

Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program: Environmental Protection Agency

Application Deadline: Accepting Applications Through November 21, 2024. Applicants are encouraged to apply early & reapply if not selected on the first attempt.

Description: The Community Change Grants, created by Inflation Reduction Act, will fund community-driven projects that address climate challenges and reduce pollution while strengthening communities through thoughtful implementation. This historic level of support will enable communities and their partners to overcome longstanding environmental challenges and implement meaningful solutions to meet community needs now and for generations to come. There will be two tracks of funding under this opportunity. Track I will fund approximately 150 large, transformational community-driven investment grants of \$10 million - \$20 million. Track II will fund approximately 20 meaningful engagement grants of \$11 million - \$3 million. Grants cannot exceed 3-years in duration

Link: Grants.gov

EPA Additional Information & Resources: EPA Community Change Grants

FY24 IIJA/IRA Bureau of Land Management Oregon/Washington (ORWA) Invasive and Noxious Plant Management Program: Department of the Interior; Bureau of Land Management.

Application Deadline: February 19, 2024

Description: One of the BLM's highest priorities is to promote ecosystem health and one of the greatest obstacles to achieving this goal is the rapid expansion of weeds across public lands. These invasive plants can dominate and often cause permanent damage to natural plant communities. If not eradicated or controlled, noxious weeds will continue to jeopardize the health of public lands and to constrain the myriad activities that occur on them. This program supports projects funded through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Section 40804 (b) Ecosystem Restoration. This program supports projects funded through the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), Sections 50221 Resilience, 50222 Ecosystems Restoration and 50303 DOI.

Link: Grants.gov

2023 Inflation Reduction Act Climate-Ready Workforce for Coastal States and Territories Competition: Department of Commerce; NOAA

Application Deadline: February 13, 2024

Description: NOAA will assist communities in coastal and Great Lakes states and territories so they may form partnerships that train workers and place them into jobs that enhance climate resilience. This competition is designed to meet the emerging and existing skills needs of employers while helping workers enter good jobs, so that together they may enhance climate resilience. NOAA envisions making between 10-20 awards under this competition, at amounts ranging from \$500,000 to \$10 million each. NOAA is issuing this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for qualified organizations to form and support partnerships that will work collaboratively to support regional economies and their associated workforces by developing training programs that build in-demand skills, offering wraparound services that allow workers to successfully enroll in and complete training, and helping workers enter or advance into good jobs that enhance climate resilience. Wraparound services allow people to overcome barriers to participate in the program, especially individuals in underserved groups. Examples of wraparound services include transportation, childcare, elder care, and housing services. NOAA heavily prioritizes efforts to reach individuals from historically underserved communities, and to benefit disadvantaged communities.

Link: Grants.gov

FY 2023 Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Application Deadline: Implementation Funding Application: February 13, 2024

Description: Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants support the implementation of comprehensive neighborhood revitalization plans that are expected to achieve the following three core goals: 1. Housing: Replace distressed public and assisted housing with high-quality mixed-income housing that is well-managed and responsive to the needs of the surrounding neighborhood; 2. People: Improve outcomes of households living in the target housing related to employment and income, health, and children's education; and 3. Neighborhood: Create the conditions necessary for public and private reinvestment in distressed neighborhoods to offer the kinds of amenities and assets, including safety, good schools, and commercial activity, that are important to families' choices about their community.

Link: Grants.gov

Additional Information & Resources: HUD Choice Neighborhoods

2024 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund: Department of Transportation; DOT Federal Highway Administration

Application Deadline: January 15, 2024

Description: Eligible projects are strategies, activities, and projects on a public road that are consistent with a transportation safety plan and that (i) correct or improve a hazardous road location or feature, or (ii) address a highway safety problem. TTPSF emphasizes the development of strategic transportation safety plans using a data-driven process as a means for Tribes to identify transportation safety needs and determine how those needs will be addressed in Tribal communities. FHWA has identified four eligibility categories: transportation safety plans; data assessment, improvement, and analysis activities; systemic roadway departure countermeasures; and infrastructure improvements.

Link: Grants.gov

Additional Information & Resources: Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund Webpage

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