
INVESTING IN AMERICA

Technical Assistance Guide

A list of resources to help communities access infrastructure and clean energy funding

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Introduction

President Biden's Investing in America agenda unlocks billions of dollars in opportunity for states, territories, Tribes, and local governments to make a once-in-a-generation investment in infrastructure, clean energy and climate resilience.

Over 90% of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)'s historic funding will be deployed by non-federal partners. And the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provides state, local, Tribal, territorial and non-governmental partners significant new funding for clean energy, climate mitigation and resilience, agriculture, and conservation-related investments through both grant funding and tax credits.

In the past, too many communities have lacked the resources to apply for and deploy transformative federal funding opportunities. The Biden-Harris Administration's goal is to help state, local, Tribal and territorial governments and other nongovernmental partners navigate, access, and deploy these record resources to build a better America. While there are many programs across the federal government dedicated to technical assistance, navigating the vast landscape of programs and resources can be challenging for communities. To ease this burden, the Biden Administration is committed to closing access gaps and making these opportunities transparent and available.

Technical assistance can mean different things to different people. For the purposes of this document, we are defining technical assistance as programs, processes, and resources that provide targeted support to a community, region, organization, or other beneficiary to help them access and deploy federal funding to deliver results.

This guide helps meet that goal by providing comprehensive information about more than 100 federal technical assistance programs that can support efforts to win Federal funding and deploy it in communities across the nation. It also provides similar information on the growing number of state programs designed to aid communities in winning funding under BIL and IRA.

Different technical assistance programs can help communities with planning, project development, project finance, grant writing, project management and compliance. There is a

wide range of technical assistance available under these programs. Some communities will get what they need from webinars, websites or other educational information provided by Federal departments and agencies. Others will want and need more specific support and advice. Sometimes that can be provided directly by Federal subject matter experts and other times it can be provided by higher education institutions, non-profit organizations and for-profit consultants under agreement with Federal departments and agencies. Technical assistance can focus on different parts of the project lifecycle. For instance, some of the initiatives listed in the guide are focused on helping communities apply for and access federal funding, while others are more focused on helping communities plan, design, and build projects after funding has been secured. Finally, some Federal technical assistance programs provide funding directly to communities to bring on technical assistance support.

As you go through this guide, it is a good opportunity to think more generally about how you and your community can use funding from BIL and IRA – not to mention the hundreds of other Federal financial assistance programs --- to take on some of your toughest challenges and create opportunity and prosperity for all of your residents.

Your measure of success shouldn't be the number of applications submitted or even the amount of funding received for your community. Instead, you and your community should focus on how those investments are helping your community and its residents.

Here are some basic steps to help define your approach:

- Build a team in your community to plan for, win funding for and implement critical investments.
- Focus on collaboration across the public, non-profit and civic sectors in your community.
- Across your team and among your partners, clearly define roles to ensure coordination.
- Think about how best to target your efforts to address issues of equity in your community.
- Make sure that you fully understand – and are prepared to execute on – responsibilities and obligations related to Federal financial assistance such as environmental reviews and compliance.

The good news is that much of the technical assistance detailed in this guide is designed to help you and your community with each of the steps to this approach.

This technical assistance guide is one tool we are deploying to help make it easier for communities across the country to navigate, access, and deploy infrastructure, climate resilience and clean energy funding. This technical assistance guide, builds on the [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Guidebook](#) and the [Inflation Reduction Act Guidebook](#) to highlight programs that help communities navigate programs and resources from the Investing in America agenda.

Let's get started.

Guide to the Technical Assistance Guide

For each of the 100+ Federal technical assistance programs that we have identified for this guide, you will find the following information:

- Program Name
- Agency and Department that provides the program
- Bureau within the Agency or Department responsible for the program
- Category of technical assistance
 - Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
 - Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
 - Financial Planning (BIL/IRA)
 - Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
 - Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
- Type of technical assistance
 - Educational and Information: Provided by websites, webinars, peer learning and information made available to all potential recipients in group.
 - Direct TA Provided by Federal Staff or Federally Funded Entities: Federal Subject Matter Experts are available to answer questions and provide advice to specific recipients and federal government-funded organizations which provide direct technical assistance to specific recipients to address questions specific to their organization
 - Federal Funding for TA Provided by Internal Staff or External Entities (Competitive/Non-Competitive): Funding is available to hire staff or external entities to provide technical assistance
- Description of the technical assistance program
 - List of different types of eligible program participants (e.g. state, local government, Tribal organization)
 - Targeting – in other words, whether the technical assistance is targeted for communities or participants with specific characteristics
 - Status of availability
 - Whether an application is required
 - Where applicable, total budget for the program
 - Point of contact for the program

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Joint or Interagency TA Programs

Thriving Communities Network: DOT	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The Interagency Thriving Communities Network supports communities in advancing their local and regional infrastructure and development goals in underserved and overburdened communities using a coordinated whole of government place-based approach that strengthens local capacity to develop and execute infrastructure projects from cradle to grave. It includes providing hands-on planning support and access to a diverse set of technical assistance providers available to work directly with communities as they build upon local assets to co-design and advance infrastructure projects that address critical social, economic, environmental, and mobility needs.</p> <p>DOT's Thriving Communities Program provides in-depth, hands-on technical assistance through capacity builders to regions and local communities, resulting in accelerated project plans and effective project implementation through funding national capacity builders to provide no-cost direct technical assistance to selected program recipients. DOT's Thriving Communities recipients receive technical assistance to ensure these communities have the technical tools and organizational capacity to comprehensively plan for and deliver quality infrastructure projects and community development projects that enable their communities and neighborhoods to thrive.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Tribal governments • Territories • Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) • Transit agencies • States • Non-profit organization • Academic organizations
Targeting	Rural, Tribal, and Justice40 communities and regions

<i>Status</i>	The FY 2023 DOT Thriving Communities Program (TCP) Notice of Funding Opportunity and the Call for Letters of Interest will be open September – November 2023, with selections announced in spring 2024.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	\$25 million in FY 2023 (DOT Thriving Communities Program)
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information about the Federal Thriving Communities Network is available here . For DOT’s Thriving Communities Program, contact DOT or see more information here .

Thriving Communities Network: EPA	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The Interagency Thriving Communities Network supports communities in advancing their local and regional infrastructure and development goals in underserved and overburdened communities using a coordinated whole of government place-based approach that strengthens local capacity to develop and execute infrastructure projects from cradle to grave. It includes providing hands-on planning support and access to a diverse set of technical assistance providers available to work directly with communities as they build upon local assets to co-design and advance infrastructure projects that address critical social, economic, environmental, and mobility needs.</p> <p>EPA has selected 16 Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (EJ TCTACs) in partnership with the Department of Energy that will receive \$177 million to help underserved and overburdened communities across the country. These centers will provide training and other assistance to build capacity for navigating federal grant application systems, writing strong grant proposals, and effectively managing grant funding. In addition, these centers will provide guidance on community engagement, meeting facilitation, and translation and interpretation services for limited English-speaking participants, thus removing barriers and improving accessibility for communities with environmental justice concerns.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Tribal governments • Territories • Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) • Transit agencies • States • Non-profit organizations • Academic organizations
Targeting	Rural, Tribal, and Justice40 communities and regions
Status	EPA's TCTACs are focused on providing technical assistance to EJ communities.
Application Requirement	Yes

<i>Budget</i>	\$177 million in FY 2022 (EPA/DOE Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers)
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information about the Federal Thriving Communities Network is available here . For EPA and DOE’s Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers, see more information here .

Thriving Communities Network: HUD	
Agency	Department of Housing and Urban Development
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The Interagency Thriving Communities Network supports communities in advancing their local and regional infrastructure and development goals in underserved and overburdened communities using a coordinated whole of government place-based approach that strengthens local capacity to develop and execute infrastructure projects from cradle to grave. It includes providing hands-on planning support and access to a diverse set of technical assistance providers available to work directly with communities as they build upon local assets to co-design and advance infrastructure projects that address critical social, economic, environmental, and mobility needs.</p> <p>HUD’s Thriving Communities Technical Assistance program funds national capacity builders to provide no-cost technical assistance to support coordination and integration of transportation and housing infrastructure planning and implementation.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Tribal governments • Territories • Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) • Transit agencies • States • Non-profit organizations • Academic organizations
Targeting	Rural, Tribal, and Justice40 communities and regions
Status	HUD’s Thriving Communities Technical Assistance (TCTA) Program is receiving requests on a rolling basis and anticipates serving approximately 30-40 jurisdictions. Priority will be given to jurisdictions with populations of less than 250,000 people.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$2 million in FY 2023 (HUD Thriving Communities)
How to get in touch	More information about the Federal Thriving Communities Network is available here . For HUD’s Thriving Communities Program, see more information here .

Thriving Communities Network: Interagency Working Group on Coal and Power Plant Communities and Economic Revitalization	
Agency	Department of Energy and Interagency Partners
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	This interagency working group is pursuing a whole-of government approach to create good-paying union jobs, spur economic revitalization, remediate environmental degradation in order to support energy workers in coal, oil and gas, and power plant communities across the country.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • NGOs • Private sector • Economic development organizations • Worker organizations • Philanthropic organizations
Targeting	The Interagency Working Group is prioritizing the immediate needs of coal mining and power plant communities and is also coordinating, identifying, and delivering federal resources to all Energy Communities including rural, urban, oil, gas, fenceline communities and Tribal communities.
Status	The Interagency Working Group is active.
Budget	\$3 million in FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information about the Interagency Working Group is here . More information about the Federal Thriving Communities Network available here .

Thriving Communities Network: Economic Development Communities of Practice	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	Economic Development Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (ARPA), Project Delivery (ARPA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>The US Economic Development Administration within the Department of Commerce established eight Communities of Practice to strengthen America’s economic development infrastructure by capturing, organizing, and scaling practices at a national level. Each Community of Practice consists of a cohort of EDA grantees and/or stakeholders that share a similar programmatic, functional, and/or organizational focus. Community of Practice cohorts benefit from a mix of peer-to-peer learning, issue-specific trainings, and targeted coaching. Cohort members increase their connectedness with peer regions and organizations across the country, shape promising practices across the industry, and bolster their skills and capacity to advance effective economic development strategies.</p> <p>Communities of Practice are offered for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build Back Better Regional Challenge Coalitions: Building Better Regions Community of Practice • Coal Communities: Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities Community of Practice • Economic Development Districts: Economic Development District Community of Practice • Good Jobs Challenge Grantees: Good Jobs Challenge Community of Practice • Indigenous Communities: Indigenous Economic Development Community of Practice • Manufacturing Communities: Manufacturing Community of Practice • Revolving Loan Fund Operators: Revolving Loan Fund Community of Practice • Technology-Based Economic Development Practitioners: Technology-Based Economic Development Community of Practice

<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional planning organizations • Economic development organizations • Entrepreneur support organizations • Educational organizations and institutions • Non-profit organizations
<i>Targeting</i>	Economic Development Professionals, Indigenous Communities, Coal Communities
<i>Status</i>	Communities of Practice are accessible to new participants seeking Technical Assistance, peer connection, and other relevant information.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact EDA and more information is available here . More information about the Federal Thriving Communities Network is available here .

Thriving Communities Network: Rural Partners Network	
Agency	Department of Agriculture and Interagency Partners
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The Rural Partners Network (RPN) is an all-of-government program that helps rural communities find resources and funding to create jobs, build infrastructure, and support long-term economic stability – on their own terms. USDA leads RPN in close consultation with The White House Domestic Policy Council and in collaboration with 24+ federal partners all committed to identifying solutions to the specific problems raised by these Community Networks. RPN has identified 36 Community Networks across ten states and Puerto Rico and has plans to expand to more locations in the near future.</p> <p>Through dedicated staff at the community level, RPN helps people and organizations navigate federal programs, build relationships, and leverage partnerships so that successful applications for funding can advance locally driven plans and projects. In addition to the dedicated staff and the unique collaboration with federal partners, RPN also works with organizations emphasizing rural to provide technical assistance and build capacity to improve the economy and quality of place in rural America.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Regional economic development organizations • Tribal governments • Community development organizations • Non-profit organizations • Philanthropic organizations • Healthcare organizations • Small business development organizations • Agricultural organizations • Cooperatives • Educational organizations
Targeting	RPN initially focuses on under-served, resource-deficient rural communities with expressed levels of persistent poverty, social vulnerability, and community distress as an indicator of appropriate areas to target.
Status	RPN is not currently adding new Community Networks but does provide assistance and access to rural communities of significant need across the country.

<i>Application Requirement</i>	No. Once RPN begins adding new networks, prospective communities will submit a letter of interest to USDA upon request.
<i>Budget</i>	USDA RD has received \$10 million (\$5m each in FYs 22 & 23) to establish and deploy RPN.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here or contact the RPN. To access the community liaison(s) in your state, see here . More information about the Federal Thriving Communities Network available here .

Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Electrification & EV Charging)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Transportation, Department of Energy
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information, Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (JOET) provides states, communities, and Tribes with technical assistance on planning and delivery to assist in building a national EV charging network and facilitating zero-emission transit and school buses. The Joint Office provides resources to assist with creating State EV Charging Plans, data and tools for implementing plans, and points of contact for additional resources. It also provides resources for communities and Tribal entities applying for grant funding for EV charging and other government entities planning for EV charging deployment.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local and regional governments • Transit agencies • Schools and school districts • Tribal governments
<i>Targeting</i>	JOET provides TA to all states and communities interested in contributing to the EV charging network, including products developed specifically for rural, tribal, and Justice40 communities.
<i>Status</i>	Ongoing
<i>Budget</i>	\$80.2 million in FY 2023, \$55.5 million in FY 2024
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Methane Emissions Reduction Program	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Energy
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Methane Emissions Reduction Program provides funding for financial and technical assistance for preparing and submitting greenhouse gas reports, monitoring methane emissions, and reducing methane and other greenhouse gas emissions from petroleum and natural gas systems, including improving and deploying equipment to reduce emissions, supporting innovation, permanently shutting in and plugging wells, mitigating health effects in low-income and disadvantaged communities, improving climate resiliency, and supporting environmental restoration.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Counties • Cities/Townships • Special Districts • Territories • Tribal Governments (federally recognized), Tribal Governments (other than federally recognized), • Public Higher Education Institutions • Private Higher Education Institutions, Nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status, Nonprofits without 501(c)(3) Status, • Small Businesses, Businesses (other than small businesses), and Individuals.
Targeting	The Methane Emissions Reduction Program is committed to meeting Justice40 targets. Work is in progress to develop a Tribal set aside to fund activities that occur on federally recognized Tribal lands.
Status	Financial and technical assistance will be accessible to new participants.
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	More information available here . Contact EPA.

