

The IIJA and IRA have over 400 funding streams! Below you will find short descriptions on each of the funds that the Community Advocates Program is focusing on as these funds are open now or opening this summer. [Here](#) you can find more detailed information on each of these funds.

Protect 30% of US lands and water			
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT	GENERAL DESCRIPTION	FUNDING MILESTONE
Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants	Institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, or state, local, or tribal governments that can demonstrate status as an underserved community or that partner with underserved communities, tribes, or tribal entities in coastal areas	Projects selected through this opportunity will help: restore marine, estuarine, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems; rebuild sustainable fisheries and contribute to the recovery of threatened and endangered species; protect the safety and well-being of coastal communities by using natural infrastructure to reduce damage from flooding and storms; support the many benefits that healthy habitats provide, such as clean drinking water and industries like boating, fishing, and tourism.	Expecting this opportunity to open in Summer 2023
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT)	States (including District of Columbia)	Fund projects that address the climate crisis by improving the resilience of the surface transportation system, including highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail.	Applications are due on 08/18/2023
Wildlife Crossings	State Departments of Transportation; Metropolitan Planning	The Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program provides funding for construction and non-construction projects. Construction Projects include engineering, design, permitting, right-of-way acquisition, and other activities related to	The application is now open and will close on August 1, 2023

	Organizations; Units of local government; Regional transportation authorities; Special purpose districts or public authorities with a transportation function; Indian tribes; Federal Land Management Agencies; and A group of any of the above entities	the construction of infrastructure improvements, such as the building of a wildlife crossing overpass or underpass. Non-Construction projects include planning, research, and educational activities that are not directly related to construction of infrastructure improvements, such as a hot spot analysis of Wildlife Vehicle Collisions. All projects should seek to protect motorists and wildlife by reducing the number of Wildlife Vehicle Collisions and improve habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species.	
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Cut the nature equity gap in half

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Neighborhood Access and Equity Grant Program	Local governments, state governments, public authorities, metropolitan planning organizations and/or combinations of several organizations applying together	Grant awardees could use the funding to convert an existing highway into a boulevard, install sound barriers, improve complete streets; add in pedestrian, bike or trail crossings to facilitate mobility across or around the divided community; improve safety features; incorporate sustainable and green infrastructure that can tackle issues like reducing heat island hot spots; increased modes of public transportation options, including micromobility.	The program is expected to open in summer 2023

Access to clean air & water, provide jobs, and address inequities

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Environmental and Climate Justice Block	A partnership between a community-based nonprofit organization	The EPA has stated that eligible activities must follow under the following categories: community-led air and other pollution monitoring, prevention, and remediation, and investments in low-and zero-emission and resilient	Fund is expected to open Summer 2023

Grant Program	and an Indian tribe, local government, or an institution of higher education; a community-based nonprofit organization; or a partnership of community-based nonprofit organizations	technologies and related infrastructure and workforce development that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants (greenhouse gas is defined as “air pollutants carbon dioxide, hydrofluorocarbons, methane, nitrous oxide, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride”); mitigating climate and health risks from urban heat islands, extreme heat, wood heater emissions, and wildfire events; climate resiliency and adaptation; reducing indoor toxics and indoor air pollution; and Facilitating engagement of disadvantaged communities in State and Federal advisory groups, workshops, rulemakings, and other public processes.	
Justice40	States, Local Governments	Justice40 isn’t a federal funding opportunity, but it is important work in regards to state implementation. President Biden’s Justice40 initiative is a Federal administration commitment, not a state commitment. A large amount of the federal programmatic benefits available is moving into states via formula grants. Like previous infrastructure investments in states this money will be deployed quickly or already has been deployed where the states and localities will have majority control over how investments are made and who benefits from them. The success of Justice40 relies on state elected officials passing legislation, This can be accomplished through many ways. That includes Governors and Mayors issuing executive orders, and/or local elected leaders passing ordinances to confirm the commitment to protect all communities.	N/A
Lead Service Line Replacement	States initially receive funding, then provide funds to Water Utilities and/or Municipal and Other Eligible Entities. Tribes and Territories are also eligible to receive a portion of State Revolving Fund funds.	Providing assistance to eligible entities to replace lead service lines, with priority for disadvantaged communities based on the affordability.	Applicants apply through their State Revolving Fund program. State deadlines vary.
PFAS Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	States initially receive funding, then provide funds to Water Utilities	Here are some examples on what this fund can be used on: emerging contaminants costs associated with the construction of a new treatment facility or upgrade to an existing treatment facility that addresses emerging	Applicants apply through their State Revolving

	and/or Municipal and Other Eligible Entities. Tribes and Territories are also eligible to receive a portion of State Revolving Fund funds.	contaminants; development of a new source (i.e., new/replacement well or intake for a public water system) that addresses an emerging contaminant issue; consolidation with another water system that does not have emerging contaminants present or has removal capability; creation of a new community water system to address unsafe drinking water provided by individual (i.e., privately-owned) wells or surface water sources.	Fund program. State deadlines vary.
Transparency	States, local governments, state agencies	Transparency isn't a federal funding opportunity, but it is important work in regards to state implementation. The IIJA and IRA makes substantial grant funding available to the State. Transparency is critical for making sure our States use the grant opportunities to further the public interests. Our States should make public what federal funds they have been applying for and what they've been awarded. Here is an example .	N/A

