



# Port Infrastructure Development Program



**Application deadline: 9/10/2025**



**Available funding for FY2025: \$500M**  
(At least 25% of available funds is set aside for small ports and projects)

Note: Current as of June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Subject to change with future announcements (e.g., agency announcements, revised NOFOs).

Source: [Port Infrastructure Development Program Notice of Funding](#)

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN**

# PIDP funds projects that improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a port



## Goals and merit criteria:

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Applications will be evaluated based on their alignment with the following statutory merit criteria:

- Achieving Safety
- Efficiency
- Reliability improvements
- Supporting economic vitality
- Leveraging Federal funding
- Improving port resilience

# PIDP Program Details

PIDP grants may be used to improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of wide range of capital projects

*Match funding requirement: 20%<sup>1</sup>*

*Direct Pay applicability: Possibly if including clean energy*

## Eligible grant uses

- i) the loading and unloading of goods at the port, such as for marine terminal equipment
- ii) the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a port, such as for highway or rail infrastructure, intermodal facilities, freight intelligent transportation systems, and digital infrastructure systems
- iii) operational improvements, including projects to improve port resilience
- iv) environmental and emissions mitigation measures; including projects for port electrification or electrification master planning; harbor craft or equipment replacements or retrofits; development of port or terminal microgrids; provision of idling reduction infrastructure; purchase of cargo handling equipment and related infrastructure etc.

<b>Award amounts</b>	Minimum award	\$1,000,000
	Maximum award	\$125,000,000
	Award distribution	A minimum of 25% of funding is reserved for small projects at small ports <sup>2,3</sup>
	Period of performance	May vary by each award based on the specific project that was evaluated and selected
<b>Previous awards (national)</b>	2024 awards	31 awards (\$580M)
	2024 awards	1 award (\$10M)
<b>Previous awards (MI)</b>		

1. Projects located in rural areas or grants awarded to a small project at a small port may be eligible for reduced cost share. Rural areas are those outside of a 2020 U.S. Census-designated urban area with a population of 50K or more.  
 2. A small port is defined as a coastal seaport, Great Lakes, or inland river port to and from which the average annual tonnage of cargo for the immediately preceding three calendar years from the time an application is submitted is less than 8,000,000 short tons, as determined by using U.S. Army Corps of Engineers data or data by an independent audit if the Secretary determines that it is acceptable to use such data instead of using U.S. Army Corps of Engineers data.  
 3. A small project at a small port is one which is seeking less than or equal to \$11.25 million in funding under 46 U.S.C. 54301(b).

# High level requirements to apply for a PIDP grant

PIDP applications are open to local governments or transit authorities with additional documentation required for Large Projects



## Eligible Entities

- A State
- A political subdivision of a State or a local government
- A public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States
- A special purpose district with a transportation function
- An Indian Tribe
- A multistate or multijurisdictional group of entities described above
- A lead entity described above jointly with a private entity or group of private entities<sup>1</sup>



## Key Grant Application Components

- Project description
- Statement of work
- Project location information identifying impacted location (a map in a PDF format)
- Project budget and funding information
- Narrative of how project meets selection criteria and DOT goals

30-page Narrative limit

### Additional requirement for Large Project<sup>2</sup>

Applicant should summarize the conclusions of the BCA, including estimates of the project's Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR) and net benefits

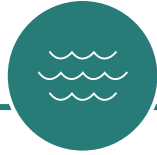
- The BCA should include the full costs of developing, constructing, operating, and maintaining the proposed project, as well as the expected timing or schedule for costs in each of these categories
- The BCA may also consider the present discounted value of any remaining service life of the asset at the end of the analysis period.

1. Including the owners or operators of a facility, or collection of facilities, at a port

2. A project at a port other than a small port, regardless of the amount of PIDP funding sought in the application; or a project at a small port for which the amount of PIDP funding sought in the application is greater than ~\$11M

# Examples of past winners in Michigan

Previous winners of PIDP grants in Michigan have had federal match amounts greater than the required 20%



## Drummond Dolomite Ship Loader & Sea Wall Improvements (2024)

**Applicant:** Chippewa County Economic Development Corporation

**Impacted locality:** Chippewa County

**Funding:** \$10.2M

**Project description:** Funds were used to purchase and construct a ship loader and make sea wall improvements to include selective demolition of a sunken vessel and water utilities, install new sheet pile, tie backs, a mooring cell, bollards and miscellaneous repairs across the sea wall



## Lake Erie Renewable Energy Resilience Project (2022)

**Applicant:** Charter Township of Canton

**Impacted locality:** Monroe

**Funding:** \$11.1M

**Project description:** The project will fund four components: riverfront work, turning basin work, small boat “Maritime Readiness Slip” construction, and Shore Power infrastructure



## Rail Access and Port Capacity Improvements Project (2022)

**Applicant:** Port of Detroit

**Impacted locality:** City of Detroit

**Funding:** \$16M

**Project description:** This Project will rehabilitate existing port infrastructure as well as construct new port infrastructure at the Port of Detroit. The specific components of the Project include creating a new port/rail connection; adding dry bulk cargo handling platforms and a covered warehouse; reconstructing a dock; installing 2 bulk-liquid storage tanks; and constructing an additional berth to facilitate fueling of cargo vessels