

# MASSACHUSETTS FEDERAL FUNDS PARTNERSHIP

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February Meeting

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during Q&A.

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# RECENT UPDATES

## \$9.2 Million to further boost Microelectronics

Late last month, Governor Healey announced \$9.2 million in **new technology and workforce development grants** aimed at spurring the microelectronics and semiconductor industry across the Northeast. The new awards are the first investments made by the **Northeast Microelectronics Coalition (NEMC) Hub**, the division of the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative.



## Working to correct EPA's lead pipe replacement formula

Earlier this month, Governor Healey, Treasurer Goldberg, and Attorney General Campbell sent a letter to the EPA administrator, urging reconsideration of a new formula for lead service line replacement that dramatically reduces funding for Massachusetts. Our office was [featured in news coverage of the story](#), and we will continue to work with the Biden administration to rectify this critical issue.

# ABOUT THE FEDERAL FUNDS AND INFRASTRUCTURE OFFICE

Officially created by recently signed Executive Order No. 624, and tasked with implementing a whole-of-government to compete for federal funding by:



**Identifying key federal funding opportunities**



**Leading bi-weekly meetings of the interagency Advisory Council on Federal Funds and Infrastructure**

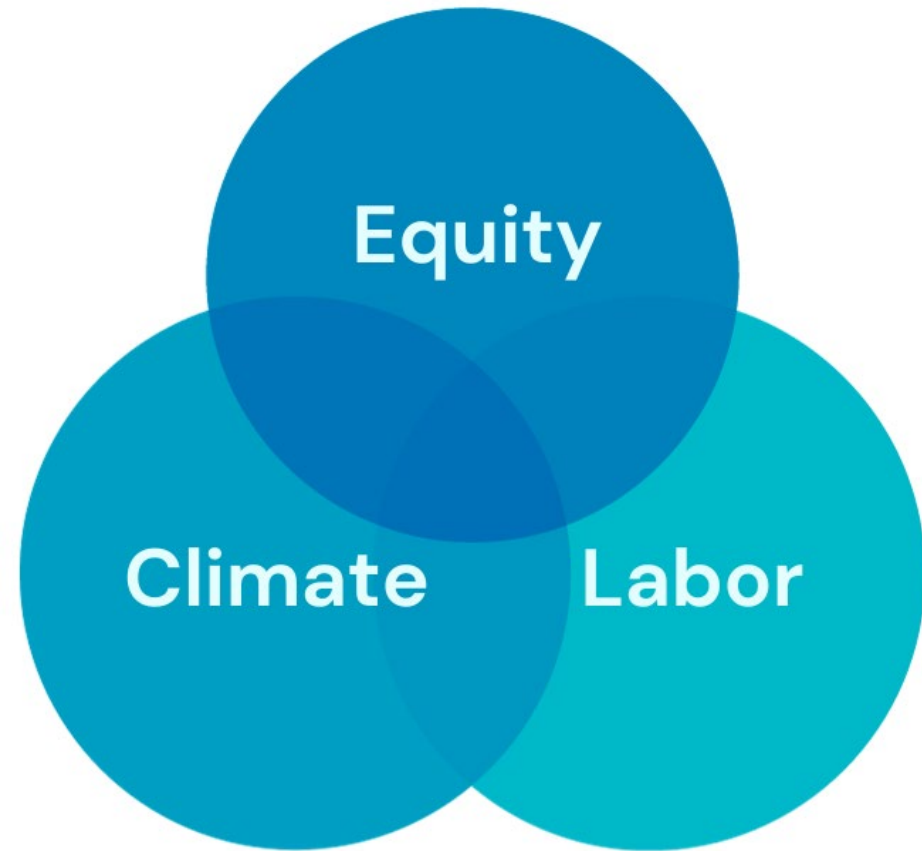


**Tracking available federal grant opportunities and Massachusetts applications through the State Clearinghouse**

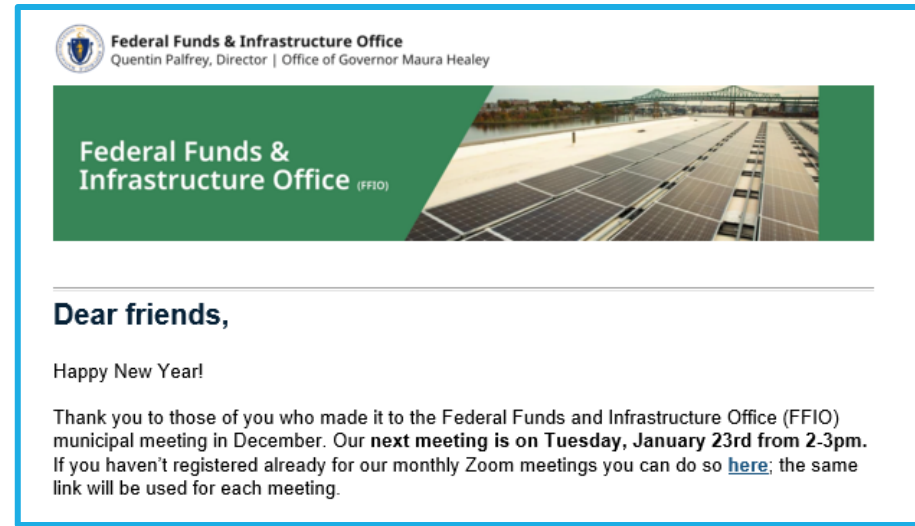


**Leading the Massachusetts Federal Funds Partnership to support municipalities and tribes in their applications for federal funding**

# INCORPORATING ADMINISTRATION PRIORITIES AND PARTNERS



# SUPPORT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS



- **Monthly Federal Funds Partnership meetings** with targeted information on recently announced grant programs where **local governments are the eligible applicant**
  - Monthly emails in advance of and following Partnership with meeting notes, video clips, and additional info on grant opportunities and resources

# SUPPORT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Information also available on the [Federal Funds Local Governments page](#):

## Upcoming Municipal-Eligible Grants

Grant Name	Policy Area	Deadline
<a href="#">Coastal Habitat Restoration</a>	Environment	12/19/2023
<a href="#">Smart Grid Grant</a>	Energy	Concept Paper: 1/12/2024
