Justice40 at US DOE

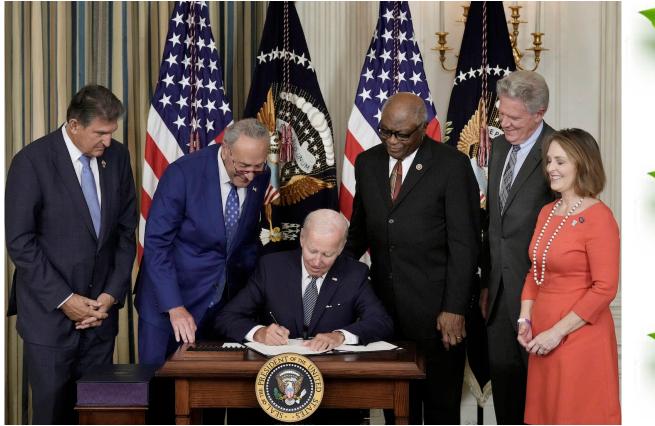
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This moment: Generational Investments in Clean Energy





\$62 Billion in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding to DOE

\$30+ Billion in Inflation Reduction Act funding to DOE, more through tax credits, part of \$390B in climate spending



CHIPS Act to invest in domestic manufacturing, science, and R&D capability





Clean Energy Deployment and Emissions Reductions



Quality Job Creation, Including the Opportunity for Family-Sustaining Union Jobs

Secretary Granholm: Priorities for Implementation



Justice and Equity

Domestic Manufacturing and Supply Chains



Private Sector Uptake of Clean Energy Technologies



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Office of Economic Impact and Diversity Statutory Authority (Public Law 95-619)

Key Statutory Functions:

- Advise S-1 on effect of energy policies, regulations, and other actions of the Department and its components on minorities and minority business enterprises (MBEs) and on ways to ensure that minorities are afforded an opportunity to participate fully in DOE energy programs.
- Conduct an ongoing research program, with the assistance of the Administrator of EIA and other Federal agencies as the Director determines appropriate to determine the effects (including socio-economic and environmental effects) of national energy programs, policies and regulations of the Department on minorities.
- **Develop and recommend to S-1 policies** to assist minorities and minority business enterprises.
- Conduct research on energy burden, economic opportunities for minority communities, commercialization of energy-related technologies.
- **Provide management and technical assistance** to minority serving institutions (MSIs) and MBEs and Director may enter into contracts with MSIs, MBEs and other organizations to assist development of minority communities.
- **Provide financial assistance in the form of loans** to any MBE under such rules prescribed by Director to facilitate, research, development, demonstration, and contract activities of the Department.

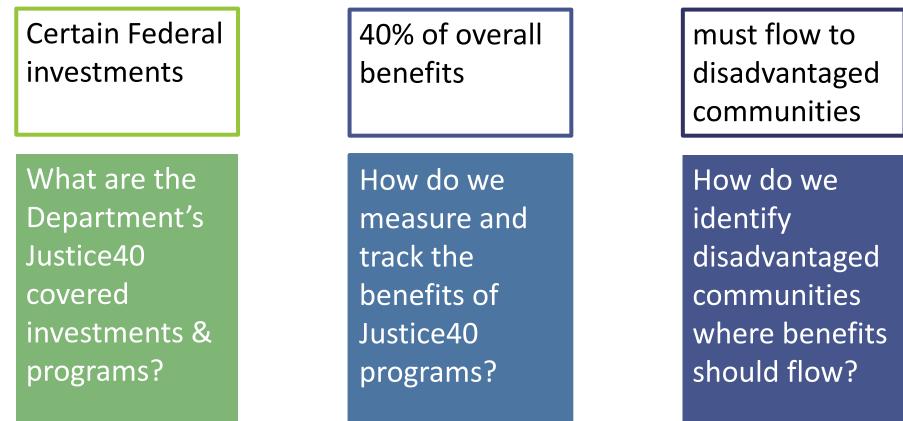


Created under the Biden-Harris Administration, the Justice40 Initiative establishes the goal that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities.

