

COMMUNITY WORKFORCE READINESS ACCELERATOR FOR MAJOR PROJECTS (RAMP)

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SUBMIT RESPONSES TO: energyjobs@hq.doe.gov

1 Overview

This Request for Information (RFI) seeks public input, and indications of interest in partnering with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Jobs (OEJ), on DOE's RAMP initiative.

The RAMP initiative aims to foster community and labor capacity building to strengthen workforce partnerships in communities hosting major clean energy projects that are funded in whole or in part by the Invest in America suite of laws (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and CHIPS and Science Act (CHIPS)). OEJ seeks feedback and indications of interest from a wide range of organizations interested in supporting or engaging in the RAMP initiative in <u>Target Geographies</u>.

RAMP is a pilot initiative to build the capacity of community partners to effectively connect local, disadvantaged, and underrepresented workers to good jobs on clean energy projects in their community. RAMP is centered around a two-year fellowship program overseen by OEJ that will recruit candidates from a wide range of backgrounds to receive extensive education, mentoring, and support to learn how to develop and implement strategic workforce partnerships around clean energy projects in their communities. For more information on the fellowship program, please visit the <u>RAMP Website</u>.

Organizations encouraged to submit feedback and/or indications of interest in supporting RAMP include labor organizations, community-based organizations or other organizations with a focus on equity, workforce, or energy issues, tribal organizations, community colleges, workforce boards, local governments, energy employers, philanthropies, and other stakeholders whose mission and/or charitable purpose is aligned with RAMP.

2 Background



The expansion of the U.S. clean energy economy presents a need and an opportunity to catalyze workforce actions, partnerships and programs that create greater access to clean energy jobs and build sufficient skilled, diverse workforces. Historic investments from President Biden's Invest in America agenda¹ are transforming the energy landscape and creating economic and employment opportunities in communities across the country and generating growing demand for skilled workers.

Through two (2)-year intensive and immersive fellowships administered by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), RAMP fellows will develop the skills to support community workforce partnerships for major projects funded under President Biden's Invest in America agenda. Fellows will work closely with and learn from DOE, expert practitioners, and Host Organizations (described below) to create and implement local workforce partnerships to meet the demand for workers in high-quality jobs on large energy projects.

3 Target Geographies

The RAMP fellows will learn how to support high-road workforce partnerships for major projects funded under President Biden's Invest in America agenda by working closely with both DOE and Host Organizations (described below) located in a Target Geography to create workforce strategies to meet the demand for skilled workers in high quality jobs on large energy projects.

A "Target Geography" is a community where there are large or concentrated public and private investments, including by DOE under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), in clean energy projects, e.g. new or expanded manufacturing facilities for electric vehicles, batteries, solar panels, or other clean energy products; new zero-emissions energy generation or storage projects; grid expansion, resilience, or modernization; hydrogen, direct air capture, nuclear, or carbon capture infrastructure; production of clean fuels; recycling, materials processing, or other ongoing operations associated with clean energy supply chains; or other large investments.

DOE has identified the following potential and non-exhaustive list of **Target Geographies**:

Southeast Michigan/Northern Ohio (Detroit, Lansing, Toledo)

¹ The Invest in America agenda is implemented through a suite of laws, including the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Inflation Reduction Act, and the CHIPs and Science Act, that are designed to drive investments into energy infrastructure and domestic supply chains.



- Columbus, Ohio
- Northern Illinois and Indiana
- Appalachia (Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia)
- Eastern Tennessee
- Georgia
- Gulf Coast/Louisiana
- Houston, Texas
- Western Oregon
- Northern Nevada
- Phoenix, Arizona
- Northern New Mexico
- Denver, Colorado
- North Dakota and Minnesota
- Upstate New York

The Investing in America <u>map</u> provides additional information on investments and clean energy projects.

4 Eligibility, Role, and Selection of Host Organization

Fellows will be assigned to a Host Organization that will support the fellow as a community convener and by offering space for hosting community engagement meetings and physical office space out of which the fellow operates during the work week.

4.1 Eligibility

Host Organizations are organizations that are widely reputable and trusted community partners. They have a physical footprint and/or current staff in one or more Targeted Geographies. Host Organizations have relationships with a range of labor, education, community, and workforce stakeholders and employer partners in the Target Geography. A Host Organization's mission should be aligned with the RAMP initiative's goals and objectives. Regardless of the Host Organization's specific mission, the RAMP fellow will focus on workforce development in the energy sector. Ideal Host Organizations are non-profit or community-based organizations with a footprint in a Target Geography. Labor organizations, tribal organizations, community colleges, workforce boards, local governments, employers, or other for-profit firms may also be able to serve as Host Organizations. Prior to selection, Host Organizations are subject to a conflicts of interest review, including with



respect to any major non-routine business with DOE.

