

Freight Rail Grant Program

The MDOT Freight Rail Grant Program is a State-funded, competitive, reimbursable grant program administered by the Office of Rail and Intermodal Freight (RIF) of The Secretary's Office at MDOT. The Freight Rail Grant Program offers State grant assistance to local jurisdictions, railroads, business and commercial interests, and other key agencies to help preserve railroad corridors, support economic development, and foster sustainability and innovative technologies. The program is being developed to address key needs and gaps in existing State and federal programs, which were identified through stakeholder outreach, planning initiatives, and staff experience in coordinating a broad array of State and federal discretionary programs.

The program is designed to make targeted investments that would allow MDOT to better leverage existing infrastructure, assets, and funding programs, and to help create a better pipeline of projects that address departmental goals of supporting a safe, secure, and resilient multimodal freight network.



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Projects are solicited on an annual basis as described below.

December – April: Review Project Readiness Checklist from potential applicants

January – March: Workshops and outreach to potential applicants

April – June: Application period open

May – August: Review and evaluation period

September – October: Announcement of grant awards

Grantees are expected to complete the project within two to three years of award notice.



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