Executive Order 14008: Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad (1/27/21)



Primary Elements of Justice40



Source: Interim Implementation Guidance for the Justice40 Initiative. https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/M-21-28.pdf



Criteria for Justice40 Covered Programs

Federal Investments

- ✓ Federal financial assistance (e.g., grants, loans, credits)
- \checkmark Direct payments or benefits to individuals
- ✓ Federal procurement benefits (acquisition of goods and services for the government's own use)
- Programmatic Federal staffing costs (e.g., federal pay for staff that provide technical assistance)
- ✓ Additional federal investments under covered programs as determined by OMB.

Covered Program

- A Federal Government program that makes **<u>investments</u>** in one or more of the following seven areas:
- ✓ Climate change
- \checkmark Clean energy and energy efficiency
- ✓ Clean transportation
- ✓ Affordable and sustainable housing
- ✓ Training and workforce development
- Remediation and reduction of legacy pollution
- ✓ Critical clean water and waste infrastructure



DOE's Justice40 Covered Programs



Learn more: https://www.energy.gov/diversity/doe-justice40-covered-programs

As of 7/25/22



Guiding Policy Priorities for Justice40 Benefits

- **1. Decrease energy burden** in disadvantaged communities
- **2. Decrease environmental exposure and burdens** for disadvantaged communities
- 3. Increase parity in clean energy technology access and adoption in disadvantaged communities



- 4. Increase access to low-cost capital in disadvantaged communities
- **5. Increase clean energy enterprise creation and contracting** (MBE/DBE) in disadvantaged communities



- **6. Increase clean energy jobs, job pipeline, and job training** for individuals from disadvantaged communities
- 7. Increase energy resiliency in disadvantaged communities



8. Increase energy democracy in disadvantaged communities



Defining Disadvantaged Communities

Agencies should define community as either:

- A group of individuals living in geographic proximity to one another (e.g., census tracts)
- 2. A geographically dispersed set of individuals where either type of group experiences common conditions (e.g., migrant workers or Native Americans)



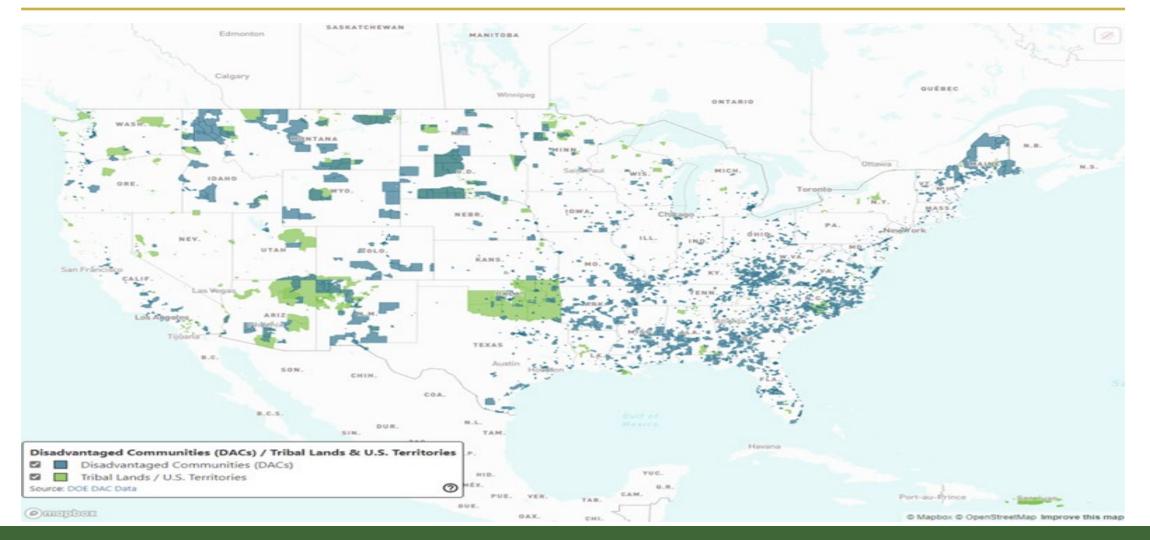
Places

People

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DOE Disadvantaged Community Working Definition



