



# *eCounty Lines*

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November 20, 2018

**Notice to Readers:** *eCounty Lines* will not be published next week due to the CCI Foundation Winter Conference in El Paso County. News from the conference will be highlighted in the Winter Issue of *County Lines*, which will be mailed in early December.

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## LEADING OFF:

### Over 400 County Leaders Will Convene Next Week at the Winter Conference



*By Gini Pingnot*

The stage is set for the CCI Foundation Winter Conference next Monday through Wednesday (**November 26-28**) at the Hotel Eleganté in El Paso County (Colorado Springs). Over 400 county leaders from around the state are registered to attend. They will hear an address from Governor-elect Jared Polis (*pictured below*), sharpen their skills through educational programs, and network with their peers.



El Paso County Commissioner Darryl Glenn will provide the welcome remarks at the Opening Session on Tuesday morning (November 27). That evening, the CCI Dinner features the presentation of prestigious awards (*see item below*) and a salute to CCI Past President Lew Gaiter, a Larimer County Commissioner who passed away in October, and former CCI Executive Director John (Chip) Taylor, who resigned his position in October to become the Deputy Director of CTSI.

Governor-elect Polis will speak at a special general session at 4 pm on Monday (**November 26**) and attend the Monday evening President's Reception hosted by CCI President Dave Paul, a Teller County Commissioner. The Governor-elect has indicated he will answer questions from his audience and would like them in advance. If you have a question, email it to me (by tomorrow) by clicking [here](#).

A number of important CCI meetings will take place at the conference, including the Gallagher Workgroup, which convenes Monday (**November 26**) at 10 am and runs through Noon. The meeting will be held in the Gold Camp room at the Hotel Eleganté. For those who wish to access the meeting by phone, the call-in number is 1-916-235-1420, and the participant code is 465624#.

The conference also features hard-hitting general sessions on reducing opioid abuse, assessing the impact on counties of the recent election, and the state's health care challenge.

On behalf of the leadership and staff of CCI, we look forward to seeing many of you next week.

*Gini Pingnot is CCI's Legislative Director.*

**P.S.** For those of you attending the conference, be advised that the Schedule at a Glance is attached to this *eCounty Lines*, along with a press release on the event that you are encouraged to share with your local media contacts to indicate your participation.

## CCI NEWS:

### CCI to Present Three Major Awards Next Tuesday at the Winter Conference



Each year, CCI uses the occasion of the CCI Foundation Winter Conference to honor dedicated, deserving individuals with prestigious awards. At next week's event, CCI will present three distinct honors: Commissioner of the Year, Distinguished Service Award, and the Dedication Award. The presentations will be made at the **Tuesday evening (November 27)** dinner. In addition, CCI President Dave Paul (*pictured above*), a Teller County Commissioner, will be honored for his leadership of the association in 2017-2018.

### Wagner Equipment Continues Tradition of Housing President's Reception



The Winter Conference features a strong sponsor line-up that includes Platinum Sponsor Wagner Equipment, with its long tradition of hosting the President's Reception. This year's reception is Monday evening (**November 26**). Anadarko is also a Platinum sponsor. County Technical Services, Inc. (CTSI) is a Gold Sponsor (and host of the Tuesday morning, **November 27** breakfast for all delegates), as is Deloitte Services, which provided the conference nametags/lanyards.

Silver Sponsors include the Colorado Health Foundation, Xcel Energy, Colorado Housing Finance Authority, CPS HR Consulting, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, and the Statewide Internet Portal Authority (SIPA).

Bronze sponsors to date are Abba Technologies, ACE/Eaton Metals, American Fidelity, BNSF Railway, Bohannon Huston, Butler Snow, CCOERA, Colorado Asphalt Pavement Association, Colorado Oil and Gas Association, CSU Office of Engagement, DLR Group, Dustrol, 4 Rivers Equipment, Honnen Equipment, Iconergy, Innovative Western Solutions, Motorola Solutions, NatCore Healthcare, Northwoods, Purple Wave Auction, Snap-Tite Culvert Lining, RMMI Digital Document Solutions, the Special District Association of Colorado, United Power, and Vavirnek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP.

