



EPA Region 7 Environmental Justice Community Stakeholder Meeting

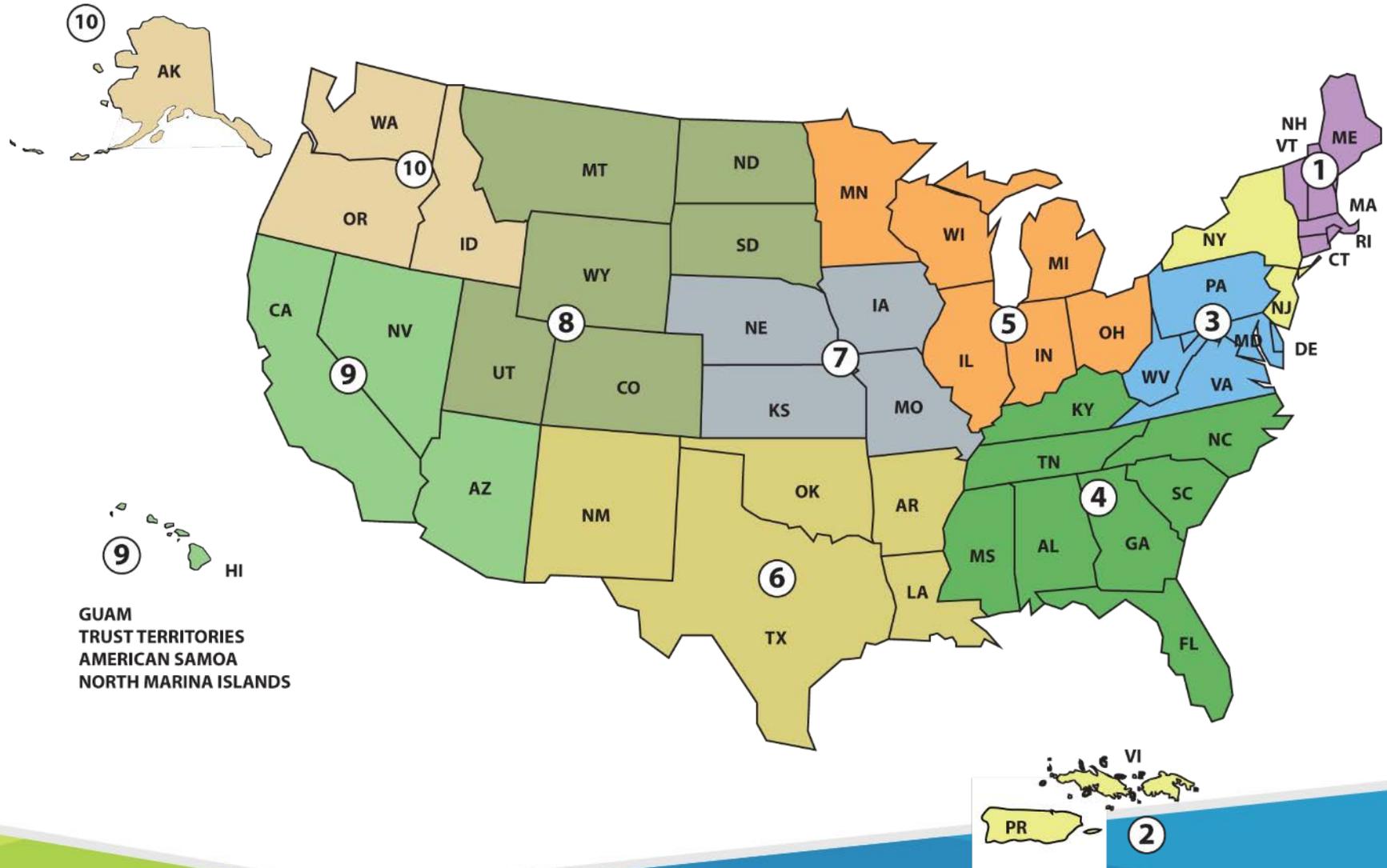
**Feb. 22, 2024
6:30 to 8 p.m.**

EPA Region 7 – Nine Tribal Nations & Four States



Mission: To Protect Human Health and the Environment

EPA Regions Across United States



Environmental Justice

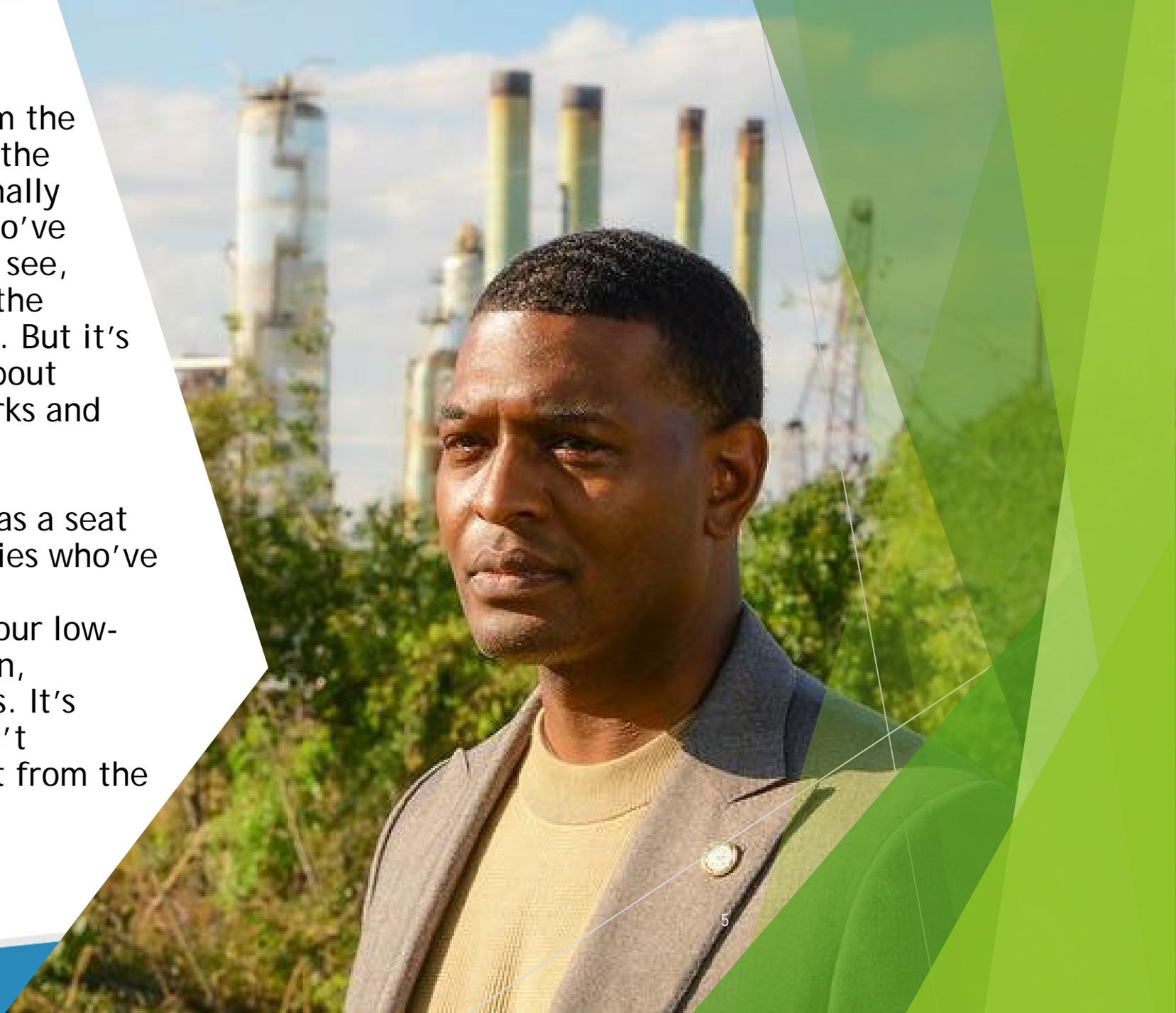
EPA definition

- The fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.
- This goal will be achieved when everyone enjoys:
 - **The same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards, and**
 - **Equal access to the decision-making process to have a healthy environment in which to live, learn, and work.**

“With unprecedented funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act, we are finally ensuring that the communities who’ve borne the burden of pollution will see, breathe, and feel the benefits of the federal government’s investments. But it’s not just about the funding - it’s about changing how our government works and who it works for.

It’s about making sure everyone has a seat at the table, especially communities who’ve historically been shut out of the conversation... I’m talking about our low-income communities, Black, Brown, Indigenous, and rural communities. It’s about ensuring that solutions aren’t developed from the top down, but from the bottom up.”

Michael Regan
EPA Administrator





R7 Environmental Justice Community Stakeholder Meetings

Purpose and Outcomes

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- Have an additional platform to share EPA updates and information that may impact and interest EJ community stakeholders.
- Provide an opportunity to hear from Region 7 communities about their EJ issues, concerns and interests.
- We hope that with this meeting and future meetings:
 - We become more informed about stakeholder issues and concerns.
 - We have a positive platform for information sharing and exchange.
 - We can build and form relationships between the Region 7 EJ Team and community stakeholders.



Our First Meeting

Purpose and Outcomes

Goals for EJ Community Stakeholder Meetings

1

Hear directly from communities about the issues they're facing and learn about **their priorities.**

2

Be available to look into questions or concerns raised and **relay** information to appropriate EPA Region 7 experts.

3

Share EPA EJ updates and grant opportunities with communities as applicable.

4

Provide community members with the opportunity to **connect with others** working on similar issues.