Department of Transportation TA Programs

Build America Center	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Transportation
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	The Build America Center (BAC) will mobilize the use of innovative financing, funding, project delivery, procurement, and contracting solutions to foster new approaches to transportation infrastructure development and delivery through the creation of a knowledge hub. This knowledge hub will spur innovation with cutting edge research, collaborative partnerships, and the development of an academy to deliver innovative education and training plus tailored technical assistance.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) • States • Transit agencies, transportation authorities
<i>Status</i>	Cooperative agreement will last until FY 2025.
<i>Budget</i>	\$5 million in FY 2023
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Innovative Finance and Asset Concessions Grant Program	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Build America Bureau
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	Grants to assist eligible public entities in facilitating and evaluating public-private partnerships and exploring opportunities for innovative financing and delivery for eligible transportation infrastructure projects, including highway, transit, passenger rail, certain freight facilities, certain port projects, rural infrastructure projects, airports, and transit-oriented development projects.
Eligible Participants	Public entities that own, control, or maintain transportation assets that may benefit from enhancement through a public private partnership. Eligible assets are those activities that would reasonably be deemed eligible to receive a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan through the Build America Bureau.
Status	The inaugural notice of funding opportunity will be issued in the fourth quarter of 2023.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$38.8 million total for FY 2022/2023
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Rural and Tribal Technical Assistance Pilot Program	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Build America Bureau
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program provides funding for early-stage development assistance to advance rural and Tribal transportation infrastructure projects. Grantees can hire staff or procure advisory services for project-related financial, technical, or legal tasks. The Program’s first Notice of Funding Opportunity made funding available from FY 2022 and FY 2023 on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible applicants through a brief 13-question application.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribal governments • Department of Hawaiian Home Lands • Local governments that meet Program’s “rural” definition • State governments on behalf of a project in a rural area
Targeting	Projects located in rural or Tribal communities
Status	The project awards for FY22 and FY23 will be announced in Fall 2023. The FY 2024 Notice of Funding Opportunity is anticipated to be published in Spring 2024.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$10 million total across FY 2022-FY 2026
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Regional Infrastructure Accelerator Program	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Build America Bureau
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	The Build America Bureau Regional Infrastructure Accelerator Program provides resources, funding, and expertise to help grant recipients with project planning, development, and delivery at the local and regional level. The Department of Transportation solicits applications for membership in its accelerator program that provides technical resources, planning, financing, and development support. In addition, direct financing is available through the loan programs and public-private partnerships. Applicants generally apply with specific projects that require innovative financing strategies. The Bureau last issued a Notice of Funding Opportunity for membership in April for FY 2023 funded projects, which will be announced Fall 2023.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations
Targeting	While there is no set aside available for rural, Tribal, or Justice40 communities, partnerships are encouraged where applicable.
Status	Next Notice of Funding Opportunity will be provided pending future appropriations.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$24 million for FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Transportation
<i>Bureau</i>	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	PBIC conducts pedestrian and bicycle research and provides technical assistance on topics related to pedestrian and bicycle activities. It also includes support for Safe Routes to School activities. Technical assistance activities include conducting case studies of best practices, hosting free webinars for the public, developing training modules, producing a monthly newsletter, and other targeted technical assistance.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal government agencies • States • Local governments • Regional transportation organizations • Tribal governments • Non-governmental organizations
<i>Status</i>	PBIC's technical assistance resources are available to the public on its website and through webinars.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Center for Accelerating Innovation	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The Center for Accelerating Innovation at FHWA serves as the focal point for internal and external coordination to identify and prioritize innovations for transportation systems. There are several key programs overseen by the Center for Accelerating Innovation. The Every Day Counts (EDC) program is a State-based model for deployment of market-ready but underutilized technologies that make our transportation system adaptable, sustainable, equitable, and safer for all. The Center for Accelerating Innovation also administers other technology deployment programs. The Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Demonstration program provides eligible entities funding to pilot and accelerate the implementation and adoption of innovation on highway projects. The Accelerating Market Readiness (AMR) program supports technologies emerging into the transportation industry. Additionally, the State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) facilitates a State-based innovation deployment approach.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Academic Institutions (AMR only) • Private Sector (AMR only)
Status	Ongoing and accessible to new participants seeking Technical Assistance and other relevant information
Application Requirement	<p>Application is required for Accelerated Innovation Deployment – due Fall 2023</p> <p>Application required for Accelerating Market Readiness (AMR) – due Spring 2024</p> <p>No application required for Every Day Counts Program</p> <p>No application required for State Transportation Innovation Council</p>
Budget	\$22.8 million in FY 2024
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Center for Transportation Workforce Development	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	From early education through ongoing professional development, the Center provides program support, technical assistance, and workforce development activities in partnership with federal, state, and local agencies; industry organizations; schools, colleges, and universities; and other education providers. Workforce programs include the Transportation Education Development and Deployment program (TETDDP), Garrett A. Morgan Transportation Technology Education program (GAMTTEP), On the Job Training Supportive Services (OJT/SS), and National Summer Transportation Institutes (NSTI).
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public and Private Institutions of Higher Learning • State and Local Educational entities • K-12 Educational institutions • State Departments of Transportation
Targeting	Women, minorities, and other people from disadvantaged backgrounds into journey level positions.
Status	Programs are available on an ongoing basis and more information can be accessed from the website listed below.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$9.45 million in FY 2022 – FY 2026
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Local Technical Assistance Program	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	The Department of Transportation supports local and rural road agencies across the United States by providing training, technical assistance, and technology transfer services to help them manage and maintain their roadway systems. Across the country, there are 51 Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) centers serving every state, as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. LTAP Centers enable local counties, parishes, townships, cities, and towns to improve their roads and bridges by supplying them with a variety of low- to no- cost training programs, new and existing technology updates, personalized technical assistance, newsletters, and e-learning resources on topics including safety, construction, maintenance, and value capture.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Regional transportation organizations
Status	Technical assistance and other information are available to new and existing participants.
Budget	\$10.7 million in FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information about the program and assistance connecting with the LTAP Centers is available here . For any additional questions or concerns, please contact DOT.

Tribal Technical Assistance Program	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Transportation
<i>Bureau</i>	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information, Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Department of Transportation is establishing seven physical centers to support Tribal communities in administering transportation programs. Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP) Centers will serve as a go-to local resource for Tribal transportation training, technical assistance, and technology transfer needs and opportunities to effectively carry out the TTAP Vision to enhance the quality of life in Tribal communities by building capacity for Tribes to administer and manage their transportation programs and systems.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Tribal governments
<i>Targeting</i>	Tribal governments and communities
<i>Status</i>	Technical assistance and other information is available to new and existing participants.
<i>Budget</i>	\$2.1 million in FY 2023
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information about accessing technical assistance is available here . For any additional questions or concerns, please contact DOT.

National Highway Institute	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	The National Highway Institute (NHI) offers instructor-led training ranging from short, one-day courses to multi-week sessions for highway industry professionals. The Web Conference training offers live, online learning taught by remote instructors, eliminating the need to travel. In addition, NHI has a catalog of over 200 Web-based trainings that are available online 24/7. In 2022, NHI had 69,047 total registrants across the available course delivery types. The National Highway Institute is recognized as an accredited training provider by the International Association of Continuing Education and Training (IACET), so participants can earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for NHI training courses. This accredited training may be used by highway industry professionals to maintain State-issued Professional Engineer (PE) or other licenses.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	The NHI training catalog is accessible to new participants via the NHI website.
Budget	\$15 million in FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information available here .

FHWA Resource Center	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	FHWA's Resource Center is home to a national staff of subject matter experts across nine teams covering 18 specialty areas and has been the primary source of training, technical assistance, and technology deployment services to support FHWA's Federal partners, state and local transportation agencies, and other stakeholders.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Metropolitan planning organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	Ongoing
Budget	\$1.9 million in FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Center for Environmental Excellence	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	The AASHTO Center for Environmental Excellence provides convenient access to programs, policies, case studies, and other resources related to the role of transportation in support of livable and sustainable communities, including multimodal transportation options that advance public health goals. Content is designed to provide technical assistance, training, and information exchange, as well as partnership-building opportunities and quick access to environmental tools.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Regional transportation organizations • Tribal governments • Non-governmental organizations
Status	Ongoing. CEE's technical assistance resources are available to the public on its website and through webinars.
Budget	\$920,000
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Multi-State Technical Assistance Program (MTAP)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	MTAP, administered by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), provides a forum through which state-level public transportation agencies can communicate with each other about federal transit regulations, grant program management, and technical issues pertaining to everyday administration of public transportation service. MTAP was developed to benefit the member states as well as their federal program counterparts and local transit operators.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Transit agencies • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	MTAP is available via its website
How to get in touch	More information available here .

National Center for Mobility Management (NCMM)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>NCMM supports FTA’s Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility activities and is funded through a cooperative agreement with FTA. The Center works to help communities adopt transportation strategies and mobility options that empower people to live independently, and advance health, economic vitality, and self-sufficiency.</p> <p>NCMM provides capacity-building technical assistance and training; catalogs and disseminates best practice information on innovative mobility management programs around the country; and works to improve and enhance the coordination of federal resources for human service transportation, especially for people with disabilities, older adults and people with lower incomes.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Targeting	People with disabilities, older adults, and people with lower incomes.
Status	NCMM is accessible to new participants seeking technical assistance to support mobility management professionals in developing and implementing strategies that improve transportation access for older adults, people with disabilities, and low-income individuals and families.
Budget	\$4.8 million
How to get in touch	More information available here .

National Aging and Disability Transportation Center (NADTC)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	NADTC is a national technical assistance center funded by FTA with guidance from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Community Living to promote the availability and accessibility of transportation options that serve the needs of people with disabilities, seniors, and caregivers with a focus on the Section 5310 program and other transit investments. NADTC supports the delivery of more effective, efficient, high-quality, and coordinated specialized transportation services that maximize federal investments.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Targeting	People with disabilities, older adults, and people with lower incomes.
Status	TWC is accessible to new participants seeking technical assistance in response to specific issues or questions from professionals and organizations with an interest in senior transportation and people with disabilities.
Budget	\$4.4 million
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Accelerating Innovative Mobility National Network (AIM-NNet)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	AIM-NNet supports FTA’s Mobility Innovation programs by providing a comprehensive suite of technical assistance and knowledge sharing activities that spread the benefits of innovation in mobility to communities around the country. AIM-NNet supports public transportation agencies, communities, and regions and offers valuable resources and information exchange to recipients of FTA research funding, as well as others advancing Mobility Innovation in their communities.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	AIM-NNet is accessible to new participants seeking technical assistance to assist public transportation agencies, communities, and regions in the development, selection, deployment, and oversight of innovative service delivery models, creative financing.
How to get in touch	For more information, please contact DOT.

National Center for Applied Transit Technology (N-CATT)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	N-CATT delivers expert, focused technical assistance to transit agencies and organizations in rural areas and small cities to use or develop transit technologies and innovations that make services more cost-effective and efficient. N-CATT's work supports FTA's mission and focus on innovation by developing and supporting transit programs and services in rural and small-city America.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	TWC is accessible to new participants seeking technical assistance to collect, understand, communicate, plan, encourage, and spur implementation of cost-effective, value-adding technologies.
Budget	\$3.0 million
How to get in touch	More information available here .

National Rural Transportation Assistance Program (National RTAP)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	The National RTAP was established by FTA in 1987 to provide a wide range of professional services and products. National RTAP addresses the training and technical assistance needs of rural and tribal transit programs across the nation and supports state RTAP programs. The National RTAP also manages the Transportation Technical Assistance Coordination Library (TACL), which provides a sustainable methodology and platform to access resources across a diverse range of transportation technical assistance centers and FTA.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Targeting	Rural and Tribal
Status	Ongoing
Budget	\$2.7 million in FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information available here .

National Transit Institute (NTI)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	NTI conducts trainings and educational programs related to public transportation. Funded by FTA, NTI's mission is to develop, promote, and provide training, and educational programs in support of public transportation and quality of life in the United States. Training is available to public transportation agencies, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), State Departments of Transportation, and other agencies providing transportation services. NTI plans and develops its work in close alignment with FTA's respective offices and with the public transit industry to ensure courses and activities are in alignment to FTA's strategic goals and support the training needs of the public transit industry.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	NTI is available to develop, promote, and deliver training and educational programs and deliver high quality programs and materials through cooperative partnerships with industry, government, institutions, and associations.
Budget	Statutorily funded yearly (\$6.7 million in FY 2023)
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Transit Workforce Development Technical Assistance Center (TWC)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Federal Transit Administration
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>The TWC supports public transit agencies' workforce development needs for all modes of public transit across urban, Tribal, and rural entities. Its overall mission is to help transit agencies recruit, hire, train, and retain the diverse workforce needed for today and the future. The TWC performs two main functions:</p> <p>1) conduct technical assistance activities within and for transit agencies that promote more effective and efficient training of frontline workers involved in public transportation maintenance and operations; and</p> <p>2) implement technical assistance activities through collaborative partnerships between transit agency management and labor, including apprenticeship development and implementation.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
Status	TWC is accessible to new participants seeking Technical Assistance to the American public transportation industry regarding skills shortage among its workforce, especially those working on the frontline, driven by changing demographics, retirement of experienced workers, pervasive technological advances, increased demand for service, competition from other industries, and challenges created by the COVID pandemic.
Budget	\$7.5 million
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Technical Assistance Center (TAC)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Transportation
<i>Bureau</i>	Federal Transit Administration
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Education and Information, Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	<p>The Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Technical Assistance Center (TAC) provides comprehensive technical assistance to help the transit industry meet PTASP regulation requirements at 49 C.F.R. Part 673. This includes: development and implementation of a safety plan, including an online community of practice for information sharing; remote support to address Agency Safety Plan questions; and on-site assistance to provide training and ASP development support.</p> <p>PTASP TAC is accessible to new participants seeking one-on-one technical assistance; training and peer-sharing via live webinars and roundtables; voluntary technical reviews of draft Agency Safety Plans; and a resource library with technical assistance tools and other relevant information.</p>
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Non-profit organizations • Other transportation stakeholders
<i>Status</i>	Ongoing
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Pipeline Safety Information Grants to Communities	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Bureau	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	Support communities with engineering, research, and other scientific analysis of pipeline safety issues, including the promotion of public participation on technical pipeline safety issues in proceedings related to the pipeline safety regulations.
Eligible Participants	Nonprofit entity that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is a public safety advocate; • Has pipeline safety expertise; • Is able to provide individuals and communities with technical assistance; and • Was established with funds designated for the purpose of community service through the implementation of Section 3553 of Title 18 related to violations of this chapter
Targeting	Communities that have regulated gas or hazardous liquid pipelines or pipeline facilities running through or around them.
Status	Closed for FY 2023; will reopen for FY 2024.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$ 2 million per year
How to get in touch	More information available here .

DOT Navigator	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>The DOT Navigator provides a virtual one-stop shop to find information about the breadth of federal transportation funding programs and technical assistance resources. The Navigator includes: a library of resources to help prepare and develop discretionary grant applications, many of which are translated into Spanish; the DOT Discretionary Grant Dashboard, which enables potential applicants to search and filter grant opportunities for information on eligibility, match requirements, rural and tribal set-asides and other project information; and a searchable database of existing technical assistance centers, programs, resources, and funding opportunities supported by the Department of Transportation.</p> <p>The DOT Navigator hosts a quarterly webinar series to spotlight grant and technical assistance opportunities. In the coming year, additional information will be provided to help prepare applicants to be successful federal grantees.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribes, • US Territories • Transit Agencies, • Local governments • Regional governments • Non-governmental organizations
Targeting	Information is provided specifically to support J40, Rural, and Tribal communities
Status	Ongoing
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Reconnecting Communities Institute	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The RCI will provide training and technical assistance to build organizational or community capacity in transportation planning and will identify innovative strategies and solutions for reconnecting communities that are bifurcated by transportation infrastructure.</p> <p>Technical assistance is available to parties interested in making a grant application in the future. Support is also offered to entities that have already received a Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program grant.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) • States • Transit agencies, transportation authorities • Non-Profit Organizations
Targeting	The Institute targets disadvantaged communities otherwise eligible to participate in the Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program.
Status	Contractor support is being finalized, and the Institute will launch in October/November of 2023.
Budget	Up to \$35 million between FY 2022 – FY 2027
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Successes (ROUTES)	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>ROUTES provides technical assistance to rural communities and Tribes to address disparities in rural transportation infrastructure and economic development opportunities. Technical assistance includes the creation of free and user-friendly resources for prospective grant applicants, outreach and information on upcoming funding opportunities, and responses to rural stakeholder inquiries.</p> <p>ROUTES works to help rural America by engaging with rural stakeholders, harmonizing DOT programs, and utilizing a whole-of-government approach to maximize the federal government’s investment in rural infrastructure. This ensures that DOT policies and programs are aligned to support the unique infrastructure and mobility challenges of rural communities and increases the capacity of rural communities to plan, fund, and deliver transformative infrastructure and a mobility network that serves all residents.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Tribal governments • Regional transportation organizations • States • Transit agencies
Targeting	Rural and Tribal Communities
Status	Ongoing
How to get in touch	More information available here or contact DOT for more information.

