



BIL/IRA Funding Opportunities

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Who will qualify?

- ▶ Nonprofit Organizations
- ▶ School districts
- ▶ Metropolitan/regional planning organizations
- ▶ Regional, state, local government agencies

Program specific requirements



EPA Funding Announcements from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act

► Key Website:
<https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/epa-funding-announcements-bipartisan-infrastructure-law-and-inflation>

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EPA Funding Announcements from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act

Below is an overview of current and upcoming funding opportunities from the [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) and the [Inflation Reduction Act](#). We encourage you to check this page frequently as updates will be posted regularly. Competition opening dates represent our current best projections. They are provided for planning purposes but subject to further revision.

The table below includes abridged overview of funding opportunities. Refer to the [White House Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Guidebook](#) and the [White House Inflation Reduction Act Guidebook](#) for complete program descriptions, funding amounts, period of availability, eligible recipients, etc.

Funding amounts and deadlines are tentative and subject to change.

Information is current as of March 1, 2023

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Law	Opportunity	Funding (\$) and Type	Eligible Applicants	Opening Date	Closing Date	Summary
Inflation Reduction Act	Funding to Address Air Pollution through Community Air Pollution Monitoring Projects (Sec. 60105) ¹	\$30 million Grant competition	Community-based nonprofit organizations, state and local governments, and Tribal governments.	132 projects funded in Nov. 2022 with \$30M from IRA and \$20M from other funds	Varies	Funds to invest in a range of activities that will increase monitoring in and by communities.
Inflation Reduction Act	Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative	\$30 million Grant Competition	Community-based nonprofits and/or partnership of community-based nonprofits are eligible to apply.	January 2023	April 10, 2023	Provides funding for eligible applicants for projects that address local environmental and public health issues within an effected community. The program assists recipients in building collaborative partnerships to help





Clean School Bus / Diesel Emission Reduction Opportunities





EPA Clean School Bus Opportunities – Two different programs

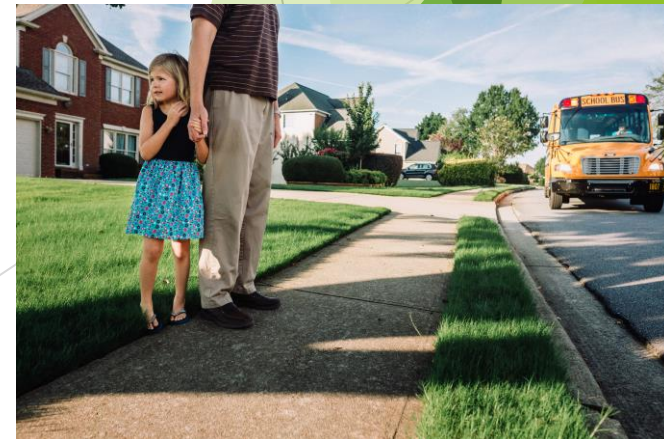
▶ Eligible Applicants:

- Regional, state, local agencies with jurisdiction over transportation or air quality, including school districts, municipalities, counties, metropolitan/regional planning organizations, and nonprofits.

▶ Eligible Projects:

- School buses
- Class 5-8 Heavy Duty highway vehicles
- Locomotive and marine engines
- Nonroad engines/equipment

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Future Funding Opportunities related to school buses

- ▶ EPA is planning to open a Diesel Emissions Reduction Act National Grant Program and a Clean School Bus Grant Program application period soon.
- ▶ Clean School Bus Rebate Program applications beginning in the fall of 2023.

NOTIFICATIONS

- ▶ Don't miss any updates - sign up for email notifications at: [epa.gov/cleanschoolbus](https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus) and <https://www.epa.gov/dera/national>



Quick Overview - Grant vs Rebate

Grant Program

- ▶ Grants: mechanism the government uses to provide money to entities in support of their programs.
- ▶ The Clean School Bus grants will be competitive with a two-year project period.
- ▶ The grants are intended to replace **more than 25 buses per application**.

Rebate Program

- ▶ Rebates: noncompetitive direct awards to applications.
- ▶ Simplified 1-2 page applications and selected by a lottery.
- ▶ The funding level of the Clean School Bus rebates are significantly higher.
- ▶ The applicant can apply for the replacement of **up to 25 buses**.



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Environmental Justice Opportunities



Environmental Justice

EPA definition

- The fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.



EJ THRIVING COMMUNITIES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTERS (TCTAC)

- **Mission:**

- TCTAC Centers will provide technical assistance, training, and capacity-building support to underserved communities throughout each EPA region.

- **Region 7 TCTAC: Wichita State University**

- Provides technical assistance and capacity-building support for communities and their partners to access critical federal resources.
- Training and assistance to navigate federal grant application systems, writing strong grant proposals, and effectively managing grant funding.
- Provide guidance on community engagement, meeting facilitation, and translation and interpretation services for limited English-speaking participants

- **Timing:**

- Just awarded April 13.
- <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-thriving-communities-technical-assistance-centers>

EJ THRIVING COMMUNITIES GRANTMAKING PROGRAM

- **Background/Purpose:**
 - Fund up to 11 Grantmakers nationwide to provide subgrants to community-based nonprofits and similar entities for assessment, planning, and project development work. This model will allow EPA to provide thousands of subgrants nationwide in the next 3 years.
- **Funding Available**
 - \$550 million total; \$50 million per Award
- **Timing**
 - **Applications Due May 31, 2023** and awards made by November/December 2023
- **Implementation**
 - Mid 2024



Thank you. Keep in touch!

