



REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF FAYETTE, PENNSYLVANIA

PUBLIC NOTICE FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT

The Redevelopment Authority of the County of Fayette, Pennsylvania is now accepting application proposals from local municipalities and other interested agencies and organizations for Fayette County Local Share Account (LSA) funding. This fund was established under the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act (Act 2004-71) for the purpose of distributing 2% of gross terminal revenues of the Lady Luck Casino, at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in Wharton Township, to support community and economic development projects and initiatives. The Fayette County Commissioners have designated the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority as the local administrator of Fayette County's LSA Program.

Attached is a copy of the local Program Guidelines and Application, which provides additional details on eligible applicants, uses, and evaluation criteria. Applicants may also access these forms on the Authority's website at www.racfpa.org. As indicated in the Guidelines, all applications must be submitted to the Redevelopment Authority (86 West Main Street, Uniontown, PA 15401) by **4:00 p.m., Friday, July 26, 2024**.

Redevelopment Authority staff is available to meet and discuss individual LSA applications. Applicants with questions regarding the application process or potential projects may contact Andrew French, Redevelopment Authority Executive Director at 724-437-1547 ext. 210 or at afrench@racfpa.org. They may also contact Brenda Girod, Redevelopment Authority Community Development Technician at 724-437-1547 ext. 208 or at bgirod@racfpa.org.

FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT
PROGRAM APPLICATION GUIDELINES

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2024 BY 4:00 P.M.

Statement of Purpose

The Fayette County Local Share Account (LSA) Program has been established to support local community and economic development projects and initiatives throughout Fayette County. The LSA Program is funded through gaming revenues generated pursuant to the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act (Act 2004-71). The Redevelopment Authority of the County of Fayette (RACF) has been designated as the agency to apply for and administer the LSA Program on behalf of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners. LSA funds are distributed annually through grants from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED).

Application Process

A combined single application will be prepared annually by RACF on behalf of the County. Prior to submission, project proposals will be requested and evaluated by RACF staff, taking into consideration comments and input received from the Fayette County Commissioners and other interested parties. Following the evaluation by RACF staff, funding recommendations will be presented to the County Commissioners for formal approval. Once formal approval has been obtained by the County, RACF will prepare and submit the combined single application request to DCED, which is due November 30, 2024.

For the 2024-2025 LSA Program, local applications are due to the Redevelopment Authority by **Friday, July 26, 2024 before 4:00 p.m.** Applications may be mailed to the following address: **Andrew P. French, Executive Director, Redevelopment Authority of the County of Fayette, Pennsylvania, 86 West Main Street, Uniontown, Pennsylvania 15401.**

Applications may also be submitted via e-mail to: racfpa@racfpa.org. All e-mailed applications must be in PDF format and must have “**LSA 2024-2025 Application**” in the subject line. Once received, a verification of receipt e-mail will be sent by the Redevelopment Authority.

Once awarded, RACF will execute a grant contract with the Commonwealth for the LSA Program and may execute sub-recipient agreements with those organizations selected to receive funding. RACF will ensure that all activities and sub-recipients meet conditions of the grant contract including requirements for advertising, competitive bidding, awarding contracts, project monitoring, requisitions, progress payments, project close-out, audit, etc. Project funds will be provided to sub-recipients on a **reimbursement** basis once all the necessary compliance documentation is received. All project funds must be fully expended within a three-year time frame. RACF will initiate a close-out audit of each LSA Grant received at the conclusion of the grant contract period with DCED. The LSA Program expenditures will also be included in the Authority's Financial Statements, which are audited annually by an independent certified public accountant at the conclusion of each fiscal year.

Eligible Applicants

The entity requesting funds must be one of the following or be sponsored by one of the following:

1. County of Fayette
2. Municipalities in Fayette County
3. Fayette County Redevelopment Authorities
4. Municipal Authorities
5. A 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization

The governing body of a requesting entity and / or project sponsor must take official action to authorize the submission of any application.

Eligible Uses

The following activities may be funded through the Fayette County LSA Program:

1. Economic Development Projects: Projects that promote local economic activity and create and/or retain jobs.
2. Community Improvement Projects: Projects that improve or create civic, cultural, or recreational activities or facilities.
3. Projects in the Public Interest: Projects that improve the quality of life in the affected communities.

