



Expand Weatherization Benefits in Your Community

Use this quick guide to navigate the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) Enhancement & Innovation (E&I) Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) seeks proposals that drive innovative strategies for program coordination and service delivery. Projects that leverage resources, strengthen community partnerships, and promote collaboration among diverse teams are encouraged.

This guide covers important tips and key items within the FOA, but should not be the only guide used. Applicants should read the full FOA on [DOE Clean Energy Infrastructure eXCHANGE](#). \$25 million in BIL funds are available, with a \$2 million award maximum.

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Is this opportunity a good fit for our organization?

If performing deep energy retrofits on low-income residential buildings or empowering the weatherization workforce is something that your organization is engaged in, chances are the answer is yes! While developing your proposal keep in mind:

- BIL-funded projects should **advance diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility** and make progress toward the **Justice40** Initiative. Use the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool ([CEJST](#)) to identify disadvantaged communities.
- Community **partnerships** are encouraged—build relationships with organizations that complement your work and enhance your proposal.
- **Leveraged funds** are important—all E&I projects have a goal of at least a 2:1 ratio of leveraged resources (e.g. in-kind donations, volunteered time, or non-DOE funding contributions) to DOE awarded funds.
- The DOE WAP Average Cost Per Unit and Savings to Investment Ratio requirements **do not apply** to E&I grants.

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What types of projects will be considered or in what topic areas should a project be based?

1. Multifamily Housing
2. Single Family and Manufactured Housing
3. Workforce Development

For more information, see section I.B. (pg. 3-6).

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Who is eligible to apply?

This FOA is open to current WAP Grantees and Subgrantees, and Nonprofit entities. For more information about eligibility requirements, see **Section III. (pg. 14)** of the FOA.

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What needs to be submitted and by when?

- First, submit a Concept Paper by August 31, 2023 at 5 p.m. ET on [eXCHANGE](#).
- Submit the Full Application by January 5, 2024 at 5 p.m. ET on [eXCHANGE](#).

*The submission of a concept paper by the deadline is necessary to be eligible to submit a full application. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit at least 48 hours in advance of the submission deadline to avoid any technical issues.

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Ready to submit a full application?

Edit and review the application thoroughly to ensure all the necessary information is included and that it meets the requirements listed in **Section IV's** Application and Submission Information (pg. 18).

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Questions?

Ask us at Weatherization.Innovation@hq.doe.gov or view the recorded informational webinar from July 20, 2023 and the [webinar slides](#). The webinar is also linked on the DOE Clean Energy Infrastructure eXCHANGE.

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