

2025-2026 TCVA Accessibility Grant for Hotels and Motels

Applications open January 1, 2026 – Deadline to apply: February 28, 2026 11:59pm

OVERVIEW

Tillamook Coast Visitors Association is allocating \$100,000 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year toward an accessibility grant program for hotels and motels to improve access features for those with mobility issues. Applicants may request up to \$10,000 for accessibility projects. This grant does not require matching funds.

TCVA will disburse funds to grant recipients on a <u>reimbursement basis only</u> in accordance with terms of the grant agreement. Each grant recipient must also comply with federal, state, and local public contracting rules and regulations, provide a half-yearly progress report to TCVA, and submit a project completion report. Successful applicants will be required to use an online grant portal for contract signatures, project reporting, and reimbursement requests.

GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE: \$100,000 MAXIMUM REQUEST: \$10,000

GRANT TIMELINE

Applications open & publication of notice January 1, 2026

Applications due, 11:59 p.m. February 28, 2026

Grant completeness review by TCVA March 5, 2026

Approved applications submitted to TCVA Board March 20, 2026

Notifications to grantees; contracts to recipients March 31, 2026

Project deadline - 12 months from award date March 31, 2027

PROGRAM DETAILS

This new Accessibility Grant for Hotels and Motels is designed to support lodging accessibility improvements for guests with mobility challenges. It is based on the principles of Tillamook Coast Visitors Association (TCVA) grant programs, in particular the Tourism-Related Facilities Grant. It also aligns with regionals efforts supported by Wheel the World and Travel Oregon.

Tillamook Coast Visitors Association is dedicated to improving accessibility for all. This grant is intended to help fund improvements at hotels and motels throughout the county.

Upon request, TCVA will provide support and technical assistance through training workshops via Wheel the World Academy and other resources.

Peer learning is also available, with optional site visits or case studies from accessibility contractors.

ELIGIBILITY, PRIORITY PROJECTS, AND PROCESS

Eligible applicants include hotels and motels.

Not eligible:

- Short-term rentals
- Bed and Breakfast inns
- Campgrounds and RV parks
- Furniture (not considered 10-year "real" property as defined by ORS 320.300)

PRIORITY PROJECT AREAS

Based on previous TCVA/Wheel the World audits, and Travel Oregon's grant criteria for accessibility:

- Accessible bathrooms & roll-in showers
- Entrance ramps and handrails
- Wider doorways and maneuvering space
- Automatic door openers
- -Accessible guest room layouts (e.g. bed heights, clear floor space)
- Visual/auditory aids (e.g. Braille signage)

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