## CCI and NACo Overviews, Public Relations Kickoff New Commissioner Orientation



Part I of the CCI New Commissioner Orientation for 2018-2019 kicks off at the CCI Foundation Winter Conference on **Monday afternoon, November 26**, with overviews of CCI and NACo, and communications and public relations for county commissioners.

CCI Policy Director Eric Bergman will present the CCI overview while NACo's Director of Strategic Relations Linda Langston will discuss the services and benefits of our national association. The communications/public relations chapter of the County Commissioners Handbook will be covered by Wendy Manitta Holmes, ARP, the public affairs director for Douglas County. Part II of the training will be presented **January 9-11, 2019** at the CCI headquarters in Denver (this is the only part that requires a registration fee); and Part III is presented at the CCI Foundation Summer Conference on **June 3, 2019** in Keystone. CCI welcomes three sponsors, who are Associate Members of the CCI Foundation: Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), and Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association. A tentative schedule of topics and speakers is attached to this *eCounty Lines*, along with a form to use to register for Part II.

### NEWS & INFORMATION:

#### USDA, ONDCP Unveil Latest Tool to Help Rural Counties Address Opioid Epidemic



The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) has released a listing of federal programs that can be used to build resilient communities and address opioid misuse in rural areas. To access this important tool, click [here](#). The Rural Resource Guide to Help Communities Address Substance Use Disorder and Opioid Misuse was developed by the Rural Opioid Federal Interagency Working Group. In May 2018, the ONDCP formed the Rural Opioid Federal Interagency Working Group to help address the opioid crisis by improving coordination and reducing potential overlap among federal agencies responding to the crisis.

#### Deadline Extended for Gray and Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grants

The Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has extended the deadline for its Gray and Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant program (GBMJ) to **November 30**. These grants were created at the request of CCI and the Colorado Municipal League (CML) to help local law enforcement with the costs of investigation and prosecution of illegal grow operations. Guidelines and a grant application form are attached to this edition of *eCounty Lines*. If you have any questions, please email DOLA Program Manager [Tara Tubb](#) or call her at 303.864.7756.



## Special Highway Committee Off-System Bridge Grants Due Friday

In coordination with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), the Special Highway Committee is now accepting applications for off-system bridge rehabilitation and replacement projects. A notice was sent out recently to all counties and **applications are due to CCI by 5 pm on Friday, November 23**. There is approximately \$2.4 million available for municipal and county bridge projects between 2019 and 2021. Priority will be given to bridge projects that have been deemed scour critical or have the lowest sufficiency ratings. Application materials can be found on the CCI website and by clicking [here](#). For more information, please email [Eric Bergman](#) at CCI or call him at 303.861.4076.

## Transit Capital Project Funding Available from CDOT Through December 5

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Division of Transit and Rail is releasing a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for its annual Consolidated Call for Capital Projects (CCCP). The NOFA will announce the availability of over \$32 million in federal and state funds for transit capital projects. Application deadline will be **December 5**. For more information (and to view the NOFA), go to CDOT's [website](#). If you have questions you can also email [Tom Mauser](#) at CDOT or call him at 303.547.5972.

## CALENDAR:

### December 3: Rule-Making Hearing on Residential Tax Credit Regulations

History Colorado will hold a public rule-making hearing on **Monday, December 3** at 3 pm at 1200 Broadway (Larry & Sharon Martin Room), in Denver, to consider regulations on income tax credit for qualified costs incurred in the preservation of qualified residential structures, specifically the regulations and procedures for implementing the Colorado Main Job Creation and Main Street Revitalization Act. The deadline for written or emailed comments to be included in the hearing packet is the end of the business day on **Wednesday, November 28**. Comments should be in an email attachment (PDF format preferred) to [Mark Rodman](#). Notice of the proposed rules can be found by clicking [here](#).

### December 6-7: Grants Training Workshop in Denver

The Denver Regional Council of Governments and Grant Writing USA will present a two-day grants workshop on **December 6-7** in Denver. The training is for grant seekers across all disciplines. Participants will learn how to find grants and write winning grant proposals. To register, click [here](#).

