

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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ITEM: Funding Department Report
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UPCOMING GRANTS

There are several grants with application deadlines open from Jan 1 to April 1. They are all small grants, sub \$20,000. I will be talking to relevant department heads in the next few months.

NEW STATE GRANTS

State of California is revising the grants under their Snoopy license plate program. I sat in on a webinar last week and learned about 2 grants in particular. One would be ideal for capital programs like redoing the restrooms or capital and preservation programs like resetting the display room. Max amount is \$40,000. The other is geared toward youth education programs, but something like improving the Troop Sleeper would likely qualify. This one is for \$30,000. Their deadlines were early September, so I am lining up to apply in 2021. One item that we MUST have is cooperation from the Union Pacific as landowner. They must sign off on any project we apply to the state grant funds. It is a requirement of the grant.

MAIL OUT FUNDRAISER

The mailings are almost ready to go. With the fires and other major distractions, and after conversations with Greg Elems and Patty Clawson, it was decided to hold mailing until things calm down a bit.

RECENT FUNDRAISERS

The book fundraiser brought in about \$3,200 and the WP 705 fundraiser brought in over \$2,000. Thanks again to Bob Sims for all his help on the book fundraiser.