The Department of Labor and Industries is opening a SHIP Special Emphasis application acceptance period beginning April 22, 2024.  Applications will be accepted no later than July 19, 2024.

The Department of Labor and Industries’ Safety and Health Investment Projects (SHIP) Program funds grants that seek to:

* Prevent workplace injury, illness, and fatality in Washington workplaces through cooperation of employers and employees or their representatives.
* Reduce the cycle of disability for injured workers in Washington State through the development and implementation of innovative and effective return to work programs.

To date the program has funded 125+ safety and health grant projects.  The materials and products developed through completed grant projects are available through the SHIP Program and on the L&I/DOSH web site.    
  
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**SPECIAL EMPHASIS – Updates Only**

This cycle is limited to organizations who have previously developed SHIP-funded products and seek to accomplish one or more of the following:

* + SHIP-funded content to address rule changes since completion of project
  + Digital platforms that house SHIP-funded grant content
  + Enhancing/Expanding Outreach
    - Expanding in classroom training for previously funded SHIP coursework for high demand classes
    - Extended marketing of tools
    - Repackaging past products for delivery to wider audience
  + Expanding audience for products through different mechanisms to conduct outreach
  + Translation costs for languages needing to be added.
  + Update websites to assure all SHIP products are in one location.
  + Addition of emerging safety contents to previously created products

**General Information**

* All products developed as a result of a SHIP grant are in the public domain and cannot be copyrighted, patented, claimed as trade secrets or otherwise restricted in any way.
* All proposals should promote the prevention of injuries, illnesses, and fatalities in Washington workplaces
* All products and materials developed with SHIP must assure accessibility.
  + Washington State Office of Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Policy 1.88 requires that all state agencies (including L&I) ensure that people with disabilities have access to information and provide access to the same services and content that is available to persons without disabilities. This policy requires L&I to ensure electronic content published on our website, including any products produced with SHIP Grant funds, meets Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 A and AA Specifications. See “Introduction to Accessibility”

Grant limits and other criteria. The following criteria will apply to this SHIP grant cycle:

* Organization Eligibility requirements for SHIP grants in WAC 296-900-175.
* Grant Type Eligibility is limited to updating previously funded SHIP grant products.
* Grant requests for this round will not exceed $50,000/project.
* Grants approved for this cycle should expect to receive grant funds and begin work in Fall 2024.
* Project duration for projects approved for this cycle should not exceed 12 months.

Grant applications can be found here <https://lni.wa.gov/safety-health/grants-committees-partnerships/safety-health-investment-projects-grant-program/_docs/SHApplicationSpringSpecialEmphasis2024.docx> or by calling 360.902.5588