### December 6-7: Colorado Health Institute Hot Issues in Health

The Colorado Health Institute's Hot Issues in Health 2018 will be held **December 6-7** at the Hilton Denver Inverness Hotel in Englewood. Participants will connect with state legislators, local officials, executive branch leaders, and members of the broader policy community to dissect the results of the mid-term elections and discuss Colorado's most critical health care issues. For more information, click [here](#).

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# CCI Foundation 2018 Winter Conference – Schedule-at-a-Glance

Monday, November 26, 2018		
8 am – 5 pm	<b>Association of Colorado County Administrators (ACCA) Meetings</b>	<i>Rampart</i>
9 am – Noon	<b>Child Welfare Allocation Committee (CWAC)</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
10 am – Noon	<b>CCI Gallagher Workgroup</b>	<i>Gold Camp</i>
1 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>Registration Open</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
1 pm – 4 pm	<b>Works Allocation Committee (WAC)</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 3-4</i>
1 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>CCI/CDOR Quarterly Meeting on Sales Tax</b>	<i>Gold Camp</i>
1 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>CCI Landfills Quarterly Meeting</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
2 pm – 4 pm	<b>New Commissioner Orientation – Part I</b>	<i>Foothills</i>
2 pm – 5 pm	<b>CARSE Board of Directors Meeting</b>	<i>Boardroom</i>
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>Pre-Conference Workshop - Social Security: The Choice of a Lifetime</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>Pre-Conference Workshop - Maximizing Local Government Revenue Sources</b>	<i>Salon F-G</i>
3 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>CCI Board and CCI Foundation Board Meetings</b>	<i>Telluride</i>
3:45 pm – 4 pm	<b>Meet Sponsors at Table-Top Displays</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
4 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>Special General Session: Governor-Elect Jared Polis</b>	<i>Salon A-B</i>
5:30 pm – 7 pm	<b>President’s Reception (Sponsored by Wagner Equipment)</b>	<i>Summit Ballroom</i>
Tuesday, November 27, 2018		
7 am – 5 pm	<b>Registration Desk Open</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
7 am – 8:45 am	<b>CARSE Breakfast</b>	<i>Telluride</i>
7 am – 8:45 am	<b>Breakfast for All Delegates - (Sponsored by CTSI)</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>
7 am – 8:45 am	<b>County Workers Compensation Pool &amp; Colorado Counties Casualty &amp; Property Pool Meeting</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>
7:30 am – 8:45 am	<b>Sponsor Breakfast/Education Program (for sponsors only)</b>	<i>Foothills</i>
7:45 am – 8:45 am	<b>CARSE Member Meeting</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
8:45 am – 9 am	<b>Meet Sponsors at Table-Top Displays</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
9 am – 10:30 am	<b>Opening General Session: Successful Strategies for Reducing Opioid Abuse</b>	<i>Salon A-B</i>
10:30 am – 10:45 am	<b>Coffee Break and Meet Sponsors at Table-Top Displays</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
10:30 am – 10:45 am	<b>CARSE Educational Program: Associate Degree in Highway Maintenance/Management</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
10:30 am – 10:45 am	<b>CHSDA Educational Program: CCCAP Update</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 1-2</i>
10:45 am – Noon	<b>General Session: Elections Impacts for Colorado Counties</b>	<i>Salon A-B</i>
Noon – 2:30 pm	<b>District Meetings and Lunch for all Delegates</b> <b>Eastern – Rampart (lunch served in room)</b> <b>Mountain – Foothills    Southern – Salon C</b> <b>Front Range – Salon D-E</b> <b>Western – Salon F-G</b>	

