

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Formula Program

PCFO IGAP Grant Snapshot

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<u>Agency:</u> Department of Energy (DOE)	<u>Bureau:</u> State and Community Energy Program
<u>Application Deadline:</u> April 28, 2023	<u>Max Award:</u> Formula-based

Description

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program is a formula-based funding opportunity for states, local governments, and tribes. EECBG can provide funding for projects and programs that cut carbon emissions, improve energy efficiency, and reduce energy use.

Eligible Recipients

States, local governments, and tribes are eligible to receive formula funds. The 10 largest cities per state and every city with over 35,000 residents will receive a formula-based allocation, but local governments must apply to receive funds.

Matching Grant Requirements

None required

Eligible Uses of Funds

- Development and implementation of an energy efficiency and conservation strategy
- Retaining technical consultant services to assist the eligible entity in the development of such a strategy, including:
 - Formulation of energy efficiency, energy conservation, and energy usage goals;
 - Identification of strategies to achieve those goals
 - Through efforts to increase energy efficiency and reduce energy consumption
 - By encouraging behavioral changes among the population served by the eligible entity
 - Development of methods to measure progress in achieving the goals;
 - Development and publication of annual reports to the population served by the eligible entity
 - Other services to assist in the implementation of the energy efficiency and conservation strategy;
- Conducting residential and commercial building energy audits
- Establishment of financial incentive programs for energy efficiency improvements
- The provision of grants to nonprofit organizations and governmental agencies for the purpose of performing energy efficiency retrofits

- Development and implementation of energy efficiency and conservation programs for buildings and facilities within the jurisdiction of the eligible entity, including:
 - Design and operation of the programs
 - Identifying the most effective methods for achieving maximum participation and efficiency rates
 - Public education
 - Measurement and verification protocols
 - Identification of energy efficient technologies
- Development and implementation of programs to conserve energy used in transportation, including:
 - Use of flex time by employers
 - Satellite work centers
 - Development and promotion of zoning guidelines or requirements that promote energy efficient development
 - Development of infrastructure, such as bike lanes and pathways and pedestrian walkways
 - Synchronization of traffic signals
 - Other measures that increase energy efficiency and decrease energy consumption
- Development and implementation of building codes and inspection services to promote building energy efficiency
- Application and implementation of energy distribution technologies that significantly increase energy efficiency, including:
 - Distributed resources
 - District heating and cooling systems
- Activities to increase participation and efficiency rates for material conservation programs, including source reduction, recycling, and recycled content procurement programs that lead to increases in energy efficiency
- The purchase and implementation of technologies to reduce, capture, and, to the maximum extent practicable, use methane and other greenhouse gases generated by landfills or similar sources
- Replacement of traffic signals and street lighting with energy efficient lighting technologies
- Development, implementation, and installation on or in any government building of the eligible entity of onsite renewable energy technology that generates electricity from renewable resources, including:
 - Solar energy
 - Wind energy
 - Fuel cells
 - Biomass
- Programs for financing energy efficiency, renewable energy, and zero-emission transportation (and associated infrastructure), capital investments, projects, and programs, which may include loan programs and performance contracting programs, for leveraging of additional public and private sector funds, and programs that allow rebates, grants, or other incentives for the purchase and installation of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and zero-emission transportation (and associated infrastructure) measures

How to Apply

- The Pre-Award Information Sheet must be submitted by **April 28, 2023** if your entity intends to apply.
 - Local governments have until January 31, 2024 to complete their full applications.
 - All applicants are required to submit an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy (EECS) to receive funding. DOE has created an [EECS Template for Local Governments](#) to help cities get started.
 - For the full application instructions, review Section 6.0 “Application Instructions for IIJA EECBG Program Formula Grants” of the [EECBG Program Formula Grant Application Instructions](#).
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Next Steps

1. Check the [Local Government Allocations Sheet](#) to see how much money is earmarked for your community
 2. Submit your Pre-Award Information Sheet through the Performance and Accountability for Grants in Energy ([PAGE](#)) Portal by April 28, 2023.
 3. Read the full [EECBG Program Formula Grant Application Instructions](#).
 4. Get started on your Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy (EECS) using the [EECS Template for Local Governments](#)
 5. Review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) section of the [EECBG Program Page](#)
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Upcoming Webinars

Thursday January 26, 2023 from 1:00-2:00 p.m. ET: [Introduction to the EECBG Program for Local Governments](#)

Anticipated Award Date

30-90 days after application submission

Links to Grant Opportunity

- [EECBG Program Page](#)
- [EECBG Formula Grant Application Hub](#)