention programs requires all grant recipients to verify by invoice/receipt and check copy that the grant money was used for the intended purposes. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from the grant program. BWC reserves the right to recover grant monies from disqualified grant recipients by one or more of the following methods.

- ❖ **Billing the employer for the grant money received**
- ❖ **Forwarding to the Ohio Attorney General for collection, set-off, recoupment or other legal remedy**

BWC expressly reserves the right to limit the amount of reimbursements and to set caps on such reimbursements for each and every specific reimbursable drug-free service. For more information about SafetyGRANT\$, call your local BWC [customer service office](#) or 1-800-OHIOBWC.

7. Washington

www.lni.wa.gov/safety/topics/atoz/grants/approvals.asp

SAFETY AND HEALTH GRANTS

Safety and Health Investment Projects (SHIP) grants are awarded to projects directed at preventing workplace injuries, illnesses, and fatalities in Washington State. Priority for funding will be given to proposals that involve cooperation between employers and employees or their representatives. Rules governing the grant program are found in [WAC 296-900-175](#).

Applying for a Grant

The SHIP program is not currently accepting grant applications! Watch this web page for future announcements regarding dates.

Products and materials created or developed using SHIP grant money must be made available for distribution by L&I to any workplace that can benefit from their use.

SHIP Application Materials

Application materials will be posted here when the next application period opens.

Do you have questions about SHIP? Contact the SHIP program at 360-902-5588 - 360-902-5588 .

Federal Grants

1. The Federal OSHA Susan B. Harwood Grants are available to any US employer to apply for funding for safety education.

<http://www.osha.gov/dte/sharwood/index.html>

2. Occupational Safety Grants through the CDC.

<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/oep/default.html>

Description

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA), “Occupational Safety and Health Research,” is to develop an understanding of the risks and conditions that are associated with occupational diseases and injuries, to explore methods for reducing risks and for preventing or minimizing exposure to hazardous conditions in the workplace, and to translate significant scientific findings into prevention practices and products that will effectively reduce work-related illnesses and injuries.