

Special Bulletin: EPA Environmental Justice Resources

*The 2022 Inflation Reduction Act provided \$3 billion for Environmental & Climate Justice Programs and \$27 billion for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, both administered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Our “Special Bulletins” will alert you as funding and other opportunities become available for community based development organizations. **Applicants will be seeking community-based nonprofits as partners.***

Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund

The [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund](#) will provide competitive grants to mobilize financing and leverage private capital for clean energy and climate projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions with an emphasis on projects that benefit low-income and disadvantaged communities.

Applications will open this summer.

Fill Out a Quick Form by TUESDAY for Partnership Opportunities!

In order to facilitate partnerships, the EPA has created short Partner Connection Forms for each program. We highly recommend that you complete forms for all grant programs of interest. The EPA will send you information about the other organizations that filled out the form, so you can identify potential partners. Other organizations can use the information to contact you for potential partnership.

- **Solar For All** — This \$7 billion competition will provide up to 60 grants to States, Tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits to expand the number of low-income and disadvantaged communities that are primed for residential and community solar investment. Qualified projects include decarbonization retrofits of existing buildings. **Complete the [Partner Connection Form](#) by June 20.**
- **Clean Communities Investment Accelerator** —\$6 billion in funding for 2-7 nonprofit “hubs” to rapidly build the clean financing capacity of specific networks of lenders to ensure that households, small businesses, schools, and community institutions in low-income and disadvantaged communities have access to financing for cost-saving and pollution-reducing clean technology projects. At least 95% of grant funds are required to pass through directly to community lenders. **Complete the [Partner Connection Form](#) by June 20.**
- **National Clean Investment Fund** — \$14 billion in funding for 2-3 national nonprofits that will partner with private capital providers to deliver financing at scale to businesses, communities, community lenders, and others, catalyzing tens of thousands of clean technology projects. **Complete the [Partner Connection Form](#) by June 20.**

Environmental Justice Thriving Communities

June 20 deadline — [Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program](#). The goal of this \$550 million grant program is to reduce the barriers that communities face when applying for environmental justice grants. Approximately 11 grant makers will be selected to design competitive application and submission processes, award environmental justice subgrants, implement a tracking and reporting system, and provide resources and support to communities. **To be eligible, applicants must be community-based nonprofits — or partnerships that include community-based nonprofits.**