

**Leighann Morgan**

**From:** Katie Bordeaux  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021 9:05 AM  
**Subject:** DEQ Accepting Water Quality Grant Request-for-Proposals

Hello,

Just passing this along. If the ECC can help you with this, please reach out to me.

Roy Cooper, Governor



Michael S. Regan, Secretary

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te: February 17, 2021

Contact: Anna Gurney  
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**DEQ Accepting Water Quality Grant Request-for-Proposals**  
Federally-funded Grant Support Projects to Restore Polluted/Impaired NC Waters

**LEIGH** – The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Division of Water Resources (DWR) is soliciting proposals for the [Clean Water Act-Section 319 \(h\) Nonpoint Source Grant](#) Funding Program for Fiscal Year 2021. Funds support projects that implement a DWR-approved [watershed restoration plan](#) to restore the water quality for waters impaired by [nonpoint source pollution](#). DWR anticipates approximately \$1.3 million in federal funds may be available for water quality restoration projects. Funds are provided by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, pursuant to Section 319(h) of the Clean Water Act.

The 319 grant promotes partnerships and leveraging of resources to strengthen local stewardship of our shared water resources. This funding provides an opportunity for non-profits and local governments to restore the habitat and quality of streams and other public trust waters across the state through voluntary local watershed initiatives,” Richard W. Gannon, DEQ, Supervisor, Nonpoint Source Planning Branch, N.C. Division of Water Resources.

State and local governments, interstate agencies, and public and private nonprofit organizations, including academic institutions, are eligible to apply. [Applications](#) are due by midnight on **May 4, 2021**.

Availability of grant funds, amounts, and award schedules are conditioned on USEPA’s budget as approved by Congress and subsequent allocation of Section 319 funds to the state. DWR reserves the right to wholly fund, partially fund, or not fund an application or any component of any Section 319 grant proposal.

For a full description of the Program including requirements, eligibility, forms and scoring criteria, visit [DEQ.nc.gov](http://DEQ.nc.gov).

For additional questions regarding the FY 2021 319(h) RFP, please contact Rishi Bastakoti at [rishi.bastakoti@ncdenr.gov](mailto:rishi.bastakoti@ncdenr.gov).

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## Leighann Morgan

**From:** Katie Bordeaux  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 9, 2021 12:29 PM  
**Cc:** Leighann Morgan  
**Subject:** Grant Opportunities

Hello Region P Governments,

Below are grant opportunities, webinars, and other resources that you may find useful.

Please let the ECC know if we can help you.

### GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

- **EDA invites applications for economic development grant opportunities**

The U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) invites applicants to submit applications under its Public Works program and Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) programs. Through these programs, EDA invites applications to request grant assistance for clearly defined construction or non-construction assistance projects that will advance job creation, job retention and private investment or enhance economic development decision-making, respectfully.

Through EDA's grant programs construction may support the construction of new public assets or the renovation of existing public assets, which include but are not limited to water/sewer lines, tanks, systems, pumps; incubators; access roads; workforce training facilities; commercialization centers; port improvements; and other similar projects. EDA's non-construction projects can support a wide array of activities, including highest and best use analysis, cluster and supply chain mapping studies, and regional technical assistance projects. Matching share funds are required and must be committed at the time of the project and for the same scope of work. For Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs the match is generally 50 percent, although communities may qualify for a higher grant rate. **Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.** To learn more and to discuss potential projects, please contact Hillary Sherman at [hsherman@eda.gov](mailto:hsherman@eda.gov). To access the funding notice and application forms, please go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=321695>.

- **EDA accepting applications under Build to Scale Program**

The US Economic Development Administration is accepting applications under the Build to Scale Program. The program consists of two parts – the Venture Challenge and the Capital Challenge. The Venture Challenge is designed to foster high-growth entrepreneurship, accelerate company growth, and scale proven entrepreneurship support models. The Capital Challenge is designed to increase access to capital in communities where risk capital is in short supply by providing operational support for early-stage investment funds, angel capital networks, or investor training programs. **Applications must be received by April 29, 2021.** To learn more, please go to: <https://www.eda.gov/oie/buildtoscale/>.

- **Community Heart and Soul offering Seed Grant Funding to Small Cities and Towns**

Community Heart and Soul has announced its new Community Heart & Soul Seed Grant Program which provides startup funding of \$10,000 for resident-driven groups in communities with populations of 2,500 to 30,000 to implement the Community Heart & Soul model of community engagement. To learn more, please go to: <https://www.communityheartandsoul.org/seed-grants/>.