4.2 Role/Hosting Services

Host Organizations will provide an environment, facilities, and, in its discretion, amenities and hospitality that are conducive to attracting participants to RAMP convenings and meetings and to enhancing RAMP outcomes, including office workspace, office supplies, internet access, and accessible meeting room space with capacity to seat 12 or more people (or the ability to secure meeting space), as needed, throughout the two-year fellowship. Host Organizations will not oversee nor be responsible for the Fellows' pay and benefits. DOE and ORISE will provide the Fellow stipends, benefits, travel allowances, and technology (e.g., laptop, printer). DOE seeks organizational partners to serve as Host Organizations, who will adhere to the purpose and objectives of the RAMP initiative and who will enhance the fellow's experience by providing the following Hosting Services:

Overall:

• Adhere to the purpose and objectives of the RAMP initiative.

Administrative:

- Provide ORISE timely information for fellow provisions and other support and modifications to the appointment.
- Provide a point of contact who will serve as a mentorship liaison with DOE.
- Determine and authorize access to the hosting facility and its computer networks.
- Ensure fellow is provided appropriate environmental, safety, and health training in respect of the space the Host Organization makes available to the fellow's use.
- Assist fellow in becoming established as a functional member of the Host Organization to which fellow is assigned by providing as appropriate, office space, facilities, network access, technical and clerical support, and access to necessary equipment and personnel.
- Assist and provide guidance to fellow to help resolve issues related to project assignments, facility regulations and policies, interaction with other staff, and behavioral issues. Any issues must be documented in writing.

Networking Opportunities:

Facilitate connections with relevant staff of Host Organization, stakeholders, and industry
professionals with whom Host Organization has relationships to help the fellow both learn
and build a professional network to advance RAMP objectives in the Target Geography.



Feedback and Guidance:

 Offer informal feedback and guidance to help the fellow navigate role and responsibilities effectively.

Inclusion in Organizational Activities:

Include the fellow in organizational activities, meetings, and social events to foster a sense
of community.

4.3 Selection Criteria and Non-Binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):

An entity seeking selection as a Host Organization that submits a certification in form and substance at <u>Attachment A</u> that it satisfies the eligibility criteria set forth in <u>Section 4.1</u> above and has the capacity to provide Hosting Services set forth in <u>Section 4.2</u>, in all material respects, will be qualified as an eligible Host Organization.

From among the eligible Host Organizations, DOE/OEJ will invite organizations to discuss individually the organization's suitability for serving as a Host Organization in a Target Geography.

From among the eligible organizations, DOE will then select Host Organizations based on the following factors:

- DOE's need to place fellows in Target Geography.
- DOE's need to identify a Host Organization in as many Target Geographies as needed to accommodate the number of fellows.
- The extent to which the Host Organization can provide in-kind support to offset any costs incurred by Host Organization in providing the Hosting Services. Preference will be given to those Host Organizations which can self-fund all costs of the Hosting Services or can provide such services in-kind, after considering DOE's need to identify a Host Organization for each Target Geography to which a fellow will be assigned.
- The demonstrated footprint in a Target Geography to host office space for a fellow under RAMP and support access to a physical location with a seating capacity of twelve (12) or more participants for the fellow to execute community engagement and workforce collaborative meetings.
- The extent of alignment between the Host Organization's goals and mission with the goals of the RAMP initiative.
- The extent and strength of relationships with a range of labor, education, community, and workforce stakeholders and employer partners in the Target Geography to which a fellow is



assigned that are relevant to the fellow's work and RAMP's goals.

Any conflicts of interest the Host Organization may have.

DOE/OEJ will notify each selected Host Organization of its assigned fellow to confirm the organization's consent to (i) proceed with entering into a non-binding MOU with DOE/OEJ to memorialize with such Host Organization its selection and the terms of the hosting agreement as contemplated under this RFI; and (ii) as applicable, be introduced to the list of eligible Philanthropies derived in Section 5.3 of this RFI in order for the selected Host Organization to promptly and independently negotiate, in a manner that avoids undue delay to commencement of RAMP activities in the Target Geography, an appropriate arrangement with an eligible Philanthropy that is mutually acceptable to both of those parties.

