State and Community Energy Program Workforce Development Programs

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STATE & COMMUNITY ENERGY PROGRAMS

What We'll Discuss Today

- ✓ Office of State and Community Energy Programs
- ✓ Overview of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act
- ✓ Energy Efficiency Workforce Development Program Details
- ✓ Next Steps



Acronym Vocabulary

- U.S. Department of Energy = DOE
- Office of State and Community Energy
 Programs = SCEP
- > Inflation Reduction Act = IRA
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law = BIL
- Energy Efficiency = EE

- Request for Information = RFI
- > Energy Auditor Training = EAT
- Career Skills Training = CST
- Building Training Assessment
 Centers = BTAC
- Notice of Intent = NOI

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Office of State and Community Energy Programs (SCEP)

New Office created to implement nearly **\$16 billion in programs** from the <u>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law</u> (BIL) and <u>Inflation Reduction Act</u> (IRA)

SCEP works to:

- Accelerate high-impact, self-sustaining clean energy projects that improve lives
- Aid state & local governments, Tribes, community-based organizations, & others
- Center the needs of low-income households and Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)



Deploy clean energy technologies



Center equity and deliver on J40 priorities



Catalyze local economic development



Create jobs



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Avoid pollution through place-based strategies Reduce energy costs

Programs Coming Out of SCEP

\$500M for

State Energy

Program

\$3.5B for Weatherization Assistance Program

\$260M for Building Efficiency Workforce Training

\$250M for Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Funds

\$50M for Energy Efficiency for Non-Profits

\$1B for Energy Codes Technical Assistance \$550M for Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grants Program

\$500M for Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy in Public Schools

\$8.8B for Home Energy Rebates

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

Makes the largest long-term investment in our nation's infrastructure in nearly a century.

Investing in American manufacturing and workers: New investments will support workers by giving them access to training in cutting-edge technologies and requiring all workers on funded programs to be paid prevailing wages

Expanding Clean Energy Access to Families, Communities, and Businesses: New programs will make reliable, energy efficient technology more affordable and ensure energy equity

Engaging with Communities to Find Solutions: Community Benefits Plans ensure that all new projects include engagement with a wide range of local stakeholders including labor unions, local governments, Tribal governments, and community-based organizations

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Community Benefits Plans: DOE scores proposals on four priorities

- **1. Good jobs:** Create good-paying jobs to attract and retain skilled workers and ensure workers have a free and fair chance to join a union
- 2. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility: Equitable access to wealth-building opportunities (teaming, access to good jobs, business and contracting opportunities)
- **3. Justice40:** Meet or exceed the objectives of the Justice40 initiative that 40% of benefits accrue to disadvantaged communities
- **4. Workforce and Community Agreements:** Meaningful engagement with community and labor partners leading to formal agreements with accountability to affected stakeholders



Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

Tackles the climate crisis, creates new domestic industrial policy, and revolutionizes our economy and energy system over the next decade in three main areas:

Save Households Money: New and updated incentives will save American individuals and families thousands of dollars on cleaner electricity, heating, cooling, and transportation while protecting them from shifting fossil fuel prices

Grow American Manufacturing and Clean Energy Jobs: Major investments will help companies scale up clean energy manufacturing and deployment here in America and will incentivize companies to provide workers with family-sustaining careers

Support Communities in Transition: New programs will help underserved communities to make the transition to clean energy, ports, and transportation

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IRA Delivering Historic Firsts

CLEAN ENERGY FOR ALL

PRESIDENT BIDEN'S INFLATION REDUCTION ACT IS THE MOST AGGRESSIVE CLIMATE ACTION IN U.S. HISTORY

- ✓ Largest climate investment in US history: \$369B+
- ✓ 10+ years of financial support to clean energy manufacturers and installers
- Thousands of good jobs with incentives for prevailing wages and apprenticeships
- ✓ Saves American families thousands of dollars in energy costs
- Billions in benefits for low-income consumers and energy burdened communities
- Modeled to reduce greenhouse gas pollution to
 40% below 2005 levels by 2030