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Noon – 1 pm	<b>CHSDA Business Meeting</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 1-2</i>
1 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>CARSE Educational Program: The 811 Law</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
1 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>CHSDA Educational Program: Adult Protective Services Rule Changes</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 1-2</i>
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	<b>Afternoon Coffee Break/Meet Sponsors at Table-Top Displays</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	<b>50,000+ Caucus/Election of the CCI Secretary &amp; Treasurer</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>
2:45 pm – 4 pm	<b>CHSDA Educational Program: HCPF Priorities and Transition</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 1-2</i>
2:45 pm – 4 pm	<b>Concurrent Workshop - Best Practices in Social Media for County Leaders</b>	<i>Foothills</i>
2:45 pm – 4 pm	<b>Concurrent Workshop - Protecting Property from Wildfires</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 3-4</i>
2:45 pm – 4 pm	<b>Concurrent Workshop - How to Work Effectively with Other County Elected Officials</b>	<i>Gold Camp</i>
4 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>CARSE Educational Program: Controlling Utilities in Public Roads</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
4 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>CCI Business Meeting</b>	<i>Salon A-B</i>
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	<b>Reception Honoring Allen Chapman, CTSI Executive Director</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>
6:30 pm - 9 pm	<b>Dinner for All Delegates</b>	<i>Summit Ballroom</i>
Wednesday, November 28, 2018		
7 am – 12:30 pm	<b>Registration Desk Open</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
7:30 am – 8:15 am	<b>Breakfast for All Delegates</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>
7 am – 8:15 am	<b>Women Commissioners Breakfast</b>	<i>Rampart</i>
8:30 am – 9:45 am	<b>Concurrent Workshop - Understanding Your County's Changing Demographics</b>	<i>Salon F-G</i>
8:30 am – 9:45 am	<b>Concurrent Workshop - Colorado's Recently Enhanced Economic Development Tool: Historic Preservation Tax Credits</b>	<i>Foothills</i>
8:30 am – 9:45 am	<b>CARSE Educational Program: Infrastructure Management Systems (IMS) Pavement Management</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
9:45 am – 10 am	<b>Morning Coffee Break/Meet Sponsors at Table-Top Displays</b>	<i>Foothills Concourse</i>
10 am – 11:45 am	<b>Closing General Session: The Health Care Challenge in Colorado</b>	<i>Salon A-B</i>
10 am – 11:45 am	<b>CHSDA Educational Program: Hot Topics in Child Welfare</b>	<i>Pikes Peak 1-2</i>
10 am – 11 am	<b>CARSE Educational Program: Rattlesnakes Safety and Awareness! You ought to know...!</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
11 am – Noon	<b>CARSE Educational Program: Drones, Maybe We Should Take Another Look. What good are they in a County environment?</b>	<i>Centennial</i>
11:45 am – 12:30 pm	<b>Grab &amp; Go Lunch</b>	<i>Salon D-E</i>



November 20, 2018

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**CCI Foundation's Winter Conference**

**Brings Together 400 County Leaders**

Colorado's largest annual gathering of county leaders unfolds on November 26-28, 2018 in El Paso County as more than 400 delegates are expected at the CCI Foundation's Winter Conference at the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs.

The conference features a special general session on Monday (November 26) at which Colorado Governor-elect Jared Polis will outline his vision of the state's future. In addition, the conference offers educational programs on such subjects as reducing opioid abuse, protecting property from wildfires, and providing health care to all Coloradans.

State demographer Elizabeth Garner will provide insights into Colorado's changing demographics, with special emphasis on the aging population and the importance of the 2020 Census. Political insiders Mary Kay Hogan (The Fulcrum Group) and Joey Bunch (Colorado Politics) will address the impacts on counties of the recent elections.

CCI President and Teller County Commissioner Dave Paul completes his term at the conclusion of the conference and will be succeeded by Delta County Commissioner Mark Roeber.

Three CCI-affiliated associations will also hold meetings and workshops during the conference, including the Association of Colorado County Administrators (ACCA), the Colorado Association of Road Supervisors & Engineers (CARSE), and the Colorado Human Services Directors Association (CHSDA).

CCI is a non-profit, membership association whose purpose is to offer assistance to county commissioners and to encourage counties to work together on common issues. Governed by a Board of Directors consisting of eight commissioners from across the state, CCI's focus is on information, education and legislative representation. CCI strives to keep members up-to-date on issues that directly impact county operations. At the same time, CCI works to present a united voice to the Colorado General Assembly and other government and regulatory bodies to help shape a bright future for Colorado and its citizens.





## **New Commissioner Orientation 2018-2019**

### ***Draft Agenda as of November 20, 2018***

The CCI New Commissioner Orientation is designed exclusively for participation by newly-elected Colorado county commissioners and is based on the chapters in the CCI-developed County Commissioner Handbook. Part I is presented at the CCI Foundation Winter Conference on November 26, 2018 in Colorado Springs; Part II is presented January 9-11, 2019 at the CCI headquarters in Denver; and Part III is presented at the CCI Foundation Summer Conference on June 3, 2019 in Keystone.