<a href="#">Farm to Schools Grant</a>	Health	1/12/2024
<a href="#">Intelligent Transportation Systems Program</a>	Transportation	1/17/2024
<a href="#">Clean School Bus Rebate Program</a>	Transportation	1/31/2024
<a href="#">Advanced Transportation Technology and Innovation (ATTAIN)</a>	Transportation	2/2/2024
<a href="#">Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility</a>	Transportation	2/13/2024
<a href="#">RAISE Discretionary Grant Program</a>	Transportation	2/28/2024
<a href="#">Climate Pollution Reduction Grant</a>	Environment	General: 4/1/2024 Tribes: 5/1/2024

## Federal Funds Grant Application Resources

See below for grant application resources sorted by policy area

### TABLE OF CONTENTS

- Climate, Sustainability, and Resiliency Technical Assistance Resources
- Economic Development/Broadband Technical Assistance Resources
- Transportation Technical Assistance Resources
- General Resources
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### Climate, Sustainability, and Resiliency Technical Assistance Resources

#### EPA's Community Change Grants Technical Assistance »

Under the Inflation Reduction Act, EPA offers technical assistance to prepare for their Community Change Grants

#### MEMA Hazard Mitigation Technical Assistance »

This page includes BRIC, FMA & HMGP Technical Assistance and Webinars/Briefings

#### FEMA Grants Management Technical Assistance »

This page includes technical assistance resources from FEMA to aid state, local, and tribal governments with grants management responsibilities

#### Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations Funding Opportunities »

This page provides a list of funding opportunities from the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations

#### CONTACT

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Administration and Finance  
- Federal Funds &  
Infrastructure Office (A&F -  
FFIO)

Online  
Federal Funds &  
Infrastructure Office Email  
[FedFundsInfra@mass.gov](mailto:FedFundsInfra@mass.gov)

#### Address

State House, 24 Beacon Street  
Boston, MA 02133  
[Directions »](#)

## November 2023 Meeting

November Federal Funds Partnership Introduction



Office of Climate Innovation & Resilience - Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Presentation



## Massachusetts Federal Funds Partnership

FFIO leads the monthly Massachusetts Federal Funds Partnership meeting. This forum not only delivers critical updates but also offers a platform for addressing questions related to the many funding possibilities at the disposal of cities, towns and tribal organizations.