Any such arrangement entered into between Philanthropy and a selected Host Organization must include a provision reflecting each party's agreement that DOE has no financial liability to any party, including the Philanthropy and the selected Host Organization, under any circumstances, even if the Philanthropy, with whom a selected Host Organization enters into a payment arrangement, fails to pay for the Hosting Services by the Host Organization and that each party to any payment arrangement agrees it has no recourse to DOE for payment whatsoever. The non-binding MOU for Hosting Services that DOE negotiates with the Host Organization may proceed in parallel with the negotiations of any arrangement between the selected Host Organization and Philanthropy. Such arrangement may be determined at the parties' discretion and may include terms concerning payment and/or leveraging of community relationships, as the parties mutually agree.

5 Eligibility and Role of Philanthropy

DOE will facilitate the introduction of selected Host Organizations to eligible Philanthropy.

5.1 Eligibility:

An eligible Philanthropy is a philanthropic institution, or consortium of institutions, organized for charitable purposes approved under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, and whose mission is aligned with advancing RAMP's objectives, which include amplifying the benefits of the IRA, CHIPS, and/or BIL in communities; supporting an equitable and rapid clean energy transition; and/or workforce development aimed at forging pathways for local workers, underrepresented populations, and disadvantaged communities (including justice-involved people, youth, and/or women). To be eligible, a Philanthropy must be interested in and adequately resourced to support a) Host



Organizations in Target Geographies, including if desired, but not limited to, offsetting, in whole or in part, the cost of offering the Hosting Services (defined above), and/or b) provide funding to other community partners engaging in RAMP to participate in workforce partnership design and/or implementation. Each arrangement would be based on a mutually acceptable arrangement that the Philanthropy reaches independently with the Host Organization for a Target Geography and/or other community partners engaging in RAMP.

A Philanthropy that submits a certification in form and substance set forth at <u>Attachment B</u> hereto that it satisfies the eligibility criteria set forth in <u>Section 5.1</u> and has the capacity to meet the expectations of the Philanthropic Services set forth in Section 5.2 will be an eligible Philanthropy to whom OEJ may introduce selected Host Organizations in order for such Philanthropy to enter independently into an arrangement with the selected Host Organization that is mutually acceptable to both parties thereto, with no recourse to DOE for payment whatsoever.

5.2 Role/Philanthropic Services:

DOE seeks philanthropic partners with the capacity to enhance the outcomes and goals of RAMP by providing additional support, which includes at least one, but not limited to, Philanthropic Services, at the Philanthropy's discretion to offer, that consists of any:

- Fiscal support that Philanthropy and Host Organization independently reach and mutually agree as appropriate to support the objectives of RAMP in the Target Geography. For example, such support could consist of, but is not limited to, payment to Host Organizations to cover essential operational expenses for (i) hosting that supports and minimizes disruption to the fellow's day-to-day work and goals and timeline of the RAMP initiative (e.g., utilities, rent, administrative costs), (ii) staffing capacity to support and augment the fellowship, and (iii) holding coalition convenings.
- Leveraging connections to enhance networking opportunities for the fellow with stakeholder relationships that Philanthropy has in the Target Geography, and/or a role in amplifying DOE's messaging under RAMP, increase visibility of the RAMP Initiative, facilitate collaborations, attract additional funding for implementing and sustaining RAMP-related activities, and provide access to expertise.
- Supporting and/or mobilizing the participation of additional organizations in the community.
- Amplifying the RAMP initiative through communications.
- Support workforce training and/or supportive services aligned with RAMP initiative in Target Geography(ies).



• Support financially or with in-kind services educational and/or convening opportunities to support goals of RAMP initiative.

6 Role of RAMP Fellows

At least ten (10) fellows will be selected in the inaugural cycle of fellows' applications under RAMP closing on June 30, 2024, and will be paired with selected Host Organizations in Target Geographies. Fellows will learn how to perform a strategic gap analysis of workforce opportunities in their assigned Target Geography, including a workforce needs assessment of all federally funded energy-related projects involving significant construction and/or operations activities. In addition, DOE will provide the Fellow with skills training to lead stakeholder engagement and to build a robust and inclusive workforce collaboration made up of organized labor, community organizations, employers, education, and other workforce partners. Fellows will receive intensive professional development, technical assistance, and mentorship from DOE OEJ staff, expert practitioners, and Host Organizations to develop as workforce leaders, capable of executing strategic engagements and growing in their abilities to perform the following representative but non-exhaustive list of activities:

