

## **MNOSHA WSC: SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM**

### **Program qualifications**

The Safety Grant Program awards funds up to \$10,000 to qualifying employers for projects designed to reduce the risk of injury and illness to their workers. To qualify, an employer must meet the following conditions:

- the employer must have workers' compensation insurance;
- the employer must come under the jurisdiction of Minnesota OSHA;
- a qualified safety professional must have conducted an on-site inspection and there must be a written report with recommendations based on the inspection;
- the project must be consistent with the recommendations of the safety inspection and must reduce the risk of injury or disease to employees;
- the employer must have the knowledge and experience to complete the project, and must be committed to its implementation;
- the employer must be able to match the grant money awarded and all estimated project costs must be covered; and
- the project must be supported by all public entities involved and comply with federal, state and local regulations where applicable.

### **Grant distribution, priority**

If the number of qualified applicants exceeds the availability of funds, priority will be given to:

1. a project that impacts a site of employment that provides goods producing, manufacturing or processing jobs for a significant portion of workers in the area;
2. a project for operating a site where jobs have been lost or are in jeopardy because of problems relating to safety shortcomings addressed by the proposal; and
3. businesses that are the current focus of the Minnesota OSHA Compliance strategic plan and the Minnesota OSHA Workplace Safety Consultation strategic plan.

If your grant is approved, you will be notified in writing of the specific approval. Whether we approve your grant application or not, in no way diminishes, delays or absolves you of any obligation to abate hazards as required by law. No state funds will be distributed until all grant documents are signed by all parties; funds expended before that must not rely on grant approval.

**Invoices dated prior to the fully executed contract date are not eligible for this program. Each grant project must be completed within 120 days of the final date of the grant agreement document.**

**Note:** Grants do not cover computers or programs, vehicles, weapons or your employee labor costs, equipment time or materials.

Grant applications are accepted on a continuous basis and are reviewed bimonthly.

An employer that has received a grant for a particular worksite will not be eligible to receive another grant for that worksite during the two years after the date of the award.

For more information, contact Minnesota OSHA  
Workplace Safety Consultation at [dli.grants@state.mn.us](mailto:dli.grants@state.mn.us),  
651-284-5060 or 800-731-7232.

## Application

- Apply online
- Information you'll need for the application process

Note: After clicking the application link, you will obtain a personal identification number (PIN) and key code to access the online application. If you do not fully complete the application, the application can be saved and completed at a later time using the PIN and key code to access your application.

## More information

- Brochure: Safety Grant Program – English version | Spanish version
- Presentation: Safety Grant Program
- Priority industries: Some industries that are a current focus of Minnesota OSHA have been assigned added priority for a safety grant.
- Governing Minnesota Rules: Minnesota Rules 5203.0010 through 5203.0070

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