

LEF GRANTS THROUGH TIME

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LEF grants funds to non-profit organizations and professionals to study a wide range of topics concerning land economics. Awards have been granted throughout the United States and, more recently, internationally. Starting this past year, video presentations by recipients have been made available in Keynotes. Very often, LEF grants are combined with grants from other organizations, thus allowing larger projects to be undertaken.

This year, at the LEW in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the LEF Committee approved grants for four studies, all of which are described in a separate article by LEF Vice President Jon DeVries.

Ron Buss (LEF President) and Rachel Edds (LEF Treasurer), members of the LEF Board compiled a list of grants awarded since LEF began its program in 2006.

The velocity of submittals has increased recently, much of it due to the efforts of Jon DeVries, LEF Vice President. As well, the submittals have been from a broadened range of chapters and locales.

A summary of grants from 2006-2019 is shown here:

Summary of Grants by Year Land Economics Foundation 2006-2019		
Years	No.	Grant Amount
2006-2010	6	\$ 59,500
2011-2015	9	\$ 97,500
2016-2019	15	\$ 179,811

A complete list of grants is shown below.

If the velocity of grants is going to be maintained, LEF will need a continuing stream of revenue, so we ask you to check the contribution box when you receive your invoice in a few months. May we also suggest that you remember LEF in your will/trust.

A study team from four universities put together a market analysis in support of a proposed innovative cross-border meeting facility between San Diego and Tijuana utilizing a grant from LEF in 2018 – a video documenting their work will be available to LAI members and chapters shortly.



Calendar Year	Project Identification	Location	Committed
2006	Forming a RE Based Graduate Student Chapter	Phoenix	\$ 5,000
2006	Preserving Open Spaces In San Diego Film	San Diego	\$ 5,000
2007	Ross Minority Program In Real Estate	Los Angeles	\$ 4,500
2008	Impact and Value of Light Rail System	Phoenix	\$ 5,000
2009	San Miguel De Allende, Mexico – Land Use Study	Mexico	\$10,000
2009	Book on Daniel Burnham – Plan of Chicago @ 100	Chicago	\$30,000
2011	Seminar in Land Use Regulation	Chicago	\$ 7,500
2011	Sustainable Property Guidelines	Memphis	\$10,000
2012	Planning Chicago I Book	Chicago	\$ 5,000
2012	Preserving Industrial Land In Urban Areas	Toronto	\$10,000
2013	Environmental Influences On Property Values	Toronto	\$30,000
2013	Planning Atlanta Book	Atlanta	\$ 5,000
2013	Capitalizing On Transit Accessibility	Salt Lake City	\$ 5,000
2014	Planning Chicago II – E-Book	Chicago	\$ 5,000
2015	Transformation of St. Michael’s Drive	New Mexico	\$20,000
2016	Sustainability in Beachfront Communities	Florida	\$12,311
2016	Malaga Cove Plaza Enhancement	Los Angeles	\$18,500
2016	TOD Trip & Parking Generation	Portland	\$ 7,500
2016	Mt. Vernon Historic District Redevelopment Study	New York	\$20,000
2016	Preserving Chicago’s Planning History - Newberry	Chicago	\$15,000
2017	Exploring Office Buildings	Seattle	\$16,500
2017	Graphic Novel – No Small Plans - CAF	Chicago	\$ 5,000
2018	Graphic Novel – No Small Plans – Phase II	Chicago	\$ 5,000
2018	Dos Puertas Int’l Trade & Innovation Center	San Diego	\$15,000
2018	Data Accessibility Measures & Urban Land Values	Florida	\$10,000
2018	Housing Supply Elasticities for Manhattan - 1870 to 2017	New York	\$15,000
2019	Global Approach To Land Value Capture	Atlanta	\$10,000
2019	Assess Risks of Automatic Social Media To Land Development	Boston	\$10,000
2019	Future of Suburban Malls	Indiana	\$10,000
2019	Reconstructing Land Based Losses from Disasters	Australia	\$10,000