



# PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION (PHMSA)

## PIPELINE SAFETY GRANTS

FY2023



U.S. Department of Transportation  
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# OVERVIEW

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) has announced it is issuing Fiscal Year 2023 grants from its Office of Pipeline Safety. The grants will be awarded to states, local communities, and non-profit organizations to support state pipeline safety programs. Grantees will use awarded funds to prepare first responders; educate the public on local safety initiatives, including pipeline damage prevention; and conduct important pipeline safety research activities.

PHMSA provides comprehensive grant programs that are designed to improve damage prevention, develop new technologies, improve both hazmat and pipeline safety. Additionally, both the pipeline safety and hazmat safety grant programs have helped to foster partnerships with local communities and universities to promote pipeline awareness campaigns, provide resources for emergency preparedness, develop pipeline resources and information, and the implement best practices regarding pipeline and hazmat safety nationwide.

## **PHMSA'S PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:**

- Technical Assistance Grant
- State Damage Prevention Grant
- One-Call Grant
- Competitive Academic Agreement Program
- Pipeline Emergency Response Grant

# Technical Assistance Grants (TAG)

The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) proposes awarding \$2,000,580 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 for the Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) program, which will support pipeline safety technical assistance for local groups and communities. The program also provides funding to increase the scope and quality of public participation in the safe planning and operation of pipelines located in and around local communities.

APPLICANT	STATE	AMOUNT AWARDED
SharedGeo	MN	\$100,000
Damage Prevention Council of Texas	TX	\$100,000
Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission	TX	\$100,000
Center for Rural Development, Inc.	KY	\$100,000
Danielle Dawn Smalley Foundation, Inc.	TX	\$100,000
National Association of State Fire Marshals	LA	\$99,994
City of Bellevue	WA	\$99,517
Pipeline Safety Trust	WA	\$1,000,000
National Excavator Initiative	TX	\$100,000
West Central Texas Council of Governments	TX	\$99,614
Franklin County	VA	\$68,320
Forks Township Fire Department	PA	\$33,135
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,000,580</b>

# STATE DAMAGE PREVENTION GRANTS

PHMSA continues its commitment to the federal/state partnership in pipeline safety and the Agency's support for their local presence in protecting the public from pipeline incidents and preventing excavation damage. PHMSA has distributed over \$22 million in State Damage Prevention Grants since the program's inception in 2008. PHMSA annually awards grants for state damage prevention to strengthen a state's efforts in addressing pipeline failures attributed to activities such as excavation damage, one of the leading causes of pipeline accidents resulting in fatality or injury.

Additionally, State Damage Prevention Grants are also used to assist states in establishing damage prevention programs where they do not currently exist. State Damage Prevention Grants are designed to establish comprehensive state programs to prevent excavation damage to underground pipeline facilities in states that lack these programs and to improve damage prevention programs in states where these programs already exist. PHMSA offers State Damage Prevention Grants to encourage states to continue implementing the nine elements of an effective damage prevention program, which include the use of effective communications, partnerships, fair and consistent enforcement, training, and technology to help minimize the possibility of negative consequences resulting from excavation damage and inadvertent contact with underground pipelines.

<b>APPLICANT</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>AMOUNT AWARDED</b>
Arizona Corporation Commission	AZ	\$97,001
Iowa Utilities Board	IA	\$97,001
Idaho Division of Building Safety	ID	\$97,001
Illinois Commerce Commission	IL	\$97,001
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission	IN	\$97,001
Kansas Corporation Commission	KS	\$97,001
Kentucky Public Service Commission	KY	\$97,001
Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs	MI	\$97,001
Minnesota Department of Public Safety	MN	\$97,001
Nebraska State Fire Marshal	NE	\$97,001
New Jersey	NJ	\$97,001
New Mexico State Public Regulation Commission	NM	\$97,001
Pennsylvania One Call System	PA	\$97,001
Tennessee Public Utility Commission	TN	\$97,001
Texas Railroad Commission	TX	\$97,001
One Call of Wyoming	WY	\$94,983
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,550,000</b>

# ONE CALL GRANTS

One-Call Grants provide funding to state agencies to facilitate their efforts in promoting damage prevention, such as changes to their state underground damage prevention laws, related compliance activities, training, and public education. The grants are used to help improve multiple aspects of state One-Call notification systems, including participation, overall quality and effectiveness, record retention and recording capabilities, compliance and enforcement, public information and education, communications structures that link the systems, developing technologies to locate underground utility facilities, and training personnel. One-Call Grants enhance public safety, protect the environment, minimize risks to excavators, and prevent disruption of vital utility services by reducing excavation damages to underground facilities.

