



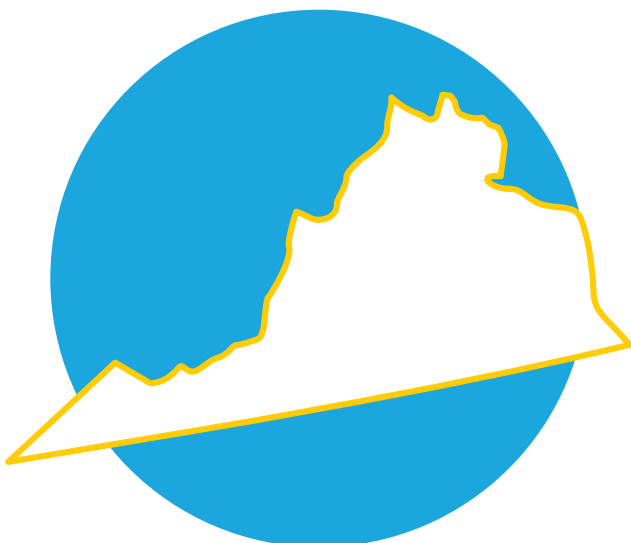
FACT SHEET

GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS: VIRGINIA

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 August 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$10,949,996** to **Virginia** 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 **Virginia Department of Energy**, Virginia will hold a competitive selection process to identify projects for which the roughly \$11 million in federal funding will be deployed.



GOALS INCLUDE

- › Reducing the duration and frequency of outages caused by events such as extreme weather conditions, fire, or other events causing disruption to normal grid operations.
- › Conducting enhanced grid modeling for transmission and distribution planning to reduce disruptions by informing strategic investment and deployment of innovative technologies.
- › Investing in modernization of the grid infrastructure and enabling consumer access to reliable, affordable, and clean energy.
- › Addressing outdated and/or failing energy infrastructure items and materials (e.g., power lines, power poles, transformers, bucket trucks) serving Virginia communities.
- › Attracting, training, and retaining an appropriately skilled and certified workforce within Virginia for deployment, operation, and maintenance of grid resilience projects.

HELPFUL LINKS

- › [Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program](#)
- › [About the Grid Deployment Office](#)