



**IRON RANGE RESOURCES
& REHABILITATION**

FY2024 – FY2027

**Grant & Business Development
Interim Program Evaluations**

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Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program

Program Description

Broadband Infrastructure grants assist projects that help households and businesses reach the state of Minnesota broadband speed goal.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 24, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Number of Grants Awarded	2			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$1,467,841			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$5,231,262			
Leverage	2.6:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including number of households, communities served and funding partners.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Households	350			
Communities Served	2			
Funding Partners	4			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Bois Forte Band of Chippewa	Amendment to support increased costs for fiber to home project in Tribal Nation area	\$317,841	\$645,682*
Consolidated Telecommunications Company	Install fiber in Clinton Township area to serve 350 households	\$1,150,000	\$4,585,580

**Households served and a portion of total project investment counted in FY20 reporting.*

Business Development Loan and Grant Program

Program Description

Promote business development opportunities and attract investments to the region.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 23, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the numbers for program budget, loans and grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$7,500,000			
Loans	16			
Business Grants	3			
Total Agency Investment	\$37,423,500			
Total Project Investment	\$154,804,982			
Leverage	3.1:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including number of participation loans, direct loans, business grants, businesses relocating to the region, existing businesses operating in the region, first-time loans and repeat loans.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Participation Loans	11			
Direct Loans	5			
Business Grants	3			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Businesses Relocating to the Region	1			
Existing Businesses Operating in the Region	16			
First-Time Loans	5			
Repeat Loans	13			

Fiscal Year 2024 Loans

Table three below provides an overview of the business loans, business grants, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Business or Organization	Project Description	Type of Loan	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Advanced Machine Guarding Solutions	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$437,500	\$1,250,000
Aurora, City of	Construct industrial park spec building	Direct	\$6,000,000	\$15,000,000
		Business Grant	\$9,000,000	
Cast 7, LLC	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$275,000	\$550,000
Cast Corporation	Foundry expansion	Participation	\$600,000	\$1,200,000
Ellefson Off Highway, Inc.	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$209,000	\$418,000
Eveleth, City of	Site ready development	Business Grant	\$450,000	\$450,000
Finnegan's Farm LLC	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$950,000	\$1,900,000
Hibbing, City of	Site ready development	Business Grant	\$300,000	\$370,000
Hibbing Economic Development Authority	Construct industrial spec building	Direct	\$4,500,000	\$9,000,000
Hibbing Fabricators, Inc.	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$425,000	\$850,000
HWY35, LLC.	Purchase equipment for manufacturing and cultivation facility	Direct	\$10,000,000	\$67,759,840
L&M Supply	Expand distribution center expansion	Direct	\$2,500,000	\$54,323,992
		Direct	\$1,000,000	
Northeast Technical Services, Inc.	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$52,000	\$104,400
Northern Expanding Industrial d/b/a AREMCO	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$95,000	\$210,000

Business or Organization	Project Description	Type of Loan	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Pro Blast Technology, Inc.	Improve facility and purchase equipment	Participation	\$175,000	\$350,000
Radotich, Inc.	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$100,000	\$288,750
Swan Machine, Inc.	Purchase equipment	Participation	\$355,000	\$780,000

Business Energy Retrofit (BER) Grant Program

Program Description

Business Energy Retrofit (BER) grants assist business owners with energy-efficient improvements and code compliance upgrades to their buildings.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 1, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$1,500,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	88			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$1,500,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$7,397,196			
Leverage	3.9:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including the number of main street projects, all businesses, first time participation businesses and communities.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Main Street Projects	41			
Businesses: All	88			
Businesses: First Time Participation	61			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Communities	21			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the fiscal year 2024 grant recipients, listing the business name and their impacted cities.

Table 3.

Business	City	Business	City
Growth Innovations	Aitkin	Fraboni Wholesale Distributing	Hibbing
RD Experience -The Red Door Resort	Aitkin	Freebs Properties	Hibbing
Rosallini's	Aitkin	Hibbing Elks Lodge	Hibbing
SHP, LLC	Aitkin	Hibbing Shelter	Hibbing
Red Top Construction	Aurora	Iron Range Management	Hibbing
Rudy's Bar & Grill	Aurora	L&S Plumbing and Heating	Hibbing
Edge Center	Bigfork	Laci's Salon	Hibbing
Spring Lake Management	Bigfork	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Lodge at Giants Ridge	Biwabik	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Range Leisure Corp.	Biwabik	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Calumet Saloon	Calumet	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Chisholm Laundry	Chisholm	Lietz Enterprises	Hibbing
Iron Range Property Rentals	Chisholm	Midwest Partners	Hibbing
J&D Companies	Chisholm	Mike's Pub	Hibbing
M J Richards - Snickers	Chisholm	Mirror Mirror Salon	Hibbing
Precious Paws	Chisholm	O'Toole & McGough	Hibbing
Sertich Plumbing & Heating	Chisholm	Paulucci Space Theatre	Hibbing
Van Baak Agency, Inc.	Chisholm	Radotich, Inc.	Hibbing
Wise Elephant Consulting	Chisholm	The Iron House	Hibbing
Croft Pub & Grub	Crosby	TRM - Sammy's Pizza	Hibbing

