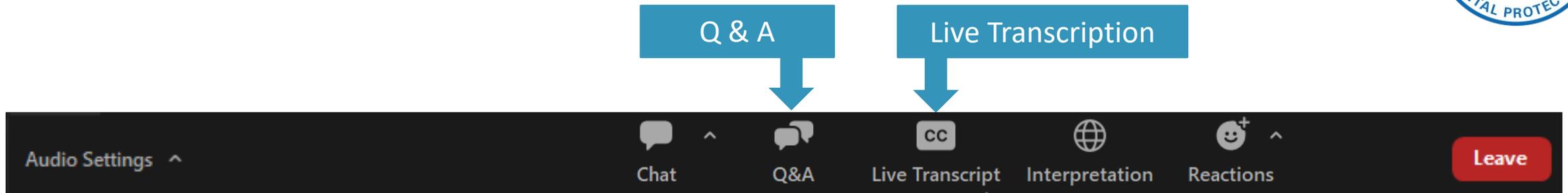


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Agenda

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Navigating to Clean Air Act Grants Under the Inflation Reduction Act

Open Announcements are now listed on the Air Grants & Funding page

- Sorted by Appropriation
- Do not confuse these grants with the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

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Air Grants and Funding

Inflation Reduction Act Appropriation

In August 2022, Congress passed the [Inflation Reduction Act](#) to tackle the climate crisis and advance environmental justice. [The Inflation Reduction Act provided the EPA \\$41.5 billion to support new and existing programs.](#) EPA's Office of Air and Radiation has been allocated over \$11 billion of these funds to advance the goal of securing clean and healthy air, and a safe climate, for all Americans. EPA will update this page as grant programs are developed under this appropriation.

Non-competitive grants:

- [Clean Air Act Grants under the Inflation Reduction Act](#)

- Assistance Listing Number: 66.034
- Eligible Entities: State, local, Tribal, and territorial air pollution control agencies
- Closing date: April 15, 2023

- [Climate Pollution Reduction Grants - Planning Grants](#)

- Assistance Listing Number: To be announced
- Eligible Entities: To be announced
- Closing date: To be announced

Competitive grants:

- *No open opportunities at this time.*

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Clean Air Act (CAA) Grants under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

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- These are **noncompetitive** grants

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 - Research/analysis
 - Updating emission inventories
 - Training
 - Air monitoring activities
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Announcement

Apr 15

Applications Due but **earlier applications are encouraged** for faster distribution of funds

