



SCEP
STATE & COMMUNITY ENERGY PROGRAMS

SCEP at a Glance

*Saving Energy and Money for American Homes,
Communities, Businesses and Industries*

Who We Are

The U.S. Department of Energy created the Office of State and Community Energy Programs (SCEP) to work with State Energy Offices, Tribal nations, territories, local governments, local educational agencies (K-12 schools), nonprofit organizations and community-serving organizations to serve, and provide funding and other resources to implement high-impact, self-sustaining clean energy projects and programs.

How We Help

SCEP manages and oversees \$16 billion in formula grants, competitive grants, awards, prizes, direct technical assistance, and access to resources.

How We Work

SCEP announces when program guidance documents and resources are available and open to applicants. In some cases, SCEP publishes a Request for Information and collects important feedback from stakeholders to contribute to program design. You can find funding opportunities at www.energy.gov/scep or <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov>.

What Drives Our Work

SCEP is committed to accelerating the deployment of clean energy technologies and practices by recognizing that it matters where and how resources are made available.

SCEP works with state and local organizations to catalyze local economic development, create jobs, reduce energy costs, and avoid pollution through place-based strategies, while centering the needs of low-income, disadvantaged, and energy-burdened communities. Many SCEP programs are new while others have a proven track record of reducing energy and saving money.

Key Facts

- 2021** Congress passed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), leading to the creation of SCEP.
- 2022** Congress passed the Inflation Reduction Act, expanding SCEP's appropriations. SCEP became official November 2022.
- \$4.3B** Amount of funds SCEP dispersed within 15 months of signing of BIL.
- \$3.5B** Expansion of Weatherization Assistance Program from BIL funding to improve home energy efficiency for low-income families.
- \$500M** Expansion of State Energy Program from BIL funding to advance state-led initiatives.
- \$8.8B** Inflation Reduction Act appropriation for consumer Home Energy Rebate Programs.



Program Divisions

Weatherization Assistance Program



Helps reduce energy burden in low-income households in every county, state, the District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories. Since 1976, more than 7 million low-income residences have been weatherized through WAP, reducing the average energy bill by \$372 annually. WAP supports approximately 8,500 jobs and provides weatherization services to approximately 35,000 homes every year.

State Energy Program



Provides formula funding and technical assistance to 50 states, 5 U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia to enhance energy security, advance state-led energy initiatives, and increase energy affordability. SEP funds numerous state-led initiatives and programs that generate substantial energy and cost savings, moving states closer towards climate and clean energy goals.

Community Energy Programs



Works with local and tribal governments, public schools, nonprofit organizations, workforce development groups, and other community-serving entities by acting as a front door for federal support and resources. CEP manages multiple active grant programs, workforce development and training grants, and public school and nonprofit funding programs.

Technical Assistance Partnerships



Serves at the nexus of state and local governments to catalyze lead-by-example programs by developing tools and solutions to barriers facing state and local governments, convening and creating peer exchanges to showcase public-sector leadership and effective public-private partnerships, and providing information from leading technical experts.



SCEP's [State and Local Solutions Center](#) provides technical assistance resources to enable strategic investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy technology. SCEP and its partners deliver tools and solutions ranging from do-it-yourself resources to hands on, in-depth customized help. Resources are organized around the top barriers identified by stakeholders:

- Establishing Leadership Buy-In
- Engaging with Stakeholders
- Collecting Energy Data
- Selecting and Institutionalizing Financing Mechanisms
- Setting Up and Managing Operations
- Developing Expertise and Committing Resources
- Assessing Results and Outcomes

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