Business	City
Una Rakki	Crosby
Ely Stock Exchange / The Meadow	Ely
Lodge of Whispering Pines	Ely
Project 29 / Blue Wing	Ely
Emily Resort	Emily
Red Pine Cookhouse	Emily
JM Auto Service	Eveleth
47N 90W	Grand Marais
Northern Wilds Properties	Grand Marais
Sivertson Gallery	Grand Marais
Arrowhead Promotion	Grand Rapids
Blake & Lind CPAs	Grand Rapids
Joe Tome	Grand Rapids
Judy Garland Children's Museum	Grand Rapids
Kreklow Dental	Grand Rapids
MN Diversified Industries	Grand Rapids
MN Diversified Industries	Grand Rapids
MRM Management	Grand Rapids
RS Legacy	Grand Rapids
2012 1st Ave	Hibbing
Bender Shoes Hibbing	Hibbing
Chisholm/Hibbing Youth Hockey	Hibbing
DC Dwellings	Hibbing
Ford of Hibbing	Hibbing

Business	City
TRM - Sammy's Pizza	Hibbing
Pro Blast Technologies	Keewatin
Devin Ceglar & Lora Ceglar	Mountain Iron
Devin Ceglar & Lora Ceglar	Mountain Iron
Central Ave Design Co.	Nashwauk
Birch Forest Lodge & Resort	Orr
Edwards Oil	Swan River
Sawbill Canoe Outfitters	Tofte
Tower Food Shelf	Tower
Vermilion Country School	Tower
Ascendance Truck / Mid-State Truck	Virginia
Canelakes Rental, Inc.	Virginia
Cleaning Specialists	Virginia
Dave's Pizza	Virginia
Fifth Degree Coffee Co.	Virginia
Haugen Rosandich	Virginia
Heisel Bros., Inc.	Virginia
Jackie's Attic	Virginia
Magic Coffee Bar & Bike Shop	Virginia
Mesabi Recreation	Virginia
Rainy Lake Saloon	Virginia
RockStep Capital	Virginia
Virginia Plastics	Virginia
WGZ Holdings F&D Meats	Virginia

Commercial Redevelopment Grant Program

Program Description

Commercial Redevelopment grants assist with the full and selective demolition of commercial and industrial buildings and the clean-up of brownfields to pave the way for new development.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 19, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$1,000,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	15			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$999,340			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$20,235,070			
Leverage	19.3:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including numbers for new development, development sites, hazardous structures removed, businesses, public facilities and communities.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
New Development	11			
Developable Site	1			
Hazardous Structures Removed	1			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Businesses	14			
Public Facilities	0			
Communities	9			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Aitkin	Renovate motel and build RV park	\$23,885	\$290,000
Chisholm	Renovate Lake Street building for business and residential space	\$120,000	\$441,575
Cook	Demolish old structure and construct new business	\$18,955	\$373,521
Cook County/Grand Marais Joint EDA	Redevelopment of Papa Charlies Tavern at Lutsen Resort	\$75,000	\$5,664,873
Eveleth	Upgrade building for Hancock Fabrication expansion	\$120,000	\$674,264
Eveleth	Removal and disposal of fire debris	\$36,450	\$72,900
Grand Rapids	Redevelopment for new commercial building	\$30,000	\$744,600
Hibbing	Expand business operations into adjacent building	\$200,000	\$2,216,736
Hibbing	Renovate building for Hibbing Elks Lodge	\$18,890	\$212,860
Hibbing	Renovate building for residential and commercial space	\$67,850	\$492,350
Hibbing	Demolish and cleanup of the former Hibbing Park Hotel site – Phase 1	\$100,000	\$7,180,979
Keewatin	Reconstruct building infrastructure	\$9,680	\$279,959
Virginia	Demolish of interior of F&D Meats	\$4,380	\$93,098
Virginia	Emergency demolition of building	\$90,000	\$297,355
Virginia	Northeast Technical Services – rehabilitation project	\$84,250	\$1,200,000