[Register Here for  
Upcoming  
Meetings »](#)

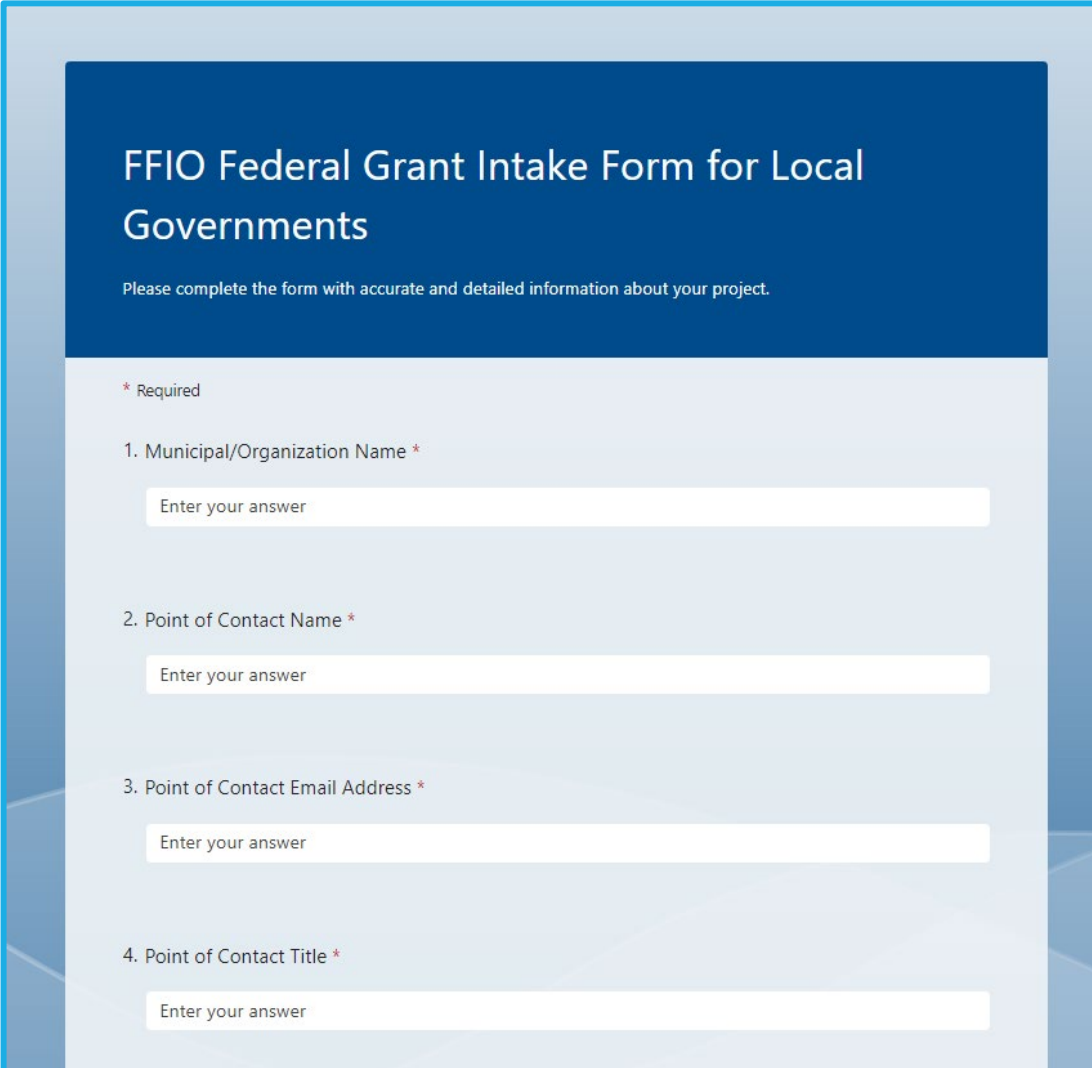
## Additional Resources

 [November 2023 Federal Funds Partnership Slides](#) (English, PDF 4.39 MB)

 [October 2023 Federal Funds Partnership Slides](#) (English, PDF 2.8 MB)

# SUPPORT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Use the [FFIO Project Intake Form](#) to notify FFIO of in-progress or submitted federal grant applications, or projects that could be eligible for federal funds:



The image shows a screenshot of a web form titled "FFIO Federal Grant Intake Form for Local Governments". The form is set against a dark blue header with white text. Below the header, a light blue instruction box says "Please complete the form with accurate and detailed information about your project." The main form area is white and contains four numbered questions, each with a red asterisk indicating it is required. Each question has a corresponding text input field with the placeholder text "Enter your answer".