Stop expansion of the oil and gas industry

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT	GENERAL DESCRIPTION	FUNDING MILESTONE
Buy Clean	Local Governments	Buy Clean isn't a federal funding opportunity. However, it is an opportunity for us to ensure that funds are spent to ensure that carbon emissions don't rise. Buy Clean calls for localities to purchase construction materials (such as structural steel, carbon steel rebar, mineral wool board insulation, and flat glass) from manufacturers that have invested in cutting their greenhouse gas emissions.	N/A

Shift public/private dollars from fossil fuels

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Electric Co-Ops-Empowering Rural America New ERA Program	Existing or former USDA Rural Utilities Service (RUS) borrowers; Borrowers of the former Rural Electrification Administration; Rural electric cooperatives that serve predominantly rural areas; Wholly or jointly owned subsidiaries of rural electric cooperatives	Guidance states that funds can be used to make energy efficiency improvements to eligible generation and transmission systems, to purchase, build, or deploy renewable energy, zero-emission systems, carbon capture storage systems, or to purchase renewable energy. The New ERA program is designed to be flexible. The program prioritizes greenhouse gas reductions rather than requiring the use of specific technologies.	The application window is open from July 31 through August 31, 2023.
Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund	Varies on grant	The Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund will be implemented via three grant competitions: National Clean Investment Fund: The \$14 billion National Clean Investment Fund competition will fund 2-3 national nonprofits that will partner with private capital providers to deliver financing at scale to businesses, communities, community lenders, and others, catalyzing tens of thousands of clean technology projects to accelerate our progress towards energy independence and a net-zero economic future. Clean Communities Investment Accelerator: The \$6 billion Clean Communities Investment Accelerator competition will fund 2-7 hub nonprofits with the plans and capabilities to rapidly build the clean financing capacity of specific networks of public, quasi-public and non-profit community lenders—such as community development financial institutions (including Native CDFIs), credit unions, green banks, housing finance agencies, minority depository institutions, and others—to ensure that households, small businesses, schools, and community institutions in low-income and disadvantaged communities have access to financing for cost-saving and pollution-reducing clean technology projects.	EPA anticipates opening competitions for funding under this program in summer 2023

		Solar for All: The \$7 billion Solar for All competition will provide up to 60 grants to States, Tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits to expand the number of low-income and disadvantaged communities that are primed for investment in residential and community solar—enabling millions of families to access affordable, resilient, and clean solar energy.	
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Replace fossil fuels with clean energy

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT	GENERAL DESCRIPTION	FUNDING MILESTONE
Building Codes	States and local governments with authority to adopt building energy codes	Funding awards will support states and local jurisdictions in adopting, implementing, and enforcing the latest model, zero energy codes, or equivalent codes and standards, improving residential and commercial new construction and retrofits, and transitioning the building stock to more efficient, decarbonized buildings for all.	The applications are expected to be released shortly as the request for information closed in April 2023
HOMES Rebate Program	State Energy Offices	The HOMES Rebate Program will be implemented via two grant competitions: Home Efficiency Rebates will award grants to State energy offices to provide rebates that discount the price of energy-saving retrofits in single-family and multi-family buildings. Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates will award grants to State energy offices and tribal entities to develop and implement a high-efficiency electric home rebate program.	The opportunity to apply for funding is expected to be open in the Fall of 2023

Transform the Transportation Sector

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OPPORTUNITY			
Carbon Reduction Program	States (including District of Columbia) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)	States can expect the funding to be spent on projects that may include public transit and active transportation; street light and traffic control device energy efficiency; tolling, pricing and transportation demand management that shift travel to cleaner modes; freight and port projects; alternative fuels; and congestion management technologies.	This is a formula grant that runs through 2026. FY23 funds will be dispersed shortly. States must submit their plans to DOT by November 15, 2023. Depending on the State, MPOs are being asked to submit project proposals.
Clean School Bus Program	Local or State Governmental Entities; An Eligible Contractor; A Nonprofit School Transportation Association; Or an Indian Tribe	Replacing existing school buses with a clean school bus. A clean bus being a school bus that reduces emissions and is operated entirely or in part using an alternative fuel or is a zero-emission bus.	All application packages need to be submitted electronically to EPA through Grants.gov no later than Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. (ET)