Small Business Transportation Resource Centers	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	Utilizing partnerships and industry expertise, Small Business Transportation Resource Centers (SBTRCs) provide business counseling that includes market research, training, certification, and procurement technical assistance. DOT has 11 Small Business Transportation Centers, each serving a region of the country. The SBTRCs provide an array of services including business analysis, market research and procurement assistance, general management assistance, business counseling, and it can serve as a liaison between prime contractors and sub-contractors. The Small Business Transportation Centers also assist with identifying access to capital and administering the Bonding Education Program and Women and Girls in Transportation Initiative programs. All services are provided free of charge.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Businesses • Small Disadvantaged Businesses • Women Owned Businesses • Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HubZone) • Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) • Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) • Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE)
Targeting	The program targets small businesses in the transportation construction space around the country.
Status	Technical Assistance is accessible to nationwide to new participants through each regional SBTRC.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$2.2 million in FY 2023
How to get in touch	More information available here .

DOT Project Delivery Center of Excellence	
Agency	Department of Transportation
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The Project Delivery Center of Excellence at the U.S. DOT Volpe Center is part of a multi-pronged approach by the Department to support project delivery by accelerating adoption of proven, risk-based best practices. It supports recipients of Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funds in delivering transportation infrastructure projects more efficiently and effectively from concept to completion. The Center of Excellence serves as a central resource for innovative and effective practices and brings project managers together to enable knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning.</p> <p>In the coming year, the Project Delivery Center of Excellence will focus on transportation construction contracts and addressing and preventing the causes of construction change orders. Ultimately, the Center aims to accelerate the completion of local transportation infrastructure investments—on time, on task, and on budget.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Regional governments • Tribal and territorial governments • National associations and organizations • Academic and research institutions
Status	Ongoing
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Environmental Protection Agency

Clean School Bus (CSB) Program	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>The EPA is partnering with the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation ("Joint Office") and the National Renewable Laboratory to offer clean school bus technical assistance to school districts, including information and tools needed to successfully plan and deploy clean school buses and infrastructure. They have expertise in a wide range of clean school bus deployment topics, such as electric bus basics, charging equipment, utility connections, bus performance, and operational considerations like routing and maintenance.</p> <p>To be responsive to stakeholder needs and questions surrounding utility engagement and collaboration, EPA has also formed a pledge with two national electric sector organizations. Edison Electric Institute (EEI), the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies, and the Beneficial Electrification League (BEL), a non-profit organization that works closely with rural electric cooperatives and public power utility providers on electrification initiatives, have joined with EPA to pledge their support for school bus electrification. EEI members and BEL partners have pledged to proactively work with school districts to facilitate communication between electric providers and school districts and provide technical support and assistance.</p> <p>Finally, EPA has also provided tools and resources for applicants on the CSB website, including resources for identifying related funding opportunities and charging and fueling infrastructure resources for alternative fuel buses, such as technical assistance videos, case studies, best practices, workforce development and training resources, and more.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSB rebate and grant recipients • Interested applicants
Targeting	The CSB Program is committed to meeting Justice40 requirements including supporting tribal, rural, and low-income applicants and selectees.
Status	Direct TA available to selectees; other resources available online .

How to get in touch

[Contact](#) EPA or [Contact](#) the Joint Office. More information is available at the [Joint Office Website](#), [CSB Technical Assistance Overview](#), [CSB Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Resources](#), and in the [CSB Technical Assistance Webinar Presentation](#).

Low Emissions Electricity Program	
<i>Agency</i>	Environmental Protection Agency
<i>Category</i>	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	This program provides funding to EPA to conduct a variety of activities related to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from electricity generation and use, including (1) for consumer-related education and partnerships; (2) for education, technical assistance, and partnerships within low-income and disadvantaged communities; (3) for industry-related outreach, technical assistance, and partnerships; and (4) for outreach and technical assistance to, and partnerships with, state, Tribal, and local governments.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribal governments • Local governments
<i>Targeting</i>	Consumers eligible for tax incentives.
<i>Status</i>	Website providing access to Product Finders and Incentive Finders listing heating and cooling equipment and other products eligible for federal tax credits and state rebates will be updated in December 2023.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Climate Pollution Reduction Grants	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>EPA has provided extensive technical assistance to all planning grantees through almost weekly training webinars on specific topics related to climate action planning. EPA will also kick off its CPRG Technical Assistance Forums for grantees throughout September and October 2023. Forums will focus on a particular topic: climate planning analytics, climate planning process, low-income and disadvantaged communities, industrial sector, buildings sector, transportation sector, electricity generation sector, waste and materials management sector, and agriculture/natural and working lands sector. These forums will allow ongoing opportunities for EPA and grantees to learn from each other and participate in peer-to-peer exchanges.</p> <p>EPA has also established a webpage for this program that includes a technical assistance section including links to many resources that can be helpful to grantees, including EPA’s state-level GHG emissions inventory and inventory tools; tools for estimating air quality changes and health co-benefits associated with criteria and toxic air pollutant emission reductions resulting from GHG reduction strategies; and meaningful community engagement and workforce planning resources.</p>
Eligible Participants	<p>Generally,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Municipalities • Air pollution control agencies • Tribal governments • Eligible entities that received a planning grant opted-in based on a formula approach • Eligible applicants for implementation grants include those entities that received a planning grant or are covered by a Priority Climate Action Plan developed under a CPRG planning grant
Targeting	The Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program is committed to meeting Justice40 targets. EPA has also offered training webinars and other forms of technical assistance designed specifically for Tribes and Territories.

<i>Status</i>	Technical assistance under this program will continue to be developed for the benefit of planning grant recipients and their recognized direct partners for at least the next 24 months (when the Comprehensive Climate Action Plans come due). All planning grant training materials and webinars are recorded and are being posted on the public CPRG website for planning grantees and the public to access.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes, but all planning grant training materials and webinars are recorded and are being posted on the public CPRG website for planning grantees and the public to access.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact EPA and learn more here .

Funding to Address Air Pollution at Schools	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Program Administration (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	This Technical Assistance program is part of a larger, \$50 million program to address air pollution at schools. \$37.5 million is available for grants and other activities to monitor and reduce pollution and greenhouse gas emissions at schools in low-income and disadvantaged communities, and \$12.5 million is available to EPA to provide technical assistance, which will help entities (1) to address environmental issues; (2) to develop school environmental quality plans that include standards for school building, design, construction, and renovation; and (3) to identify and mitigate ongoing air pollution hazards.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribes • Territories, • Local governments • Local educational agencies • Non-governmental organizations and others for activities supporting schools in low-income, disadvantaged, and tribal communities
Targeting	Schools and school districts in low-income, disadvantaged, and Tribal communities or eligible parties working with said districts and schools are eligible for technical assistance under this program.
Status	Program is expected to launch in December 2023.
Budget	\$12.5 million to provide technical assistance to schools in low-income and disadvantaged communities to develop school air and environmental quality plans and to identify and mitigate ongoing air pollution hazards.
How to get in touch	Contact EPA.

Environmental and Climate Justice Technical Assistance Program	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	This new Technical Assistance Program will support applicants and recipients under the Environmental and Climate Justice Program (ECJP) created by the Inflation Reduction Act to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience and build community capacity to respond to environmental and climate justice challenges.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-based non-profit organizations (CBOs) • Federally-Recognized Tribes • Local governments • Institutions of higher education
Targeting	This technical assistance is related to the award and management of grants to benefit disadvantaged communities.
Status	EPA expects to award contract(s) for technical assistance delivery in the fall of 2023.
Application Requirement	Yes (intake form to request technical assistance, not a formal application).
Budget	EPA's Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights (OEJECR) will utilize approximately \$200 million in IRA funding to provide primarily contract-delivered technical assistance in support of the ECJ Program.
How to get in touch	More information about accessing technical assistance will be available here .

Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers Program	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	Each Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center (TCTAC) will provide training and other assistance to help underserved/rural/remote communities build capacity for navigating federal grant application systems, writing strong grant proposals, and effectively managing grant funding. In addition, each center will provide guidance on community engagement, meeting facilitation, and translation and interpretation services for limited English-speaking participants, thus removing barriers and improving accessibility for communities with environmental justice concerns. Each of the technical assistance centers will also create and manage communication channels to ensure all communities have direct access to resources and information.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nonprofit organizations • Community-based and grassroots organizations • Philanthropic and civic organizations • Underserved communities and organizations • Rural and Remote communities and organizations • Faith-based organizations and churches • Educational institutions (e.g., schools, colleges, and universities), including Minority Serving Institutions • Individuals of underserved communities • Disadvantaged Businesses • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Territories • Utility providers • Health care providers and clinics
Targeting	Underserved, rural, and remote communities
Status	Technical assistance centers are in the process of being established.
Application Requirement	Yes, there will be a process to request technical assistance.

<i>Budget</i>	In partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy, EPA has selected 16 EJ TCTACs nationwide to provide technical assistance to underserved and overburdened communities, with each technical assistance to underserved/rural/remote communities, with each technical assistance center receiving at least \$10 million to remove barriers and improve accessibility for communities with environmental justice concerns. Two more centers are planned by the end of 2023.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information about accessing technical assistance is available here .

Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	Through multiple programs, EPA’s Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA) increases access to safe and reliable water services for communities nationwide to help them access their fair share of BIL funding. EPA’s free WaterTA provides hands-on support for communities to identify water infrastructure or water quality challenges, develop plans to address these challenges, prepare application materials to finance water infrastructure projects with funding available through BIL, and build technical, managerial, and financial capacity. For example, WaterTA providers can assist with preliminary engineering report, project designs, financial planning, and many more important components. For a list of services, please see EPA’s WaterTA website .
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribes • Territories • Local governments • Local communities • Drinking water utilities/systems • Wastewater utilities/systems • Stormwater utilities/systems • Non-governmental organizations (in pursuit of Clean Water State Revolving Fund [SRF] financing) <p>Please see EPA’s WaterTA website for more details on eligible participants.</p>
Targeting	EPA’s WaterTA aims to help underserved and disadvantaged communities access their fair share of federal funds.
Status	Many of EPA’s WaterTA providers are currently assisting or will be assisting communities, water utilities, local governments and/or Tribes that have requested help with addressing their water infrastructure or water quality challenges. EPA is also accepting inquiries through the WaterTA Form from communities seeking water technical assistance. EPA’s goal is to provide WaterTA to significantly scale up over the next five years.
Application Requirement	No. The easiest way to seek water technical assistance is to fill out this request form to be connected with a TA provider.

<i>Budget</i>	EPA is investing about \$500 million in WaterTA programs between 2022 and 2024.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	WaterTA website .

Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center	
<i>Agency</i>	Environmental Protection Agency
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	EPA provides webinars, learning modules, and financial tools for communities looking to fund water-related projects. As part of this toolkit, the website also includes a clearinghouse where visitors can search for federal, state, and private funds across the country. The tool also highlights several funding and technical assistance opportunities available to communities. The Water Finance Center manages the Environmental Finance Centers, as well as providing direct financial training to communities.
<i>Targeting</i>	Support is available to all communities needing assistance, with a particular focus on small, rural and underserved communities.
<i>Status</i>	Ongoing and available online
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Tools, Training, and Technical Assistance for Small and Rural Wastewater Systems	
<i>Agency</i>	Environmental Protection Agency
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	EPA provides a series of tools to the public, including the Searchable Clearinghouse for Wastewater Technologies (SCOWT), Augmented Alternative Analysis, and Effective Utility Management.
<i>Targeting</i>	Specific support available for rural communities
<i>Status</i>	Ongoing and available online.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Brownfields Technical Assistance	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	The Technical Assistance to Brownfields Program provides technical assistance to communities, nonprofit organizations, and stakeholders to help address their brownfield sites and to increase their understanding and involvement in brownfields cleanup, revitalization, and reuse. EPA awarded six grants in FY 2022 totaling \$54 million to regional partners who provide technical support to communities addressing brownfield sites across the country (e.g., University of Connecticut is a partner in the northeast, Center for Creative Land Recycling is a partner in the western states). EPA awarded two grants totaling \$1 million for research on minimizing displacement resulting from addressing brownfield sites and land bank approaches for brownfields revitalization. In addition to the grant recipients, EPA has also established a partnership with Groundwork USA to help communities incorporate environmental justice and equitable development principles in their brownfields redevelopment.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • States • Tribes • Non-profits • Redevelopment authorities and economic development agencies
Targeting	Brownfields is committed to achieving Justice40 targets.
Status	Program is open and still accessible to new participants seeking technical assistance
Budget	\$110 million over 5 years
How to get in touch	More information about accessing technical assistance is available here .

BIL Pollution Prevention Grant Program	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	EPA has established three parallel P2 State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG), as authorized under the Pollution Prevention Act (1990) and funded \$100 million via BIL to expand P2 STAG grants for technical assistance to businesses (e.g., information, training, tools) encouraging development and implementation of pollution prevention (P2) practices. Grants selected and funded in 2022 focused on P2 technical assistance to businesses in five major industrial sectors, with additional consideration given to project proposals focusing on businesses in low-income and disadvantaged communities. Two grant programs with awards being finalized in 2023 are for projects that either focus on P2 for facilities in such communities or increasing access to safer and sustainable products by members/organizations within those communities. Similar to grants funded in 2022 and 2023, future rounds of funding in 2024, 2025, and 2026 will focus on similar dimensions of sectors, facilities, access, and environmental justice.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •States •State entities (colleges and universities recognized as instrumentalities of the state) •District of Columbia •U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, any territory or possession of the U.S. •Federally recognized Tribes and intertribal consortia.
Targeting	50+% of the grant funding targets specifically to P2 projects in (or proximal to) Justice40 communities; grants in Tribal and Alaska Native communities are one of the P2 National Emphasis Areas
Status	As additional funding is released to EPA, planned NOFOs in 2024, 2025, and 2026 will make funding available to additional applicants and participants.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$100M in total funding from BIL to be distributed between 2022 and 2026. EPA’s Pollution Prevention Program (P2 Program) issued a NOFO in 2022 for \$13.9 million, and \$16 million in 2023.
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Reducing Embodied Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Construction Materials and Products	
Agency	Environmental Protection Agency
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	EPA is establishing grants, direct technical assistance, and a labeling program to help manufacturers, institutional buyers, real estate developers, builders and others measure, report and substantially lower the levels of embodied carbon and other greenhouse gas emissions associated with all relevant stages of production, use and disposal of construction materials and products including steel, concrete, asphalt and glass. Embodied greenhouse gas emissions refer to the amount of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with the extraction, production, transport and manufacturing of materials. Low embodied carbon materials have less climate impact associated with mining, manufacturing and transportation. EPA's Pollution Prevention program will implement these programs to increase the transparency of greenhouse gas emissions data associated with the production, use, and disposal of construction materials and products; and assist businesses in disclosing and verifying these data, as well as states, Indian tribes and non-profit organizations that assist these businesses.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local governments • Regional transportation organizations • Tribal governments • Transit agencies
Targeting	Support is available to all communities needing assistance; EPA is establishing a tiered grant program to increase technical assistance access for smaller applicants.
Status	An initial NOFO will be issued in Fall 2023.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	The Inflation Reduction Act provides \$350 million for grants, technical assistance and tools, including carbon labeling. An initial NOFO will be issued in Fall 2023, and parallel direct technical assistance will be initiated to support development of environmental product declarations (EPDs).
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

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Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Formula Program	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	To assist states, local governments, and Tribes in implementing strategies to reduce energy use, to reduce fossil fuel emissions, and to improve energy efficiency.
Eligible Participants	Competitive Grants available for those ineligible for Formula Grants and Formula Grants are those State, local and Tribes listed here .
Targeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cities • Counties
Status	Formula program is open. Local governments and Tribes can apply through January 31, 2024.
Application Requirement	Application guidebook linked here .
Budget	\$440 million
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

The State and Local Solution Center	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	The State and Local Solution Center is a resource hub for states, local governments, and K-12 school districts. The Solution Center highlights various technical assistance opportunities to help your organization reach its energy efficiency and renewable energy goals. The State and Local Solution Center provides resources to enable strategic investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies through the use of innovative practices across the United States by a wide range of stakeholders, in partnership with state and local organizations and community-based nonprofits.
Eligible Participants	State and local government, and K-12 school districts
Status	Ongoing.
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Energy Future Grants (EFG)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Energy Future Grants (EFG) provides \$27 million in financial assistance and technical assistance to support local, state, and Tribal government-led partnership efforts that will advance clean energy program innovation. EFG seeks to enhance energy affordability and access for communities, ensuring the broad benefits of a clean energy economy—including health, economic development and jobs and emissions reductions—flow to disadvantaged communities.
Eligible Participants	State, local, and Tribal government-led Community project partnerships
Targeting	EFG will provide support for at least 50 multijurisdictional teams (ideally 3-4 or more state, local, and tribal government partners)
Status	Open. Applications due September 30, 2023
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$27 million
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Indian Energy provides federally recognized Indian tribes, including Alaska Native villages, tribal energy development organizations, and other organized tribal groups and communities, with technical assistance to advance Tribal energy projects. The Office of Indian Energy, DOE national laboratories, and other partnering organizations provide the technical assistance at no cost.</p> <p>Technical analysis includes: analysis and modeling, expert review, transmission and/or utility assessment, market access, and energy efficiency reviews. Financial analysis assistance is intended for decision makers in the early stages of energy development. Assistance in strategic planning may provide an initial resource assessment, energy options analyses, and development of a viable roadmap for development.</p>
Eligible Participants	Federally recognized Indian Tribes, including Alaska Native villages, tribal entities —including Alaska Native regional and village corporations, intertribal organizations, and Tribal energy development organizations.
Targeting	Tribal
Status	Open
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	Contact DOE and learn more here .

Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) Enhancement & Innovation (E&I)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The Enhancement and Innovation (E&I) grants help support ambitious projects customized for local community needs: creating net-zero energy neighborhoods through community solar panels, addressing structural repairs necessary to complete weatherization, even establishing a workforce training program for the next generation of clean energy professionals. The WAP E&I grant program aims to make homes efficient and healthy, support the energy efficiency workforce, and expand upon President Biden’s Justice40 Initiative. Complementary to the WAP program, which offers formula funding to state entities, the E&I program offers competitive funding and flexibility to allow a broader range of innovative weatherization activities including the installation of renewable energy technologies, electrification, more expansive health and safety measures, and comprehensive workforce development.</p> <p>Applicants can apply for one of the following three topic areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multifamily Housing • Single Family and Manufactured Housing • Workforce Development
Eligible Participants	Current WAP Grantees and Subgrantees, and Nonprofit entities
Status	Open. Application closes 1/5/2024
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$25 million
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Energy Auditor Training and Grant Program	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	A competitive grant program that will provide grants to eligible States to train individuals to conduct energy audits or surveys of commercial and residential buildings to build the clean energy workforce, save customers money on their energy bills, and reduce pollution from building energy use.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • State Energy Offices
Targeting	Clean energy workforce development
Status	Closed, to open soon
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$40 million
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Clean Energy Innovator Fellowship	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	Fellows, who are recent graduates and energy professionals, spend up to two years supporting the work of eligible host organizations, which include electric public utility commissions, municipal and cooperative utilities, and grid operators, such as regional transmission organizations or independent system operators. The goal of the program is to increase access to clean energy career opportunities across the country and accelerate the national transition to resilient and affordable clean energy.
Eligible Participants	<p>Eligible hosts: electric public utility commissions, municipal utilities, rural electric cooperatives, and grid operators, such as independent system operators or regional transmission organizations.</p> <p>The fellowship is open to recent bachelor's, master's, and doctoral graduates or mid-career professionals in fields relevant to electricity generation, transmission, or distribution.</p>
Targeting	Rural communities
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Sustainable Wastewater Infrastructure of the Future Accelerator (SWIFt)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Sustainable Wastewater Infrastructure of the Future Accelerator (SWIFt) will work over three years with state, regional, and local agencies that are engaging with water resource recovery facilities in their jurisdiction to accelerate a pathway toward a sustainable infrastructure. The Sustainable Wastewater Infrastructure of the Future (SWIFt) Accelerator work (has worked) with water resource recovery facilities to accelerate a pathway toward sustainable infrastructure. SWIFt aimed to catalyze the adoption of innovative and best-practice approaches in data management, advanced technologies, and financing for infrastructure improvement. Partners sought to improve the energy efficiency of their participating water resource recovery facilities by at least 25% and integrate at least one resource recovery measure.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	State, regional, and local agencies that are engaging with water resource recovery facilities in their jurisdiction.
<i>Status</i>	Resource available for use.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Learn more here .

Sustainable Corrections Accelerator (SCIP)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
<i>Category</i>	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Better Buildings Sustainable Corrections Infrastructure Partnership (SCIP) Accelerator will work over three years with state and federal agencies to strive for portfolio-wide energy savings of 20% and collective cost savings of more than \$250 million a year. Accelerator partners will demonstrate solutions leveraging energy and water efficiency, renewable energy, and storage technologies to reduce operating and maintenance costs in public correctional facilities while maintaining facility security and resilience and developing the workforce and economies of surrounding communities.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Public, commercial, industrial and residential organizations
<i>Status</i>	Resources available online for use.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Learn more here .

Energy Transitions Initiative Partnership Project (ETIPP)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Transitions Initiative Partnership Project (ETIPP) works alongside remote and island communities seeking to transform their energy systems and increase energy resilience. Island and remote communities have unique physical features that fundamentally shape what energy options they have available. ETIPP helps communities to assess and advance the solutions that best meet their needs.
Eligible Participants	ETIPP defines remote and island communities as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remote communities are isolated from population centers and, as a result, have limited access to centralized energy systems. • Island communities are isolated from the mainland by waterways.
Targeting	Affordable, reliable, clean energy for remote communities
Status	The ETIPP 2023 application period is closed. Sign-up for NREL's State, Local, and Tribal newsletter to receive alerts about the next ETIPP application period.
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Solar Energy Innovation Network (SEIN)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The Solar Energy Innovation Network is a collaborative program launched by the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Energy Technologies Office and administered by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). The Innovation Network brings together diverse teams of stakeholders to research solutions to real-world challenges associated with solar energy adoption, laying the groundwork for implementation of those solutions – and replication in other areas facing similar issues.</p> <p>SEIN seeks to overcome barriers to solar adoption by connecting teams of stakeholders that are pioneering new ideas with the resources they need to succeed.</p> <p>Teams that participate in SEIN receive support from U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) national laboratories and participate in peer-to-peer learning with other teams that are tackling similar challenges. These teams are developing and documenting their solutions for solar adoption with scale in mind, so that others can adapt those solutions to their own contexts.</p>
Eligible Participants	Communities and organizations seeking to deploy solar in their communities.
Targeting	Solar energy deployment
Status	Application closed. Direct questions to the Solar Energy Innovation Network team .
Application Requirement	Direct questions to the Solar Energy Innovation Network team .
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Interconnection Innovation e-Xchange (i2X) Technical Assistance	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
<i>Category</i>	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	This is a stakeholder partnership to enable a simpler, faster, and fairer interconnection process for clean energy resources while enhancing the reliability, resiliency, and security of our electric grid. The program is led by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Solar Energy Technologies Office (SETO) and Wind Energy Technologies Office (WETO), funded under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	US-based organization facing direct interconnect-related challenges. Include but are not limited to electric utilities; grid operators; transmission owners; solar, storage, and wind industries; state, local, tribal, and territorial governments; electricity regulation organizations; engineering research organizations; advocacy nonprofits; and other relevant non-utility electric organizations.
<i>Status</i>	Upcoming. More information will be available soon.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact DOE.

Clean Energy to Communities (C2C)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>A program that connects local governments, electric utilities, community-based groups, and others with experts from across the DOE national laboratory complex and their customized, cutting-edge analysis. Through unbiased technical support to communities across the country, C2C accelerates the deployment of clean energy systems that are reflective of local and regional priorities.</p> <p>C2C provides three levels of engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-depth technical partnerships: Multi-year partnerships that provide cross-sector modeling, analysis, and validation, paired with direct funding to help 4-5* selected teams of local governments, electric utilities, and community-based organizations reach their goals and/or overcome specific challenges. • Peer-learning cohorts: Small groups of local governments, electric utilities, or community-based organizations that meet regularly for approximately 6 months to learn from each other and lab experts in a collaborative environment to develop program proposals, action plans, strategies, and/or best practices on a pre-determined clean energy topic. Cohorts will include approximately 100* communities total. • Expert match: Short-term assistance (40-60 hours) with one or more technical experts to help address near-term clean energy questions or challenges for up to 200* communities.
Eligible Participants	Community teams composed of local governments, community-based organizations, and utilities.
Targeting	Accelerating deployment of clean energy technologies
Status	Closed/upcoming. To receive email updates about the C2C program, complete and submit the sign-up form .
Application Requirement	Vary across levels of engagement.
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Clean Energy for Low-Income Communities Accelerator (CELICA)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Better Buildings Initiative
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	<p>Partnership that produced toolkits that provides materials to help program administrators reduce energy burden for low-income communities by enhancing and expanding upon work funded through utility, state, or federal programs. CELICA is part of the Better Building Initiative Accelerators.</p> <p>The Low-income Energy Affordability Data (LEAD) Tool is designed to help states, communities and other stakeholders create better energy strategies and programs by improving their understanding of low-income housing and energy characteristics. The LEAD Tool provides interactive state, city, and county level graphs, and data, by household income level, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Characteristics • Heating Fuel Type • Average Annual Energy Expenditure • Average Energy Burden
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Energy burdened, low-income communities
<i>Targeting</i>	Low income communities
<i>Status</i>	Online resource available.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Learn more here .

State and Local Energy Efficiency Action Network (SEE Action)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	The State and Local Energy Efficiency Action Network (SEE Action) was a state- and local-led effort facilitated by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) composed of more than 200 leaders from state and local governments, associations, businesses, non-government organizations, and their partners working toward a goal of achieving all cost-effective energy efficiency. SEE Action offers resources and publications to state and local decision makers as they provide low-cost, reliable energy to their communities through energy efficiency.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments
Status	Resources available online.
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Waste-to-Energy Technical Assistance for Local Governments	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	Given various waste streams require local solutions to various aspects of their management or disposal, this technical assistance program provides municipalities with the most relevant data to help with decision making. The data from this program can help communities evaluate the most sensible end-uses for their waste, such as repurposing for: on-site heat/power, transportation fuels, nutrient recovery, or other options. BETO will provide subject matter assistance to municipalities on topics, including: Waste resource information; Infrastructure considerations; Techno-economic comparison energy and resource recovery options; Evaluation and sharing of case studies (to the extent possible) from similar communities/projects; and Equity assessments.
Eligible Participants	All U.S. municipalities and counties in the lower 48 states, Alaska, Hawaii, and U.S. territories, as well as Tribal governments.
Targeting	Bioenergy deployment
Status	Closed. To receive updates about future technical assistance opportunities, contact the WTE Technical Assistance Team .
Application Requirement	Yes.
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Technical Assistance for the Adoption of Building Energy Codes	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of State and Community Energy Programs
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provides \$1 billion for states and local governments with the authority to adopt building codes and standards to lead the way with innovative approaches to decarbonization that may impact the entirety of the commercial and residential building stocks. Codes are typically used to “raise the floor,” but this opportunity lets jurisdictions take innovative approaches to decarbonizing their new and renovated buildings through the adoption of the latest model energy codes, zero energy codes, or other standards with equivalent energy savings, like a building performance standard. Codes and standards supported under this opportunity are cross-cutting and will create more inclusive programs that align with the Administration’s Justice40 priorities and will build capacity at the state and local level.
Eligible Participants	States or units of local governments with code making authority to adopt updated building energy codes, zero energy codes, or equivalent codes or standards.
Targeting	Building efficiency
Status	Upcoming
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$1 billion
How to get in touch	Contact DOE.

Building Energy Codes Program (BECP)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>This programs' mission is to support building energy code development, adoption, implementation and enforcement processes to achieve the maximum practicable, cost-effective improvements in energy efficiency while providing safe, healthy buildings for occupants. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is directed to participate in industry processes to develop model building energy codes, issue determinations as to whether updated codes result in energy savings, and provide technical assistance to states to implement and comply with the codes. BECP fills these roles by working closely with energy efficiency organizations, code development bodies, building design and construction representatives, the code enforcement community, product manufacturers, and the general public. BECP activities are also a key component of the DOE Building Technologies Office (BTO) vision of a United States in which buildings use the minimum amount of energy required for occupant activities and comfort.</p>
Eligible Participants	States and local code enforcement jurisdictions adopt, upgrade, implement, and enforce their residential and commercial building energy codes.
Targeting	Building efficiency
Status	Resource available online.
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Grid Solutions Program	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Grid Deployment Office, and Office of Electricity
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	This program seeks to tackle planning and market design challenges head-on by providing holistic solutions to address key grid challenges before they become major obstacles for the deployment of clean energy and infrastructure technologies. This program focuses on solving cutting-edge challenges and supporting the institutional innovators and industry leaders who are looking to address them. Through this program, DOE will work hand-in-hand with stakeholders through a variety of mechanisms (workshops, conferences, advisory committees, etc.) to proactively identify key challenges, jointly develop solutions (new data, methodology, tools, guidelines, training materials, and other forms of technical assistance), pilot ideas in the real world, disseminate best practices, and facilitate peer learning.
Eligible Participants	Regulators, state officials, utilities, and planners.
Targeting	Electricity transmission barriers.
Status	Resources available online
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Building America Solution Center	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	The Building America Solution Center provides access to expert information on hundreds of high-performance construction topics, including air sealing and insulation, HVAC components, windows, indoor air quality, and much more.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeowners, contractors, builders, renovators, inspectors, code officials, and other building professionals
<i>Targeting</i>	Clean energy stakeholders
<i>Status</i>	Resources available online
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Better Buildings Toolkits	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Better Buildings Initiative
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>Better Buildings toolkits provide guidance, resources, and proven best practices for overcoming common barriers to financing, technology implementation, data management, and more.</p> <p>Toolkits are grouped by decarbonization, energy data management, financing, lighting, renewables, and space conditioning.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Municipalities, cities, and public entities
Targeting	Building efficiency stakeholders.
Status	Resources available online
How to get in touch	More information here .

Better Buildings Residential Program Solution Center	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	The Residential Program Guide is a repository for key lessons, resources, and knowledge collected from the experience of these efforts. It is intended to help program administrators and their partners plan, operate, and evaluate residential energy efficiency programs.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program administrators • Industry experts/partners
<i>Targeting</i>	Building efficiency
<i>Status</i>	Resources available online
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Learn more here .

Clean Cities Coalition Network	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>The Clean Cities Coalition Network connects transportation stakeholders with objective information and experts to assist with alternative fuels, fuel economy improvements, and emerging transportation technologies. Coalitions serve as the foundation of Clean Cities by implementing transportation projects in communities across the country.</p> <p>Clean Cities efforts include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing unbiased and objective information resources covering alternative fuels, advanced vehicles, new mobility choices, and other strategies that improve transportation efficiency and reduce costs • Maintaining interactive, data-driven online tools to help stakeholders evaluate options and achieve goals • Using robust processes to collect and maintain relevant data sets to inform transportation decision making • Providing technical assistance to help fleets deploy alternative fuels, advanced vehicles, and fuel-saving measures
Eligible Participants	Public-private partnerships comprised of businesses, fuel providers, vehicle fleets, state and local governments, and community organizations.
Targeting	Electric vehicle deployment.
Status	Open
How to get in touch	More information here .

