

## Just and Clean Energy Future - State Implementation Accelerator



### Deadline Extended to June 19th APPLICATION

**The Just and Clean Energy Future—State Implementation Accelerator will support 3-5 states looking to stack and leverage key federal programs that invest in a just and clean energy future across various sectors.** The Accelerator will support states that have been awarded funds from key Invest in America programs within the [Inflation Reduction Act \(IRA\)](#), [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law \(BIL/IIJA\)](#), and [Justice40-covered programs](#) that incorporate an equity analysis and implementation strategies specifically for low-income and disadvantaged communities (LIDAC). This includes all federal investments across one or more of the following seven areas: climate change, clean energy and energy efficiency, clean transit, affordable and sustainable housing, training and workforce development, remediation and reduction of legacy pollution, and the development of critical clean water and wastewater infrastructure.

#### Overview:

- Targeted cohort of 3-5 states committed to maximizing the benefits and impact of federal funding that prioritizes communities, particularly overburdened and underinvested LIDAC areas, according to the Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool ([CEJST](#))

#### Benefits of Participation:

- The Accelerator will support states to think about what is necessary to meet this unprecedented funding moment and design implementation strategies to benefit communities for generations to come, particularly targeting systems change strategies.
- States will gain valuable insights through a cohort model designed for shared learning, dissemination of best practices, and support thinking through complex challenges.
- States will be positioned to stack together multiple funding sources to maximize opportunities for leveraging federal dollars.

#### Offering:

- Connecting states to technical assistance resources and federal agencies (e.g. EPA, DOE, DOT)
- Stakeholder alignment & needs assessment at the state level
- Applying an equity lens (using equity tools) to disburse funding
- Technical assistance (accessing and leveraging resources)
- Support developing co-governance models
- Wealth-building approaches for disadvantaged communities, including cooperative and community ownership models as well as equitable workforce and contractor development



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## Examples of Target Programs Across Sectors



### EPA

- GGRF (NCIF, CCIA, Solar for All)
- Climate Pollution Reduction Grants
- Environmental Justice Community Change Grants

### Transportation (DOT)

- National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program and Discretionary Funding
- EV Acceleration Challenge
- Neighborhood Equity and Access Grants

### Buildings (HUD)

- Green and Resilient Retrofit Program

### Energy (DOE)

- Home Energy Rebate Program (HOMES and HEEHRA)
- Other rebates
- Virtual Power Plants (Civic/Community owned)

### Tax Credits across sectors (Treasury)

- Treasury Direct Pay
- Low-Income Communities Bonus Credit Program (48e)

### Justice 40 Covered Programs

- See List of [Justice40 Programs](#) here

## Questions?

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