- **FEMA accepting applications for 2020 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) program**



FEMA invites applicants to apply for resources under the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) application. Applications must be received by **5pm on Friday, March 12, 2021**. To learn more, please go to: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/firefighters/safer/documents>. If you need further assistance with the submittal of your application, call or e-mail the SAFER Help Desk. The toll-free number is 1-866-274-0960; the e-mail address for questions is [firegrants@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:firegrants@fema.dhs.gov). The SAFER Help Desk is open Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET.

- **Whole Kids Foundation School Garden Grant Program accepting applications**  
This grant program provides up to \$3,000 in funding for new or existing edible gardens at k-12 schools and nonprofit organizations. Application deadline is **March 31, 2021**. To learn more, please go to: [https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/funding/3025?utm\\_source=racupdate&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=update021721](https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/funding/3025?utm_source=racupdate&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=update021721).
- **NC Healing Communities Fund accepting applications**  
The NC Community Foundation is accepting applications from nonprofits in marginalized communities that have been severely impacted by COVID-19 as defined by revenue loss and increased demand. **Applications began being accepted on February 1, 2021 and are ongoing.** To learn more, please go to: <https://www.nccommunityfoundation.org/apply/grants/north-carolina-healing-communities-fund/request-for-proposals-north-carolina-healing-communities-fund>.
- **ncIMPACT Initiative and myFutureNC looking to support 10 educational attainment collaboratives across NC**  
ncIMPACT Initiative, myFutureNC, with support from the John M. Belk Endowment, are offering resources to support up to 10 education attainment collaboratives across NC that seek to significantly increase the number of students complementing post-secondary credentials of value. To learn more, please go to: <https://ncimpact.sog.unc.edu/our-work/workforce-education/myfuturenc-local-educational-attainment-collaboratives/>.
- **ARC invites pre-applications for FY2022**  
The 29 western NC Counties of Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Davie, Forsyth, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, McDowell, Macon, Madison, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Stokes, Surry, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, Yadkin, and Yancey are invited to submit pre-applications for consideration for ARC support. **Pre-applications must be received by 5pm on April 21, 2021.** To learn more, please go to: <https://files.nc.gov/nccommerce/documents/Rural-Development-Division/Rural/ARC/Applications/2022-NC-ARC-Pre-Application.pdf>.
- **AARP Livable Communities Challenge accepting applications**  
AARP has released its 2021 Livable Communities Challenge to provide grants to fund quick-action projects to help communities become more livable for people of all ages. **Applications are due April 14 at 8 ET.** To learn more, please go to: [https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/community-challenge/info-2021/2021-challenge/?cmp=EMC-DSM-NLC-LC-HOMFAM-20210217\\_LivableCommunities\\_1094001\\_1430301-021721-F1-CommunityChallenge-CTA\\_Button-CTRL-Community-5240187&encparam=4PqkdpjBXdQEgbOm29ERkwI90A%2fNgT2wDBeR52hpafs%3d](https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/community-challenge/info-2021/2021-challenge/?cmp=EMC-DSM-NLC-LC-HOMFAM-20210217_LivableCommunities_1094001_1430301-021721-F1-CommunityChallenge-CTA_Button-CTRL-Community-5240187&encparam=4PqkdpjBXdQEgbOm29ERkwI90A%2fNgT2wDBeR52hpafs%3d)

## WEBINARS

- **NADO host CEDS 101 Webinar**  
The NADO Research Foundation will be hosting a webinar on **March 9 at 2pm ET** entitled “CEDS 101: What you need to know right now about the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.” During the webinar NADO EDA and NADO staff will highlight best practices, latest trends, and key CEDS fundamentals. To participate, please go to: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7221914941040126223>. Please excuse the timing of this. I was just informed of this today.
- **Blueway Guide to be launched**



NC Growth, with support from EDPNC, EDA, and Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise, are releasing a new Blueway Guide on **March 31, 2021 from 1:00-2:30pm ET**. For more information and the registration link, please go to: [https://kenan-flagler.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_zA8vTLtCSeYc64m-0iNnUw](https://kenan-flagler.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zA8vTLtCSeYc64m-0iNnUw).

- **NC Healthcare Association Foundation and Foundation for Health Leadership are offering webinar on tracking measurable outcomes for community health using clear impact scorecard**  
The NC Healthcare Association Foundation in partnership with the Foundation for Healthy Leadership and Innovation are hosting a webinar to showcase how the Clear Impact Scorecard and how it can be used to strengthen community health improvement efforts. The webinar will be held throughout the year, with the first offered on **March 10, 2021 at 9:30am**. To register for the webinar, please go to: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqcO2rpzItE9SFvp5E4rX\\_IWKyfzFPDgHC](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqcO2rpzItE9SFvp5E4rX_IWKyfzFPDgHC).
- **UNC Environmental Finance Center is hosting webinar on grants and loans for NC water/wastewater systems**  
On **March 24 from 2:00pm-3:30pm**, the UNC Environmental Finance Center will be hosting a webinar on loan and grant availability for water/wastewater in NC. The webinar will feature a number of resources, including NC Division of Water Infrastructure who will present on State Revolving Loans, CDBG, and state-administered grants), USDA, and EDA. To register, please go to: <https://efc.sog.unc.edu/event/funding-programs-water-systems-north-carolina>.