Agenda

- ▶ Welcome from EPA Region 7 Administrator (Meg McCollister)
- ▶ EJ Priorities, (LaTonya Sanders, EPA R7)
- ▶ Meaningful Involvement Policy (Shereen Kandil, EPA R2)
- ▶ Water Technical Assistance and Get the Lead Out (Lisa Montgomery, EPA R7)
- ▶ Environmental and Climate Justice Grant Programs (Jacob Burney, EPA HQ)
- ▶ Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center (TCTAC)/Heartland Environmental Justice Center (Jeff Severin, Wichita State University)
- ▶ Q&A



Welcome

Meg McCollister

EPA Region 7 Administrator



R7 Environmental Justice Priorities

Purpose and Outcomes

R7 Environmental Justice Priorities

- To integrate Environmental Justice principles into all Region 7 policies, practices, and programs; and provide support and assistance with integration efforts to R7 programs.
- Enhance our network of Region 7 EJ stakeholders and connecting people and organizations with similar issues/concerns together to collaborate, share and support.
- Connect communities to resources, grants and technical assistance, including our rural communities.
- Protect children from exposures to environmental harms.



Questions about Region 7's Environmental Justice Priorities

Please raise your hand if you would like to make verbal comments



Achieving Health and Environmental Protection Through EPA's Meaningful Involvement Policy

Updating EPA's 2003 Public Involvement Policy

Updating EPA's 2003 Meaningful Involvement Policy

Workgroup

- ▶ 38 members representing all national program offices at HQ and all 10 regions
- ▶ Bi-weekly meetings since January 2023
- ▶ Members collaboratively revised policy sections in sub-groups, solicited input from management and across programs and regions, and ensured office and regional priorities were reflected.

Of Note

- Primary audience is EPA Teams (e.g., staff, managers, fellows, interns, appointees, senior executive service, contractors, and senior environmental enrollees).
- Purpose of revising the policy is to promote a consistent, EPA-wide approach to conducting meaningful involvement and support EPA employees in doing this work effectively.
- Policy is in line with, and responsive to, Administration priorities, EO 14096, the Equity Action Plan, and OMB's Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) guidance on broadening public engagement.



Three Main Revisions & Additions

1. EPA-WIDE
APPROACH

2. EPA'S PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION MODEL

3. CAPABILITIES

Three Main Revisions and Additions

1. EPA-WIDE APPROACH

- Identify the decisions in an EPA action that may be influenced by public input.
- Use the Public Participation Spectrum.
- Use the Public Participation Model.

Table 1.1. EPA's Public Participation Spectrum.

Goal	Inform/ Outreach	Consult/ Info Exchange	Involve/ Recommendations	Collaborate/ Agreements	Empower
Purpose	Provide information to external partners and clearly communicate that this is not an opportunity for involvement.	Provide and exchange data, opinions, and options during one or two instances.	Obtain advice or comments over an extended period of time.	Reach workable agreement, settlement, or decision together.	Empower the public to take action.
Promise to the Public	"We will keep you informed."	"We will listen, acknowledge concerns, and provide feedback on your input at the appropriate time."	"We will take your advice or comments into account when making a decision and we will inform you how your advice or comments influenced our decision."	"We will work together in good faith to reach an understanding that we can all support and implement as agreed."	"We will support your decision and assist in your implementation."
Examples¹¹	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Websites • Fact sheets • News releases • Federal Register notices • Public notices • Infographics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings with individuals • Official public meetings or hearings • Workshops • Public information sessions or community meetings • Listening sessions • Phone hotlines • Regulatory notice and comment period 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Advisory Groups (CAGs) • Policy dialogues • Small Business Advocacy Review (SBAR) panels • Request for public comment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superfund Jobs Training Initiative (SuperJTI); or SuperJTI fact sheet • Access agreements • Institutional controls • Settlement agreements • Negotiated rulemaking • Consensus permit • Statement of principles • Federal Advisory Committees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary programs • Good Samaritan Initiative • Redevelopment plans • Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training grants • Community Action for Renewed Environment • Sustainability Forum • Participatory science

Low Involvement

High Involvement

Three Main Revisions & Additions

2. EPA'S PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MODEL

- Updated the seven stages to reflect current outreach practices and technological advances.
- Made the model iterative vs. step by step.

- Plan: Identify the EPA Action, Select a Level of Participation, and Secure Resources.
- Identify the Public and Segments of the Public.
- Provide Technical or Financial Assistance
- Provide Information and Outreach.
- Conduct Public Consultation and Participation Activities.
- Review, Use Input, and Provide Feedback.
- Evaluate Public Participation Activities.

Three Main Revisions & Additions

3. CAPABILITIES

The policy reaffirms the importance of building EPA's Team capabilities for effectively conducting meaningful involvement and includes nine capabilities:

1. Use principles of integrity, inclusiveness, dialogue, influence, and accountability.
2. Use or consider data and information collected via participatory science and Indigenous Knowledge.
3. Use EPA's annual budget process to secure resources and EPA resources to plan for and conduct meaningful involvement.
4. When providing responses to solicited public input, do so in a timely manner, in plain writing and accessible in languages used by the public.
5. Address solicited public input using oversight authorities, legal directives, and EPA's tools and resources for researching alternatives and calculating risk to meet public concerns.
6. Use risk communication as a two-way approach to provide the public with information they need to make informed, independent judgements about risks to safety and health and to provide EPA with appropriate information to assess risk.
7. Use the alternate dispute resolution process as needed, including mediation, arbitration, and neutral facilitation.
8. Demonstrate cultural competence and humility when engaging with the public.
9. Demonstrate transparency, sincerity, and a willingness to learn when engaging with the public.

