

## FACT SHEET

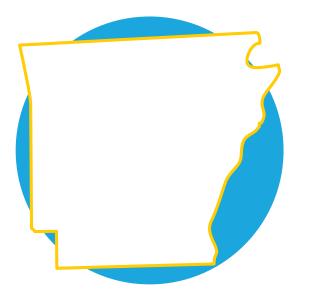
## GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS:

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 September 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$10,301,440** to **Arkansas** 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 **Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration, Intergovernmental** 

**Services**, Arkansas will hold a competitive selection process to identify projects for which the roughly \$10 million in federal funding will be deployed.



## **GOALS INCLUDE**

- Increasing the reliability of the electric grid by reducing the frequency of interruptions to the grid due to hazards and exteme weather events, and reducing the number of customers impacted, especially those who experience higher than average frequency and durations of outages.
- > Ensuring funds benefit Arkansans, specifically those who reside in rural and vulnerable areas that are susceptible to electric power outages.
- Supporting the development of the grid workforce in the state.

## **HELPFUL LINKS**

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