<b>APPLICANT</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>AMOUNT AWARDED</b>
Alabama Public Service Commission	AL	\$ 16,280
Connecticut Dept of Energy and Environmental Protection	CT	\$48,840
Delaware Public Service Commission	DE	\$7,607
Illinois Commerce Commission	IL	\$48,840
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission	IN	\$48,840
Iowa Utilities Board	IA	\$48,840
Kansas Corporation Commission	KS	\$48,840
Kentucky Public Service Commission	KY	\$48,840
Maine Public Utilities Commission	ME	\$48,840
Michigan Public Service Commission	MI	\$48,840
Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety	MN	\$48,840
Mississippi Public Service Commission	MS	\$22,976
Missouri Public Service Commission	MO	\$8,140
Nebraska Pipeline Safety Division	NE	\$48,759
Nevada Public Utilities Commission	NV	\$48,840
New Hampshire Department of Energy	NH	\$48,840
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities	NJ	\$48,840
New Mexico Pipeline Safety Bureau	NM	\$48,840
New York Department of Public Service	NY	\$48,839
North Dakota Public Service Commission	ND	\$48,840
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	PA	\$48,840
Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers	RI	\$48,840
Tennessee Public Utility Commission	TN	\$48,840
Vermont Department of Public Service	VT	\$35,710
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission	WA	\$48,840
Wyoming Public Service Commission	WY	\$46,857
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,114,288</b>

# COMPETITIVE ACADEMIC AGREEMENT PROGRAM

The Competitive Academic Agreement Program (CAAP) was created to introduce undergraduate and graduate students to common pipeline integrity challenges and demonstrate how their engineering or technical backgrounds might contribute to the field of pipeline safety. The goal of the CAAP is to spur innovation and solutions to pipeline safety challenges facing the Nation’s pipeline infrastructure through academic research and university student involvement. The projects will further promote industry investment in solutions that improve pipeline safety and protect the environment.

<b>APPLICANT</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>AMOUNT AWARDED</b>
Rutgers, the State University	NJ	\$ 999,742
University of Akron	OH	\$ 461,350
Arizona State University	AZ	\$ 1,000,000
Marquette University	WI	\$ 735,723
University of Miami	FL	\$ 550,000
Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station	TX	\$ 580,271
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 4,327,086</b>

# PIPELINE EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANT (PERG)

The Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG) program provides financial assistance that is designed to encourage a comprehensive approach to emergency planning and training by incorporating the unique challenges of responding to pipeline emergency situations. The grants are awarded on a discretionary basis and are based on an identified need to train responders affected by pipeline incidents. The goal of this program is to promote responder training and community involvement in pipeline emergency response preparedness and response efforts, particularly in high consequence areas. Congress provided up to \$2.5 million for the PERG through the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (Pub. L. 116-260).

APPLICANT	STATE	AMOUNT AWARDED
Alabama Fire College	AL	\$363,201
Green Bay Metro Fire Department	WI	\$429,891
Illinois Commerce Commission	IL	\$287,438
Marion County	TN	\$450,336
Mississippi State Fire Academy	MS	\$365,719
Northampton County	PA	\$104,857
New York Division of Homeland Security	NY	\$204,000
South Carolina Adjutant General	SC	\$365,541
Texas Division of Emergency Management	TX	\$500,000
Wayne County Emergency Management	OH	\$61,650
West Central Texas Council of Governments	TX	\$485,591
West Virginia Division of Emergency Management	WV	\$500,000
Yazoo Office of Emergency Management	MS	\$494,800
City of Clarksville (Gas and Water Department)	TN	\$55,200
East Central Florida Regional Planning Commission	FL	\$321,648
Franklin County	NY	\$64,211
Onondaga County Department of Emergency Management	NY	\$121,000
Utah State Fire Marshal's Office	UT	\$500,000
Anderson Police Department	CA	\$143,000
Snyder County	PA	\$6,765
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5,824,848</b>