Hydropower Resource Assessment and Characterization	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	The Water Power Program is committed to helping identify new opportunities for developing renewable energy resources at a theoretical and technical level, while also providing many different types of useful data and information that can be used by developers, regulators and other stakeholders to determine practical potential and make informed siting decisions.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Hydropower developers, state, local and tribal governments.
<i>Targeting</i>	Developers, regulators and other stakeholders
<i>Status</i>	Resources available online.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information here .

Low-Income Energy Affordability Data (LEAD)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	State and Community Energy Program
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	<p>The Low-Income Energy Affordability Data (LEAD) is an online, interactive platform that allows users to understand and compare the cost of energy relative to income, also known as the energy burden, for various geographic regions, including census tracts, cities, counties, states, or the entire United States, and now Tribal boundaries.</p> <p>The Low-Income Energy Affordability Data (LEAD) Tool (housed in the State and Local Solution Center) was created to help stakeholders understand housing and energy characteristics for low- and moderate-income households. Using data, maps, and graphs from the LEAD Tool, stakeholders can make data-driven decisions when planning for their energy goals.</p>
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Available to the public
<i>Targeting</i>	State, local, or tribal governments, and utilities.
<i>Status</i>	Website tool—always available.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information here .

State and Local Planning for Energy (SLOPE)	
Agency	Department of Energy
Bureau	State and Community Energy Program
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>SLOPE is a tool to enable more data-driven state and local energy planning by integrating dozens of distinct sources of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and sustainable transportation data and analyses into an easy-to-access online platform that more effectively supports state and local energy planning and decision making. SLOPE includes two distinct tools to support jurisdictions' planning needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scenario Planner: Compare scenarios for the future of energy, costs, and emissions for counties and states. • Data Viewer: Explore city, county, and state data on renewables, efficiency, and transportation.
Eligible Participants	Available to public
Targeting	Deployment of renewable energy, energy efficiency improvements, electricity demand management.
Status	Ongoing and available online.
How to get in touch	More information here .

Renewable Energy Siting Through Technical Engagement and Planning (R-STEP)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Energy
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information
<i>Description</i>	<p>By supporting state-based siting programs that serve as a resource to their local areas, R-STEP aims to help communities better plan for and meaningfully engage in the development of renewable energy projects. This effort will accelerate renewable energy deployment while improving outcomes for host communities, especially disadvantaged communities, local governments, and renewable energy developers. R-STEP also aims to become a flagship program for convening, information sharing, and supporting the expansion of state-based renewable energy planning, siting, and permitting programs.</p> <p>To achieve these objectives, R-STEP funds state-based siting programs, provides technical assistance, creates opportunities for state-to-state engagement, and broadly disseminates information including best practices.</p>
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Available to public.
<i>Targeting</i>	Deployment of renewable energy, siting and permitting, engagement with Tribes and communities.
<i>Status</i>	Open
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information here .

Federal Emergency Management Administration TA Programs

Building Resilience Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) Direct Technical Assistance	
Agency	Federal Emergency Management Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	This Direct Technical Assistance (DTA) was originally developed to offer hands-on technical assistance for lower capacity communities that did not have the capacity or capability to apply for a grant. The program was established based on stakeholder feedback that was provided to FEMA in 2019 regarding the development of the BRIC program. In the first year (2020), eight communities were selected with an additional twenty communities in 2021 to assist with capacity building in preparation for completing and submitting a BRIC application. DTA is focused on capability and capacity building at the local level, addressing climate change impacts, designing holistic solutions, community engagement, partnership building, and implementing projects.
Eligible Participants	Participants are communities and tribes who request and re chosen for BRIC DTA. The Administrator’s Office selects communities recommended by the BRIC Program Office.
Targeting	Equity considerations are a key element of the selection process for participants. The community engagement element of BRIC DTA is centered around equity. Inclusive planning is also a key element of BRIC DTA. Potential solutions are evaluated to assess their impacts on vulnerable populations. BRIC as a program has a priority to deliver at least 40% of its program benefits to disadvantaged populations.
Status	Program is accessible to new participants seeking technical assistance
Application Requirement	Yes. Applicants complete a webform to apply and are selected based on need and equity concerns. Regions first rank and prioritize requests with State input; then, HQ consolidates and finalizes the rankings for leadership concurrence.
Budget	2023: \$30m, 2024: \$45m
How to get in touch	Contact FEMA.

Grants Management Technical Assistance	
Agency	Federal Emergency Management Administration
Bureau	Emergency Management Institute
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	The Grants Management Technical Assistance training (E/L/K 705 course) covers the life cycle of a federal grant. The course, offered in-person and virtually, is designed to help participants improve their grants management skills from pre-award to closeout. The goal of the program is to improve participants' knowledge on the fundamentals of grants management so they can apply the knowledge in their field and be better equipped to apply or manage federal grant funding.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • NGOs
Targeting	Priority is given to certain entities, such as Tribal Nations, or those who are identified as having grants management challenges.
Status	Program is accessible to new participants seeking Technical Assistance.
Application Requirement	Interested participants can apply through the Emergency Management Institute website and they are selected based on their ability to participate in either the in-person or virtual course offerings.
How to get in touch	Contact FEMA.

Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation	
<i>Agency</i>	Federal Emergency Management Administration
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA, Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Description</i>	FEMA’s Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) experts provide specialized guidance and practical long-term planning assistance to communities across the county to ensure that proposed projects align with environmental planning and preservation requirements.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Applicants and subapplicants; FEMA programs; federal interagency EHP stakeholders; State Local, Tribal, and Territorial (SLTT) private nonprofit cultural resource organizations
<i>Status</i>	The program is accessible to new participants seeking technical Assistance
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Revolving Loan Fund (STORM RLF)	
Agency	Federal Emergency Management Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>FEMA will provide technical assistance (TA) to support eligible entities during the capitalization grant application process as well as provide ongoing support for entity revolving loan funds related to programmatic requirements. TA can be leveraged to meet all application requirements, including an applicant’s Intended Use Plan and Project Proposal List. Additionally, FEMA will support participating entities with understanding performance reporting requirements and performing Environmental and Historic Preservation reviews.</p> <p>FEMA’s goal is to ensure that interested entities can easily and efficiently access program information, ensure the program’s TA approach is multifaceted and can adapt to changing needs as entities engage with the program throughout its lifecycle is critical to its success.</p> <p>By offering eligible entities direct TA throughout the grant application and award process, the program can help stakeholders align efforts to build and share resources in a more effective and efficient manner to support hazard mitigation efforts across the Nation. Providing TA will also allow FEMA to partner with entities and understand their process for entity loan fund management and loan implementation – beyond self-reporting and programmatic requirements – and help nurture an equitable program that meets the needs of underserved communities and low-income geographic areas.</p>
Eligible Participants	Any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands , and Tribal Nations having received a direct major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. Local communities are eligible to apply to a state once it has established its revolving loan program.
Status	Accessible to new participants seeking TA and other relevant information. As the program matures and evolves, FEMA will continue to develop and provide new TA opportunities and resources.
How to get in touch	More information available here or contact FEMA .

Department of Health and Human Services TA Programs

HHS Office of Climate Change and Health Equity Support for the Health Sector	
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services
Bureau	Office of Climate Change and Health Equity
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>The Department of Health and Human Services Office of Climate Change and Health Equity (OCCHE) has identified key Inflation Reduction Act opportunities for health providers to become more sustainable, more energy efficient, and more resilient to climate hazards. Those opportunities are published in a regularly-updated resource called the Quickfinder for Leveraging the Inflation Reduction Act for the Health Sector. OCCHE also provides webinars with subject matter experts exploring each opportunity in more detail. OCCHE continues to provide updates on key programs through OCCHE Alerts and to spread awareness of these programs and advice for potential applicants through meetings and webinars in partnership with safety-net provider associations, state and local governments, and individual providers.</p> <p>The White House and OCCHE held virtual convenings with government experts, financial organizations, philanthropies, developers, health providers, and provider associations about how the health sector can best leverage the IRA in early September 2023.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments, • Health care providers and suppliers
Targeting	OCCHE does emphasize opportunities for Justice40 communities in the Quickfinder and in presentations and webinars. OCCHE also targets providers and associations that serve as the country’s health “safety-net” (i.e. providers who care for historically underserved and often uninsured populations) in all outreach.
Status	Ongoing
How to get in touch	The Quickfinder is available here . The webinar series is available here . Contact OCCHE HHS.

Department of Housing and Urban Development TA Programs

Distressed Cities and Persistent Poverty Technical Assistance - HUD Exchange	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Housing and Urban Development
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Distressed Cities and Persistent Poverty Technical Assistance provides technical assistance directly to entities serving smaller communities with populations under 50,000. The technical assistance offered through this program focuses on improving local governments' internal capabilities, financial management practices, strategy and planning ability, ability to implement community plans, (e.g. housing, economy, disaster, climate resilience), and ability to access funding streams and other resources. The technical assistance provided is tailored to the local governments receiving technical assistance.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-profit organizations • For-profit organizations • Small businesses • Institutions of higher education
<i>Status</i>	Available to eligible participants by application
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Green and Resilient Retrofit Program	
Agency	Department of Housing and Urban Development
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p><i>GRRP</i> provided funds to improve the housing quality and resilience of certain existing HUD-assisted multifamily properties for residents through loans and grants to facilitate utility-saving, decarbonization, and climate hazard mitigating investments. These investments in American communities will also help combat the climate crisis and support equitable economic development. HUD has made <i>GRRP</i> funds available in separately published NOFOs.</p> <p>To support prospective applicants in accessing <i>GRRP</i> funds, HUD has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed the program so that there are opportunities to participate for property owners of all capacity and experience levels • Developed web-based, accessible training materials at www.hud.gov/grrp • Manages an inbox grrp@hud.gov • Holds weekly, open office hours where prospective applicants can ask any program-related questions to a panel of experts
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private owners of HUD-assisted rental housing (Section 8 Project-based rental assistance, Section 202 Housing for the Elderly, and Section 811) serving very-low-income families
Targeting	Entities exclusively serving HUD-assisted rental housing (Section 8 Project based rental assistance, Section 202 Housing for the Elderly, and Section 811) housing for persons with disabilities.
Status	Prospective participants may continue to access technical assistance to support their decision-making and approach to participation in the Green and Resilient Retrofit Program
How to get in touch	Contact HUD. More information is available here .

Department of the Interior TA Programs

Tribal Climate Resilience: Regional Climate Resilience Coordinators	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of the Interior
<i>Bureau</i>	Bureau of Indian Affairs
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Bureau of Indian Affairs has Regional Climate Resilience Coordinators to better facilitate in-person technical assistance needs. Regional Climate Resilience Coordinators and staff advisors collaborate directly with Tribes and Tribal Organizations to (1) advise on matters related to climate resilience for natural resources programs and initiatives; (2) assist in coordinating cross-cutting efforts, including youth, environmental justice, and ocean and coastal management issues; and (3) serve as project monitors and technical support to Tribal Climate Resilience awardees, and (4) update, finalize, and implement the regional climate action plans. These Regional Coordinators significantly increase the Bureau’s capacity to address Tribal climate resilience priorities and support Tribal nations in need of technical support.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Federally recognized Tribes and Tribal organizations
<i>Targeting</i>	TCR Regional Climate Resilience Coordinators and staff advisors conduct outreach to Tribes through a variety of events and notifications to leadership and program staff about the current annual awards program and available technical assistance opportunities.
<i>Status</i>	Open
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Tribal Electrification	
Agency	Department of the Interior
Bureau	Bureau of Indian Affairs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	The Office of Indian Economic Development has developed and contracted technical assistance for Tribal Electrification Program (TEP) including services to help Tribes apply for and implement electrification and/or transition to clean energy zero emissions for residential applications. These services include technical assistance to the Tribal project manager, performance monitoring, documentation, and progress assessment for each TEP project they oversee. They will work alongside the TEP Program Manager and serve as the POC within awarding criteria and assist in verifying the use of awarded program funds. They will navigate a working relationship between tribes and utility providers and report at least quarterly on progress adhering to zero emission mandates. To ensure needs and gaps are addressed, they will regularly engage stakeholders.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federally recognized Indian Tribes – Tribal Governments • Tribal Organizations authorized by Indian Tribal Governments • Alaska Natives and ANCs • Tribal coalitions • Tribal entities
Status	Tribal Electrification Program technical assistance is available upon request for all TEP applicants throughout the application process and implementation.
How to get in touch	Contact DOI or more information is available here .

Ecosystem - Fish and Wildlife Restoration	
Agency	Department of the Interior
Bureau	Fish and Wildlife Service
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Fish and Wildlife Service will provide \$18.5M in support of the National Fish Passage Program to restore rivers and conserve our nation's aquatic resources by removing or bypassing in-stream barriers. The program provides both financial and technical assistance to complete projects that improve fish passage. Program biologists and engineers are available to provide support in the planning, design, implementation, and monitoring of select fish passage projects. The NFPP is a voluntary program that provides direct technical assistance to partners to remove barriers to restore aquatic organism passage and aquatic connectivity. The NFPP is delivered through the Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program (FAC) across all States and territories. FAC staff coordinate with project partners, stakeholders, and other Service programs to identify and collaboratively implement projects within regional priority areas.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal agencies • States • Tribes • Private landowners • Local municipalities • Non-governmental organizations • Others
Targeting	NFPP seeks to coordinate on species and watershed priorities with Tribes and states and engage with disadvantaged communities to provide watershed benefits.
Status	The NFPP is a voluntary program that provides direct technical assistance to partners upon request to remove barriers to restore aquatic organism passage and aquatic connectivity. The NFPP is delivered through the Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program (FAC) across all States and territories. FAC staff coordinate with project partners, stakeholders, and other Service programs to identify and collaboratively implement projects within regional priority areas.
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Office of Insular Affairs Technical Assistance Program	
Agency	Department of the Interior
Bureau	Office of Insular Affairs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Office of Insular Affairs Technical Assistance Program provides grant funding for short-term projects and capacity building intended to meet the immediate needs of the insular areas. Funding priorities include, but are not limited to, projects that foster the development of insular area communities in the following categories: Accountability, financial management (including grant application, administration & management), economic development, education, energy production, management control initiatives, disaster assistance, natural and cultural resources, capacity building, public safety/emergencies, information technology, health initiatives and health IT systems, and invasive species management
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insular Area local governments • non-profits for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia
Targeting	The programs are targeted to the U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States, representing the Pacific and Caribbean regions
Status	The program is active and provides technical assistance to governments and non-profit organizations that serve the aforementioned insular areas.
Application Requirement	Yes. The Office of Insular Affairs accepts proposals through an annual NOFO published on grants.gov.
Budget	\$22 million in FY 23
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Office of Insular Affairs Climate Change Technical Assistance Program	
Agency	Department of the Interior
Bureau	Office of Insular Affairs
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Climate Change Technical Assistance program, funded through the Inflation Reduction Act, provides OIA with \$15 million to support projects in the U.S. Territories related to climate change planning, mitigation, adaptation, and/or resilience.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local/territorial governments of American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands • Educational institutions in Puerto Rico are also eligible
Targeting	The programs are targeted to the U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States, representing the Pacific and Caribbean regions
Status	Funding for American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands has already been awarded. The program will no longer be accepting applications for projects in Puerto Rico beyond September 30, 2023.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$15 million in FY23
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Native Hawaiian Climate Resilience	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of the Interior
<i>Bureau</i>	Office of Native Hawaiian Relations
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Federal Funding for TA
<i>Description</i>	The purpose of the Office’s Native Hawaiian Climate Resilience Program is to enhance the ability of the Native Hawaiian Community to cope with the effects of climate change by taking actions, responding to or evolving in ways that maintain the integrity and identity of the NHC while also maintaining the capacity for learning, adaptation, and transformation.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Native Hawaiian Organizations
<i>Targeting</i>	Native Hawaiian Organizations that operate and serve rural, communities across the State and/or provide essential traditional cultural, social, and environmental stewardship services.
<i>Status</i>	NOFO for grants and cooperative agreements to Native Hawaiian Organizations are currently being developed and estimated to be issued in November 2023.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Surface Mining Reclamation Technical Assistance	
Agency	Department of the Interior
Bureau	Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement (OSMRE)
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>The Department of the Interior has developed a training curriculum to educate new and existing Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement employees and State/Tribal staff about the BIL statutory provisions and policy guidance for the Abandoned Mine Land Program. This new training course complements the existing core of technical training courses that are specific to reclamation technologies and conducting environmental reviews. The two technical training programs within the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement – Technical Innovation and Professional Services (TIPS) and the National Technical Training Program (NTTP) –collaborated on this effort to develop a Bipartisan Infrastructure Law hybrid training curriculum (i.e., virtual and in-person) for delivery to State/Tribal staff. The collaborative effort between the Technical Innovation and Professional Services and National Technical Training Program resulted in the development of four introductory self-paced online courses (Introduction to SMCRA and BIL AML, Introduction to e-AMLIS, Overview of National Environmental Policy Act Fundamentals, and Overview of AML Reclamation Plans) and one advanced virtual instructor-led course (Advanced e-AMLIS).</p>
Eligible Participants	Eligible States and Tribes with an approved Abandoned Mine Lands program
Targeting	OSMRE’s Regional staff conduct quarterly meetings with Tribal AML Program partners to offer support (including technical support) wherever needed.
Status	The introductory self-paced curriculum is available on DOI Talent and can be accessed by OSMRE, State, Tribal and other government agency personnel. The advanced virtual instructor-led course is available upon request.
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Native American Affairs Technical Assistance Program (Water)	
Agency	Department of the Interior
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	Reclamation's Native American Affairs Technical Assistance Program provides technical assistance to assist Indian Tribes to develop, manage, and protect their water and related resources. The program has supported a broad range of activities each year since its inception in the early 1990s. Such activities have included water needs assessments, improved water management studies, water quality data collection and assessments, and water measurement studies.
Eligible Participants	Tribal governments
Targeting	Reclamation staff in regional and area offices outreach to Tribes to notify leadership and program staff about funding and other assistance. Reclamation technical staff also provide studies, models, planning and design in support of Tribal water development, management, and protection efforts.
Status	The program is active and provides technical assistance to federally recognized Indian Tribes in Reclamation's 17 western states. Reclamation invites Tribes to submit proposals through an annual NOFO published on grants.gov. Reclamation also works directly with Tribes to formulate projects, special initiatives and to respond to emergency needs.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$8 million annually
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Department of Labor TA Programs