To keep the registration fee at just \$75 per participant, CCI welcomes three sponsors, who are Associate Members of the CCI Foundation. Special thanks to:



#### **Part I – November 26, 2018**

##### **Hotel Eleganté, Colorado Springs**

2 pm – 4:30 pm

##### **Welcome, Overview, Participant Self-Introductions, Sponsor Introductions**

##### **CCI and Counties 101**

(Chapters 1 & 2, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speakers:* CCI Legislative Staff

##### **National Association of Counties (NACo) – Roles & Resources**

*Speaker:* Linda Langston, NACo Strategic Relations

##### **Communications and Public Relations for Counties**

(Chapter 6, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speaker:* Wendy Manitta Holmes, APR, Public Affairs Director, Douglas County

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**Part II – January 9-11, 2019**  
**CCI Headquarters, Denver**

***Wednesday, January 9, 2019***

1:30 pm – 2 pm

**Welcome, Overview, Participant Self-Introductions, Sponsor Introductions**

2 pm – 3 pm

**CCI and Counties 101**

(refresher from Part I)

(Chapter 1, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speakers:* CCI Legislative Staff

4 pm – 5 pm

**County Social, Human, and Health Services**

(Chapter 4, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speakers:* Julie Krow, Human Services Director, El Paso County; Tracy Alesemo, Director, Colorado Association of Public Health Officials (CALPHO), Anne-Marie Braga, MSSW, Director of Local Public Health Partnerships, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE)

5 pm – 6 pm

**New Commissioner Networking Reception**

***Thursday, January 10, 2019***

7:30 am – 8 am

**Breakfast and Networking**

8:15 am – 9:15 am

**County Land Use**

(Chapter 3, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speaker:* Lance Ingalls, County Attorney, Douglas County

***Thursday, January 10, 2019 (continued)***

9:15 am – 9:30 am

**Sponsor Presentation: Anadarko**

**Coffee Break**

9:30 am – 10:30 am

**County Finances and Budgeting**

(Chapter 5, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speakers:* Linda Hoffmann, County Manager, Larimer County; Keith Montag, County Manager, Clear Creek County

10:30 am – 10:45 am

**Sponsor Presentation: Great Outdoors Colorado**

**Coffee Break**

10:45 am – 11:45 am

**County Administration**

(Chapter 2, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speakers:* Ray Gonzales, County Manager, Adams County; Connie Hunt, County Administrator, Ouray County

Noon – 1 pm

**Lunch and Networking**

1:15 pm – 2:15 pm

**Ethics, CORA, Open Meetings**

(Chapter 7, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speaker:* Jennifer Hoffman, Assistant City and County Manager, City and County of Broomfield

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm

**Sponsor Presentation: Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association**

**Coffee Break**

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

**County Roads and Bridges**

(Chapter 8, County Commissioner Handbook)

*Speaker:* Provided by the Colorado Association of Road Supervisors and Engineers (CARSE)

*Friday, January 11, 2019*

7:30 am – 8 am

**Breakfast and Networking**

**Sponsor Recognition**

8:15 am to 9:30 am

**Parliamentary Procedures Training**

*Speaker:* Trent Bushner, Yuma County Commissioner

9:45 am – 10:45 am

**CCI Legislative Overview/Lobbying Training**

*Speakers:* Gini Pingenot, Eric Bergman, Brandy DeLange, Allison Daley of the CCI Legislative Staff; and Tony Lombard and Bill Clayton of Lombard Clayton (legislative consultants to CCI)

11 am

**Legislative Conference Call**

11:45 am

**Grab-and-Go Lunch**

**Part III – June 4, 2019**

**CCI Foundation Summer Conference, Keystone**

**New Commissioner “Refresher” Course**

**Sponsor Recognition**

Q&A on First-Term Challenges

Optional (if needed to address changes/issues): County Elections (Chapter 7, County Commissioner Handbook)

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## CCI New Commissioner Orientation

Part II - January 9-11, 2019

Commissioner Name \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### Conference Registration Information

**The registration fee for the New Commissioner Orientation is \$75.00 per commissioner-elect. It does not include lodging expenses.**

- Each delegate must register with this form; registrations are not accepted by telephone.
- CCI does not accept credit cards
- The registration fee includes admittance to all sessions, January 9 reception, January 10 breakfast and lunch, January 11 breakfast and lunch, and conference materials
- Delegates are on their own for January 9 and January 10 dinners
- CCI does not offer a one-day registration.