Culture & Tourism Grant Program

Program Description

Culture & Tourism grants assist projects that support arts, culture, history, tourism and recreational activities, enhance the quality of life in the region and attract visitors.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 9, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$600,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	33			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$595,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$3,462,030			
Leverage	4.8:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total number of tourism projects, parks and recreation projects, arts, culture and history projects, communities served and funding partners.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Tourism Projects	8			
Parks and Recreation Projects	17			
Arts, Culture & History Projects	8			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Communities Served	22			
Funding Partners	79			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, location, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Adaptive Wilderness Within Reach	Purchase ADA compliant kayak launch and gear at Birch Lake	Ely	\$16,000	\$47,993
Biwabik Township	Construct new pickleball court	Biwabik Township	\$15,000	\$58,376
Biwabik	Replace and upgrade electric service at campground - Phase 1	Biwabik	\$30,000	\$60,000
Bovey	Construct new hockey rink	Bovey	\$25,000	\$69,000
Chisholm	Resurface and update playground for accessibility at Memorial Park	Chisholm	\$25,000	\$200,752
Coleraine	Upgrade playground to be ADA compliant	Coleraine	\$30,000	\$101,263
Dorothy Molter Museum	Create ADA compliant spaces – Phase 2	Ely	\$2,500	\$5,033
Ely	Install scale model of United States Forest Service sea plane and mural at pocket Park	Ely	\$17,000	\$44,944
Ely's Historic State Theater	Improve equipment to meet ADA standards	Ely	\$5,000	\$10,671
Embarrass Region Fair Association	Upgrade equipment and facility at Timber Hall - Phase 1	Embarrass	\$14,951	\$31,457
Friends of the Parks, Inc.	Resurface asphalt under skating rink and construct new pickleball court at recreation area	Cook	\$20,000	\$109,550

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Goodland Township	Construct new amenities for community park - Phase 2	Goodland Township	\$13,000	\$52,964
Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council Business Committee	Construct new playground at community center	Grand Portage	\$30,000	\$856,000
Greenwood Community Recreation Board	Construct new pickleball courts	Greenwood Township	\$15,000	\$126,157
Hibbing	Purchase portable stage trailer for events	Hibbing	\$22,000	\$120,000
International Wolf Center	Support digital marketing campaign	Ely	\$15,000	\$31,617
Itasca County Family YMCA	Construct outdoor, age friendly fitness circuit	Grand Rapids	\$15,000	\$124,630
Jim Gillach Memorial	Landscaping, seating and signage at pickleball courts - Phase 2	Aurora	\$17,000	\$40,428
Knife River Heritage & Cultural Center	Build shelter for commercial fishing exhibit	Knife River	\$30,000	\$69,149
La Prairie	Upgrade Park – Phase 1	La Prairie	\$26,500	\$55,875
Lake Vermilion Cultural Center	Upgrade space and equipment	Tower	\$25,000	\$66,030
Lincoln Parent Teacher Organization	Purchase adaptive playground equipment	Hibbing	\$25,000	\$575,000
MacRostie Art Center	Renovate pottery studio	Grand Rapids	\$7,500	\$15,275
McKinley	Replace playground equipment at community park	McKinley	\$15,000	\$111,631
Mesabi Fit Coalition	Develop large outdoor field area	Mountain Iron	\$25,000	\$89,526

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Mesabi Musical Theatre	Support Ruthless! musical performances	Hibbing	\$2,000	\$35,410
Minnesota Children's Press	Restore John Beargrease mail carrier historical reference, construct kiosks for Grand Marais' Letteracy Park and support digital web campaign	Grand Marais	\$12,500	\$38,000
North House Folk School	Enhance exterior at welcome center	Grand Marais	\$18,000	\$47,500
Northern Lakes Arts Association	Support musicals, youth theatre camps and concerts	Ely	\$10,000	\$92,645
Pike Township	Renovate recreational facilities and playground at town hall	Embarrass	\$15,849	\$43,040
Save Our Ship Inc.	Build infrastructure to house Leif Erikson Ship	Knife River	\$25,000	\$71,196
Truman Blakesley American Legion Post 432	Upgrade and install new recreational amenities at campground	Freeley Township	\$25,000	\$50,372
Two Harbors Curling Club	Replace and install new carpet	Two Harbors	\$5,200	\$10,546