For up-to-date information on national Environmental Justice funding opportunities, events, and webinars, subscribe to EPA's Environmental Justice listserv by sending a blank email to: join-epa-ej@lists.epa.gov. Follow us on Twitter: [@EPAEnvJustice](https://twitter.com/EPAEnvJustice).

Region 7's [Community Information Guide](#) provides the latest news and information about funding and technical assistance opportunities, webinars, conferences, and other activities related to the protection of human health and the environment. To subscribe or to suggest content, email R7_Communities_Digest@epa.gov.

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Brownfields and Land Revitalization Program Opportunities



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: A \$1.5 Billion Historic Investment In Brownfields and Land Revitalization

EPA Supports Community Efforts to Revitalize Brownfields

- Both grants and technical assistance to help with:
 - planning, assessment, clean up, and reuse of brownfield sites, and
 - brownfields job training for those most impacted by the brownfields
- Liability protections to encourage acquisition and investment in brownfield reuse
- Establishing and enhancing state and tribal response programs



How We Can Help...



Brownfield Job Training Grants

- ▶ Train unemployed and underemployed residents of communities impacted by environmental issues for livable wage jobs (avg \$15.75)
- ▶ Unique for each applicant - each grantees curriculum determined by local labor market study and partners.
- ❖ Example:
City of Springfield, MO's "Green for Greene" Brownfield Job Training Program
 - ✓ Enrolled: 194 participants
 - ✓ Graduated: 174 (including 18 March 2023 graduates)
 - ✓ Placed: 113 green jobs; 7 other jobs, 10 continued education

<https://www.springfieldmo.gov/3427/Green-for-Greene>



TARGETED BROWNFIELD ASSESSMENT (TBA)

EPA provides EPA contractors to conduct environmental assessments and cleanup planning at no cost to communities, units of government and non-profits.

- Applications accepted year-round. Online applications now accepted!!
- Address properties state programs may not (size, liability, etc)
- ❖ A great way for new communities to get involved in brownfields!



LAND REVITALIZATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Direct and free (pre-paid) technical assistance from EPA contractors brownfield projects

- Community visioning and engagement, site design, market studies, project financial planning, climate resiliency and renewable energy
- Project proposals accepted year-round with assistance from EPA project managers



Technical Assistance to Brownfield Communities (TAB): Kansas State University

- ▶ Provides services are free to communities and tribes.
- ▶ Is an independent advisor and resource for community revitalization efforts.
- ▶ Brings university educational and technical resources as well as industry/consulting experience to communities affected by environmental issues at brownfield sites.
- ▶ Tailors assistance to the specific needs of a community/tribe and is usually coordinated through the city, tribal or non-profit brownfields project manager.

Examples of TAB Service that can be provided upon request:

- ❖ Technical presentations, workshops and seminars on brownfields-related topics
- ❖ Strategic planning and redevelopment visioning workshops
- ❖ Economic feasibility and sustainability analysis
- ❖ Identification of potential funding sources
- ❖ Assistance with environmental justice issues
- ❖ Guidance in finding and contracting with environmental firms
- ❖ Independent review and summary of technical documents
- ❖ Community outreach liaison service between you, state or federal agencies, or other entities
- ❖ Assistance with sustainability education and planning
- ❖ Assistance with soil analyses for community gardens placed on brownfields



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as of March 2023

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Water Program Opportunities



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL): A Historic Investment in Water-adds billions to traditional federal funding for States

\$20+ billion for safe drinking water

\$15 billion in dedicated funding to replace lead pipes

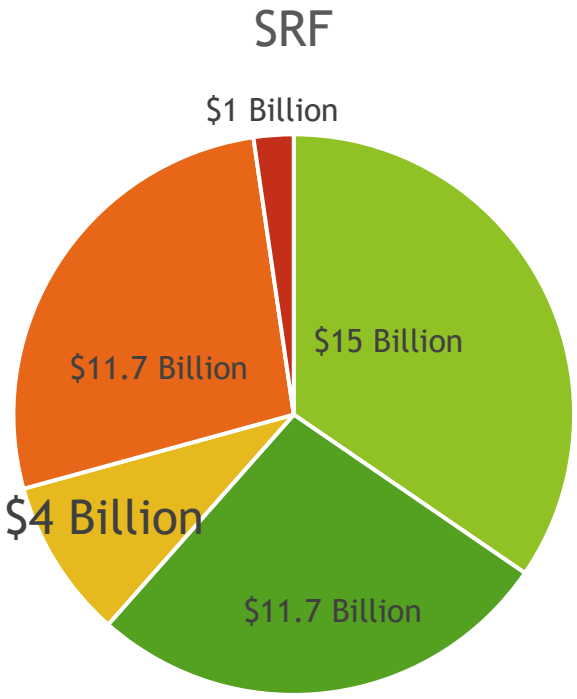
\$12+ billion to ensure clean water for communities

\$1.8 billion to protect regional waters

\$135 million for additional water improvements



State Revolving Funds - Clean Water & Drinking Water



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- Lead Service Line Replacement through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
- Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (DW SRF)
- Addressing Emerging Contaminants through the Drinking Water SRF
- Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CW SRF)
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