



## Featured Opportunities

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In this issue, we bring you a list of opportunities and updates from the state, federal, and local levels, all centered around our core Opportunity Theme.

Explore *direct links* to grants, programs, and initiatives designed to support your work and community.

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Don't miss the **WV on the DOT** podcast—available on the [WV website](#) and [SoundCloud](#)—for *local/ neighbor-like* insights into transportation and infrastructure developments.

Our **Awards** section continues to spotlight outstanding achievements, and we've included a range of **additional articles**, organized with the most recent first.

Be sure to visit our dedicated website for a full list of **Bid Matching Opportunities**.

Opportunities

As the construction industry faces persistent labor shortages and economic uncertainty, leaders are urged to adopt a "[builder's mindset](#)"—one rooted in adaptability, strategic foresight, and workforce resilience <sup>1</sup>. Meanwhile, transportation costs remain relatively stable, with [June 2025 gasoline prices](#) averaging \$3.15 per gallon—down nearly 9% from last year—though

diesel prices have seen a modest uptick<sup>2</sup>. In a significant boost to infrastructure, [U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy](#) announced nearly \$500 million in BUILD grants to fund 30 projects nationwide, targeting road safety, transit upgrades, and port enhancements<sup>3</sup>. Together, these developments signal both challenges and opportunities for the construction and transportation sectors.

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### Webinar Spotlight

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## Award Status

The West Virginia Department of Transportation's **Award Status** page serves as a transparent and up-to-date resource for tracking the outcomes of highway contract lettings across the state.

Updated regularly, this page provides detailed listings of awarded contracts by date, allowing contractors, stakeholders, and the public to monitor infrastructure investment and project progress.

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