Development Partnership Grant Program

Program Description

Development Partnership grants provide funds for research, planning, education and development-based initiatives that support the long-term economic growth of northeastern Minnesota.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 26, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$1,590,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	23			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$1,502,211			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$5,727,746			
Leverage	2.8:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including the number of industries served and economic development partners.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Industries Served	8			
Economic Development Partners	74			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, communities served, industries served, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Communities Served	Industries Served	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Aurora	Site readiness for South Knuti housing development	Aurora	Housing	\$90,000	\$195,000
Aurora	Site readiness for Aurora West Industrial Park	Aurora	Business	\$19,953	\$39,906
Chisholm	Site readiness for Wenton Addition housing development – Phase 2	Chisholm	Housing	\$37,140	\$74,280
Cook	Market study and site readiness for housing development	Cook	Housing	\$17,500	\$35,000
East Range Joint Powers Board	East Range business financial assistance program	Multi-Community	Business	\$70,000	\$140,000
East Range Joint Powers Board	Economic development staffing	Multi-Community	Community	\$50,000	\$114,231
Ely	Business financial assistance program	Ely	Business	\$50,000	\$150,000
Enterprise Minnesota Inc.	Discounted manufacturing consulting services	Agency Service Area	Business	\$50,000	\$100,000
Eveleth	Site readiness for school campus housing development – Phase 2 and Phase 3	Eveleth	Housing	\$43,555	\$108,887
Grand Rapids	GoMarti 2.0 planning and implementation	Grand Rapids	Transportation	\$100,000	\$300,000
Grand Rapids	Comprehensive downtown plan	Grand Rapids	Planning/Research	\$15,000	\$85,000
Grand Rapids	Site readiness for multi-family workforce housing development	Grand Rapids	Housing	\$200,000	\$446,800

Grantee	Project Description	Communities Served	Industries Served	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Hibbing	Downtown business financial assistance program	Hibbing	Business	\$250,000	\$1,500,000
Iron Range Tourism Bureau	Ride the Range marketing campaign	Multi-Community	Culture & Tourism	\$30,000	\$70,000
Iron Range Tourism Bureau	Regional marketing campaign	Multi-Community	Culture & Tourism	\$30,000	\$61,817
Ironton	Comprehensive plan	Ironton	Planning/Research	\$5,000	\$10,550
Minnesota North College	Research for a regional vehicle/equipment training center – Phase 1	Multi-Community	Planning/Research	\$4,063	\$8,125
Nashwauk-Keewatin Schools - ISD 319	Training, collaboration and cost sharing options to enhance educational opportunities for ISD 318 and 319 – Phase 1	Multi-Community	Planning/Research	\$15,000	\$35,800
Northern Lights Music Festival	Support three-week music performance on the Iron Range	Multi-Community	Culture & Tourism	\$25,000	\$459,500
Northland Foundation	Support services, equipment and purchases to promote small business growth	Agency service area	Business	\$75,000	\$150,000
Northland Foundation	Provide services to support, grow or turn around small businesses	Agency service area	Business	\$100,000	\$839,296
Northspan Group Inc.	Support NORTHFORCE online job application portal for northeastern Minnesota	Agency service area	Workforce	\$50,000	\$142,118
Upper Midwest Film Office	Support Upper Midwest Film Office and film and TV industry development in the region	Agency service area	Film	\$175,000	\$661,436

Discretionary Fund Grant Program

Program Description

The Discretionary Fund grant program allows the agency to quickly respond to business, community and workforce opportunities located within the agency's service area that do not fit the criteria of other agency grants.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 7, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of the project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$300,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	10			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$296,302			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$2,727,739			
Leverage	8.2:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including the number of business projects, community projects and workforce projects.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Business Projects	0			
Community Projects	10			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Workforce Projects	0			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, location, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA)	Purchase new commercial cooler and freezer for Quad Cities Food Shelf	Mountain Iron	\$71,000	\$143,236
Breitung Township	Reconstruct and resurface Stuntz Bay Road around Lake Vermilion State Park areas	Lake Vermilion State Park	\$25,000	\$474,000
Embarrass Region Fair Association	Design and pre-engineering funds for Embarrass Timber Hall upgrade project	Embarrass	\$18,000	\$1,518,000
Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council Business Committee	Replace roof for Grand Portage Tribal Museum and Community Center	Grand Portage	\$31,050	\$90,795
Greenway Joint Recreation Association	Replace roof and ice cooling system at Hodgins-Berardo Recreation Center	Coleraine	\$85,000	\$278,903
Lawrence Lake American Legion Post 476	Purchase supplies for Veterans Memorial Wall project	Taconite	\$2,878	\$5,746
Minnesota Center for Mineral Resource Education	Offset costs with annual Minnesota Minerals Education Workshop (MMEW)	Regional	\$1,500	\$27,000
Mixed Blood Theatre	Produce play and offer free performances of Full Range: The Iron Range	Regional	\$15,398	\$117,890

