

# 2025 Medora Transportation Improvement Grant

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## Introduction

The North Dakota Department of Commerce is accepting proposals for the Medora Transportation Improvement Grant. The department has been appropriated funds available in the amount of \$1 million to eligible organizations.

## Timeframe

Grants shall be available during the current biennium: July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.

## Eligible Applicants

Must be a private or public entity who will develop, build, and operate a public transportation system in Medora, North Dakota.

## Application Process

Eligible organizations shall submit a concise application letter to the Department of Commerce. Applications shall identify the applicant, point of contact and associated contact information, amount requested, intended uses for the funds requested, current challenges with existing transportation system, and desired outcomes including a sustainability plan for continuing operations beyond 2027.

Applications shall be **submitted electronically by September 1, 2025**, to the Grant Administrator of the Department of Commerce's Tourism & Marketing division:

**McKenzie Clayburgh**  
[clayburghmckenzie@nd.gov](mailto:clayburghmckenzie@nd.gov)

## Review Process

The Department of Commerce will evaluate applications submitted to the Medora Transportation Improvement Grant. Upon completion of the review process, the

Department of Commerce shall notify applicants of funding decisions and issue award funds to a successful applicant.

### **Intended Use of Award Funds**

The Medora Transportation Improvement Grant funds should be used to provide transportation from downtown Medora to the Burning Hills Amphitheater, Tjaden Terrace, and the future Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library site to allow for efficient flow of traffic during peak times and decrease congestion on roads and in parking lots. Funds can be used to purchase trolleys to operate the system for two years to ensure the operator can provide the service free of charge, which will encourage usage.

### **Accountability**

Successful applicants must track all expenditures of award funds and retain documentation that is readily accessible for auditing purposes. Successful applicants must fulfill reporting requirements by providing a written report to the Department of Commerce, **every 6 months**, to fulfill legislative reporting requirements (format provided by the Department of Commerce).

Successful applicants must submit a written report using the provided format to the Department of Commerce by June 30, 2027, that summarizes how award funds were spent and describing progress toward the desired outcomes identified in their respective applications. The written reports shall also identify any unspent award funds and provide any photo and video assets documenting the results by the grant. The report shall be submitted to the Grants Division of the Department of Commerce's Tourism & Marketing Division.