Next Steps

1. Solicit EPA-wide feedback
2. Solicit public feedback
3. Engage the workgroup to review and respond to internal and public comments
4. Incorporate input
5. Finalize the policy



Thank you!

For any questions, please email us at:
MeaningfulInvolvementPolicy@epa.gov

www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/epas-meaningful-involvement-policy



Questions about EPA's Meaningful Involvement Policy

Please raise your hand if you would like to make verbal comments

EPA WaterTA: Collaborating with States to Help Communities Solve Water Challenges

February 22, 2024

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**Communities face
a variety of water
infrastructure
challenges**

All communities need access to safe, clean, and reliable Water.

- **Challenge:** Underserved and disadvantaged communities need support to develop quality State Revolving Fund (SRF) projects and apply for funding.
- **Goal of WaterTA:** EPA Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA) will build the pipelines of quality SRF projects from disadvantaged and underserved communities, in collaboration with states, tribes, and territories.
- **Partnership with States:** A core value of EPA WaterTA is to compliment existing TA efforts by states and other stakeholders and to collaborate and coordinate.

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

\$50 billion investment in water infrastructure – the largest ever

Large amount of funding will be grants/forgivable loans for “disadvantaged communities” – which can help communities better afford necessary infrastructure upgrades

Loans at below market rates

5-year appropriation timeline

EPA WaterTA Supports Communities to:



Identify water challenges



Plan for solutions



Increase community engagement



Build technical, financial, managerial capacity



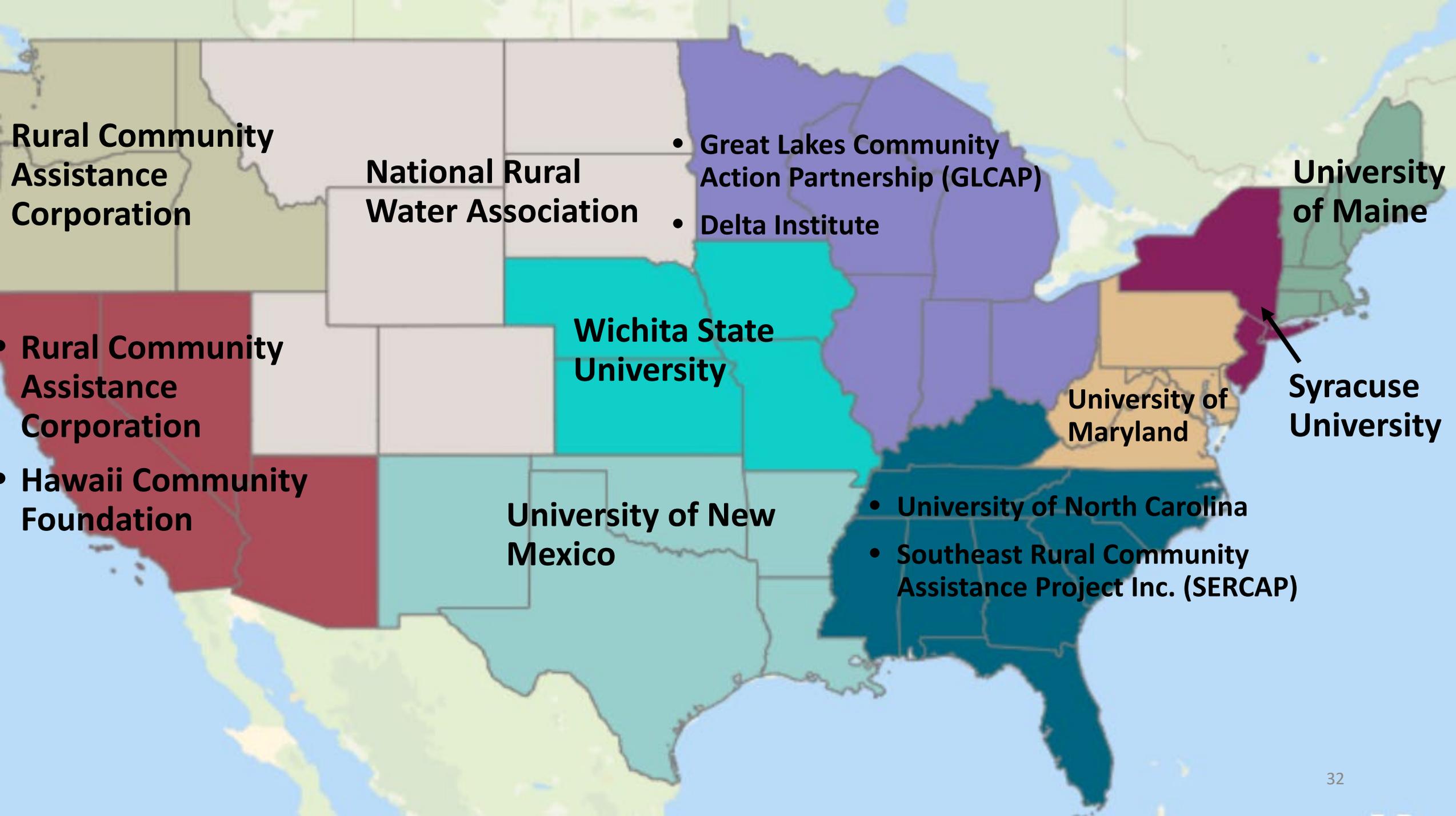
Develop application materials to access water infrastructure funding

