

GRANTS ALERT for ElectriCitiesJuly 13, 2023

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Upcoming grant deadlines of interest are listed below. *Note, the grant list includes all currently-open grants of interest.* Click on information link or search on <u>Grants.gov</u> by the notice of opportunity number.

Notice of Opportunity Number	Grant Title	Federal Agency	Deadline	Information
PWEAA2023	FY23 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs	DOC-EDA	Rolling	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=346815 AND https://www.eda.gov/
EDA-DISASTER- 2023	FY23 Disaster Supplemental	DOC-EDA		https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=347414 for natural disasters occurring in 2021 and 2022
N/A	Electric Infrastructure Loan & Loan Guarantee Program	USDA		https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs- services/electric-programs/electric- infrastructure-loan-loan-guarantee- program check with a General Field Rep (GFR) to determine rural eligibility
N/A	Industrial Assessment Centers (IAC) Implementation Grant Program	DOE	7/14/23	https://go.ratio.exchange/opps/challe nge.cfm?i=387AF1B5-410E-4974- BCEC-901EA565045C AND https://8502264383.sharepoint.com/s ites/ICWERX/Shared%20Documents/1 4.%20DEFENSEWERX%20Hubs/09.%2 0ENERGYWERX/Workstream%201/Att achment%201%20DOE%20IAC%20Imp lementation%20Grant%20Program.pd f?ga=1
DE-FOA- 0002946	FY23 Conversion Research and Development Funding Opportunity Announcement	DOE		https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=347030 11 awards
N/A	State Economic and Infrastructure Development (SEID) Grant	Southeast Crescent Regional		https://scrc.gov/wp- content/uploads/2023/06/SCRC-SEID- Grant-NOFA-06132023.pdf

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DE-FOA- 0003100	Seeding Critical Advances for Leading Energy technologies with Untapped Potential 2023 (SCALEUP 2023)	DOE	7/21/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348609 8 awards
DHS-23-GPD- 111-04-01	FY23 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) - Region 4	DHS	7/24/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348320 10 awards
DE-FOA- 0002845	BIL: Section 41006(A)(2): U.S. Tidal Energy Advancement	DOE	7/25/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348010 4 awards
DE-FOA- 0002881	BIL: Joint Office of Energy and Transportation Ride and Drive Electric, FY23	DOE	7/28/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348195
DE-FOA- 0002940	BIL: Industrial Assessment Center (IAC) Program – IACs at Trade Schools, Community Colleges, and Union Training Programs; and Building Training and Assessment Centers (BTAC) Program	DOE	7/31/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=347392
DE-FOA- 0002987	Heat Pump Defense Production Act Program	DOE	8/1/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=347574
DE-FOA- 0003066	Energy Improvements at Nonprofits - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) – Renew America's Nonprofits	DOE	8/3/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348353 15 awards; nonprofits
DE-FOA- 0003034	Operation and Planning Tools for Inverter-based Resource Management and Availability for future power systems (OPTIMA)	DOE	8/15/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=347647 13 awards
DE-FOA- 0003009	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Clean Energy Demonstration Program on Current and Former Mine Land Funding Opportunity Announcement	DOE	8/31/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=347309 5 awards
EPA-R-HQ-SFA- 23-01	SOLAR FOR ALL	EPA	9/26/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348957
<i>NEW this week</i> RUS-PACE-2023	Powering Affordable Clean Energy	USDA-RUS	9/2923	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=349160

RDBCP-REAP- RES-EEI-2023- 2024	FY23 and FY24 Rural Energy for America Program (REAP)	USDA-RD	9/30/23 (this will open every three months through 9/30/2024	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppld=347523 AND https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs- services/energy-programs/rural- energy-america-program-renewable- energy-systems-energy-efficiency- improvement-guaranteed-loans small businesses, including agricultural producers and electric utilities
EDA- RECOMPETEPHA SE1-2023	FY23 Recompete Pilot Program - Phase 1	DOC-EDA	10/5/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348921
DE-FOA- 0002897	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Consumer Electronics Battery Recycling, Reprocessing, and Battery Collection	DOE	11/29/23	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348660
DE-FOA- 0002912	BIL Weatherization Program Assistance (WAP) Enhancement & Innovation	DOE	1/5/24	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348941
FR-6700-N-91B	Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRPE) Elements	HUD	3/28/24	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348062
FR-6700-N-91C	Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP) Leading Edge	HUD	4/30/24	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348063
FR-6700-N-91A	Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRPC) Comprehensive	HUD	5/30/24	https://www.grants.gov/view- opportunity.html?oppId=348061

Webinars, Blogs, Funding Guides and More:

The Energy Communities Interagency Working Group (IWG) of Coal and Power Plant Communities and Economic Revitalization will host a webinar in its series called "Overcoming Common Infrastructure Challenges in Energy Communities" on July 17 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. EST. Register or review the agenda, here. The focus of the webinar is water, sewer and broadband infrastructure in energy communities.

The Energy Communities Interagency Working Group (IWG) of Coal and Power Plant Communities and Economic Revitalization released the updated **eligibility maps for the 10% Bonus Tax Credit**. More information and to access the map, <u>here.</u>

Grants.gov will be down for maintenance between July 15-17, 2023.

NEW – The Joint Office of Energy and Transportation issued a new EV toolkit guide to help urban communities build out charging infrastructure. Called the "Charging Forward: A Toolkit for Planning and Funding Urban Electric Mobility Infrastructure," the guide provides information on how to scope, plan, and identify ways to leverage funding provided by the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) law. A companion toolkit is available for rural communities.