- Connect with DOE awardees located in the Target Geography to determine their current and future workforce needs, identify ways awardees can access local and regional workforce resources to meet that demand, and identify and implement strategies to address gaps between workforce supply and demand.
- Engage a range of community stakeholders to identify gaps in programs, opportunities for new or scaled programming, and strategic ways that communities can address these challenges.
- Facilitate inclusive workforce development partnerships, e.g., recruiting, training, and wraparound support partnerships with institutions that serve marginalized and underrepresented populations.
- Secure commitments from partners to develop pre-apprenticeship programs with preferential entry to registered apprenticeship and recruit workers from underrepresented and disadvantaged populations into high-quality training and jobs.
- Work with stakeholders to implement commitments made in Community Benefits Plans and build bridges with communities on workforce issues.
- Elevate tradeswomen's issues as priorities in workforce activities, partnerships, and agreements.

7 Request for Information Questions



Please identify your answers by responding to a specific question listed below. Respondents may answer as many or as few questions as they wish.

Organizations encouraged to respond to this RFI include, but are not limited to, labor organizations, community-based, non-profit, and philanthropic organizations aligned with the goals and objectives of the RAMP initiative, tribal organizations, community colleges, workforce boards, local governments, employers, and other interested stakeholders whose charitable purpose is aligned with RAMP objectives.

7.1 <u>Target Geographies and Strategies.</u>

- 1. Are there Target Geographies not identified by DOE where the RAMP initiative could support needed capacity building on workforce partnerships for major energy projects? Describe the large or clustered public and private clean energy infrastructure and/or supply chain investments as well as the potential for community benefits through participation in RAMP.
- 2. As it relates to your region, in what ways do you see the RAMP initiative being most impactful to grow a sufficient, skilled and diverse workforce for major projects in clean energy?
- 3. What are the clean energy projects in your Target Geography? Who are the employers and what are the workforce partnership opportunities? How can RAMP contribute to the success of these projects for employers, the environment, and the local community? What organizations in your Target Geographies do you believe would be important partners for RAMP and why?
- 4. As it relates to a Target Geography that you are familiar with, what organizations or institutions in that Target Geography are already executing notable workforce development activities that are well-positioned to be scaled and/or expanded in focus to include clean energy workforce pathways? What existing partnerships or initiatives in a RAMP Target Geography should RAMP build upon? In what ways would you recommend RAMP building upon those partnerships or initiatives?

7.2 Other

- 1. Please provide input, insight, or recommendations on best practices to support the impact of the RAMP initiative.
- 2. If you would like to support RAMP as a community partner, please describe your organization and interest.



8 Request for Information Response and Certification Guidelines

Responses to this RFI, including any certifications in form and substance at Attachments A and B pursuant to Section 4 and Section 5 of this RFI, respectively, and any written responses to the questions in Section 7 of this RFI, must be submitted electronically to energyjobs@hq.doe.gov no later than 5:00pm (ET) on July 19, 2024. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting a response by July 19, 2024, contact energyjobs@hq.doe.gov as soon as possible. Certifications and responses to RFI questions must be provided as attachments to an email. Responses to RFI questions set forth in Section 7 must be provided by respondents as a Microsoft Word (.docx) or PDF attachment to the email, and be **no more than 5 pages in length**, 12-point font, 1-inch margins.

Please identify your answers by responding to a specific question in <u>Section 7</u>. <u>Respondents may</u> answer as many or as few questions as they wish.

OEJ will not respond to individual submissions or publish publicly a compendium of responses. A response to this RFI will not be viewed as a binding commitment to develop or pursue the project or ideas discussed.

Respondents are requested to provide the following information at the start of their responses to the questions in <u>Section 7</u> of this RFI:

Company / organization name Company / organization contact

Contact's address, phone number, and e-mail address

9 Disclaimer and Important Notes

This RFI is not a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). DOE/OEJ will not pay for information provided under this RFI. DOE will use the feedback provided in response to this RFI to enhance the design and implementation of the RAMP initiative. DOE does not intend to issue a FOA, prize, or other solicitation based on consideration of the input from this RFI. Entities seeking selection as a Host Organization will be introduced to eligible Philanthropies for purposes of their independently reaching a mutually acceptable arrangement in which eligible Philanthropy supports a selected Host Organization, including if desired, but not limited to, funding, in whole or in part, the cost of the Hosting Services to be provided by the selected Host Organization, as contemplated under this RFI in order to advance the RAMP initiative in the Target Geography. DOE will have no financial liability



to an eligible Philanthropy, selected Host Organizations and/or community partners engaging in RAMP under any circumstances, even if the Philanthropy with whom a selected Host Organization or such community partner enters into a payment arrangement fails to pay the Host Organization or community partner, as applicable.