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Revive Virginia	Support TEDx Silver Lake showcasing talks and performances focused on the Iron Range	Virginia	\$10,000	\$35,693
United Way of Northeastern Minnesota	Assistance for residents affected by flooding in northeastern Minnesota	Multi-Community	\$36,476	\$36,476

Downtown Building Rehabilitation (DBR) Grant Program

Program Description

Downtown Building Rehabilitation (DBR) grants assist business owners with code compliance improvement projects.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 3, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$500,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	15			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$500,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$2,024,797			
Leverage	3.0:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for businesses and communities.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Businesses	14			
Communities	8			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the fiscal year 2024 grant recipients, listing the business name and their impacted cities.

Table 3.

Business	City
Calumet Saloon, LLC	Calumet
Slovenian National Home Association	Chisholm
Una Rakki	Crosby
The Meadows	Ely
Blake & Lind CPAs	Grand Rapids
Kreklow Dental	Grand Rapids
Hibbing Elks Lodge	Hibbing
Midwest Partners	Hibbing

Business	City
Mike's Pub	Hibbing
Mirror Mirror Salon	Hibbing
The Iron House	Hibbing
TRM – Sammy's Pizza	Hibbing
TRM – Sammy's Pizza	Hibbing
Central Ave Design	Nashwauk
Canelakes / Arrowhead Bar	Virginia

Drilling Incentive Grant Program

Program Description

Drilling Incentive grants (DIG) are designed to stimulate exploration for new minerals and/or new deposits of minerals.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 3, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$100,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	1			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$20,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$1,800,000			
Leverage	89:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for minerals and natural resources development.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Minerals and Natural Resources Development	1			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, location, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Keewaydin Resources Inc.	Conduct exploratory boring to confirm helium presence and assess viability using high-pressure equipment at Topaz site	Lake County	\$20,000	\$1,800,000

Grant Writing Assistance Grant Program

Program Description

The Grant Writing Assistance program reimburses the costs of preparing and applying for a non-agency grant that will advance economic growth.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 13, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total grant writing costs and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$30,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	9			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$24,750			
Total Grant Writing Costs	\$93,500			
Leverage	2.8:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including the number of applications submitted, cities, townships, nonprofits, educational institutions and the total requested from other organizations.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Applications Submitted	46			
Cities	1			
Townships	2			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Nonprofits	5			
Educational Institutions	1			
Total Requested from Other Organizations	\$10,241,404			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Other Organizations Applications	Agency Investment	Total Writing Costs	Total Requested from Other Organizations
Breitung Township	Firefighters' equipment	3	\$1,750	\$3,500	\$180,000
Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability	Greenhouse at Rock Ridge Public Schools	5	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$104,000
Laurentian Arts and Culture Alliance	Operational funds	5	\$3,000	\$10,000	\$52,404
Lone Pine Township	Public sewer infrastructure	2	\$3,000	\$36,000	\$7,500,000
Mesabi Fit Coalition	Building rehabilitation	5	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$270,000
North Shore Health Care Foundation	Public health programming for Early Childhood Hub	21	\$3,000	\$14,000	\$1,185,000
Northspan Group, Inc.	Growth Accelerator Fund Competition	1	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$200,000
Rock Ridge Schools - ISD 2909	Electric vehicle school bus	1	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$375,000
Tower	Public recreational infrastructure	3	\$3,000	\$8,000	\$375,000

Housing Grant Program

Program Description

Housing grants assist projects or programs that result in the creation of new housing units or the rehabilitation of existing housing units. The program will support housing solutions that align with local priorities and regional employer's needs.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 15, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$6,500,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	15			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$6,500,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$88,199,409			
Leverage	12.6:1			

Key Impact Measurers

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for rehabilitated housing units, new lots for future housing units, new housing units and communities impacted.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Rehabilitated Housing Units	88			
New Lots for Future Housing Units	47			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
New Housing Units	329			
Communities Impacted	27*			

