



# Defense Community Infrastructure Program



**Application deadline: 06/25/2026**



**Available funding: \$230M**

# DCIP is designed to address deficiencies in community infrastructure that can support a military installation



## Goals and merit criteria for DCIP grants:

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The following are criteria for the selection of community infrastructure projects:

1. Projects that will enhance the readiness of a military department or mission assurance at a military installation;
2. Projects that will enhance military family quality of life at an installation
3. Projects that will enhance military installation resilience
4. Projects that will contribute to the training of cadets enrolled in an independent Reserve Officer Training Corps program at a covered educational institution

# DCIP Program Details

Direct Pay  
applicability: No

Match funding  
requirement: 30%

## Eligible projects

Eligible community infrastructure projects are any complete and usable transportation projects; community support facilities (e.g., school, hospital, police, fire, emergency response, or other community support facility); utility infrastructure projects (e.g., water, wastewater, telecommunications, electric, gas, or other utility infrastructure (with necessary cyber safeguards)); or demolition projects that:

- are on land located off of a military installation or on property under the jurisdiction of a Secretary of a military department that is subject to a real estate agreement allowing the project or facility to be located on military property (including a lease or easement);
- support a military installation;
- are owned by a state, local government, or a not-for-profit, member-owned utility service;
- are supported by the installation commander representing the installation benefitting from the proposed project;
- are located where ground-disturbing work has not yet commenced; and,
- are construction-ready so that the project can be completed within five (5) years of grant award.<sup>2</sup>

## Eligible grant costs

Eligible costs include only hard construction and renovation costs, defined as those costs directly associated with construction project administration, inspection, construction, utilities, and contingency costs required to undertake a construction project, as well as costs of capital equipment affixed to real property with a depreciable life of not less than seven (7) years.

## Award amounts

*Award size minimum*                      \$250K

*Award size maximum*                      \$20M

## Prior awards (national)

*2025 awards*                                      10 awards (\$90M federal funding)

1. There are two exceptions to the local cost sharing requirement: 1) proposed community infrastructure projects located in rural areas, defined as a city, town, or unincorporated area that has a population of not more than 100,000 inhabitants, and 2) projects that are determined to be advantageous for reasons of national security

2. Major military installations in Michigan include Battle Creek Air National Guard Base, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Detroit Arsenal, Hart-Dole-Inouye Federal Center, USARL Great Lakes Battalion, Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center, Camp Grayling, and Fort Custer Training Center.

# High level requirements to apply for a DCIP grant



## Eligible Entities

- State governments
- Local governments
- Not-for-profit member-owned utility services



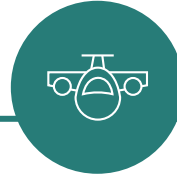
## Key Application Components

21-page  
proposal limit<sup>1</sup>

- SF 424: Standard Form 424 (Grants.gov form)
- Summary of Proposer and Eligibility
- Summary of Project Enhancement Category and Community-Installation Need (includes the installation letter of support with references to national security, if applicable)
- Summary of Construction Readiness

1. Excluding SF 424

## Example of a past winner in Michigan



### Selfridge Air National Guard Base / Harrison Charter Township (2023)

- **Applicant:** Harrison Charter Township, MI
- **Funding:** \$1.1M
- **Project description:** This funding enables Harrison Charter Township to improve the Prentiss Pump Station serving Selfridge Air National Guard Base. The project replaces antiquated equipment and increases capacity by more than doubling treatment capacity to beyond 5,000 gallons per minute. In addition, it will provide reliable power generation that will sustain service for the community, the 127th Wing, and more than 40 mission partners that utilize Selfridge Air National Guard Base. This project will mitigate risk of service failure to critical facilities and support of mission readiness.