The Local Infrastructure Hub will host a webinar on the new <u>Direct Pay program</u> that is part of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). Learn about the program which allows local governments, states, non-profits and other eligible entities to access the value of clean energy tax credits by providing direct (or elective) pay. <u>July 18 at 2 p.m.</u> Register, here. See below (under recorded webinars) for links to a White House recording on the program.

NEW – The National Association of Counties (NACo) and the <u>Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities</u> (BRECC) Initiative will host a webinar entitled "<u>Exploring Outdoor Recreation as a Component of Economic</u> **Diversification**" on July 27 from 3 to 4 p.m. EST. Register, here.

The N.C. Department of Information Technology's (NCDIT) Division of Broadband and Digital Equity has developed a draft five-year plan detailing how the agency will invest its \$1.5 billion federal allocation of Broadband, Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD). The draft plan is open for public comment via email to NCDITpartnerfeedback@nc.gov until July 17 at 5:00 p.m. EST. The division will submit the five-year plan to National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) by July 29 as part of the process for North Carolina to access the funding. In all, \$42.45 billion will be allocated, with North Carolina receiving \$1,532,999,481.

NEW (updated) -- The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Rural Development division developed an FAQ website specific to the Inflation Reduction Act and the new PACE (Powering Affordable Clean Energy) Program.

The PACE loan program is for communities with less than 20,000 population. The process to submit a required Letter of Interest (LOI) was delayed from June 30th to July 10. LOI's will be reviewed on rolling basis. Accepted LOIs will be invited to apply. LOIs are due by September 29, 2023.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) released a map "Energy Community Tax Credit Bonus," which can help communities understand their qualification status and the benefits they can expect from this tax credit for advancing clean energy initiatives. Access the map, which provides detailed information regarding coal closures' census tracts versus adjoining MSAs, here.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will host a webinar entitled "Managed Charging" as part of its **EVGrid Assist** series. July 20 from 3 to 4 p.m. EST. Register, here.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is offering more than \$22 million in cash prizes and technical assistance for winning ideas to accelerate widespread, equitable energy efficiency and building electrification upgrades. The Buildings Upgrade Prize (Buildings UP) was developed and funded by the U.S. Department of Energy Building Technologies Office as part of its overall mission to reduce the carbon footprint of the U.S. building stock while maintaining or improving affordability, comfort, and performance. Phase 1 submissions are due July 18, 2023.

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) <u>Solar Power in Your Community Guidebook</u> serves as a resource to assist government officials and stakeholders in increasing deployment and local access to solar photovoltaics.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released an updated version (effective May 2023) of the <u>Power Resilience Guide for Water and Wastewater Utilities</u> for water utilities and electric providers. New information has been included in the "Energy Efficiency," "Renewable Energy and Distributed Entergy Resources," and "Funding" sections. Resilience guide, <u>here</u>.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released a Clean Water Act / National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) <u>Integrated Planning Toolkit for Permitting Authorities</u> assisting permitting authorities to review integrated plans and incorporate them into permits. Additionally, EPA is offering <u>free technical assistance</u>

(TA) to municipalities and permitting authorities to support the integrated plan development and review process. Learn more, and request TA, here. The deadline to request TA is August 31, 2023.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is hosting a webinar series for the 2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) grant program. Webinars will be held on a variety of topics through August 2023. More information and to register, here. The deadline to apply for a grant is August 22, 2023.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released an updated version of the <u>Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies</u> <u>Calculator</u>. Available in both Spanish and English, the calculator "translates emissions and energy data into real terms, like annual emissions from cars, homes, smartphones, or natural gas fired power plants." New, the calculator now "includes two options for electricity inputs: estimated emissions equivalencies based on electricity consumed or electricity use avoided. Previously, the Calculator provided estimates only for electricity avoided. By providing this choice, users will be able to access the appropriate emissions factor based on their need."

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released a **Clean Energy Financing Toolkit for Decisionmakers**, which lists financing programs and policies by state and local governments and others that support investments in clean energy. Access the toolkit, <u>here</u>.

Recorded Webinars and Other:

The Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) recorded two webinars on the <u>FY23 Disaster Supplemental funding opportunity</u> which supports areas impacted by hurricanes Ian and Fiona, wildfires, flooding and other Presidentially-declared disasters. May 17 NOFO webinar – watch, <u>here</u>. June 1 NOFO Q&A webinar – watch, <u>here</u>. The deadline to apply is <u>rolling</u>.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has a series of pre-recorded videos on the new **Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP)** cohort of three grants (Elements, Leading Edge, and Comprehensive), plus accompanying fact sheets. Go to the main GRRP website to access the information, <u>here</u>. The deadlines to apply are rolling through March, April and May 2024, respectively for the three grants.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recorded a public briefing on the <u>Solar for All grant competition</u>. Access it and other information, <u>here</u>. The deadline to apply for a Solar for All grant is <u>September 26</u>, 2023.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recorded an overview webinar on the **2023 Clean School Bus** (CSB) grant program. Access the recording, here. The deadline to apply is August 22, 2023.

The White House recorded a webinar on the Inflation Reduction Act's <u>Direct Pay (Elective Pay) program</u> that allows tax-exempt and governmental entities to receive a payment equal to the full value of tax credits for building qualifying clean energy projects. More information on the program, and access to the webinar, <u>here</u>.