One WaterTA Initiative, Multiple WaterTA Programs

BIL Funded WaterTA		Ongoing WaterTA Programs			
<p>BIL Environmental Finance Centers (EFCs) (Regional and National)</p> <p><i>\$100 million funded</i></p>	<p>BIL Pilots</p> <p><i>Closing America's Wastewater Access Gap</i></p> <p><i>Lead Service Line Replacement Accelerators</i></p> <p><i>H2O Community Solutions Teams</i></p>	<p>Multi-Media EFCs</p> <p><i>Capacity for up to \$52 million</i></p>	<p>OWM Rural Small Tribal Wastewater (AWIA)</p> <p><i>FY20 \$12 million (awarded; 3 grantees)</i></p> <p><i>FY21 \$18 million</i></p> <p><i>FY22 \$20 million</i></p> <p><i>FY23 \$27 million (next awards Summer '23)</i></p>	<p>OGWDW Training and Technical Assistance for Small Systems</p> <p><i>FY21 \$21.7 million (awarded; 2 grantees)</i></p> <p><i>FY22 \$25.7 million (selections anticipated to be awarded in Summer 2023)</i></p>	<p>Other OW WaterTA</p> <p><i>See online WaterTA programs factsheet, <u>Water Technical Assistance: Ensuring Equitable Access to Water Infrastructure Funding</u></i></p>

Environmental Finance Centers

- **Largest EPA WaterTA program:** Environmental Finance Centers (EFCs) are EPA's largest program for WaterTA to communities.
- **More EFCs, More Types:** EPA reimaged its EFC program in 2022 to better provide BIL TA services to more communities.
- **Historic Level of Funding:** \$100M in BIL funding for EFC BIL WaterTA, with \$52M in additional capacity for EFC multimedia TA.
- **Available NOW:** The EFCs are out working in communities, developing needs assessments and providing initial support.