Any information obtained as a result of this RFI is intended to be used by the Government on a non-attribution basis for planning and strategy development; this RFI does not constitute a formal solicitation for proposals or abstracts. Your response to this notice will be treated as information only. DOE will review and consider all responses in its formulation of program strategies for the identified materials of interest that are the subject of this request. Respondents are advised that DOE is under no obligation to acknowledge receipt of the information received or provide feedback to respondents with respect to any information submitted under this RFI. Responses to this RFI do not bind DOE to any further actions related to this topic.

10 Confidential Business Information

Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.11, respondents submitting information that they believe to be confidential and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit via email, postal mail, or hand delivery two well-marked copies: one copy of the document marked "confidential" including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document marked "non-confidential" with the information believed to be confidential deleted. Submit two copies of the documents via email or on a CD, if feasible. DOE will make its own determination about the confidential status of the information and treat it according to its determination.

11 Evaluation and Administration by Federal and Non-Federal Personnel

Federal employees are subject to the non-disclosure requirements of a criminal statute, the Trade Secrets Act, 18 USC 1905. The Government may seek the advice of qualified non-Federal personnel. The Government may also use non-Federal personnel to conduct routine, nondiscretionary administrative activities. The respondents, by submitting their response, consent to OEJ providing their response to non-Federal parties. Non-Federal parties given access to responses must be subject to an appropriate obligation of confidentiality prior to being given the access. Submissions may be reviewed by support contractors and private consultants.



Attachment A: Certification of Respondent Claiming Host Organization Eligibility

The undersigned provides this certification as of [INSERT DATEOF INTENDED SUBMISSION BY INTERESTED HOST] 2024, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Jobs (DOE/OEJ) as part of the undersigned's indication of interest in engaging as a Host Organization for a fellow as contemplated by DOE/OEJ's Request for Information dated June 27, 2024, in support of the Community Workforce Readiness Accelerator for Major Projects (RAMP). All capitalized but undefined terms used in this certification shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the RFI.

The undersigned meets the eligibility requirements of a Host Organization under <u>Section 4.1</u> of the RFI to engage in RAMP, as specifically set forth as follows:

- The undersigned is a widely reputable and trusted community partner with a footprint and current staff in one or more Targeted Geographies; has relationships with a range of labor, education, community, and workforce stakeholders and energy employer partners in one or more Targeted Geographies.
- The goals and mission of the undersigned are aligned with the goals and objectives of the RAMP initiative as set forth in the RFI.
- The undersigned has the requisite and material capacity contemplated in <u>Section 4.2</u> of the RFI to host a fellow under RAMP and support access to a physical location with a seating capacity of twelve (12) or more participants to enable such fellow to execute community engagement and workforce collaborative meetings and is duly authorized to, and will, carry out the role of a Host Organization as specified in <u>Section 4.2</u> of the RFI.
- The undersigned attests that DOE will have no financial liability to the undersigned Host Organization for providing the Hosting Services pursuant to the RAMP initiative under any circumstances, even if the Philanthropy, with whom the undersigned Host Organization may enter into an arrangement to pay the Host Organization, in whole or in part, therefor, fails to pay the Host Organization for such services. The undersigned further agrees that it will not seek recourse to DOE for the provision of Hosting Services under any circumstances whatsoever and will include a provision to this effect in any payment arrangement it reaches with an eligible Philanthropy.
- The undersigned has the requisite financial and in-kind resources (or has the authorization



and ability to seek resources from eligible Philanthropy contemplated by <u>Section 5</u> of the RFI) to provide the Hosting Services as defined in <u>Section 4</u> of the RFI.