**FFIO Federal Grant Intake Form for Local Governments**

Please complete the form with accurate and detailed information about your project.

\* Required

1. Municipal/Organization Name \*

Enter your answer

2. Point of Contact Name \*

Enter your answer

3. Point of Contact Email Address \*

Enter your answer

4. Point of Contact Title \*

Enter your answer



# SUPPORT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

- Access to additional resources for matching funds and technical assistance pending recently filed legislation
- Feel free to contact the FFIO email inbox ([FedFundsInfra@mass.gov](mailto:FedFundsInfra@mass.gov)) for questions about federal grant applications!

# STATE MATCHING FUNDS / TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION

- Bill **S.2554** *An Act to provide for competitiveness and infrastructure investment in Massachusetts* **passed unanimously by the Massachusetts Senate** on Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>
- Considered at a **public hearing before the House Committee on Federal Stimulus and Census Oversight** on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Testimony given in support by Secretary Gorzkowicz, Director Palfrey, Rural Affairs Director Anne Gobi, and representatives from the Environmental League of MA, Mass Association of RPA's, Mass Budget and Policy Center, A Better City, and the Mass Taxpayers Foundation
- Reported out favorably as **H.4414** and moved to **House Ways and Means Committee** on Tuesday, February 20.

# MUNICIPAL DIGITAL EQUITY PLANNING PROGRAM

- There are still a few months left for towns and cities to enroll in Mass Broadband Institute's [Municipal Digital Equity Planning Program](#) which enables municipalities to engage in planning activities related to digital equity and bridge the digital divide.
- MBI also recently launched the [Municipal Digital Equity Implementation Program](#) to provide grants to towns and cities to implement digital equity projects after completing their local digital equity plans.
- [Register for the webinar here](#) on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

# DIRECT/ELECTIVE PAY

- **About**

- [Direct Pay](#) makes clean energy tax credits effectively refundable for states, cities, towns, tribes, and other tax-exempt organizations that otherwise do not file federal income taxes.
- Funded by the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

- **In the coming weeks and months:**

- The Office of Climate Innovation and Resilience (OCIR) and FFIO will provide additional helpful information on Direct Pay

- **Helpful Resources:**

- Center for American Progress [Webinar recording](#)
- [IRS website](#) with complete list of tax credits and deductions under the Inflation Reduction Act

# OVERVIEW OF UPCOMING MUNICIPAL AND TRIBAL ELIGIBLE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Program Name	Deadline	Policy Area	Eligibility
<a href="#"><u>Assistance to Firefighters Grant Funding</u></a>	3/8/2024	Public Safety	Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit
<a href="#"><u>Rural Innovation Stronger Economies (RISE)</u></a>	4/1/2024	Economic Development	State, Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit, University
<a href="#"><u>Congestion Relief Program</u></a>	4/22/2024	Transportation	State, MPO, Local Government
<a href="#"><u>Safe Streets and Roads for All</u></a>	Planning 1: 4/4/2024 Planning 2 and Implementation: 5/16/2024 Planning 3: 8/29/2024	Transportation	Tribe, MPO, Local Government
<a href="#"><u>Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program</u></a>	4/26/2024	Veterans Services	Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit
<a href="#"><u>Community Change Grants Program</u></a>	November 2024	Environmental Justice	CBO, Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit, University

# ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FUNDING

- **Eligibility:** Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit  
**Maximum Award:** \$9,000,000
- **About**
  - “The primary goal of FEMA’s Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations. The AFG helps firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.”
- **Deadline:** 3/8/2024
- **Contact:** [christopher.babcock@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:christopher.babcock@fema.dhs.gov)

# RURAL INNOVATION STRONGER ECONOMIES (RISE)

- **Eligibility:** State, Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit, Public Institutions of Higher Education
- **Maximum Award:** \$2,000,000
- **About**
  - “The Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) Grant Program offers grant assistance to create and augment high-wage jobs, accelerate the formation of new businesses, support industry clusters and maximize the use of local productive assets in eligible low-income rural areas.”
- **Deadline:** 4/1/2024
- **Contact:** [lyndon.nichols@usda.gov](mailto:lyndon.nichols@usda.gov)