**Some communities impacted by multiple programs and projects.*

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, location, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency	Rehabilitate five homes in Chisholm, Eveleth and Aurora	Multi-Community	\$250,000	\$1,250,000
Aurora Housing and Redevelopment Authority	Revitalization focused on home exterior improvements	Aurora	\$10,250	\$40,500
Bois Forte Band of Chippewa	Rehabilitate three vacant units on the Bois Forte Reservation	Bois Forte	\$356,579	\$854,508
Bovey	Install infrastructure to support a 20-unit market rate apartment building	Bovey	\$280,000	\$1,750,000
Center City Housing Corp	Construct 52 workforce housing rental units	Hibbing	\$1,900,000	\$25,560,125
Center for Energy and Environment	Rehabilitation loan program supporting five communities with the oldest housing stock	Multi-Community	\$298,171	\$1,423,171
Chisholm	Install infrastructure to support up to 25 lots for new single-family market rate housing	Chisholm	\$500,000	\$1,798,500
Cook County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	Construct 36-unit workforce apartment building	Grand Marais	\$630,000	\$8,134,713
Cook County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	Install infrastructure to support the development of 20 workforce townhomes	Grand Marais	\$225,000	\$646,250
Cook County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	Install infrastructure to support the development of up to 22 single-family homes	Tofte	\$100,000	\$1,259,794

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
East Range Joint Powers Board	A seller readiness loan program supporting ten home sellers with repairs	Multi-Community	\$20,000	\$40,000
Ely	Construct and provide infrastructure for 37-unit market rate workforce apartment building	Ely	\$850,000	\$8,845,180
Grand Rapids	Construct 132-unit market rate workforce apartment building	Grand Rapids	\$600,000	\$28,924,411
Lake County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	Construct 27-unit market rate workforce apartment building	Silver Bay	\$350,000	\$6,709,757
North St. Louis County Habitat for Humanity	Construct five new homes and rehabilitate one home	Multi-Community	\$130,000	\$962,500

Iron Range School Collaboration Bricks & Mortar Grant Program

Program Description

Iron Range School Collaboration Bricks & Mortar grant program funds building construction, infrastructure, and school bond payments for school collaboration projects.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 14, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Number of Grants Awarded	1			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$5,400,000			
Total Project Investment	-			
Leverage	-			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for school districts, new school buildings, renovated school buildings, demolished school buildings, students and funding partners.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
School Districts	0			
New School Buildings	0			
Renovated School Buildings	0			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Demolished School Buildings	2			
Students	0			
Funding Partners	0			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Nashwauk-Keewatin Schools – ISD 319	Construction cost overruns and demolition	\$5,400,000	\$43,151,365*

**This project's total project investment and key impact measures were included in another fiscal year or another program.*

Mineland Reclamation Grant Program

Program Description

Mineland Reclamation grants assist with highly visible development and restoration of mining-impacted land.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 3, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$350,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	2			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$312,500			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$1,811,550			
Leverage	4.8:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including recreation redevelopment, vegetation and sitework restoration, historical mine view attraction redevelopment and the number of communities served.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Recreation Redevelopment	1			
Vegetation and Sitework Restoration	1			
Historical Mine View Attraction Redevelopment	0			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Communities Served	2			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Crow Wing County Land Services	Expand non-motorized trails and public amenities around the Milford Mine Memorial Park	Crosby	\$200,000	\$1,500,000
Hibbing	Reforestation at stockpile 5001 - project Greenwood	Hibbing	\$112,500	\$311,550

Mining Impact Environmental Protection Fund

Program Description

Mining Impact Environmental Protection Fund provides a resource for quick response to mining impacts related to mining activities.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **December 3, 2024**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of projects awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$630,000			
Number of Projects Awarded	3			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$630,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$2,930,000			
Leverage	3.7:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for environmental and economic impact projects.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Environmental Impact Projects	3			
Economic Impact Projects	0			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the recipients, their project descriptions, locations, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Recipient	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Lands and Minerals	Install temporary pumping at the Canisteo Legacy Mine Pit	Itasca County	\$250,000	\$1,850,000
Virginia	Perform environmental assessment from acidic seeps within the Northern Heights stockpile – Phase 4	Virginia	\$300,000	\$1,000,000
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Lands and Minerals	Project planning for cemetery removal on the western edge of Wacootah Legacy Mine pit	Mountain Iron	\$80,000	\$80,000