## RESOURCES / NOTICES

- **EPA releases tools to help communities advance community revitalization efforts by leveraging Opportunity Zones**  
The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released a number of tools and resources to help practitioners understand how to best leverage Opportunity Zones to foster community revitalization. To review the information, please go to: <https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/leveraging-opportunity-zones-community-revitalization>.
- **New website features case studies on local government challenges and solutions from across the country**  
Atlas, a new online community of local government professionals, is designed to feature the challenges local governments are facing and the solutions that they are employing. The site has a range of resources that are also available. To access the platform, please go to: <https://the-atlas.com/>.
- **Healthy Places by Design offers report highlighting how planning design can support social connection**  
COVID-19 has put an exclamation point on the dire impacts of social isolation. This has long been considered a personal choice, but new research and findings from the Healthy Places by Design report suggests that isolation may have a significant linkage to community design. The report provides their research, and offers recommendations to improve local planning efforts to foster greater social connectivity. To read the article, please go to: <https://healthyplacesbydesign.org/socially-connected-communities-solutions-for-social-isolation/>.
- **Build Healthy Places Network has released new report on building equity in communities**  
Building community prosperity has long been the goal of economic development professionals. Yet, far too many have not enjoyed the benefits of this effort. As more effort is being directed to ensuring that development and local government practices are equitable, there is a rich array of resources being released to help communities consider how to do this. One of this is a new report from Build Healthy Places Network entitled "Thriving Together: A Springboard for Equitable Recovery & Resilience in Communities across America" which highlights practical steps that local government partners can take to build equity in their communities. To view the resource please go to: [https://www.buildhealthyplaces.org/tools-resources/community-resource-library/resource/thriving-together-a-springboard-for-equitable-recovery-resilience-in-communities-across-america/?utm\\_source=BHPN+Website+Newsletter+List&utm\\_campaign=a807a53db5-](https://www.buildhealthyplaces.org/tools-resources/community-resource-library/resource/thriving-together-a-springboard-for-equitable-recovery-resilience-in-communities-across-america/?utm_source=BHPN+Website+Newsletter+List&utm_campaign=a807a53db5-)

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**From:** ,  
**Sent:**  
**To:**  
**Subject:**

Katie Bordeaux  
Friday, March 12, 2021 1:07 PM  
Leighann Morgan  
Economic Development Summit

Hello Economic Developers and Planners,

I am working on an Economic Development Summit for our 9 county region and need your help. The purpose of the Summit is to bring our 9 county Economic Developers and Planners together so we can gain knowledge, hear regional economic development opportunities, and see how the ECC can help the region grow. Just as for one example, as I have visiting with groups, I hear we need infrastructure. I agree and want to help with a cohesive plan to get results. You all are the experts and by your helping me with the survey, I can develop and craft the Summit to be meaningful and relevant to you.

This will be an in person meeting at the ECC office in New Bern as my desire is to have open dialogue without the internet going in and out, interruptions, and other off things that happen when we meet remotely. And yes, whatever else you are thinking, that too! Plus, I promise to have good food. The cost to you will be just your attendance. I hope it will be an informative and fun gathering!

My goal is after the Summit for us to meet frequently and to work regionally.

Attached is a survey that ask your preferences for the month, days of the week, and topic suggestions. Of course, you are welcome to call or text if you want to discuss further. I welcome any and all suggestions. The survey should take less than 5 minutes.

I am copying your manager on this so that you can gather input from their perspective. I will happily accept all surveys so please help me with this.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7DC6HX8>

Would you please be so kind to complete the survey by March 17<sup>th</sup> at noon.

Many thanks!

*Katie S. Bordeaux*



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#StayStrongNC and get the latest at [nc.gov/covid19](https://nc.gov/covid19)



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**From:** Katie Bordeaux  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2021 11:41 AM  
**To:** Leighann Morgan  
**Subject:** Fw: Summer Nutrition Program Application Open - 2021 Rapid Response: Farm to Summer Funding - closing April19th

Leighann,

Please forward to our region and keep a copy for the file.

Thank you.