Mobilizing Clean Energy Investment Through IRA



*Congressional Budget Office (CBO), Estimated Budgetary Effects

DOE's Role in IRA Clean Energy Investment



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BIL and IRA Energy Efficiency Workforce Development Programs

	Statute	Total Appropriations & Availability	Allocation of Funds	Building Segment Served
State-Based Home Energy Efficiency Contractor Training Grants	IRA Sec. 50123	\$200,000,000 Until September 30, 2031	State Agencies	Residential
Energy Auditor Training Program	BIL Sec. 40503	\$40,000,000 Until Fiscal Year 2026	State Agencies	Residential, Commercial
Building Training and Assessment Centers Program	BIL Sec. 40512	\$10,000,000 Until expended	Institutions of higher education	Commercial, Institutional
Career Skills Training Program	BIL Sec. 40513	\$10,000,000 Until expended	Nonprofit-industry- labor partnerships	All buildings

State-Based Home Energy Efficiency Contractor Training Grants

- Authorizing statute: IRA section 50123
- Funding and timeline: \$200 million to remain available through September 30, 2031
- o Eligible recipients: States
- **Program summary:**
 - $\circ\,$ Provides grants to States to:
 - a) Reduce the cost of training contractor employees
 - b) Provide testing & certification of contractors trained and educated under a state program
 - c) Partner with nonprofits on a) or b)



Energy Auditor Training Grant Program (EAT)

- Authorizing statute: BIL section 40503
- Funding and timeline: \$40 million for the FY 2022 FY 2026
- o Eligible recipients: States
- Program summary:
 - Provides grants to train individuals to conduct energy audits or surveys of commercial and residential buildings.



Building Training and Assessment Centers (BTAC)

- Authorizing statute: BIL 40512
- Funding and timeline: \$10 million available until expended
- Eligible recipients: Institutions of higher education
- Program summary:
 - Provides grants to establish building training and assessment centers to identify opportunities for optimizing energy efficiency and environmental performance in buildings.
- Notice of Intent is public: <u>tiny.cc/BTACIACNOI</u>
 - Includes a Teaming Partner List





Career Skills Training Program (CST)

- Authorizing statute: BIL section 40513
- Funding and timeline: \$10 million available until expended
- Eligible recipients: Nonprofit partnerships with industry and labor organizations
- \circ Program summary:
 - $\,\circ\,$ Provides grants to create career skills training programs.
 - Students will concurrently receive classroom instruction and on-the-job training for the purpose of obtaining an industry-related certification to install energy efficient buildings technologies.



Workforce Development Programs Timeline



Request for Information (RFI) closes on **1/26/23 at 5 PM ET**. Includes questions on the following topics:

- Workforce and business characteristics
- Workforce development and business owner training strategies
- Accessing federal funding
- Equity and partnerships
- Access to high quality jobs

SCEP Workforce RFI: tiny.cc/WorkforceRFI



Residential Contractors Training Program: How you can engage

Respond to DOE's active request for information by 1/26/23	State governments	 ID existing training programs to expand + replicate Apply for funding and develop a robust and equitable community benefits plan* 	
	Nonprofits	 Explore partnership opportunities with state agencies Share community needs with state agencies to maximize program benefits to community members 	
	Contractors	 ID and share workforce skill and training gaps with state agencies Elevate successful workforce program models to state agencies 	
	Utilities + Local governments	 ID and share workforce needs for city and utility-run EE and electrification programs Elevate successful workforce program models to state agencies 	
	Institutions of higher education	 ID existing curricula and opportunities for new programs focused on building energy efficiency 	

* www.energy.gov/bil/community-benefits-plan-frequently-asked-questions-faqs

Let's Succeed Together!

- ✓ Train students and workers and place them into high quality energy efficiency jobs
- ✓ Create a diverse pipeline of workers and businesses in the energy efficiency sector
- ✓ Build on and replicate existing successful programs & resources
- ✓ Deliver high quality energy upgrades to homes, businesses, and institutions



We are eager to hear from you on how we can best accomplish these goals!

Thank You!

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