Development Partnership

The Development Partnerships Program provides funds for research, education and development based initiatives which support the long-term economic growth of northeastern Minnesota.

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Funding: The Development Partnership Grant Program is funded at $250,000 for FY 2017. The maximum grant award is $50,000. The agency provides up to a 1:1 match per project.

Project eligibility:

Collaborations and partnerships that serve the agency’s mission:

- Invest in growing businesses that create jobs.
- Prepare communities for change and growth.
- Invest in an educated workforce.

Application Process and Review:

- Applications will be accepted beginning August 8 through September 9, 2016. Applications submitted after September 15 through the end of the agency’s fiscal year (June 30, 2016) may be awarded funding on a rolling basis subject to the availability of remaining program funds.
- All applications are reviewed for eligibility.
- Applications are reviewed by the agency’s Grant Team.
- Project funding is subject to Commissioner Final Approval.

Other Information:

- Resolution authorizing applicant to apply for and accept funds is required.
- Progress reports are required biannually.
- A final report is required before final payment.
- Project information is subject to Minnesota Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statute Chapter 13.