

EECBG Program: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy Template for States

States must submit a proposed Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy (EECS) to the Department of Energy (DOE) to meet the statutory requirements for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program. States must submit the EECS at the time of application.

The proposed EECS must include the information contained in Part A of this template. States may use this streamlined EECS Template to meet the requirement, but the template is not required. If a state chooses to submit an EECS using an alternative format, the information outlined in Part A must be included in the submission.

NOTE: All text fields are limited to 2000 characters.

Part A

Grantee:

Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)

UEI #:

Program Contact Email:

- 1) Describe your State's proposed implementation plan for the use of EECBG Program funds to assist you in achieving the goals and objectives outlined in your state energy conservation plan and in accordance with the purpose of the EECBG Program. Your description should include a summary of the activities submitted on your EECBG Program Activity File, and how each activity supports one or more of your strategy's goals/objectives.
- 2) Describe your State's established process for providing sub-grants to units of local government that are not eligible for direct EECBG Program formula grants from DOE.
- 3) Describe the auditing or monitoring procedures currently in place, or that will be in place (by what date) to ensure funds are used for authorized purposes and every step is taken to prevent instances of fraud, waste, error, and abuse.

Part B

1. Have you engaged local stakeholders (such as utilities, energy industry and financial companies, community-based organizations, labor unions, and other non-profit organizations) in the development of your plan and/or how you intend to use your EECBG Program allocation?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
2. Do you anticipate the project(s) you use this funding for will continue after the EECBG Program funding period?
 - a. Yes
 - i. Describe how the project(s) have been designed to ensure that it sustains benefits beyond the EECBG Program funding period
 - b. No
3. What would help you to continue? (check all that apply)

1. Local sustainable financing
 2. Public and local political support
 3. Staff capacity
 4. Other
4. How will your project(s) benefit disadvantaged communities?¹ (check all that apply)
- a. Benefits include (but are not limited to) measurable direct or indirect investments or positive project outcomes that achieve or contribute to the following in disadvantaged communities:
 - i. A decrease in energy burden²
 - ii. A decrease in environmental exposure and burdens
 - iii. An increase in access to low-cost capital
 - iv. An increase in job quality (including paying prevailing wages for construction and maintenance projects by 2025)
 - v. An increase in clean energy enterprise creation and contracting (e.g., minority-owned or disadvantaged business enterprises)
 - vi. An increase in clean energy jobs, job pipeline, and job training for individuals from disadvantaged communities
 - vii. An increase in parity in clean energy technology access and adoption
 - viii. An increase in energy democracy
 - ix. Other
 1. Please Explain
5. How will your strategy support the goal that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities, in line with the Justice40 initiative?

¹ [Justice40 Initiative | Department of Energy](#)

² The Initiative for Energy Justice https://iejusa.org/glossary-and-appendix/#glossary_of_terms