Rural Community Assistance Corporation

National Rural Water Association

- Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP)
- Delta Institute

University of Maine

Rural Community Assistance Corporation

Wichita State University

University of Maryland

Syracuse University

Hawaii Community Foundation

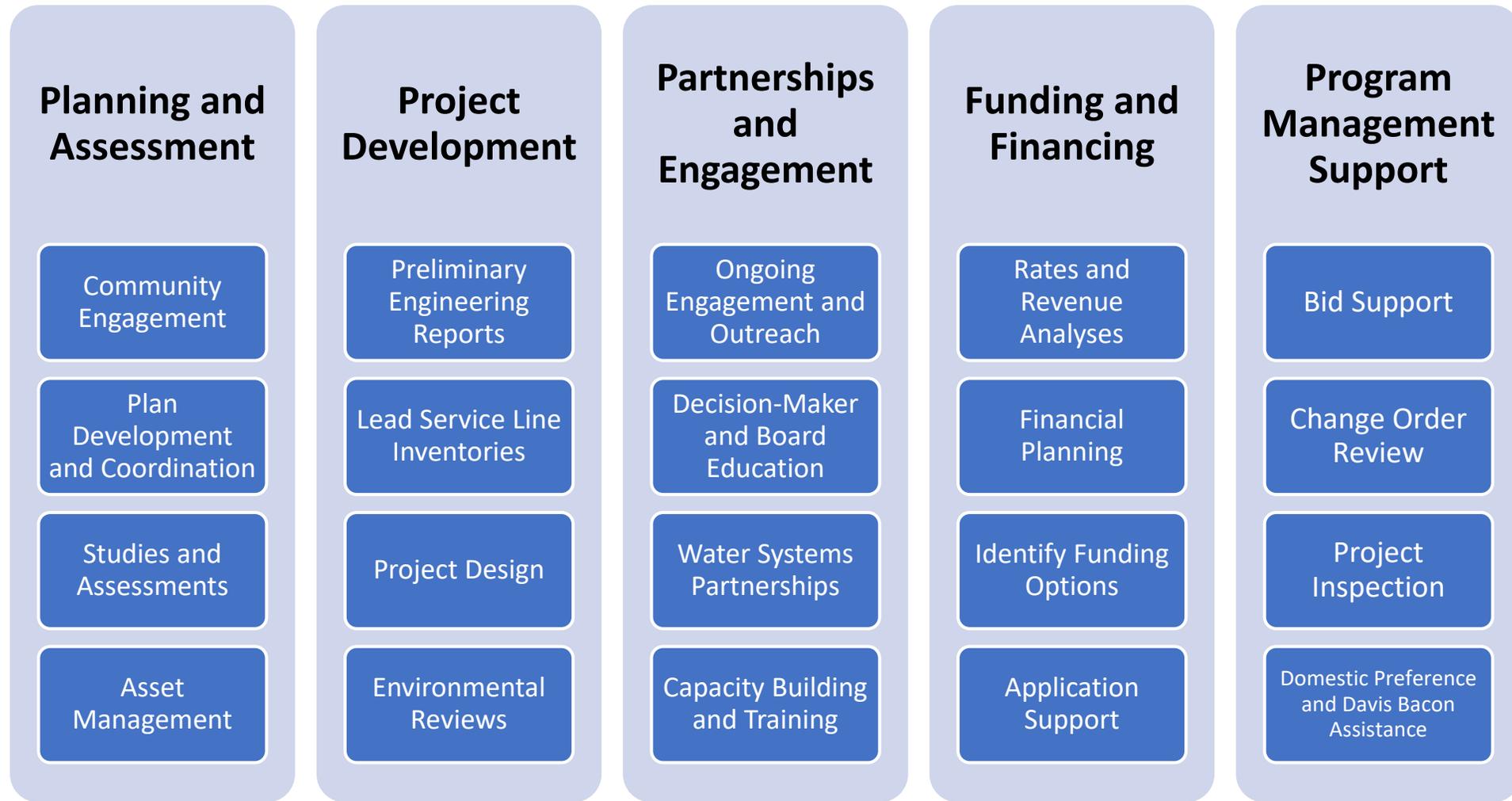
University of New Mexico

- University of North Carolina
- Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project Inc. (SERCAP)

National BIL EFCs

- Rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP)
- Environmental Policy Innovation Center (EPIC)
- U.S. Water Alliance
- Moonshot Missions

WaterTA Services



Get The Lead Out (GLO) Initiative

The primary goal of the GLO Initiative is to provide comprehensive, high-quality LSLR TA to 200 communities over two years. The GLO Initiative will provide communities with direct WaterTA to achieve the goal of accelerated LSL replacement nationwide.

Delivery of Direct, Community-Centered WaterTA for LSLR

Sharing Best Practices

Amplifying Successes

**Tracking Progress &
Efficacy**

Who is eligible to receive EPA WaterTA?

- Local governments/communities
- Drinking water utilities/systems
- Wastewater utilities/systems
- Stormwater utilities/systems
- States, tribes, territories
- Non-governmental organizations (in pursuit of Clean Water SRF financing)

Questions? Contact: WaterTA@epa.gov



Multiple Pathways for Identifying Communities for WaterTA

Community Self Identification

- EPA Web Intake Form (including targeted outreach to Congress, key stakeholders, and states)
- EFC Website

EPA Identified (in coordination with states)

- EPA identified based on public data sources, compliance issues, and known challenges
- Referrals from TA programs (e.g., AWOP, CRWU, Compliance Advisors)
- Systems of concern/emergencies
- Referrals from state or local leaders

State Identified Communities

- Long-Standing IUP lists
- Unsuccessful SRF applicants
- Known compliance challenges

EFC Identified Communities

- Generated from EFC Outreach Activities
- Previous Relationships with EFCs
- Using Public Tools (i.e., CEJST, EJ Screen, RCAP maps, OW Tools)

WaterTA
Communities



Questions about Water Technical Assistance or Get The Lead Out

Please raise your hand if you would like to make verbal comments



Environmental and Climate Justice Grant Programs

EPA Environmental Justice “Grants” (Fiscal Years 2023-2024)

EPA received **\$3 billion** in the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)
\$2.8 billion for grants, \$200 million for technical assistance

EPA received \$100 million in the FY22 and \$108 million in the FY23 budgets to support EJ activities in OEJECR.

Over half of those funds are planned to be allocated to grants and technical assistance.

Goals of the EPA EJ Grants Program

- Provide resources as soon as possible on the ground to communities and their partners.
- Meet communities at their needs and where they are in their journey.
- Prove that investments in communities are the best investments to solve the toughest problems in places with the biggest challenges.
- Achieve lasting, meaningful change on the ground.
- Be the bottom-up to all the other top-downs!

