The department received 37 grant applications requesting more than \$533,391. These applications included over \$2.28 Million in proposed enhancements to the fairgrounds. Of these applications 19 were awarded grants. Grant applications were evaluated, scored, and ranked by a Joint Evaluation Committee composed of industry representatives not directly involved in any grant proposal. Grantees were announced in early February. The grants are for the period of April 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. An interim report was due from the grantees by June 1, 2017 and the final grant reports are due Febuary 1, 2018.

			Total Grant				Available	
Fair Name	Grant Project	Proposal		Grant Award		Match		
Barry County Agricultural Society	Expo Grand Stand Facilities Improvement	\$	10,357.31	\$	5,178.66	\$	5,178.65	
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Chelsea Community Fair	Overall Doors with New Cement Approaches/Ramps	\$	39,840.00	\$	13,394.55	\$	13,394.55	
Chippewa Cty. Stalwart Agr'l. Fair Assoc.	64'*40' Exhibit Hall	\$	55,313.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	35,313.00	
Clare County Agricultural Society	Addressing Structural Integrity & Safety Needs	\$	52,244.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	32,244.00	
Emmet Charlevoix County Fair	Open Horse Barn Interior Renovation	\$	16,000.00	\$	8,000.00	\$	11,827.16	
Gratiot Agricultural Society	Horse barn and arena	\$	9,592.49	\$	4,796.25	\$	4,796.25	
	Fairgrounds & Campgrounds Shower and Restroom							
Huron Community Fair Association	Construction	\$	197,000.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	177,000.00	
Ionia Free Fair Association	Repair and Refresher Project	\$	31,821.00	\$	15,911.00	\$	15,911.00	
Iosco County Agricultural Society	New Livestock Building Construction Project	\$	360,989.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	340,989.00	
Lake Odessa Civic & Agricultural Assoc.	Grandstand Revitilization	\$	14,710.00	\$	7,355.00	\$	7,355.00	
Midland County Agricultural & Horticultural Society	Parking Lot Enhancement Project	\$	56,700.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	36,700.00	
Montcalm County 4-H Fair Association	Montcalm County 4-H Fair Bathhouse	\$	159,660.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	139,660.00	
Muskegon County Fair Association	Fairgrounds Camping Expansion	\$	45,000.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	25,000.00	
Oakland County Fair	Water Quality Improvement Project	\$	82,000.00	\$	14,675.00	\$	67,325.00	
Otsego County Fair	Lighting Project, Middle Building/Parking Area	\$	21,021.00	\$	10,010.50	\$	10,010.50	
Ottawa County Fair Association	Electrical Upgrades to the 4-H Camping Area	\$	18,400.00	\$	6,750.00	\$	9,250.00	
Tuscola County Fair Association	Camping Infrastructure Project	\$	20,352.00	\$	10,176.00	\$	10,176.00	
Washtenaw County Farm Council	Roof repairs to building A,B and F	\$	36,456.00	\$	18,228.00	\$	18,228.00	
Wayne County Fair Association, Inc.	Electrical and Water upgrades	\$	58,370.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	38,370.00	
	Totals	\$	1,275,468.49	\$	269,296.30	\$	993,549.46	

Bold match amounts indicate completed projects and final amounts.