WorkforceGPS	
Agency	Department of Labor
Bureau	Employment and Training Administration (ETA)
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information
Description	<p>WorkforceGPS, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor's (Department's) Employment and Training Administration (ETA), is an on-line interactive communications and learning platform designed to build the capacity of the workforce development system. Workforce development professionals, educators, business leaders and other strategic partners will find curated communities of interest, live and archived webinars and other training resources, promising workforce development practices on sector-based training, work-based learning and apprenticeships and other relevant evidence-based research. WorkforceGPS supplements other technical assistance provided by the ETA's national and regional staff to build the capacity of the workforce investment system to successfully meet the employment needs of America's workforce and employers.</p>
Eligible Participants	Developed for workforce professionals, educators, and business leaders, and open to the public
Targeting	WorkforceGPS has learning communities targeted to serving specific underserved populations including workers with disabilities, opportunity youth, Indians and Native Americans, justice involved individuals, older workers, opportunity youth, and others.
Status	WorkforceGPS resources are open to the public.
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Registered Apprenticeship (RA) Technical Assistance (TA) Centers of Excellence	
Agency	Department of Labor
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Educational and Information, Direct TA
Description	<p>In partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship, the RA TA Centers of Excellence are designated entities that provide technical expertise and services on a national scale to key Registered Apprenticeship program stakeholders and customers to accelerate and support Registered Apprenticeship program expansion. The RA TA Centers develop best practices, success stories, toolkits, and written resources to assist Registered Apprenticeship stakeholders and customers. The RA TA Centers deliver comprehensive technical assistance to the Registered Apprenticeship community on a national scale to foster increased participation of underrepresented populations being served in Registered Apprenticeship programs. The RA TA Centers support national goals including the transparency, usability, and portability of Registered Apprenticeship standards; the overall expansion and modernization of Registered Apprenticeship programs; system alignment of Registered Apprenticeship programs and other WIOA-funded programs; and data integrity.</p> <p>The four TA Centers of Excellence are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility RA TA Center – Jobs for the Future (JFF). This RA TA Center provides strategies and customized support to employers, education providers, intermediaries, and government entities to drive diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) in Registered Apprenticeships. • Data and Performance and Best Practices RA TA Center - The Council for State Governments (CSG). This RA TA Center 1) conducts data analysis, 2) creates data visualizations that aid in decision-making, 3) provides one-on-one TA to grantees in data collection, preparation, and submission and 4) develops resources that promote Registered Apprenticeship alignment and expansion. • Strategic Partnerships and System Alignment RA TA Center – Safal Partners. This RA TA Center accelerates national scaling of apprenticeship by building and sustaining partnerships that support system alignment with the nation’s workforce and education systems.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occupations and Standards RA TA Center - Urban Institute. This RA TA Center develops Registered Apprenticeship Program frameworks (competency-based, hybrid, and other innovative models), national Registered Apprenticeship Program standards, and supports industry in meeting Registered Apprenticeship Program design and development requirements.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employers • Education Providers • Apprenticeship Intermediaries • State, Local, Territory, and Tribal Governments • Other Registered Apprenticeship Program Stakeholders
<i>Targeting</i>	Registered Apprenticeship program stakeholders. TA is national in scope.
<i>Status</i>	Registered Apprenticeship program stakeholders can access RA TA Center TA resources at no cost.
<i>Budget</i>	\$30,995,940 (awarded up front for a period of performance from 2021 – 2025)
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Occupational and Safety Health Administration (OSHA) Susan Harwood Training Grant Program	
Agency	Department of Labor
Bureau	Occupational and Safety Health Administration (OSHA)
Category	Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA Federal Compliance
Description	The Susan Harwood Training Grant Program funds development and delivery of trainings on workplace safety and worker rights under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act). This funding is split among three topic areas: building organizational capacity for training, creating new training materials, and providing targeted training on certain workplace safety and health topics.
Eligible Participants	Nonprofit organizations, community colleges, and tribal entities are Harwood grantees, and they provide technical assistance to small businesses and workers in high-hazard or high-fatality occupations and industries, although the audiences for grant-supported projects varies among funding opportunities.
Targeting	Tribal organizations are among the eligible grantees for this program.
Status	Open and ongoing.
Application Requirement	Applications are required for grants but not necessarily required to receive services by grantees.
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) On-Site Consultation Program	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Labor
<i>Category</i>	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	OSHA's On-Site Consultation Program provides no-cost, confidential occupational safety and health assistance to small- and medium-sized employers
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	Small- and medium-sized employers
<i>Status</i>	Available and ongoing
<i>Application Requirement</i>	This is an OSHA Cooperative Agreement managed through State Agencies. An application is required for the State Agency to receive grant funding, but an application is not required to receive an On-Site Consultation Visit
<i>Budget</i>	Approximately \$63 million
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Grant	
Agency	Department of Labor
Bureau	Women's Bureau
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) grant helps to expand pathways for women to enter and lead in all industries by recruiting, mentoring, training, and retaining more women in quality pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs. Since 2017, the Women's Bureau has awarded nearly \$15 million to 27 community-based organizations throughout the country that help women pursue apprenticeships and provide technical assistance to employers and labor unions to support women in apprenticeships and nontraditional occupations. Through quality apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs, women have access to sustainable, successful, and high-paying careers in industries such as manufacturing, infrastructure, cybersecurity, and healthcare.</p> <p>Organizations receiving funds will provide one or more of the following types of technical assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing pre-apprenticeship or nontraditional skills training programs to prepare women for those careers; • Providing ongoing orientations for employers, unions, and workers on creating a successful environment for women to succeed in those careers; and • Setting up support groups, facilitating networks, or providing support services for women to improve their retention.
Eligible Participants	Community-based organizations
Targeting	Since 2021, WANTO gives priority to organizations that have served as an equity intermediary in the past and who propose to focus on expanding outreach/recruitment to historically underrepresented communities including but not limited to women of color and women with disabilities, women at or below the federal poverty line, justice-involved women, young women and girls who are opportunity youth, immigrant women, transgender women, and women who live in rural geographic areas.
Status	The fiscal year 23 FOA is currently closed and new CBOs will need to wait to apply for FY24 funding. Currently, WANTO has 2 active cohorts, FY21 and FY22, of 10 organizations providing TA.

<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	The Women's Bureau will award \$5M to seven community-based organizations (CBOs) in FY23
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact DOL and more information is available here .

Army Corps of Engineers TA Programs

Planning Assistance to States	
Agency	Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	The Army Corps of Engineers provides technical assistance to states, Tribes, local governments, and regional and interstate water resources authorities to assist them in their water resources planning efforts. This program enables Army Corps staff to assist them in their effort to understand and evaluate a specific water resources issue or on an interrelated set of such issues.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribes • Local governments • Regional and Interstate water resources authorities
Status	Requests for assistance can be made to a local USACE District at any time. Requests should be in the form of a letter than includes the location and nature of the problem to be investigated and should be submitted by a state, local government agency, or eligible Tribe.
Budget	\$25 million in FY24
How to get in touch	More information is available here .

Flood Plain Management Services	
<i>Agency</i>	Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information, Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Army Corps of Engineers provides technical assistance (information, analysis, guidance) to states, tribes and local communities that are taking, or considering, actions to improve their flood plain management; and to help inform the planning and implementation of actions at the state, tribal, and local levels to reduce their flood risk.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribes • Local governments
<i>Status</i>	Requests for assistance can be made to a local USACE District at any time. Requests should be in the form of a letter than includes the location and nature of the problem to be investigated and should be submitted by a state, local government agency, or eligible Tribe.
<i>Budget</i>	\$25 million in FY24
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Department of Agriculture TA Programs

USDA Forest Service Community Navigators	
Agency	Department of Agriculture
Bureau	Forest Service
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>Community Navigators are being established to assist communities and potential applicants in accessing the opportunities created by BIL and IRA funding. Community Navigators fulfill four functions in assisting communities with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identifying Forest Service BIL & IRA funding opportunities; 2. Providing guidance on completing grant and agreement applications; 3. Providing guidance on post-application financial and reporting compliance; and 1. 4. Training and capacity building to allow communities to conduct these functions on their own in the future.
Eligible Participants	Not a competitive process. Community Navigators are available to advise and support eligible applicants for Forest Service BIL & IRA programs. Eligibility varies by program and funding source.
Targeting	Historically underserved communities, rural communities at high risk of wildfire, small acreage landowners, Tribes and Indigenous people organizations, and new partners that have not previously worked with the Forest Service.
Status	Initial agreements with three partner organizations that will provide Navigator services were established in August 2023 and are standing up capacity and outreach activities now. Additional partner organization agreements and five Forest Service pilot Community Navigator positions will be established in FY24.
Budget	\$22 million in FY23, \$22 million in FY24
How to get in touch	For more information, contact USDA. More information on Coalitions and Collaboratives available here . More information on the Hispanic Access Foundation available here . More information on the Watershed Research & Training Center available here .

Broadband Technical Assistance	
Agency	Department of Agriculture
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law devotes approximately \$2 billion to the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Telecommunications Programs to offer loans, grants, and loan-grant combinations for high-speed internet infrastructure in rural communities. Through the Broadband Technical Assistance (BTA) Program, USDA will spend up to \$40 million on technical assistance and predevelopment planning for rural communities, including \$5 million in priority funding for technical assistance to establish and grow cooperatives to offer high-speed internet coverage. BTA provides financial assistance through cooperative agreements to eligible entities to receive or deliver broadband technical assistance and training and supports the development and expansion of broadband cooperatives.
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federally recognized Tribes and Tribal entities • State or local governments, including agencies and subdivisions, among others • Territories or possessions of the United States • Institutions of higher education (including 1862 Land-Grant Institutions, 1890 Land-Grant Institutions, 1994 Land-Grant Institutions, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, and Historically Black Colleges and Universities) • Nonprofit organizations with 501(c) (3) IRS status • Cooperatives or mutual organizations • Corporations • Limited Liability Companies or Limited Liability Partnerships
Targeting	Rural Communities
Status	Application window is currently closed. Additional funding opportunity anticipated in Fiscal Year 2024 (date TBD).
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	\$40 million apportioned over lifecycle of program
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Rural Energy for America Technical Assistance Grant Program	
Agency	Department of Agriculture
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The purpose of the REAP TAG Program is to enable applicants to provide technical assistance to Agricultural Producers and Rural Small Businesses applying to REAP, with priority for Applicants assisting distressed or disadvantaged communities and for Applicants pursuing projects using underutilized technologies or seeking grants under \$20,000. To meet this purpose, the Agency will make grants to eligible entities to provide services to assist potential REAP Applicants in submitting Complete Applications.
Eligible Participants	(1) A unit of State, Tribal, or local government; (2) A land-grant college or university, or other Institution of Higher Education; (3) An electric cooperative; (4) A Public Power Entity; (5) An Investor-owned utility; (6) A Council, as defined under the Resource Conservation and Development Program, at 16 U.S.C. 3451. (7) A Not-for-profit entity; (8) A For-profit entity; (9) A Sole proprietor business; (10) Other business entities (organized pursuant to Federal, State, or Tribal law)
Status	Application window closed August 15th, 2023
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	The USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) released a NOFO/FOA for a \$20M TA program to help farmers/ranchers apply for the \$2B in IRA REAP funding
How to get in touch	More information available here . To find your USDA RD State Office (RDSO) State Energy Coordinator, see here .

Conservation Technical Assistance Program (CTA)	
<i>Agency</i>	Department of Agriculture
<i>Bureau</i>	Natural Resources Conservation Service
<i>Category</i>	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Educational and Information, Direct TA
<i>Description</i>	The Conservation Technical Assistance Program equips farmers, ranchers, and forestland owners with the resources and trainings needed for conservation and restoration of their lands. In addition to planning assistance, the program also provides financial assistance to applicants.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farmers, ranches, forestland owners
<i>Status</i>	Resources can be accessed online
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Department of Commerce TA Programs

Broadband Equity Access and Deployment Grant Program	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program, appropriates \$42.45 billion for states, territories, the District of Columbia (D.C.), and Puerto Rico to utilize for broadband deployment, mapping, and adoption projects. Each state, D.C., and Puerto Rico will receive an initial allocation of \$100 million -- and \$100 million will be divided equally among the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands -- to support planning efforts including building capacity in state broadband offices and outreach and coordination with local communities. States, territories, D.C., and Puerto Rico will submit a 5-year action plan using the initial planning funds. The remaining funding will be distributed based on a formula that considers the number of unserved and high-cost locations in the state, based on the maps to be published by the Federal Communications Commission in 2022. The first priority for funding is for providing broadband to unserved areas (those below 25/3 Mbps), followed by underserved areas (those below 100/20 Mbps), and then serving community anchor institutions (1/1 Gbps).</p> <p>Leading up to submission of the Initial Proposal and Final Proposal and throughout the remainder of the process in post-award, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) will provide support and technical assistance on a one-to-many and one-to-one basis to help ensure that the eligible entity's proposals and funded projects fully meet the requirements of the Infrastructure Act and the goals of the program. This technical assistance will include iterative feedback on draft Initial Proposals, support with the subgrantee selection process and challenge process, and any additional help to ensure that the Final Proposal fully meets the requirements of the Infrastructure Act and the goals of the program.</p> <p>Once Final Proposals have been approved and eligible entities begin to initiate program activities, NTIA will work closely with the eligible</p>

	entities to monitor progress, troubleshoot, and provide technical assistance as necessary and appropriate. Additional assistance activities will include supporting sub-recipient monitoring efforts, project implementation success, promoting compliance with Federal requirements, and avoidance of waste, fraud, and abuse.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• States• Territories
<i>Status</i>	Participants in the program will continue to receive TA as they prepare Initial Proposals, and Final Proposals over the next 18 months
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

State Digital Equity Planning and Capacity Grant Programs	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The State Digital Equity Planning Grant Program is a \$60 million formula grant program for states and territories to develop digital equity plans. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides an additional \$1.44 billion through the State Digital Equity Capacity Grants in fiscal year 2022-26 to implement these digital equity plans.</p> <p>Leading up to submission of the initial proposal and throughout the remainder of the process, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) will provide support and technical assistance to help ensure that the eligible entity’s proposals fully meet the requirements of the Infrastructure Act and the goals of the Program.</p> <p>This technical assistance will include iterative feedback on draft Digital Equity Plans and subsequent Capacity grant applications. For post-award activities, including Digital Equity Plan development and Capacity program projects, NTIA will work closely with grantees monitor progress, troubleshoot, and provide technical assistance as necessary and appropriate.</p> <p>Additional assistance activities will include covered population engagement best practices, digital equity project implementation, measuring project impact and success, complying with grant requirements, and avoidance of waste, fraud, and abuse.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Territories • Tribal governments
Targeting	The Digital Equity Act Programs include a set-aside for Tribal governments of no less than five percent of available grant funds.
Status	NTIA is providing technical assistance to States and Territories in the development of their Digital Equity Plans. In Spring 2024, NTIA will launch its Digital Equity Capacity Grant program, which will making funding available to States, Territories, and Tribal governments.

