
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

2026 Whitman County Economic Development Public Facilities (.09) Funds

Up to \$100,000 Available for Community Projects

The Whitman County Board of Commissioners, in partnership with the Blue-Ribbon Advisory Task Committee (BRATC), invites cities, towns, and taxing districts within Whitman County to apply for 2026 Economic Development Public Facilities (.09) funding.

These funds support public facility projects that promote economic development and provide long-term benefits to Whitman County communities.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Cities and towns
 - Taxing districts within Whitman County
 - Eligible Non-Profit Organizations
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Summary of FUNDING CRITERIA per RCW 82.14.370

- Project must demonstrate a direct connection to economic development
 - Must retain or increase sustainable economic capacity in Whitman County
 - Partnerships are encouraged
 - Minimum **10% applicant match** required
 - .09 funds may fund up to **75% of total project cost**
 - Projects must demonstrate readiness and sound planning
 - Eligible Non-Profit Organizations funding for salaries/wages
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KEY DATES

Application Deadline:

- March 23, 2026 – 5:00 p.m. (*Applications must be emailed, postmarked or delivered*)

Applicant Presentations:

- April 6, 2026 – 6:30 p.m. in the County Commissioners' Chambers at 400 N. Main St., Colfax, WA

Funding Awards:

- April 20, 2026 - Projects are considered awarded following the Commissioners' vote.

Note: This is the only application cycle for .09 funding in 2026.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Review eligibility criteria and BRATC guiding principles
2. Complete the official application form
3. Submit to the Whitman County Commissioners' Office

Applications and additional information are available at: www.whitmancounty.net

QUESTIONS? Contact Corey Mitzimberg, Clerk of the Board, coreym@whitmancounty.gov, 509-397-5251

Whitman County encourages all eligible communities to apply and looks forward to supporting projects that strengthens our county's future.