Summary of EPA EJ “Grants” (FY23-24)

Timeline and general details of latest EJ funding opportunities:

1. [EJ Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers Program \(TC TAC\)](#) *NEW
 - \$100 million for ~10 centers (colleges/universities, nonprofits, intertribal consortia)
2. [EJ Collaborative Problem-Solving Program \(EJCPS\)](#)
 - \$30 million (~60 awards) of up to \$500K each (nonprofits)
3. [Government to Government Cooperative Agreement Program \(G2G\)](#)
 - \$60 to \$70 million (60+ awards) of up to \$1M each (states, local governments, tribes, territories)
4. [EJ Thriving Communities Grant Making Program \(TCGM\)](#) *NEW
 - \$100+ million for pass-through funders (colleges/universities, nonprofits, intertribal consortia)
5. [Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program](#) *NEW
 - IRA, CAA Section 138 Funding for financial and technical assistance to carry out environmental and climate justice activities to benefit underserved and overburdened communities
 - Congress appropriated \$2.8 billion for financial assistance, and \$200 million for technical assistance

1. EJ Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (TCTACs) - 66.309

- Background/Purpose:
 - TCTAC Centers will provide technical assistance, training, and capacity-building support to underserved communities throughout each EPA region.
 - Grantee Type(s): Colleges/Universities, Large Nonprofits, Intertribal Consortia
- Source of Grant Funding & Number of Awards (cooperative agreements):
 - Region 7 recipient: Wichita State University; 5-year Project Period
 - Incrementally funded (first increment will cover first 1-2 years of project period)

Thriving Communities Network

Problem: Disadvantaged communities lack resources to apply for & deploy federal funds.

Solution: Thriving Communities Network: coordinated, place-based technical assistance and capacity-building resources to communities experiencing distress and disinvestment, such as grant and financial management, pre-development assistance, community engagement, planning, and project delivery support.

- ▶ EPA and DOT co-chair the Thriving Communities Network to coordinate technical assistance with the White House and other Cabinet agencies, which include:

- ▶ DOT
- ▶ HUD
- ▶ DOE
- ▶ USDA
- ▶ GSA
- ▶ Commerce
- ▶ FEMA

The network continues to grow, with HHS, in the final stages of being added.



2. EJ Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreements (EJCPS) - 66.306

- Background/Purpose:
 - Cooperative agreement grants to CBOs. Expansion of EPA's traditional community grant program with larger awards to pilot implementation activities through community-centered collaborative partnerships.
 - Grantee Type(s): Community-based nonprofit organizations (CBOs)
- Source of Grant Funding & Number of Awards (cooperative agreements):
 - 100% Inflation Reduction Act funds
 - \$30 million total; fully-funded at time of award (3-year project period)
 - 50 awards of \$500,000
 - 33 awards of \$150,000
- Timing
 - Selections by fall 2023
 - Awards made by spring 2024

3. EJ Government-to-Government Grants (EJG2G) - 66.312

- **Background/Purpose:**
 - Cooperative agreement grants to government agencies partnering with CBOs. Expansion of EPA's traditional EJ government grant program with larger awards to gov. agencies partnering with communities to develop plans, projects, and pilot implementation activities.
 - Grantee Type(s): States, Local govt., Tribal Governments, US Territories & Freely Assoc. States
- **Source of Grant Funding & Number of Awards (cooperative agreements):**
 - Mix of Inflation Reduction Act funds and baseline (\$40M IRA and \$30M baseline)
 - \$70 million total at \$1M per award; fully funded at time of award (3-year project period)
 - 4 Set-asides/funding tracks used to apportion funding w/ different government agency types
- **Timing**
 - Selections by fall 2023
 - Awards made by spring 2024

Closed on
April 14,
2023

4. EJ Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program (EJ TCGM) - 66.615

- **Background/Purpose:**
 - Fund 5-11 pass-through funders (i.e., Grantmakers) nationwide to provide subgrants to community-based nonprofits and similar entities for assessment, planning, and project development work. This model will allow EPA to provide thousands of subgrants nationwide in the next 3 years.
 - Grantee Type(s): Colleges/Universities, Large Nonprofits, Tribal Govt./Organizations
- **Source of Grant Funding & Number of Awards (cooperative agreements):**
 - Inflation Reduction Act Funds (primarily); a little baseline funding added as well
 - \$550 million total; \$50 million per Award
 - Incrementally funded; first increments = \$16.5 million per award; 3-year Project Period
- **Timing**
 - Awards made by **spring 2024 - No applications from R7, but Research Triangle Institute will provide support and subgrants directly to Region 7 communities as part of their wider roles as the Central National Grantmaker.**

Closed on
June 30,
2023

EJ Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program

TCGM cooperative agreements are collaborations between EPA and 11 grantmakers around the nation to reduce the burden of the federal grants application process and distribute federal funds to potential applicants working to address environmental justice issues.

1,000+ Thriving Communities Subgrants distributed by grantmakers will:



Support capacity-building through assessment, planning and project development.



Increase efficiency and reduce barriers to accessing federal grant funding.



Encourage meaningful involvement of community members in decision-making that may affect their communities.

Four Funding Options for Future Grantmaker Subawardees

Phase 1 Assessment Projects up to \$150,000 (1 year)

Ex: research (that is incidental to the project design) • sampling • testing • monitoring • investigations • surveys and studies • public education

Phase 2 Planning Projects up to \$250,000 (1-2 years)

Ex: Planning • Partnership-building • Public outreach and education • Coordination with community stakeholders to address environmental issues • Training activities for community organizations and community members • Projects and activities to spur community involvement (e.g., cleanups of vacant lots) • Smaller land purchases & acquisitions that require less than half the total amount of subgrant

Phase 3 Development of Projects up to \$350,000 (2 years)

Ex: Project Development • Blueprints for construction or cleanup projects, schematics, and technical development • Work to get permits in place directly related to an environmental project • Smaller land purchases and acquisitions that require less than half of the total amount of subgrant funding • Implementation of project plans • Public outreach and education

*A limited number of \$75,000 **non-competitive fixed-amount subawards** will be available for severely capacity-constrained CBOs to access

Grantmaker offerings may be region specific.