Katie

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**From:** Suggs, Amy <amy.suggs@nccommerce.com>  
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Please see the announcement below with details and share with your networks.

Thank you.

**Amy Suggs**

Community Economic Development Planner  
Southeast Prosperity Zone



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**Click to see the Rural Planning Program Overview:**

[https://files.nc.gov/nccommerce/documents/Rural-Development-Division/Main-Street/Rural-Planning/Rural\\_Planning\\_Program\\_Overview\\_9.9.2019\\_Final.pdf](https://files.nc.gov/nccommerce/documents/Rural-Development-Division/Main-Street/Rural-Planning/Rural_Planning_Program_Overview_9.9.2019_Final.pdf)



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<[tes\\_thraves@ncsu.edu](mailto:tes_thraves@ncsu.edu)>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 10:08 AM

Subject: [External] Application Open - 2021 Rapid Response: Farm to Summer Funding - closed April 19th

**CAUTION:** External email. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify. Send all suspicious email as an attachment to [Report Spam](#).

Applications are open for **2021 Rapid Response: Farm to Summer Funding!**  
**Completed Applications are due Monday April 19th** (one week only!).  
please forward

The F2SCNC and CEFS are offering [farm to summer support funding](#) of \$1000 to \$2000 (variable depending on numbers served) to School Local Education Authorities (LEAs) and Community Organization Sponsors operating N.C. Summer Nutrition Programs to feed children in need. We will distribute up to 20 mini-grants for up to \$40,000 total. To receive the funding, each applicant must meet the eligibility requirements, agree to the recipient responsibilities, and submit a short online application **by April 19th**.

Read full application description and access application from <https://cefs.ncsu.edu/youth/farm-to-school/covid-19-rapid-response/> and contact tes thraves (see signature for email and phone) with any questions.

Because we believe Farm to School (F2S) contributes to both the wellbeing of our kids and to community food security, we seek to support our partners in meeting urgent needs and building farm to school capacity. For more information about farm to school, see [F2SCNC](#) and look at the [DPI Farm to Summer Tool Kit](#).

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## **Center for Environmental Farming Systems**

CEFS: <https://cefs.ncsu.edu/youth/farm-to-school/>

Farm to School Coalition of NC - <http://www.farmtoschoolcoalitionnc.org/>

National Farm to School Network state partner - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/>

C.O.R.E. - <https://cefs.ncsu.edu/food-system-initiatives/food-system-committee-on-racial-equity/>

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**From:** Katie Bordeaux  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2021 10:28 AM  
**Cc:** Leighann Morgan  
**Subject:** American Rescue Plan, broadband, and grant information

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hello Region P Council of Governments,

This email has a variety of resources from the American Rescue Plan, to broadband, to other grant opportunities.

### American Rescue Plan

Please take a moment to review the below information as several entities have contacted the ECC office about the American Rescue Plan. The American Rescue Plan has a tremendous amount of resources available to communities, their partners, and states to foster economic and community recovery from the coronavirus. There are a range of great resources available summarizing the numerous forthcoming resources that may be of interest to you and your partners, including the National Association of Regional Councils' Analysis of the American Rescue Plan available at: <https://narc.org/2021/03/15/narc-analysis-american-rescue-plan/>, the NC League of Municipalities NC, and the American Rescue Plan Hub available at <https://www.arp.nclm.org/>

### National Telecommunications and Information Agency (NTIA) to host upcoming webinars on three new broadband programs

The NTIA has published a notice in the April 12, 2021 Federal Register announcing changes in the webinar dates for the three new broadband grant programs authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act.

#### Webinars and dates are as follows:

<b>Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program</b>	April 21 & 22 at 2:30pm ET
	May 19 & 20 at 2:30pm ET
	June 16 & 17 at 2:30pm ET
	July 21 & 22 at 2:30pm ET
<b>Connecting Minority Community Program</b>	May 5 & 6 at 2:30pm ET
	May 26 & 27 at 2:30pm ET
	June 23 & 24 at 2:30pm ET
	July 28 & 29 at 2:30pm ET
<b>Broadband Infrastructure Program</b>	April 28 & 29 at 2:30pm ET
	May 12 & 13 at 2:30pm ET



June 9 & 10 at 2:30pm ET

July 14 & 15 at 2:30pm ET

To register for any of these webinars, please go to: <https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/event>.

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### **EPA accepting applications through Environmental Justice Small Grants Program**

EPA is accepting applications under the Environmental Justice Small Grants Program to provide resources that will improve the environmental and public health conditions of low-income communities and communities of color through the advancement of racial equity and environmental justice. **Applications are due May 7, 2021.** To learn more, please go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=331855>.

