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***Competitive Grant Assistance Program Grants Awarded***  
*Applications for Remainder of Fiscal Year 2013 Funding Available Soon*

The Michigan Department of Treasury has announced that more than \$4 million will be awarded to 11 Michigan communities through the Competitive Grant Assistance Program (CGAP). CGAP, formerly known as the Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP) grant program, was proposed by Governor Rick Snyder in his first State of the State Address. The grant program is designed to offset costs related to the consolidation or sharing of services between local units of government.

“This program has proved to be very popular among municipalities looking to get the most out of their resources by partnering with other units of government,” said Gov. Snyder. “The Department of Treasury reviewed dozens of applications for this initial round of funding for 2013 and to be selected, applicants had to show a strong commitment to collaborating with other municipalities and incorporating best practices.”

The following communities will receive CGAP Grants with projects and amounts noted (alphabetical order):

<b>Local Unit</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Acme Township	Feasibility study for consolidation of Traverse City FD and Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority	\$21,250
Arcadia Township	Analysis of potential joint-zoning administration and food innovation district	\$115,000
City of Dearborn	Consolidate fire services with City of Melvindale	\$264,500
City of Eastpointe	Feasibility study for consolidation and collaboration in Macomb County	\$8,750
City of Flint	Collaborate to build and operate simulcast tower and integrate into Genesee Co. 9-1-1	\$1,809,982
Genesee County	Collaborate with Oakland County for payroll services	\$640,570
City of Grand Rapids	Collaborate with Detroit and Battle Creek for the joint processing of income tax returns	\$715,000

City of Grosse Pointe	Consolidate public safety department with City of Grosse Pointe Park	\$209,000
Village of Lake Odessa	Collaborate with Lakewood Wastewater Authority to centralize water and sewer billing administration	\$56,460
City of Rochester Hills	Collaborate with the Oakland County Road Commission for maintenance services	\$51,625
Waterford Township	Continuation of consolidation with City of Pontiac Fire Department	\$148,500

Applications for the remaining \$11.7 million in CGAP funding for FY 2013 will be available on Treasury's Web site May 1, 2013 and will be due by June 28, 2013. Treasury will be reviewing applications on a rolling basis, with initial reviews beginning June 3, 2013.

The focus of the second round of FY 2013 grant awards will be on stimulating projects between two or more qualified jurisdictions that are creating new mergers, consolidations, and/or cooperative efforts/collaborations of existing services.

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