

# 2025 State Magazine Grant

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## Introduction

The North Dakota Department of Commerce is accepting proposals for the State Magazine Grant. The department has been appropriated funds available in the amount of \$250,000 to eligible organizations.

## Timeframe

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

## Eligible Applicants

Must be a current or previous publisher of an official state magazine that features stories and photos that showcase all that is great about the State of North Dakota to be distributed to residents and nonresidents.

## 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 and future content related to entertainment and recreation offerings, and desired outcomes.

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 State Magazine 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 State Magazine Grant to support continuation of the state magazine with the current publisher of the magazine. The funding would allow the creation of content featuring new entertainment and recreation offerings across the state, fresh stories on people impacting North Dakota's growth and scenic photos from across the state. Funds are not intended to be used for administrative costs.

## **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 of the grant. The report shall be submitted to the Grants Division of the Department of Commerce's Tourism & Marketing Division.