Public Works Grant Program

Program Description

Public Works grants support local and Tribal governments with infrastructure funding that provides essential services and promotes economic development.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 13, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Number of Grants Awarded	34			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$10,244,071			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$113,982,877			
Leverage	10.1:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including the number of communities and businesses served, clean drinking water projects, wastewater upgrades, public facilities, industrial/business parks, housing, airports, healthcare and campgrounds.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Communities Served	24			
Businesses Served	13			
Clean Drinking Water	10			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Wastewater Upgrades	8			
Public Facilities	7			
Industrial/Business Parks	3			
Housing	2			
Airports	2			
Healthcare	1			
Campgrounds	1			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Aitkin	Construct community fieldhouse	\$250,000	\$1,138,000
Aurora	Develop new public facilities for clean drinking water	\$500,000	\$10,000,000
Beaver Bay	Repair city water intake system	\$200,000	\$1,018,000
Biwabik	Upgrade utilities and infrastructure	\$150,000	\$1,556,000
Biwabik	Reconstruct utilities and infrastructure – Phase 6	\$250,000	\$3,278,632
Bois Forte Band of Chippewa	Construct new public works facility	\$386,500	\$5,146,805
Breitung Township	Upgrade utilities and infrastructure	\$75,000	\$244,000
Buhl	Construct utilities and infrastructure	\$250,000	\$1,149,500

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Buhl	Construct utilities and infrastructure	\$151,362	\$833,293
Calumet	Reconstruct utilities	\$325,000	\$1,007,973
Chisholm	Construct new ice plant and renovate Chet Tomassoni Arena and Curling Club	\$1,000,000	\$5,360,524
Chisholm	Replace or repair utilities and infrastructure	\$400,000	\$2,430,747
Chisholm	Construct utilities to support multi-business development	\$500,000	\$3,000,599
Chisholm-Hibbing Airport Authority	Rehabilitate airport infrastructure	\$150,000	\$1,218,778
Coleraine	Expand water lines to business	\$140,000	\$1,726,000
Cook County and Grand Marais Joint Economic Development Authority	Construct utilities and infrastructure	\$400,000	\$18,172,000
Cook County and Grand Marais Joint Economic Development Authority	Reconstruct utilities and infrastructure	\$400,000	\$5,576,336
Ely	Upgrade utilities and infrastructure	\$108,000	\$1,220,409
Eveleth	Upgrade water metering technology	\$180,000	\$857,785
Gilbert	Extend utilities and construct highway access	\$200,000	\$823,428
Grand Marais	Construct utilities and new infrastructure	\$250,000	\$5,297,000
Hibbing	Support Hibbing Economic Development Authority Revolving Loan Fund projects	\$250,000	\$500,000
Hibbing Public Utilities Commission	Upgrade utilities – Phase 1	\$500,000	\$5,085,145

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Ironton	Construct water treatment plant	\$149,000	\$6,485,851
Itasca County Land Department	Upgrade campground facilities – Phase 2	\$100,000	\$272,565
Keewatin	Upgrade infrastructure and public facilities	\$440,578	\$1,380,378
Mountain Iron	Construct water main system	\$100,000	\$334,732
Mountain Iron	Extend utilities	\$400,000	\$1,205,000
Orr	Rehabilitate airport infrastructure	\$243,411	\$752,964
Silver Bay	Extend utilities and perform sitework – Phase 2	\$500,000	\$3,468,900
Tower	Upgrade utilities and infrastructure	\$370,345	\$1,267,695
Tower	Restore and rehabilitate Historic Fire Hall	\$290,000	\$749,150
Virginia	Update Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency facility	\$134,875	\$567,238
Virginia	Redevelop interior utilities for small shop spaces in uptown mall	\$500,000	\$20,857,450

Regional Trails Grant Program

Program Description

Regional Trails grants assist with the design, engineering and construction of various types of trails.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 8, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$2,000,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	17			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$1,985,325			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$8,814,780			
Leverage	3.4:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for new trails and trail systems, new bridges, reconstruction and enhancements, master plans, maintenance programs and communities served.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
New Trails and Trail Systems	7			
New Bridges	3			
Reconstruction and Enhancements	5			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Master Plans	2			
Maintenance Programs	6			
Communities Served	17			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, locations, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Babbitt ATV and Snowmobile Club	Purchase new snowmobile trail groomer	Babbitt	\$15,000	\$30,000
Biwabik	Expand paved trail to connect Biwabik Park Pavilion to the Gazebo	Biwabik	\$28,500	\$58,780
Chisholm	Plan and expand east corridor for Redhead and Bruce Mine Headframe Park – Phase 1	Chisholm	\$500,000	\$1,006,000
Crow Wing County Land Services	Expand trails and shelter, install interpretative displays around Milford Mine Memorial Park	Crow Wing County	\$110,000	\$1,481,709
Gunflint Trail Historical Society	Improve, replace, make accessible trails and add interpretive signage at Chik-Wauk Nature Center	Gunflint Trail	\$15,000	\$30,000
Hoyt Lakes	Renovate Midway Recreational Trails	Hoyt Lakes	\$37,600	\$75,200
Hoyt Lakes	Purchase new clubhouse for Ranger Snowmobile and ATV Clubs	Hoyt Lakes	\$41,075	\$82,150
Iron Range Tourism Bureau	Fund ten small projects supporting Northern St. Louis and Koochiching County trail plans	St. Louis County	\$100,000	\$200,000
Itasca Driftskippers Snowmobile Club	Purchase snowmobile trail groomer for Grand Rapids area	Grand Rapids	\$50,000	\$293,000
Lutsen Trailbreakers Snowmobile Club	Replace Poplar River Bridge in Lutsen	Lutsen	\$100,000	\$526,362