### **US Department of Health and Health Services (HHS) Office of Minority Health is accepting applications**

The US Department of Health and Health Services (HHS) Office of Minority Health is accepting applications to connect minority and other underserved populations – including rural communities – with vital services and to promote pandemic safety measures. Applications are accepted through **April 20, 2021**. To learn more, please go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=330807>.

**IEDC to host free webinar on engaging city residents to promote downtown economic development**  
On **Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 3pm ET** IEDC will host a free webinar entitled “The Meaningful Engagement of Center City Residents in Economic Development: The Revitalization of Downtown Allentown.” The webinar will showcase how engagement of residents can be a strategic way to promote downtown redevelopment efforts, and will focus on the Allentown experience as a case study. To register, please go to: [http://smartgrowth.org/a-new-approach-to-parks-and-recreation-system-planning/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery&utm\\_term=\(iedconline.org\)](http://smartgrowth.org/a-new-approach-to-parks-and-recreation-system-planning/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=(iedconline.org)).

### **scMaryland Department of Planning to host webinar on new approach to Parks and Recreation Systems Planning**

The Maryland Department of Planning will host a webinar on **Friday, April 16 at 1pm ET** entitled “A New Approach to Parks and Recreation Systems Planning.” The webinar will feature ways to make parks that yield greater economic, social, and environmental benefits. For more information and the registration link, please go to: [http://smartgrowth.org/a-new-approach-to-parks-and-recreation-system-planning/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery&utm\\_term=\(iedconline.org\)](http://smartgrowth.org/a-new-approach-to-parks-and-recreation-system-planning/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=(iedconline.org)).

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**From:** Katie Bordeaux  
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**To:** Katie Bordeaux  
**Subject:** Re: Regional Managers Meeting Save the Date

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Good morning Region P Council of Governments,

In keeping with our June 2, 2021 meeting on broadband, please see below for another opportunity.



**NC Broadband Matters May 25 Free Zoomcast:  
How to Fund Your Broadband Network with American Rescue  
Funds and More**



**How do we fund our community's broadband deployment?** Through the American Rescue Act, the federal government is unleashing historic and transformative levels of funding that can be used for broadband, digital literacy and digital training (among other things). Join us for this in-depth discussion by

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Join broadband experts, Deborah Watts (Broadband Catalysts) James McCleskey (North Carolina's Washington Office), Nate Denny, and (NC DIT), Jeff Sural, (NC BIO, NC DIT)

**Register Here - Tuesday, May 25 @11:00-1:00 pm**

**The webinar is free to attend but registration is required.  
ALL REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE AN ARCHIVE VIDEO OF THE ZOOMCAST.**

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**From:** Katie Bordeaux  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 4, 2021 9:48 AM  
**Subject:** Regional Managers Meeting Save the Date

Hello,

The ECC is planning the next Managers' Meeting.

Please save the date of **Wednesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** This will be an in person meeting at the ECC office in New Bern. Lunch will be provided compliments of the ECC.

The featured topic will be Broadband and upcoming build outs with the Governmental Affairs Team from Charter/Spectrum to present.

More information is forthcoming.

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**Cc:** Emily Barrett; Leighann Morgan  
**Subject:** My Utility Scored is on the Distressed Unit List, Now What? June 9 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  
**Attachments:** Copy of VUR SWIA DRAFT list\_GreeneCounty.xlsx

Hello Greene County Officials.

The Economic Development Administration has approved a grant that allows the Environmental Finance Center at UNC to provide **free technical assistance** to utilities listed as distressed in Greene County. The ECC is coordinating the work for your County. Please do not think I am meddling but if the ECC can help, I want to ensure we do.

**You are Invited-----My Utility Scored is on the Distressed Unit List, Now What? This will be at the ECC office on Wednesday June 9 from 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.** This meeting is for entities that are on the Green County list. If I have omitted an official or staff person, please help me with forwarding to the person.

This assistance that runs from now until September 2021 will help your water and wastewater utility to:

- Conduct an affordability and financial health assessment,
- Conduct a rate study,
- Make a training and education plan,
- Develop an action plan (as required by the State of NC), and
- Evaluate funding opportunities that may be coming from the federal and state government, especially as we look at the COVID-19 Crisis recovery funding.

During the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting we hope to:

- Provide an overview of the distressed utility process,
- Provide an overview of the Environmental Finance Center and our work to assist utilities across the nation,
- Hear your concerns and questions,
- Determine if you are interested in working with us, and
- Agree on next steps.

Please let me know by this Friday (28<sup>th</sup>) if you can attend. Hope to see you at the session.

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