

**CODE OF MASSACHUSETTS REGULATIONS
TITLE 730: MASSACHUSETTS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
CHAPTER 6.00: LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS AND TOURISM GRANT PROGRAM**

6.04: Eligible Projects

(1) VISTA. In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 81A, § 18, for each of the calendar years 1997, 1998, and 1999, the Authority directs the sum of not less than \$ 250,000 and not more than \$ 300,000 allocable to the Western Turnpike Tourism Grant Program, to VISTA or to such cities, towns or other public or private entities that VISTA may recommend to the Authority.

(2) Eligible Applicants. M.G.L. c. 81A, § 18 directs that the Authority establish and implement a tourism grant program "for the benefit of cities and towns located within the turnpike corridor." The Authority construes this provision to refer to the cities and towns located along the Turnpike right of way west of state highway route 128 or those cities and towns that are contiguous to such city or town, all of which are listed in [730 CMR 6.09](#). Similarly, M.G.L. c. 81A, § 18 directs the Authority to establish and implement a tourism grant program "for the benefit of cities and towns through which the metropolitan highway system runs and the municipalities contiguous to such cities and towns." The Authority construes this provision to refer to the cities and towns listed in [730 CMR 6.10](#). A city or town can not be an eligible applicant for both the Western Turnpike Tourism Grant Program and the Metropolitan Highway System Tourism Grant Program, therefore, [730 CMR 6.09](#) contains those cities and towns that are primarily located west of state highway route 128, and [730 CMR 6.10](#) contains those cities and towns that are primarily located east of state highway route 128. Accordingly, the Authority only accepts a grant proposal signed by:

(a) a municipal official, i.e., an authorized signatory of a city or town listed in [730 CMR 6.09](#) or [730 CMR 6.10](#); or

(b) an authorized signatory of an entity such as a regional tourist council, regional chamber of commerce, regional economic development or planning agency, or similar regional entity the purview of which includes at least one of the cities or towns listed in [730 CMR 6.09](#) or [730 CMR 6.10](#).

(3) Purpose. In accordance with M.G.L. c. 81A, § 18, the Authority accepts a grant proposal that documents to the satisfaction of the Authority, acting in its sole discretion, that the proposal is related to the development of tourism.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY [730 CMR 6.00](#): M.G.L. c. 81A, § 18.