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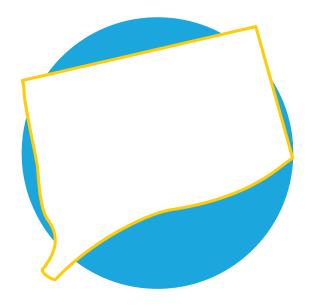
## **GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS:**

## CONNECTICUT

As states, tribes, and territories face threats from severe weather, the **Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants** will distribute **\$2.3 billion** over five years to strengthen and modernize America's power grid against wildfires, extreme weather, and other natural disasters that are exacerbated by the climate crisis. The first round of funding applies to fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

In support of President Biden's Investing in America agenda, in July 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$6,548,136** to **Connecticut** via the Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants program, which is supported by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

State awards are based on a formula that includes factors such as population size, land area, probability and severity of disruptive events, and a locality's historical expenditures on mitigation efforts. Under the administration of the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Policy, Connecticut will hold a competitive selection process to identify projects for which the roughly \$6.5 million in federal funding will be deployed.



## **GOALS INCLUDE**

- Supporting the efficient and reliable integration of variable and distributed energy resources needed to meet the state's zero-carbon electric sector goal and avoid fossil peaking generation.
- Improving system reliability and resilience in a range of weather and storm conditions and improving overall grid flexibility while maximizing community benefits.
- Maximizing the benefits and limiting the adverse impacts of grid resilience investments for disadvantaged communities.
- Funding projects that use strong labor standards, protections, and strategies to attract, train, and retain an appropriately skilled and local workforce, especially from disadvantaged communities.

## **HELPFUL LINKS**

- > Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program
- > About the Grid Deployment Office