<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	The Department of Commerce has \$50 million for the multi-year administration of all of its digital equity grant programs, in which a portion will be used to support technical assistance efforts over the lifecycle of the grant programs
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The Digital Equity Competitive Grant program is a \$1.25 billion discretionary grant to implement digital equity projects. Technical assistance during the pre-application phase will be provided on a one-to-many basis focusing on NOFO understanding and the application process to help ensure that the Eligible Entity’s proposals fully meet the requirements of the Infrastructure Act and the goals of the Program.</p> <p>Post-award, technical assistance will be provided on a one-to-many and one-to-one basis and will focus on grants compliance, project sustainability, project implementation best practices, and avoidance of waste, fraud, and abuse.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of a State • Tribes, Alaska Native entities, Native Hawaiian organizations • NGOs • Local educational agencies • Workforce development programs
Targeting	The Digital Equity Act Programs include a set-aside for Tribal governments of no less than five percent of available grant funds.
Status	NTIA intends to launch the Digital Equity Competitive Program by the Fall of 2024.
Application Requirement	Yes
Budget	The Department of Commerce has \$50 million for the multi-year administration of all of its digital equity grant programs, in which a portion will be used to support technical assistance efforts over the lifecycle of the grant programs
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program Technical Assistance	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program (TBCP) is a competitive grant program that provides \$3 billion (\$1B from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 and \$2B from BIL) to support broadband deployment on Tribal lands, as well as for telehealth, distance learning, broadband affordability, and digital inclusion initiatives for Tribal communities. Technical assistance during the pre-application phase will be provided on a one-to-many basis focusing on NOFO understanding and the application process to help ensure that the eligible entity’s proposals fully meet the requirements of the Infrastructure Act and the goals of the program.</p> <p>During application review, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) staff (14+) work intensively with the Tribal applicants to ensure NTIA’s understanding of the proposed project and application documents and to collect any missing or additional information required to make an award determination. This technical assistance will include iterative feedback on draft initial proposals, support with the subgrantee selection process, and any additional help to ensure that the final proposal fully meets the requirements of the Infrastructure Act and the goals of the program. When the final proposals have been approved and eligible entities begin to initiate program activities, NTIA will work closely with the eligible entities to monitor progress, troubleshoot, and provide technical assistance as necessary and appropriate.</p> <p>Post-award, technical assistance is provided on a one-to-many and one-to-one basis and will focus on grants compliance, project sustainability, project implementation best practices, Environmental and Historic Preservation, permitting, and avoidance of fraud, waste, and abuse.</p> <p>NTIA has also conducted three formal Tribal Consultations (and plans additional Consultations) to obtain input on how to best support Tribal government engagement and success with the grant programs. In addition to Tribal grant program specific inquiries, Tribal organizations can reach directly to NTIA for assistance and guidance</p>

	on community broadband initiatives.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribal governments • Tribal college or university • The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community • Native Hawaiian education programs • Tribal organizations • Alaska Native Corporations
<i>Targeting</i>	Program funds only Tribal governments and entities.
<i>Status</i>	NTIA launched its second TBCP NOFO on July 27, 2023. Applications are being accepted through January 23, 2024. Pre-award application technical assistance is being provided through the application period
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	DOC has \$60M for the multi-year administration of the Tribal Broadband Connectivity grant program, in which a portion will be used to support technical assistance efforts over the lifecycle of the grant program.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Climate Ready Workforce for Coastal States, Tribes, and Territories Competition	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>Sea Grant and the NOAA Climate Program Office, with support from the NOAA Office for Coastal Management, seek to establish programs aimed at placing people across the country into good jobs that advance climate resilience and assisting employers in developing a 21st century workforce that is climate literate, informed by climate resilience, and skilled at addressing consequent challenges. NOAA will assist communities in coastal and Great Lakes states, territories and tribes so they may form partnerships that train workers and place them into jobs that enhance climate resilience. Resources from NOAA’s Climate Program Office, Office for Coastal Management, and National Sea Grant Office and its partners will be available to provide technical assistance to applicants and recipients to support these innovative efforts. NOAA’s “substantial involvement” (to be included in the terms and conditions of the award) will generally be collaboration between the NOAA Program Team and the recipient to develop the project’s scope of work and to codesign approaches that help participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the impacts of current and projected climate conditions on worker roles and apply that understanding to improve job efficacy. • Understand the causes and effects of global climate change on a region, especially as they pertain to the differentiated worker roles within a proposed partnership. • Understand the actions people can take to build resilience to potential climate-related impacts relevant to a job or region, including reduction of carbon pollution. • Address exposure, vulnerability, risk, and opportunities in alignment with the Steps to Resilience (https://toolkit.climate.gov/steps-to-resilience/steps-resilience-overview; also see the Practitioner’s Guide https://repository.library.noaa.gov/view/noaa/46456) and additional climate resilience resources from NOAA and its funded partners. • * Attain other knowledge, skills, and abilities appropriate to the job, sector, and region that enhance resilience to climate-related impacts.

<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State governments • Tribal governments - the recognized governing body of any Indian or Alaska Native tribe, band, nation, pueblo, village, community, component band, or component reservation; • Territorial governments; • Local governments; • Institutions of higher education including Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, other Minority-Serving Institutions, community colleges, and technical colleges; • * Non-profit organizations or associations.
<i>Status</i>	Technical assistance is available to applicants until the end of the application period: February 13, 2024. Thereafter, technical assistance will be available to awardees
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Visit NOAA Sea Grant’s Climate Ready Workforce webpage for more information. Questions about this opportunity may be submitted here .

Climate Resilience Regional Challenge	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA), Federal Compliance (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The NOAA Climate Resilience Regional Challenge (Challenge) will support collaborative approaches to achieving resilience in coastal regions with an emphasis on risk reduction, regional collaboration, equity, and building enduring capacity. The Challenge is a \$575 million competition with a Letter of Intent phase and two exclusive funding tracks designed to meet the needs of coastal communities wherever they are in the resilience and adaptation process. Regional Collaborative Building and Strategy Development (Track One) supports building capacity for, development of, and collaboration on transformational resilience and adaptation strategies for coastal communities. Implementation of Resilience and Adaptation Actions (Track Two) supports implementation of transformational resilience and adaptation strategies and associated actions for coastal communities anchored in previous planning efforts. Applicants must propose a suite of complementary adaptation actions that together build the resilience of multiple communities within a coastal region, including those that have been marginalized, underserved, or underrepresented.</p> <p>NOAA’s Climate Resilience Regional Challenge offers technical assistance both during the application period and for successful applicants.</p> <p>During the application period, NOAA technical assistance can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instruction on the eligibility of specific activities, as well as on navigating the application process; • Direction on accessing and interpreting climate data, models, and tools, including geospatial and socioeconomic information; • Guidance on mechanisms for geospatial data and services acquisitions associated with funded proposals; • Connection to subject matter experts and resources within and outside of NOAA; • Introductions and suggestions for regional contacts as potential partners; and

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions of technical assistance opportunities to support a funded proposal. <p>For funded proposals, NOAA technical assistance can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct support related to a specific need. Examples: expert consultation on adaptation planning; assistance accessing and applying climate, geospatial, and socioeconomic data and tools; acquiring geospatial data or services; and help understanding and using results from data analyses or modeling. • Connecting to subject matter experts and resources within and outside of NOAA, as well as introducing regional contacts as potential partners. • Workforce development in the form of training and train-the-trainer opportunities on relevant topics and skills, such as facilitation, strategic planning, adaptation planning, risk communication, nature-based solutions, and coastal inundation mapping. • Support to convene partners in ways that ensure community engagement in the planning, design, and implementation of adaptation efforts. • * Sharing lessons learned and approaches taken by collaboratives and projects to expand the impact of investments among and beyond the resilience challenge awards.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal states, territories, or tribes; • Counties, cities, or other political subdivisions of a coastal state or territory, including special purpose units of government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities; • The District of Columbia; • Institutions of higher education; • Non-profit organizations or associations, including those acting in cooperation with a state, tribal, local or territorial government; • Regional councils of government and regional planning councils.
<i>Targeting</i>	Coastal communities; Justice40 communities
<i>Status</i>	Technical assistance is available for application development until the application period ends on August 28, 2023. Technical assistance for funded applications will take place after awards are announced.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Visit the NOAA Office for Coastal Management’s Technical Assistance webpage to learn more. Contact NOAA to discuss technical assistance possibilities.

Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Habitat Protection and Restoration	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>This competition is anticipated to fund a combination of habitat restoration and land conservation projects that are ‘shovel ready’ or reasonably advanced in the acquisition due diligence process, as well as habitat restoration planning, engineering, and design projects that will create a pipeline of future projects. Proposals that include on-the-ground implementation will be given priority compared to those that include only pre-implementation activities. NOAA aims to fund high-impact projects that can have a transformational effect.</p> <p>Statutory authority for this program is provided under Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1456c (Technical Assistance), 16 U.S.C. § 1456-1 (CELCP), the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117-58, and the Inflation Reduction Act, Public Law 117-169.</p> <p>Technical assistance will be provided by NOAA’s OCM upon request.</p>
Eligible Participants	Any coastal state or territorial CZM Program that has been approved by NOAA pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1455) is eligible for habitat restoration and conservation funds under this announcement.
Targeting	Any coastal state or territorial CZM Program that has been approved by NOAA pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1455)
Status	Full proposals (by invitation only) must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on January 10, 2024. The Notice of Funding Opportunity only specifies technical assistance for applications.
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	Contact OCM CZM for more information.

**NOAA's Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal
Grants and Restoring Tribal Priority Fish Passage through
Barrier Removal**

Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>NOAA’s Office of Habitat Conservation’s Restoration Center will implement the fish passage provision by providing technical assistance and funding through competitive grant processes over five years to restore fish passage through the removal of dams and other in-stream barriers to restore marine, estuarine, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystem habitat. There will be two grant competitions held in 2022, one specifically focused on tribes.</p> <p>This funding will support projects that reopen migratory pathways and restore access to healthy habitat for fish around the country. Not only will these projects assist in the recovery of endangered migratory fish and our nation’s fisheries, but they also provide community and economic benefits, such as jobs and climate resilience. The principal objective of the NOAA’s Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Notice of Funding Opportunity is to provide federal financial and technical assistance to locally led fish passage through removals of dams and other in-stream barriers for native migratory or sea-run fish.</p> <p>The goal is to fund projects that eliminate in-stream barriers to restore fish passage while applying a watershed approach that addresses fish passage barriers throughout a waterway/ecosystem and increases resilience to climate change by removing or improving outdated infrastructure.</p> <p>The principal objective of the Restoring Tribal Priority Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Funding Opportunity is to provide federal financial and technical assistance to Indian tribes and organizations that represent Indian tribes through formal legal agreements to remove barriers to fish passage for native migratory or sea-run fish. Up to 15 percent of funds will be directed to Indian Tribes through a focused grant competition to address tribal priority restoration needs, including building capacity for planning and implementation.</p>

<p><i>Eligible Participants</i></p>	<p>General Funding Opportunity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribal governments • Small businesses • County governments • Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education • Special district governments • Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education • For profit organizations other than small businesses • City or township governments • Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments) • Institutions of higher education <p>Tribal-Specific Funding Opportunity (up to 15% of funds):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribal governments • Organizations representing Native American tribal governments through formal legal agreements, including tribal commissions, tribal consortia, tribal conservation districts, and tribal cooperatives
<p><i>Targeting</i></p>	<p>The Fish Passage program has a Tribal Priority funding opportunity, available only to Tribal organizations. Both programs are covered under Justice40.</p>
<p><i>Status</i></p>	<p>Technical assistance is only available to grant recipients</p>
<p><i>Application Requirement</i></p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p><i>How to get in touch</i></p>	<p>For more information, visit NOAA Fisheries funding opportunity page for information on the Tribal and general competition.</p> <p>Please contact Melanie Gange, Competition Manager, by phone (301-427-8664) or e-mail for further information on the general competition.</p> <p>Contact Janine Harris, Competition Manager, by phone (301-427-8635) or email for further information on the Tribal competition.</p>

**Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience
Grants Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation
Reduction Act**

Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The principal objective of this solicitation is to support transformational habitat restoration projects that restore marine, estuarine, coastal, or Great Lakes ecosystems, using approaches that enhance community and ecosystem resilience to climate hazards. Funding will prioritize habitat restoration actions that: demonstrate significant impacts; rebuild productive and sustainable fisheries; contribute to the recovery and conservation of threatened and endangered species; promote climate-resilient ecosystems, especially in tribal, indigenous, and/or underserved communities; and improve economic vitality, including local employment.</p> <p>Prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to contact NOAA Restoration Center staff before submitting an application to discuss their NOAA project ideas with respect to technical merit and NOAA's objectives. NOAA will make every effort to respond to prospective applicants on a first come, first served basis. These discussions will not include review of draft proposals or site visits during the application period.</p> <p>Selected applications will be funded through cooperative agreements, as described in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, meaning that NOAA expects to be substantially involved in many aspects of the awards. Substantial involvement may include, but is not limited to, collaborating on the scope of work, providing assistance with technical aspects of the habitat restoration, reviewing and commenting on design plans, and reviewing procurement materials to the extent authorized by 2 C.F.R. § 200.325.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Tribal governments • City or township governments • Special district governments • Institutions of higher education • County governments • For profit organizations other than small businesses • Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than

	<p>institutions of higher education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education • Small businesses
<i>Targeting</i>	This program is covered under Justice40.
<i>Status</i>	Grantees under the cooperative agreement may be provided technical assistance. The application deadline is November 17, 2023, at 11:59 PM Eastern time
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact DOC .

NOAA Marine Debris Program	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The NOAA Marine Debris Program (MDP), a division of the Office of Response and Restoration, leads national efforts to address marine debris. The mission of the NOAA MDP is to investigate and prevent the adverse impacts of marine debris. This mission is achieved through research, prevention, and removal activities that aim to conserve and protect our nation’s marine environment and coastal economy, as well as ensure navigation safety.</p> <p>Selected applications will be funded through cooperative agreements since NOAA staff will be substantially involved in aspects of the large marine debris removal projects. Substantial involvement may include, but is not limited to, developing performance measures to assess project outcomes; engaging with the recipient on environmental compliance requirements, technical collaboration, or permitting assistance; supporting the development of public-facing communication materials or events to highlight marine debris prevention activities; supporting the development of and/or reviewing study approach, methodologies, and conceptual models; and reviewing manuscript drafts (if any).</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State, local, Tribal, or territory government • Institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, or commercial (for-profit) organizations with expertise in a field related to marine debris.
Status	Technical assistance will be available to successful applicants for the duration of the period performance (two to four years), beginning August 1, 2024.
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	More information available here .