 The undersigned is duly authorized to make, execute and deliver this certification to DOE/OEJ and to approve, and does so hereby approve, the disclosure and provision of the below contact information with eligible partners as contemplated by <u>Section 4</u> and <u>Section</u> <u>5</u> of the RFI:

Name of Organization:
Name of Contact Person
Address:
Phone Number:
Email:

- The undersigned certifies that it satisfies all of the selection criteria set forth in <u>Section 4.3</u> of the RFI in order to enter into a non-binding memorandum of agreement with DOE/OEJ.
- The undersigned attests, confirms and agrees that the Office of Policy, Energy Jobs (OEJ) and the U.S. Department of Energy do not endorse or sponsor the Host Organization. Furthermore, the undersigned agrees that it may not use its selection as a Host Organization under RAMP to imply U.S. Department of Energy endorsement of the organization or its programs, events, or services.
- The undersigned acknowledges that false statements or misrepresentations to the Federal Government may result in civil and/or criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and § 287.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned is duly authorized and has duly executed and delivered this certification on behalf of the Host Organization and states under penalty of perjury that the foregoing are true and correct as of the date first written above.

[HOST ORGANIZATION] As Host Organization	
By:	
Name:	
Title:	



Attachment B: Certification of Respondent Claiming Philanthropy Eligibility

The undersigned provides this certification as of [INSERT DATEOF INTENDED SUBMISSION BY INTERESTED PHILANTHROPY] to the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Jobs (DOE/OEJ) as part of the undersigned's indication of interest in engaging as an eligible Philanthropy to support a selected Host Organization for a fellow as contemplated by DOE/OEJ's Request for Information dated June 27, 2024 in support of the Community Workforce Readiness Accelerator for Major Projects (RAMP).

- The undersigned meets the eligibility requirements of a Philanthropy under <u>Section 5.1</u> of the RFI to engage in RAMP, as specifically set forth as follows:
 - The undersigned is a philanthropic institution, or consortium of such institutions, organized for charitable purposes approved under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code that is interested in and adequately resourced to provide funding to one or more Host Organizations in Target Geographies to support, in whole or in part, the cost of offering the Hosting Services (defined in Section 4 of the RFI), if, through good faith negotiations, it can independently reach a mutually acceptable arrangement with a Host Organization selected by DOE/OEJ for one or more Target Geographies.
 - The goals and mission of the undersigned Philanthropy are aligned with the goals and objectives of the RAMP Initiative as set forth in the RFI, which include amplifying the benefits of the IRA, CHIPS, and/or BIL in communities, supporting an equitable and rapid clean energy transition, and/or workforce development aimed at forging pathways for local workers, underrepresented populations, and disadvantaged communities (including justice-involved people, youth, and/or women).
 - The undersigned is interested in and adequately resourced to a) provide funding to Host Organizations to support, in whole or in part, the cost of offering the Hosting Services, and/or b) provide funding to other community partners to participate in workforce partnership design and/or implementation.
- The undersigned attests that it has the capacity to meet the expectations of providing the Philanthropic Services set forth in <u>Section 5.2</u> of the RFI, at the Philanthropy's discretion to offer, that consists of any support that Philanthropy and Host Organization independently reach and mutually agree as appropriate to support the objectives of RAMP in the Target



Geography.

- The undersigned attests that DOE will have no financial liability to any Host Organization, Philanthropy, or community partner engaging in RAMP for the provision of Hosting Services, Philanthropic Services, or other services pursuant to the RAMP initiative under any circumstances, even if the Philanthropy, with whom a selected Host Organization or community partner engaging in RAMP enters into a payment arrangement, fails to pay the Host Organization or community partner for such services. The undersigned Philanthropy further agrees that it will not seek recourse to DOE for the provision of Philanthropic Services under any circumstances whatsoever and will include a provision to this effect in any arrangement it reaches with any Host Organization or community partner.
- The undersigned is duly authorized to make, execute and deliver this certification to DOE/OEJ and to approve, and does so hereby approve, the disclosure and provision of the below contact information, as applicable, to Host Organizations and other community partners as contemplated by <u>Section 5</u> of the RFI:

Name of Organization: Name of Contact Person: Address: Phone Number: Email:

- The undersigned commits to sharing information with the DOE/OEJ based on its lessons learned while engaging in RAMP and other initiatives that could inform RAMP.
- The undersigned attests, confirms and agrees that the Office of Policy, Energy Jobs (OEJ) and the U.S. Department of Energy do not endorse or sponsor the Philanthropy. Furthermore, the undersigned agrees that it may not use its willingness to participate in RAMP to imply U.S. Department of Energy endorsement of the Philanthropy or its programs, events, or services.
- The undersigned acknowledges that false statements or misrepresentations to the Federal Government may result in civil and/or criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and § 287.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned is duly authorized and has duly executed and delivered this certification on behalf of the Philanthropy and states under penalty of perjury that the foregoing are true and correct as of the date first written above.

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	[PHILANTHROPY] As Philanthropy	
	By: Name: Title:	