

Memo

To: Jurisdictions with Energy Efficiency and Resiliency Needs

From: Shay Coburn, Region 10 Grant Navigator contractor

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Re: Funding Opportunities for Energy Efficiency and Resiliency

Colleagues:

Here are some grant opportunities related to Energy Efficiency and Resiliency. Reach out with any questions any time. Also, **please keep us updated if you are pursuing any federal monies.**

1. Energy Future Grants (EFG) Creating a Community-Led Energy Future

- a. "EFG will provide support for at least 50 multi jurisdictional teams. Teams should be ideally comprised of 3-4 or more state, local, and/or tribal government partners joining together on a planning project. Multi-jurisdictional teams (e.g. cities and state, tribes and cities, states, cities and tribes, etc.) are encouraged to also partner with community benefit organizations. ... EFG plans will provide direction for ensuring measurable benefits reach communities and support Justice 40, which directs 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments to flow to disadvantaged communities."
- b. Phase 1 is for planning efforts, if selected for phase 2 it will make plans deployment ready.
- c. Due 9/30/23.

2. Public Building Electrification Grant

- a. "To provide public buildings with funding to explore and implement building system electrification measures and infrastructure upgrades required to support these technologies."
- b. Eligible project types:
 - i. the purchase and installation of high-efficiency electric equipment for space heating, water heating, or cooking;
 - ii. the purchase of electrical installations and upgrades necessary to support the installation of high-efficiency electric equipment;
 - iii. the purchase and installation of other innovative building heating technologies that the Colorado Energy Office determines will likely achieve equal or lower levels of greenhouse gas emissions than high efficiency heat pumps
- c. Expected to launch in 2023.



3. Direct/Elective Pay

- a. Like tax credits but for those who don't pay taxes, like local governments and nonprofits.
- b. 6% base credit. Up to 50% Bonus credits available for: low-income communities, energy communities, prevailing wage and apprenticeship, domestic content
- c. Credit is based on the total project cost, including grants and not just on the amount coming from the local gov's budget.
- d. Work with a tax preparer to determine tax year, submit pre-filing registration and submit tax return to claim the payment.
- e. Can be for purchasing a qualified clean vehicle (up to \$40,000), solar and wind facilities, and more
- f. More information is being added regularly.
- g. By tax year.

4. Title 17 Clean Energy Financing

- a. Loans, flexible and custom.
- b. ""Energy Infrastructure Reinvestment (EIR; Section 1706) projects retool, repower, repurpose, or replace Energy Infrastructure (facilities used for electric generation or transmission, or facilities used for fossil fuel-related production, processing, and delivery) that has ceased operations; or enable operating Energy Infrastructure to avoid, reduce, utilize, or sequester air pollutants or emissions of greenhouse gases. EIR projects are not required to employ innovative technology."
- c. Rolling.