Apr/May: Work Plan Negotiation

June 2023: Anticipated awards

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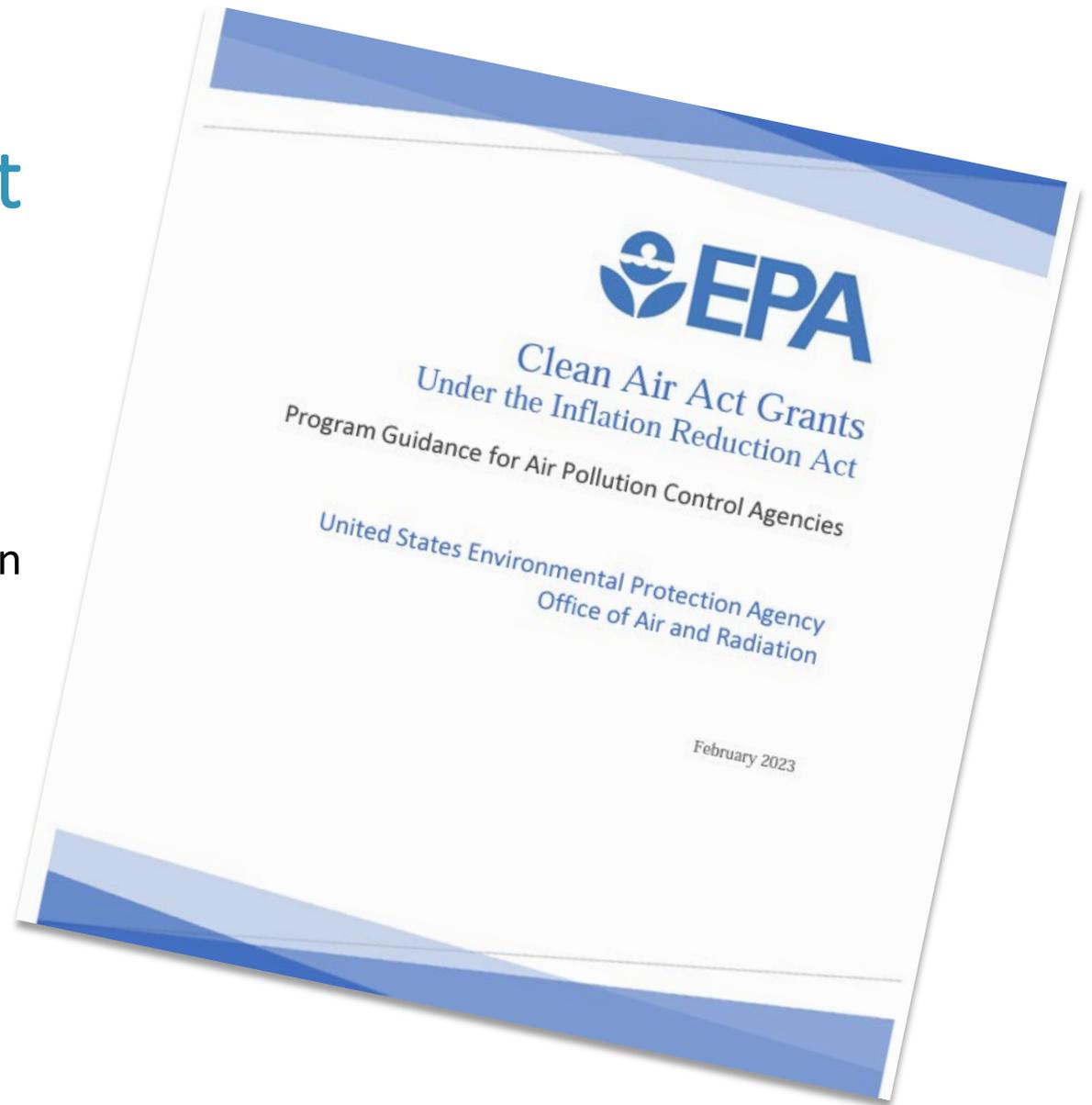
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Program Guidance Document

I. Assistance Listing

66.034 – Surveys, Studies, Research, Investigations, Demonstrations, and Special Purpose Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act

II. Statutory Authority

Section 60105(f) of the Inflation Reduction Act provides \$25M for “under subsections (a) through (c) of section 103 and section 105 of authority for this action is the Clean Air Act Section 103, which authorizes acceleration of, research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, the causes, effects (including health and welfare effects), extent, and pollution.”

III. Eligible Entities

“Air pollution control agencies” as defined by Section 302 of the Clean Air Act include air agencies of states (including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Federated States of Micronesia), and federally recognized Tribes. Eligible air agencies are those air agencies currently receiving a CAA Section 105 grant opportunity.

IV. Application Package and Submission Info

Applicants must apply electronically through [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) for IRA CAA instructions in this guidance. The following forms are required for submitting applications via [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)

- Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance. Please include on the SF-4
- Standard Form 424A, Budget Information for Non-Construction
- EPA Form 4700-4, Pre-Award Compliance Review Report (see [4700-4](#))
- EPA Form 5700-54, Key Contacts Form
- Grants.gov Lobbying Form – for any grant over \$100,000
- Project Narrative Attachment Form, Project Narrative – see below
- Budget narrative (Detail budget) Applicants should consult [Development Guidance for Applicants and Recipients of EPA](#) with developing their budget.