Ocean-Based Climate Resilience Accelerators	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA, Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The focus of this funding opportunity will be to partner with and fund eligible organizations to develop business accelerators that provide specific programming and opportunities for small businesses and entrepreneurs aligned with identified marine-based climate resilience theme areas. The program will foster public-private partnerships to develop and support sustainable business models around ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes observation technologies, products, and services that address climate resilience needs.</p> <p>NOAA technical assistance will be available for organizations applying for and receiving funding. NOAA will actively partner with awardees through cooperative agreements, providing scientific and management expertise.</p> <p>NOAA will provide Phase 1 accelerator entities with access to subject matter experts (SMEs) who will provide feedback on accelerator programming design; assistance on development of selection criteria for cohort businesses; federal, state, and local networking opportunities; and other resources relevant to selected Accelerator theme area(s). SMEs may include technical experts from NOAA and other federal agencies, as needed. SMEs will meet regularly with Accelerator Entity leadership at a mutually agreed upon cadence.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For-profit organizations, which may include small businesses, corporations, partnerships, and joint ventures • Academic institutions, including institutions of higher education and NOAA cooperative institutes • Nonprofit organizations • State, territorial or local governmental entities, agencies or instrumentalities • Tribal governments or consortia of Tribal governments • Tribal organizations
Targeting	Accelerator entities including entities within tribes and disadvantaged and underserved communities

<i>Status</i>	NOAA technical assistance will be available for organizations applying for and receiving funding until the application period for Phase 1 closes on September 11, 2023. It will also be available during the application period for Phase 2. NOAA will provide technical assistance and support to successful applicants throughout the process to ensure that the accelerator program design aligns with the identified goals and objectives.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	\$60 million for funding accelerator entities to support businesses navigating commercialization pathways for coastal and ocean-based resilience products and services related to NOAA’s mission to help communities prepare for, adapt to, and build resilience to changing climate conditions.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact DOC.

Regional Ocean Partnerships - Tribal	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>This program complements a separate funding program for established Regional Ocean Partnerships (ROPs), which seeks to enhance and sustain the efforts of those ROPs to coordinate interstate and intertribal management of ocean and coastal management issues. The scope of work under this program focuses on encouraging or enhancing tribal involvement in or engagement with established ROPs, and/or tribal activities related to ROP priority actions. Proposals submitted under this competition must directly relate to priorities of established ROPs, either through tribal engagement in or with ROPs, or tribal activities closely aligned with ROP priorities. Substantial involvement on the part of NOAA may include the collaboration and participation of NOAA program officers and other NOAA Office for Coastal Management staff in project development, planning and implementation; technical assistance with accessing and applying existing data, tools, and management practices; technical monitoring of award activities; and coordination of funded projects with other NOAA-funded efforts as needed.</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. federally-recognized Indian Tribes with current and/or ancestral interests in a region with an established Regional Ocean Partnership • Tribal-serving organizations on behalf of tribes with confirmation of tribal leadership support
Targeting	The Tribal Engagement in Regional Ocean Partnership Priorities NOFO is a separate funding competition is available for federally recognized coastal tribes.
Status	Technical assistance is available to successful applicants during the project/award period: up to 36 months after April 1, 2024.
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	For more information, contact Kris Wall, Federal Program Office, NOAA Office for Coastal Management by phone (541-843-0252).

Technical Assistance for the Climate Ready Coasts Programs	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	NOAA will provide a range of technical assistance to advance successful resilience and adaptation outcomes across the Climate Resilience Regional Challenge collaboratives. Additionally, NOAA will support Climate Resilience Accelerators and IOOS implementation, including data management, archiving, and coordination.
Eligible Participants	Eligible entities for the Climate Ready Coasts programs
Targeting	Programs participants in the Climate Ready Coasts programs including the Climate Resilience Regional Challenge, Climate Resilience Accelerators, and the IOOS system
Status	Program participants will have access to technical assistance throughout the lifecycle of the programs
Budget	\$81 million in non-competitive funding for technical assistance to the Climate Ready Coasts programs
How to get in touch	Contact DOC.

National Estuarine Research Reserve System (NERRS)	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	Projects will be funded as grants or cooperative agreements as described in 2 CFR Section 200.1, depending on the nature of the project. If a cooperative agreement is used, NOAA expects to be substantially involved in many aspects of the award. Applicants may propose anticipated federal roles and responsibilities in their proposals, or NOAA may establish the particular involvement. Substantial involvement may include, but is not limited to, collaborating on the scope of work, providing assistance with technical aspects of habitat restoration, reviewing and commenting on design plans, and reviewing procurement materials to the extent authorized by 2 CFR Section 200.325.
Eligible Participants	NERRS lead state agencies or universities designated to receive NERRS operations funding through a Memorandum of Understanding with NOAA in coastal states and territories
Status	Technical assistance will be available to successful applicants for the duration of the period performance (three to five years), beginning August 1, 2024
Application Requirement	Yes
How to get in touch	More information available here . For further information, contact the Office for Coastal Management.

National Integrated Heat Health Information System (NIHHIS)	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Category	Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>The mission of the National Integrated Heat Health Information System (NIHHIS) is to build understanding of heat, develop science-based solutions, and to improve capacity, communication, and decision-making to reduce heat-related illness and death. NIHHIS envisions a heat-resilient nation empowered to effectively address extreme heat and its impacts. In FY24, NIHHIS is offering funding opportunities under two competitions to expand development of actionable, place-based climate information for community heat resilience. These competitions will support the new NIHHIS Centers of Excellence.</p> <p>Competitions 1 and 2 (the centers) will create virtual centers that will provide scientific support services to community-serving, community-based, and government entities working to address community climate and health issues (with a focus on heat and health) via targeted projects.</p> <p>NOAA may be substantially involved in the implementation of the project, indicating that a cooperative agreement should be awarded. Examples of substantial involvement may include, but are not limited to, applications for collaboration between NOAA scientists and a recipient scientist or stakeholder with the expectation that the NOAA scientist will participate in aspects of the project such as the data analysis, technical methods development, and co-preparation and presentation of results in meetings and publications</p>
Eligible Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Local governments • Tribal governments • Institutions of higher education • Other nonprofits • Commercial organizations • International organizations
Targeting	This is a Justice40 covered program.
Status	Technical assistance will be available to successful applicants for the duration of the period of award – for three years following the beginning of the period of performance.

<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	\$5 million in FY24
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information available here .

Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance	
Agency	Department of Commerce
Bureau	Economic Development Administration
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	<p>EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive merit basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the United States. Under this NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in order to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, planning, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA’s Public Works program and EAA program (which includes Assistance to Coal Communities). Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities, including those negatively impacted by changes to the coal economy.</p> <p>Subject to the availability of funds, EDA may award grants or cooperative agreements to eligible applicants to help support economic development project-based activities. EDA will award a cooperative agreement on a case-by-case basis if substantial agency involvement is required. For a cooperative agreement, the nature of EDA’s “substantial involvement” (to be included in the terms and conditions of the award) will generally be collaboration between EDA and the recipient on the scope of work. Other possible examples of EDA’s “substantial involvement” pursuant to a cooperative agreement may include, but are not limited to: (i) authority to halt immediately an activity if detailed performance specifications are not met; (ii) stipulation that the recipient must meet or adhere to specific procedural requirements before subsequent stages of a project may continue; (iii) involvement in the recipient’s selection of key personnel; and (iv) operational involvement during the project to ensure compliance with statutory requirements.</p>

<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County governments • Private institutions of higher education • Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized) • City or township governments • Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education • Public and State controlled institutions of higher education • State governments • Special district governments • Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
<i>Status</i>	Technical assistance is available to grant recipients during the period of performance: three years after the award announcement. Projects are expected to be completed within five years
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	For FY 2020, EDA was appropriated \$118.5 million for the Public Works program, \$37 million for the EAA program, an additional \$30 million in EAA funds for ACC, and \$15 million for NCC pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020.
<i>How to get in touch</i>	For more information, please contact the EDA representative for your state. A complete list of EDA representatives is available here .

Appalachian Regional Commission TA Programs

READY Appalachia - Capacity Building Initiative	
Agency	Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>READY Appalachia is ARC’s new community capacity-building initiative offering flexible funding to organizations in four key economic development pillars: nonprofits, community foundations, local governments, and Local Development Districts. Across all learning tracks, special emphasis will be placed on serving Appalachia’s most underrepresented communities, including economically distressed areas, counties targeted by the Interagency Working Group on Coal and Power Plant Communities, and marginalized populations.</p> <p>Each of READY Appalachia’s learning tracks help participants hone skills, refine organizational operations, develop additional expertise, leverage unprecedented federal investment opportunities, access other financial resources, and generate innovative project ideas to address community issues. Specific components are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • READY Nonprofits helps nonprofit executives and board members increase their capacity in fundraising, financial management, board development, staff and volunteer recruitment and retention, marketing and communications, and more. • READY Foundations helps local philanthropies working in economic development as they build endowments, leverage different funding sources, develop boards, and learn other foundation-specific fundraising methods. • READY Local Governments helps local government employees better apply for, manage, leverage, and implement federally funded projects to invest in infrastructure, business and workforce development, and other long-term solutions to improve the lives of residents. • READY LDDs invests in staff support to enable LDDs to more effectively serve clients, including local governments, during this time of increased federal funding.

<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local governments• Nonprofits• Community foundations• LDDs
<i>Targeting</i>	Justice40 and/or other underserved communities
<i>Status</i>	Additional opportunities will be available in FY 2024.
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	\$9.5 million
<i>How to get in touch</i>	More information is available here .

Northern Border Regional Commission TA Programs

State Capacity Grant	
<i>Agency</i>	Northern Border Regional Commission
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Federal Funding for TA
<i>Description</i>	The State Capacity Grant fund assist Member States in the development of comprehensive economic and infrastructure development plans for their NBRC counties, as well as to provide technical and project development assistance to interested applicants for NBRC funds. Member states are responsible for developing a scope of work that outlines their individual approach for developing plans and technical assistance programs.
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	NBRC Member states of ME, NH, NY, and VT
<i>Targeting</i>	NBRC region
<i>Status</i>	Contact state program manager for access to capacity program
<i>Budget</i>	Non-competitive and available to the states of ME, NH, NY and VT
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact NBRC or more information is available here .

Local Development District (LDD) Partnership Program	
Agency	Northern Border Regional Commission
Category	
Type of TA Provided	Direct TA
Description	The Commission is in the process of developing a Local Development District (LDD) partnership program that will result in a higher standard of service to NBRC applicants, with special attention to historically underserved communities within the NBRC service area. NBRC will be working to build the capacity of LDDs to better support grantees. Early capacity building will focus on an LDD grant administration training program, identifying project development assistance opportunities, and NEPA environmental review assistance.
Eligible Participants	Local Development Districts
Targeting	NBRC region
Status	Open to LDDs that opt-in to provide grant administration support in the NBRC region
Budget	Non-competitive and available to LDDs serving NBRC region
How to get in touch	Contact NBRC.

Southeast Crescent Regional Commission TA Programs

Local Development District (LDD) Capacity Building Program	
<i>Agency</i>	Southeast Crescent Regional Commission (SCRC)
<i>Category</i>	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA)
<i>Type of TA Provided</i>	Federal Funding for TA
<i>Description</i>	<p>In FY 2023, SCRC will invest \$2 million in the LDD Capacity Building Program to support the 55 LDDs in participating SCRC states. This non-competitive financial assistance program will strengthen the operational capacity of LDDs and benefit communities within distressed, transitional, and isolated areas of distress by enhancing local economic development, administration, and planning through the SCRC’s seven-state regional footprint. Technical assistance includes the development of applications for the SCRC SEID Grant and other Federal grant programs. Funds may be used for services in attainment counties if the services will benefit isolated areas of distress or are part of a multi-county program.</p> <p>The following six states are eligible: Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.</p>
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	LDDs within the SCRC Regional Footprint (Parts of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia)
<i>Targeting</i>	SCRC Region (Parts of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia)
<i>Status</i>	Available until expended
<i>Application Requirement</i>	Yes
<i>Budget</i>	\$2 Million
<i>How to get in touch</i>	Contact SCRC and more information is available here .

State Capacity Building Program	
Agency	Southeast Crescent Regional Commission (SCRC)
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	The State Capacity Building Grant program provides funding to build capacity within each SCRC participating state for economic and infrastructure development activities that lead to the effective leveraging of Southeast Crescent Regional Commission funding to support job creation, build sustainable communities and improve the lives of those who reside in the 428 counties of the seven-state region. The following six states are eligible: Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.
Eligible Participants	States within the SCRC Regional Footprint (Parts of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia)
Targeting	SCRC Region (Parts of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia)
Status	Available until expended
Budget	\$2 Million
How to get in touch	Contact SCRC and more information is available here .

Department of the Treasury TA Programs

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	
Agency	Department of the Treasury
Category	Planning and Project Development (BIL/IRA), Application for Funding (BIL/IRA), Financial Planning (BIL/IRA), Project Delivery (BIL/IRA)
Type of TA Provided	Federal Funding for TA
Description	<p>The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, established under the American Rescue Plan and amended by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, provide governments with resources to support response to and recovery from the public health emergency. Governments can choose how to use funds within seven eligible use categories: 1) responding to the pandemic and its negative economic impacts, 2) providing government services up to their amount of revenue loss due to the pandemic, 3) providing premium pay to essential workers, 4) investing in necessary water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, 5) providing emergency relief from natural disasters or their negative economic impacts, 6) building surface transportation infrastructure under 26 surface transportation programs, and 7) supporting community development through projects eligible under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.</p> <p>Jurisdictions could use these funds to help prepare for or support State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds-eligible projects, which may overlap with BIL-funded projects, in several ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds used to provide government services, up to the recipient’s amount of revenue loss due to the pandemic, can support infrastructure investments, including planning, preparation, administration, and ongoing operations. • Funds used for eligible water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure projects can generally be used for pre- project development costs reasonably expected to lead to an eligible project, including planning, engineering, technical assistance, and evaluation. • Funds used to respond to the pandemic and its negative economic impacts can be used for capital expenditures that meet State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds requirements. Funds can be used for pre-project development costs reasonably expected to lead to an eligible project.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds used to provide emergency relief from natural disasters or the negative economic impacts of natural disasters can be used to repair public infrastructure damaged by a natural disaster and can be used for mitigation projects to lessen or avert the threat of a natural disaster. • Funds can be used for Surface Transportation projects eligible under 26 Department of Transportation programs specified in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023. • Funds can be used for activities that are eligible under section 105(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Title I projects), which are the eligible activities under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) programs. <p>In general, jurisdictions can blend and braid State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds with funds from other federal programs, as long as State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds are used for costs eligible under the program and in compliance with program requirements. This includes recipients using SLFRF funds to supplement eligible Surface Transportation projects receiving funding from the Department of Transportation and Title I projects receiving CDBG or ICDBG funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.</p>
<i>Eligible Participants</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Territories • Tribal governments • Local governments
<i>Status</i>	<p>Treasury has disbursed 99.9% of SLFRF funds to recipients. Recipients must obligate funds by December 31, 2024. Recipients expending funds under the Surface Transportation projects and Title I projects eligible use categories must expend funds by September 30, 2026. Recipients expending funds under all other eligible use categories, including providing emergency relief from natural disasters, must expend funds by December 31, 2026.</p>
<i>How to get in touch</i>	<p>More information is available here.</p>