**If you have special needs or require special accommodations to fully participate, please contact Kristin Dunn, CCI, prior to the meeting at 303-861-4076 or [kdunn@ccionline.org](mailto:kdunn@ccionline.org).**

**Please return your completed form with payment to:**

**CCI**  
800 Grant Street, Suite 500  
Denver, CO 80203

Please contact your county in regard to payment for registration and lodging expenses.  
You may contact Kristin Dunn, CCI, at [kdunn@ccionline.org](mailto:kdunn@ccionline.org) or 303.861.4076  
with any questions.





## **GRAY & BLACK MARKET MARIJUANA ENFORCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY/APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

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### **Program Purpose:**

To provide financial assistance grants annually to local law enforcement agencies and district attorneys through the local governments for the investigation and prosecution costs associated with unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations.

By filling out the online portal application, Colorado County and Municipality applicants are opting into the grant program. Grant amounts will be determined by population figures.

The grant program has four (4) funding priorities:

- 1.) Rural areas;
- 2.) Large scale operations;
- 3.) Organized crime operations; or
- 4.) Operations that divert marijuana outside of Colorado.

In accordance with statute, CRS 24-32-119, rural areas will receive priority funding. To achieve this, rural area population figures will be weighted heavier. Rural areas are defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119 as:

- a) a county with a population of less than 200,000 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census; or
- b) a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 people according to the most recent available statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census, that is located 10 miles or more from a municipality with a population of more than 50,000 people.

DOLA will confirm applicants meet the “rural area” definition at the time of submittal.

### **Total Funding Available:**

\$6,000,000 annually (*including program operations*)

### **Application Timeline - EXTENDED:**

- September 1, 2018: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) distributed and application posted through on-line grants portal
- ~~October 31, 2018: Applications due~~
- November 30, 2018: Extended application due date!

### **Contact:**

Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant Program:

<https://www.colorado.gov/dola/marijuana-grant-programs>

or

Directly to the grants portal application: [https://dola.colorado.gov/grants\\_portal/](https://dola.colorado.gov/grants_portal/)

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## **Online Application Process:**

The grant application process is available electronically. All applications must be submitted using the online grants portal to be considered for an award. Please allow yourself plenty of time to become familiar with the new system. Local governments will need to create an account, log into the system, and complete each section of the application for electronic submittal. You will be able to save and close a completed page of your online application and return to complete at a later time.

## **Important Details:**

- In order to receive a grant, local governments apply annually. Those that do apply must agree to:
  - Spend funds on statutory priorities,
  - Cooperate with district attorneys to cover prosecution expenses as defined in statute,
  - Report annually on how funds were spent, modeling the Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) program method of spending monitoring, and
  - Acknowledge potential TABOR implications.
- This is a financial assistance grant for investigations and/or prosecution expenses of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations. Some examples may include:
  - Personnel / overtime
  - Contractual services
  - Equipment and supplies
  - Travel
  - Pre-trial incarceration expenses
  - Medical expenses related to injury or exposer during a marijuana investigation
  - Purchase of information (informants) or evidence (contraband)
- To ensure you develop a complete application please read:
  - C.R.S. 24-32-119

## **Application Overview:**

### **A. Applicant/Contact Information**

1. Local Government name (All applicants must be county or municipal local governments).
2. Chief Elected Official/Principal Representative.
3. Designated contact person/Responsible Administrator for the application

### **B. Applicant Affirmations**

### **C. Board Approval/Tabor**

1. Official board action: Every application must provide the date the city/town/county board, council or trustees authorized the submittal of the grant application.
2. TABOR: The funds for the Gray & Black Market Enforcement Grant program are state funds and may be subject to TABOR. Local jurisdictions are responsible for their own TABOR compliance. Please consult with legal counsel regarding TABOR limits for the local government applicant(s) **before** submitting an application.