5. EJ & Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program (66.616)

- **Background/Purpose:**
 - Change grants will provide levels of funding to communities to change the reality on the ground (i.e., infrastructure, revitalization work, and significant implementation activities) related to EJ issues.
- **Grant Funding:**
 - Up to \$2 Billion of IRA funds
 - \$10 - \$20 Million per project (3-year Project Period)
- **Timing:**
 - Grant competition window opens in fall 2023 and **closes 11/21/24**. One-year open window for receiving proposals. Proposals scored on a monthly basis.
- **Innovative Application Process:**
 - Written applications, oral presentations, and rolling application period.
 - **Two track submission process:** Track I, Community-Driven Investments for Change, is expected to award approximately \$1.96 billion for 150 projects for \$10-20 million each.
 - Track II, Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance, is expected to award approximately \$40 million for 20 projects for \$1-3 million each.

Notice of
Funding
Opportunity
open until
November
21, 2024.



Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program

Through the Inflation Reduction Act, EPA will invest about \$2 billion for environmental and climate justice activities benefiting communities most impacted by climate change, legacy pollution and historical disinvestments.



About \$2 Billion

The Community Change Grants are designed to:



Engage disadvantaged communities in government processes.



Invest in place- and community-based initiatives.



Reduce pollution with community-led pollution monitoring, prevention and remediation.



Increase climate resilience and community capacity to respond to environmental and climate justice challenges.



Community Change Technical Assistance Program

Through the Inflation Reduction Act, EPA's \$200 million technical assistance program will help eligible entities apply for and manage Community Change Grants.

Types Of Change Grant Projects EPA Can Fund (Not All Inclusive)

- ▶ Environmental and Climate Justice (ECJ) Community Change Grants
 - 1) Community Greening
 - 2) Enhanced Mobility (active transportation, transit, carshare)
 - 3) Sustainable Housing (energy and water resilience)
 - 4) Community Energy Resilience
 - 5) Community Health (Food access, parks, open space)
 - 6) Waste Reduction and Circular economy
 - 7) Indoor & Outdoor Air Quality
 - 8) Clean Drinking water
 - 9) Improved Wastewater Systems
 - 10) Address Hazardous Waste and Pesticides

- **Specialized Technical Assistance** serving the Community Change Grants program
 - Provider will be available to assist applicants in formulating proposals and managing grants

Thank you. Keep in touch!

For up-to-date information on national Environmental Justice funding opportunities, events, and webinars, subscribe to EPA's Environmental Justice listserv by sending a blank email to: join-epa-ej@lists.epa.gov.

For more info on EJ grants or technical assistance, go to: www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-grants-funding-and-technical-assistance



Questions about Environmental and Climate Justice Grant Programs

Please raise your hand if you would like to make verbal comments

HEARTLAND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER

A Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center



www.heartlandej.org





The Heartland Environmental Justice Center supports individuals and organizations who serve in communities that are experiencing environmental injustice across Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and adjoining Indigenous Nations.



HEJC operates first as a **listener** to communities that have historically and systematically been disproportionately impacted by environmental, energy, climate, and public health adversities.



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What does this look like for communities?



Meet Our Team



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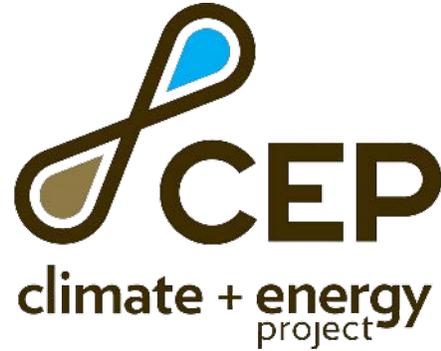


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Questions about the TCTAC

Please raise your hand if you would like to make verbal comments

Question and Answer Session

Let's Hear From You!



- ▶ What are some environmental justice issues affecting your community?
- ▶ How did you find out about the meeting?
- ▶ Are there topics you want to discuss and/or learn more about for future calls?
- ▶ Do you have thoughts/feedback on the structure of these meetings?

Next Steps/Closing & Future Calls



Thank you & Stay in touch!

- ▶ Email questions, concerns, or ideas to: R7-EJ-Stakeholders@epa.gov
- ▶ Call Region 7's customer service line at 1-800-223-0425, and ask for Kim Burr or Monica Espinosa
- ▶ Join the national EPA EJ Listserv: Join-epa-ej@lists.epa.gov
- ▶ Join the R7 Communities distribution list:
[R7 Communities Digest@epa.gov](mailto:R7_Communities_Digest@epa.gov)
- ▶ Visit EPA's Community Info Guide:
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