



Tribal Clean Energy Funding Opportunities

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs (Office of Indian Energy), DOE Offices, and other government entities provide funding and financing on a formula and competitive basis to support the development and deployment of clean energy infrastructure and technology on Tribal lands. In addition to the \$75 million committed to Tribal energy projects selected in 2023, the Office of Indian Energy has invested over \$120 million in more than 210 Tribal energy projects across the United States between 2010 and 2022, valued at nearly \$215 million.

Current Funding Opportunities for Indian Tribes and Tribal Entities

For questions regarding a specific funding opportunity in this table, please contact the listed agency.

Title	Description	Agency	Amount	Deadline
NEW: Non-Lithium Long-Duration Energy Storage Pilot Projects	On July 2, the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED) issued a Notice of Intent for up to \$100 million to fund pilot-scale energy storage demonstration projects, focusing on non-lithium technologies, long-duration (10+ hour discharge) systems, and stationary storage applications.	DOE	\$100 million	Anticipated FOA late summer / early fall.
Low-Income Communities Bonus Credit Program	This program, under §48(e) of the Internal Revenue Code promotes cost-saving clean energy investments in low-income communities, and on Indian land. Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis.	IRS	N/A	Ongoing
Clean Heavy Duty Vehicles Grant Program	This funding opportunity will incentivize and accelerate the replacement of existing non-zero-emission Class 6 and 7 heavy-duty vehicles with zero-emission Class 6 and 7 vehicles. Funding may also be used for zero-emission vehicle refueling infrastructure, workforce development and training, and project implementation costs.	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	At least \$400 million	July 25, 2024
EPA Brownfields Job Training Grants - Fiscal Year 2025	This funding will support Brownfields Job Training programs that recruit, train, and place local, unemployed, and under-employed residents with the skills needed to secure full-time employment in the environmental field. EPA anticipates awarding approximately 20 grants nationwide at amounts up to \$500,000 per award.	U.S. EPA	\$14 million	August 15, 2024
Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program	This funding will expand the national electric vehicle (EV) charging network by funding EV charging and alternative-fueling infrastructure in urban and rural communities and along designated highways, interstates, and major roadways—including charging at multi-family housing and destinations where vehicles are parked.	U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	\$1.3 billion	August 28, 2024
Rural Energy for America Program: Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements	Grants under this program will help agricultural producers and rural small businesses invest in renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements. These grants are available under the Rural Energy for America Program and will prioritize communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.	U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)	\$1 billion	Quarterly deadlines: September 30, 2024

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Inflation Reduction Act Community Change Grants Program	This program supports disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate justice challenges. These place-based investments will focus on communities most adversely and disproportionately impacted by climate change, legacy pollution, and historical disinvestments.	U.S. EPA	\$2 billion	November 11, 2024 (rolling basis)
Tribal and Territory Grants: Diesel Emissions Reduction Act	This program will incentivize and accelerate the upgrading or retirement of legacy diesel engine fleets for federally recognized Tribal governments, Alaska Native Villages, and others. Eligible activities include the retrofit or replacement of existing diesel engines, vehicles, and equipment with the EPA and California Air Resources Board certified engine configurations and verified retrofit and idle reduction technologies.	U.S. EPA	\$8 million	December 6, 2024
Tribal Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates	This program will provide up to \$14,000 per eligible Tribal household for energy efficiency and electrification home upgrades. On November 17, 2023, DOE published its final formula for the program funding allocations.	DOE	\$225 million	May 31, 2025
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes	This program provides funding to Tribes to meet energy efficiency goals including upgrading buildings, installing renewable energy equipment, or developing climate and clean energy plans. Funding through this program is noncompetitive and all Tribes have been allocated money. The only requirement is to apply to receive the funding.	DOE	\$8.8 million	May 31, 2025
Tribal Energy Financing	This program supports Tribal investment in energy-related projects by providing direct loans or partial loan guarantees. DOE can support a broad range of projects and activities for the development of energy resources, products, and services that utilize commercial technology.	DOE Loan Programs Office (LPO)	\$20 billion for loans or guarantees \$80 million for associated costs	July 31, 2028
Environmental Review Improvement Fund (ERIF) Tribal Assistance Program (TAP)	This funding opportunity is designed to help Tribes build capacity when engaging in the environmental review and permitting process for infrastructure projects covered by the FAST-41 program. Funding can be used for several resources including additional staff for Tribal Historic Preservation Offices or natural resource offices, upgrading office equipment, training, and more.	Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (Permitting Council)	\$5 million	Ongoing
Tribal Solar Accelerator Fund	Tribal grants are open for energy planning, solar gap funding, and capacity building, in addition to a scholarship and internship opening in late summer 2024.	GRID Alternatives	N/A	Ongoing

For a list of all current funding opportunities for Tribes, please visit energy.gov/indianenergy/current-funding-opportunities.

For questions, contact IndianEnergy@hq.doe.gov.

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