Use “Other Attachments” Form for any additional supporting documents

V. Work Plan Contents

As required under 40 CFR 107(b) for state and local air agencies and 40 CFR 507(b) for tribal air agencies, all work plans must specify:

- The work plan components (i.e., activities) to be funded under the grant;
- The estimated work years and the estimated funding amounts for each work plan component and a time frame for each work plan component;
- The work plan commitments for each work plan component and a time frame for each work plan component;
- A performance evaluation process and reporting schedule; and
- The roles and responsibilities of the recipient and EPA in carrying out the work plan commitments.

Eligible Activities

Eligible air agencies may use these funds for any eligible activity under CAA Section 105, including activities to initiate planning and preparation for implementation of other provisions.

Examples of eligible activities include but are not limited to the following:

- Development or updating of pollution source information and/or emission inventories, including greenhouse gas inventories.
- Studies including modeling of air pollution, including greenhouse gases, and potential reductions under varying control technologies and strategies.
- Research and analysis of the effects or extent of pollution on low-income and disadvantaged communities within the air pollution control agency’s jurisdiction. This may include analysis of disparate impacts from pollution sources.
- Research or piloting of new or experimental technologies, methods or approaches for the control of air pollution, including greenhouse gases.
- Training of personnel to advance the knowledge of air pollution sources, including greenhouse gases, and control technologies and mitigation practices.
- Planning and preparation for implementing other IRA provisions.
- Fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), air toxics, and other air monitoring activities.
- Other activities to “conduct, and promote the coordination and acceleration of, research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects (including health and welfare effects), extent, prevention, and control of air pollution”¹

To the extent applicants choose to undertake one or more of the above or similar activities, they should include those activities in their work plan and include associated outputs and outcomes for each activity. Grantees will be expected to submit at least semi-annual progress reports to EPA on progress in meeting the agreed-upon outputs and outcomes.

¹ From Clean Air Act Section 103(a)(1).

EPA Region	Point(s) of Contact	Contact Information
3	AJ	a.gov
4	Jan Tom Kri	iv
5	Mi	gov
6	Do	gov
7	Ste An	a.gov
8	Ma	
9	Jea	
10	Chi	

See Guidance Doc for your POC

How it helps:

- Grant details and reference info
- Instructions for applying
- Regional Points of Contact (POCs)

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Instructions for Narrative & Work Plan

Document that accompanies the spreadsheet



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Instructions for Narrative and Work Plan Sample Template

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Air and Radiation

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Tools & Resources: CAA IRA Grant Work Plan Template



Worksheet 1: Work Plan & Reporting

- Organized by Component and Commitment
- Columns for Outcome(s) and Output(s)
- Sample data included (please delete and replace)
- Spreadsheet complements Work Plan narrative

Work Plan & Reporting

Note: Use the desktop version of Excel. The components, commitments and accompanying details in the worksheet below are just examples for illustrative purposes. Please replace the fields with data specific to your project.

	Outcome(s)	Output(s)
<p>Instructions: This row may be deleted or hidden when work plans are submitted to EPA.</p>	<p>The result, effect, or consequence that will occur from carrying out an environmental program or activity that is related to an environmental or programmatic goal or objective. Outcomes may be environmental, behavioral, health-related, or programmatic in nature, and may not necessarily be achievable within an assistance agreement funding period.</p>	<p>An environmental activity or effort, or associated work products that are provided over a specific period of time. Outputs may be quantitative or qualitative, and may not necessarily be measurable during an assistance agreement funding period.</p>
<p>Component 1 Comittment 1.1</p>	<p>Administration and Coordination Planning and preparation for implementation of other IRA Programs related to greenhouse gases and air quality</p>	<p>Grant application with established responsibilities of those involved</p>
<p>Comittment 1.2</p>	<p>Ensure data collected and used under this grant is consistent with EPA Quality</p>	<p>Quality Assurance Management System Development and approval by EPA</p>

Tools & Resources: CAA IRA Grant Work Plan Template

Worksheet 2: Budget Detail by Category & Component

How it helps:

- Organized by Cost Category
- Includes Component(s) in dropdown
- Auto calculates totals
- Sample data included