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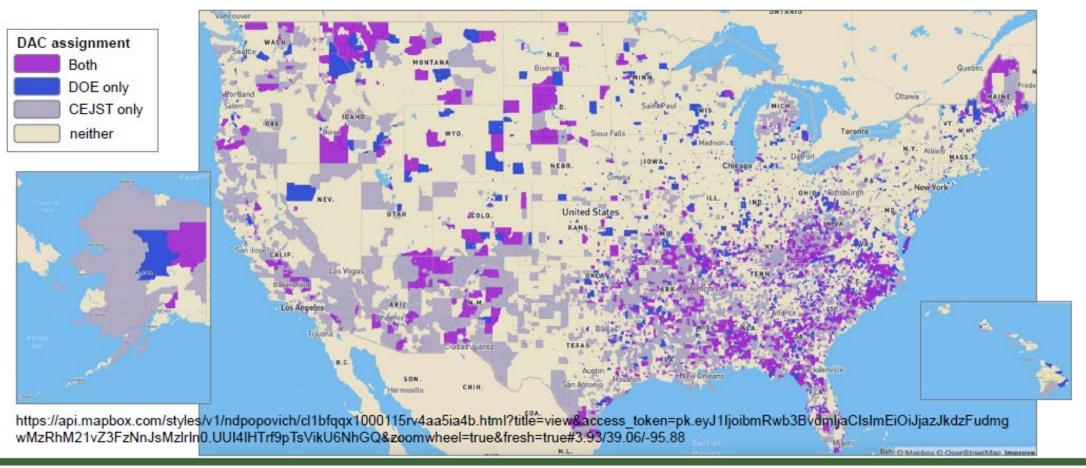


DOE Disadvantaged Community Working Definition

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Low Income Population	99%	79% 58%
	99%	
Renters	98%	91.04% 27%
Disabled population Diesel	98%	1.6
Single Parent	97%	84%
RMP Proximity	96%	3.15
Energy Burden	96%	3.15 7%
Energy Burden	90%	170
	Full Report	



Comparing DOE DACs and CEJST



70+ % agreement in nearly every state (except AK 68%, MS 64%, WV 67%)



Community Benefits Plan: Four Priorities

Justice 40

- Meet or exceed the objectives of the Justice40 initiative that 40% of benefits accrue to disadvantaged communities
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility
 - Equitable access to wealth building opportunities (teaming, access to good jobs, business and contracting opportunities, etc.)

Good Jobs

- Create/retain high-quality jobs
- Attract, train, and retain skilled workers

Workforce and Community Agreements

 Meaningful engagement with community and labor partners leading to formal agreements



* In most cases, these plans equate to 20% of the technical merit points for project proposals



Community Benefits Plan Overview



The applicant's Community Benefits Plan must include at least one Specific, Measurable, Assignable, Realistic and Time-based (SMART) milestone per budget period in order to measure progress on the proposed actions.



The Community Benefits Plan will be evaluated as part of the technical review process, typically valued at 20% of the overall score.



If the project is selected, $D \cup \Box$ with the project $U \cup \Box$ with the community the award and the recipient will be required to meet implement the Community $\dot{P} = \dot{P}$. If the project is selected, DOE will incorporate the Community Benefits Plan into Benefits Plan it proposed.



During the life of the DOE award, DOE will evaluate the recipient's progress, including as part of the Go/No-Go review process.



Thank you!

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