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Mountain Iron	Build outdoor classroom, trail and bridge within Mountain Iron-Buhl School area	Mountain Iron Schools	\$82,000	\$164,000
North Superior Ski and Run Club	Purchase ski trail groomer	Cook County	\$50,000	\$196,000
Northeast Regional ATV Trail Joint Powers Board	Master planning to connect Wild Country ATV and Two Harbors trails	Lake County	\$25,000	\$50,000
Northern Lights Nordic Ski Club	Purchase ski grooming equipment and replace fencing for cross-country trails	Itasca County, Grand Rapids and Sugar Hills	\$31,150	\$67,000
PathBlazers Snowmobile Club	Purchase snowmobile trail grooming tractor	Chisholm	\$50,000	\$303,300
St. Louis & Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority	Extend Mesabi Trail from McKinley to Biwabik	St. Louis County	\$500,000	\$2,997,430
Virginia	Construct floating bridge to connect to existing Silver Lake Trail – Phase 3	Virginia	\$250,000	\$1,253,849

Residential Redevelopment Grant Program

Program Description

Residential Redevelopment grants assist with demolishing residential structures or full deconstruction of homes for reuse of materials. Projects must eliminate blight, improve property maintenance, promote health and safety, reduce waste or encourage economic development.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 9, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the annual budget, number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$275,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	11			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$100,653			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$291,470			
Leverage	1.9:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for structures demolished, new yard/green space, new house/garage, other, tax forfeit and communities served.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Structures Demolished	26			
New Yard or Green Space	12			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
New House or Garage	6			
Other	1			
Tax Forfeit	2			
Communities Served	7			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Aurora	Demolish two trailer homes and one garage	\$8,091	\$16,430
Aurora	Demolish one house	\$6,120	\$12,550
Aurora	Demolish one garage	\$1,008	\$1,584
Chisholm	Demolish two houses and three garages	\$16,857	\$35,400
Cook	Demolish one house	\$3,630	\$14,000
Ely	Demolish two houses and one garage	\$16,566	\$78,902
Hibbing	Demolish two houses and one garage apartment	\$14,508	\$34,639
Hibbing	Demolish three houses	\$17,535	\$24,841
Hibbing	Demolish one house and one garage	\$3,984	\$12,558
Two Harbors	Demolish one house, one garage and one accessory structure	\$10,506	\$46,954
Virginia	Demolish one garage	\$1,848	\$13,612

Workforce Development Grant Program

Program Description

Workforce Development grants assist with education, training and career awareness initiatives that address regional workforce needs and gaps emerging in industries and schools.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 3, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of the project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$450,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	5			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$450,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$1,175,750			
Leverage	1.6:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including total numbers for graduates/certified/training completed, business partners, career pathway programs and industry needs met.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Graduates, Certified or Training Completed	346			
Business Partners	30			
Career Pathway Programs	13			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Industry Needs Met	13			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the grantees, their project descriptions, location, agency and total project investments.

Table 3.

Grantee	Project Description	Location	Agency Investment	Total Project Investment
Minnesota Forestry Workforce Institute	Support forestry careers in northeastern Minnesota	Agency Service Area	\$75,000	\$239,250
Minnesota North College	Support educational opportunities and initiatives for Workforce Solutions for the Trades – Phase 4	Hibbing Campus	\$150,000	\$300,000
Minnesota North College	Workforce training for L&M Fleet Supply Distribution Center employees	Grand Rapids	\$100,000	\$323,000
Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training	Program funding for career counseling and exploration for 218Workplace initiative	Virginia	\$85,000	\$170,000
Zeitgeist Center for Arts and Community	Add two programs, cinematography and podcast production to Minnesota Media Arts School curriculum – Phase 2, Year 1	Agency Service Area	\$40,000	\$143,500