Budget Details By Category & Component					
<i>Note: Use the desktop version of Excel. This worksheet is an example. Please use your own data and check your formulas. Totals should match the</i>					
Components (choose all that apply)	Personnel Position(s)	Annual Salary	% FTE spent on grant activities	Subtotal	Totals
Air Planning, Program and Policy Development, Administration and Coordination, Pollut. Source Info / Emission Inv. (incl. GHG)	Air Program Director	\$100,000	30%	\$30,000	
Administration and Coordination, Pollution Source Information and/or Emission Inventories (including GHG), Air Monitoring, Research and Development Information and/or Emission Inventories (including GHG)	Branch Manager of Program Partnership	\$80,000	30%	\$16,000	
Air Monitoring, Research and Development	Team lead for GHG emissions reduction	\$60,000	40%	\$24,000	
	Air Monitoring Staff	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000	
				Personnel TOTAL	\$ 75,000
Fringe Benefits (Salary x %)		Salary	Percentage	Subtotal	
Administration and Coordination		\$ 75,000	28%	\$ 21,000	
				Fringe TOTAL	\$ 21,000
Travel		Purpose and location of each trip	Cost/trip	# of trips	Trip Totals
Administration and Coordination, Air Planning	Air Planning Training, Washington, DC	\$ 1,000		2	\$ 2,000
Administration and Coordination	Planning meetings, local travel in Sacramento area (mileage only)	\$ 100		10	\$ 1,000
				Travel Total	\$ 3,000
Equipment		List purpose and description of each piece of equipment	Cost/item	# of items	Subtotal
Generally defined as more than \$5,000 and with a useful life of more than one year per 2CFR Part 200					
Air Monitoring	CO Analyzer	\$ 13,320		2	\$ 26,640
Air Monitoring	O3 Analyzer	\$ 19,820		1	\$ 19,820
				Equipment TOTAL	\$ 46,460
Supplies		List items under \$5,000 that are not equipment	Cost/item	# of items	Subtotal
Research and Development	Uninterruptible Power Supply	\$ 500		2	\$ 1,000
Research and Development	Equipment calibrator	\$ 500		1	\$ 500
				Supplies TOTAL	\$ 1,500
Contractual		List purpose and description of each contract	Cost/contract	# of contracts	Subtotal
Administration and Coordination, Pollution Source Information and/or Emission Inventories (including GHG)	SO2 public-facing website development				\$ 75,000
Air Monitoring	Maintenance for Air Monitoring Station				\$ 25,000
				Contractual TOTAL	\$ 100,000
Other		List purpose and description of each subaward or participant support cost activity	Cost/subaward or participant support	# of subawards or participants supported	
Administration and Coordination	Subaward to Air Quality Management District for commitments 1.3 & 1.4 - 1.6	\$ 130,000		1	\$ 130,000
Administration and Coordination	Subaward to University of Clean Air for commitments 1.1 & 1.3	\$ 55,000		1	\$ 55,000
				Other TOTAL	\$ 185,000
				TOTAL DIRECT CHARGES	\$ 431,960
Indirect Charges		Percentage	Total Direct Costs	Total Indirect Charges	
Federal indirect cost rate (percentage) x Total Direct Costs = Indirect Costs				\$ -	n/a
				TOTAL INDIRECT CHARGES	\$ -
				TOTAL CHARGES	\$ 431,960

CAA IRA Grant Work Plan Template Instructions

Worksheet 2



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Developing Your Workplan: Outputs & Outcomes

Outputs

- The measurable “widgets” of your project
- For example, number of reports, number of trainings, amount of community engagement

Outcomes

- The result, effect or consequence from carrying out the activities in your workplan
- For example, number of staff trained, increased community awareness, increased access to information

Examples



Outputs

- Reports of modeling, research, demonstrations, or analyses
- Number of trainings and dates held
- New or updated emission inventories
- Research of new or experimental technologies, methods or approaches for the control of air pollution, including greenhouse gases
- Study that utilizes EPA's Averted Emissions and generation tool www.epa.gov/avert to compare the emission impacts of different types of energy programs and policies