### **D. State Acceptance of Application**



**GRAY & BLACK MARKET MARIJUANA ENFORCEMENT  
GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

**Important Notes:**

- **READ CAREFULLY:** this application differs from previous applications. You must read all instructions before submitting your request.
- This grant program is intended to provide financial assistance to local law enforcement agencies and district attorneys for the investigation and prosecution costs associated with unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law.
- The program has shifted to providing grant funds **ANNUALLY** to all Colorado counties and municipalities that actively apply, or “opt-in”, to receive funds.
- Applications must be submitted through the DOLA online grants portal system.
- The specific amount of grant funds available for each participating local government will be determined by a DOLA formula that uses population figures. In accordance with statute, CRS 24-32-119, rural areas will receive priority funding. To achieve this, rural area population figures will be weighted heavier in the formula. Rural areas are defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119 as:
  - a) a county with a population of less than 200,000 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census; or
  - b) a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 people according to the most recent available statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census, that is located 10 miles or more from a municipality with a population of more than 50,000 people.
- **DOLA will confirm which applicants meet the “rural area” definition at the time of application submittal.**

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**A. APPLICANT/CONTACT INFORMATION**

1. Local government applying to receive funds \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Principal Representative/Chief Elected Official:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Designated Contact Person/Responsible Administrator (will receive all mailings) for the Application:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. APPLICANT AFFIRMATIONS/AGREEMENT WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

For each statement below, please confirm your agreement with the terms and conditions associated with the grant funds, should they be awarded to your local government.

1. Grant funds can ONLY be used for costs associated with the investigation and prosecution (including large-scale operations, organized crime, and operations that divert marijuana outside of Colorado) of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law. Recipient counties and municipalities who spend any grant funds outside of this statutory intent understand that any such funds must be returned to the Department of Local Affairs and agree to do so within 30 days of identification of improper fund use.  
 Confirm/Agree to comply
2. Recipient counties and municipalities must provide DOLA with quarterly itemized reports on how grant funds were spent in that quarter. The reporting form is available for download on the program website.
  - a. If a report is not received for any quarter, funds may be required to be returned to the Department of Local Affairs  
 Confirm/Agree to comply
3. Recipient counties and municipalities will be randomly selected for detailed monitoring of grant fund expenditures. Supporting documentation for grant fund expenditures must be provided promptly to DOLA, if requested, to conduct necessary monitoring.  
 Confirm/Agree to comply
4. Recipient counties agree to cooperate with and make grant funds available to District Attorneys for costs associated with prosecution of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law. Select one only.  
 Counties - Confirm/Agree to comply  
 Municipalities - N/A (DAs seek funding through counties only)
5. Recipient counties and municipalities acknowledge that, if NO grant funds are spent in any given state fiscal year, they will NOT receive grant funds in the following year. Due to appropriation limitations in statute, ANY grant funds not spent in a 2-year period must be returned to the Department of Local Affairs.  
 Confirm/Agree to comply

**C. BOARD APPROVAL/TABOR**

**1. Official Board Action:**

Assurance of community priority.

Applications cannot be submitted unless approved by the city/town/county Board, Council or Trustees.

Date Official Board Action Authorizing this Application: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. TABOR Compliance:**

The grant funds for the Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant program are state funds.

Does the applicant have voter authorization to receive and expend state grant funds without regard to TABOR revenue limitations? Yes( ) If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

No( ) If no, would receipt of these grant funds, if awarded, result in the local government exceeding revenue limitations, prompting a refund? Yes / No

Affirm local government Attorney has confirmed this TABOR statement.

**D. STATE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION**

The State, upon Acceptance of an Application submitted through the DOLA online grants portal system, agrees to provide financial assistance from the Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant program to the Applicant. The notification of award of financial assistance (Grant Award) indicates that Applicant has met all of the requirements to qualify for a portion of the Gray & Black Marijuana Enforcement Grant monies with such amount to be determined exclusively by the State and has affirmed and confirmed agreement with the stated terms and conditions associated with use of those grant funds.