Outcomes

- Increased number of staff trained to improve air quality
- Increased access to information so that community can have accurate understanding of air quality in their community
- Informed policy and decision making by local/state agencies
- Increased number of citizens have access to more local scale air quality data
- Advanced knowledge on the role air pollution plays in development of various diseases, biological effects and groups who are most susceptible resulting from studies
- Modeling results that help estimate the relationship between sources and their effects on ambient air quality and inform policy decisions
- Air monitoring data that supports decision making by local/state agencies



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These funds will supplement annual funding for air pollution control agencies in support of activities under [Clean Air Act Section 103](#). The funds will support efforts by air pollution control agencies and other organizations to partner with EPA to deliver cleaner air through programs that address air quality, transportation, indoor air, and climate change. Other activities may include planning and preparation for implementing other Inflation Reduction Act provisions.

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How to Apply

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Application Process:

How to Apply



1. Register your organization with SAM.gov and Grants.gov

-Applications must be submitted electronically via www.grants.gov

All eligible entities were recipients of FY22 Section 105 funding, so you should already have an account. Please **verify that it is still active**.

See: [How do I apply for a grant under the Inflation Reduction Act?](#)

APPLY NOW

Application Process:

How to Apply

2. Access the link provided by Regional Point of Contact (POC) for use on Grants.gov

Regional POCs found at the end of the [guidance document](#)

3. Apply through Grants.gov

All applications must be submitted through [Grants.gov](#) using the “Workspace” feature. This is now required. Information can be found at the [Grants.gov Workspace Overview Page](#).

Application Process: How to Apply



4. Write your Project Narrative (1-3 pages)

- Includes the Cover Page
- Must substantially comply with the specific instructions, format, and content as defined in the Guidance Document
- Save as a Word or pdf document

5. Complete the mandatory forms

- See page 3 of the [guidance document](#)

6. Use the “Other Attachments” form to submit any additional documents





Application Process: How to Apply

7. Grants.gov: Fill out the required grant application forms and upload all required and optional attachments

- Download PDFs of the forms, fill them out offline, then upload back to grants.gov; or
- Complete the forms online as webforms
 - Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance.
 - Standard Form 424A, Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs
 - EPA Form 4700-4, Pre-Award Compliance Review Report (see EPA Tips for Completing Form 4700-4)
 - EPA Form 5700-54, Key Contacts Form



Application Process: How to Apply

8. Grants.gov

- The “Check Application” button runs a validation process to ensure all the forms are complete. If the validation fails, a list of errors will be displayed.
- Once all forms are in “passed” status the “Sign and Submit” button will be active.



Application Process: Helpful Reminders



- **CREATE/VERIFY YOUR GRANTS.GOV ACCOUNT NOW**
 - The registration process requires that your organization have a UEI number and a current registration with the System for Award Management www.SAM.gov.
 - Grants.gov now requires users to sign up for and use their “Workspace” feature when applying for opportunities.
- **BE AWARE OF SUPPORT TIME**
 - Minor problems with application submittal are NOT uncommon. Grants.gov offers 24-hour support, however some issues may take a few days to resolve.
- **SUBMIT EARLY**
 - We can begin processing applications as soon as they are submitted!



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Clean Air Act Grants under the Inflation Reduction Act

Overview

EPA's Office of Air and Radiation is announcing approximately \$25,000,000 in Clean Air Act (CAA) grants under section 60105(f) "Funding to Address Air Pollution: Clean Air Act Grants" of the [Inflation Reduction Act](#).

The [Clean Air Act](#) was designed by Congress to protect public health and welfare from different types of air pollution caused by a diverse array of pollution sources.

Related Information

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Please use the Q & A box. We will address as many questions as possible. If we run out of time, we will post questions and answers on the [Clean Air Act Grants page](#).

The following documents will be uploaded following today's session:

- Copy and recording of this presentation
- Instructions for Narrative and Work Plan Sample Template
- Work Plan Sample Template

Additional questions?

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