# CONGESTION RELIEF PROGRAM

- **Eligibility:** State, MPO, Local Government
- **Maximum Award:** \$150,000,000
- **About**
  - “The goals of the Program are to reduce highway congestion, reduce economic and environmental costs associated with that congestion, including transportation emissions, and optimize existing highway capacity and usage of highway and transit systems”
- **Deadline:** 4/22/2024
- **Contact:** [congestion.relief@dot.gov](mailto:congestion.relief@dot.gov)



# SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL

- **Eligibility:** Tribe, MPO, Local Government
- **Maximum Award:** \$25,000,000
- **About**
  - “The purpose of SS4A grants is to improve roadway safety by significantly reducing or eliminating roadway fatalities and serious injuries through safety action plan development and refinement and implementation focused on all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, motorists, personal conveyance and micromobility users, and commercial vehicle operators.”
- **Deadline:**
  - Planning Deadline 1: **4/4/2024**
  - Planning Deadline 2/Implementation: **5/16/2024**
  - Planning Deadline 3: **8/29/2024**
- **Contact:** [ss4a@dot.gov](mailto:ss4a@dot.gov)

# STAFF SERGEANT PARKER GORDON FOX SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM

- **Eligibility:** Tribe, Local Government, Nonprofit
- **Maximum Award:** \$750,000
- **About**
  - “The Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program (SSG Fox SPGP) enables VA to provide resources toward community-based suicide prevention efforts to meet the needs of Veterans and their families through outreach, suicide prevention services, and connection to VA and community resources. Organizations can apply for grants worth up to \$750,000 and may apply to renew awards from year to year throughout the length of the program.”
- **Deadline:** 4/26/2024
- **Contact:** [VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov](mailto:VASSGFoxGrants@va.gov)

# ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE JUSTICE COMMUNITY CHANGE GRANTS PROGRAM

- **About the program**
  - Provides \$2 billion in funds to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate justice challenges.
- **Funding information:**
  - The grant program has two tracks—one that will award \$10-20 million grants on climate action and pollution reduction, and one that will award \$1-3 million grants to support the engagement of environmental justice communities in governmental processes
  - **Note:** Technical assistance available
- **Eligibility:**
  - Requires either a partnership between two community-based non-profit organizations (CBOs), or
  - A partnership between a CBO and a Federally-Recognized Tribe, a local government, or an institution of higher education.
- **Deadline: Rolling until November 2024**
- **Join a Community Change Grant Workshop on March 15, 12-1pm**
  - FFIO and the Environmental Justice Office are holding an interactive meeting where we can collect questions, help you find partner CBOs/municipalities that are interested in the same topic as you, help you create regional applications, and connect you with resources to make your application as strong as possible! [Register here for the Zoom link.](#)

# GREEN AND RESILIENT RETROFIT PROGRAM (GRRP)

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development



# Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP)

United States Department of Housing and  
Urban Development (HUD)



# Green and Resilient Retrofit Program (GRRP)



- **\$837.5 million** and up to **\$4 billion** in loan authority provided through the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) to HUD to distribute to multifamily property owners
- Retrofits will reduce properties' climate impact while making them more efficient, safe, and healthy for residents through:
  - Carbon emission reduction
  - Enhanced energy and water efficiency
  - Energy and water benchmarking
  - Improved indoor air quality
  - Climate resilience upgrades
  - Building electrification
  - Zero-emission electricity generation
  - Energy storage
  - Low-emission building materials or processes
- Available for properties in HUD's Multifamily assisted portfolio, primarily Section 8 PBRA, Section 202, and Section 811

Learn more at [www.hud.gov/GRRP](https://www.hud.gov/GRRP) or email [GRRP@hud.gov](mailto:GRRP@hud.gov)



# Who can apply for GRRP funding?

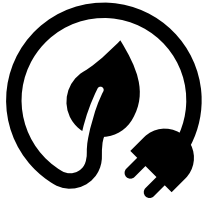
Owners or Purchasers of a property in one of the following HUD Multifamily Assistance programs:

- Section 8 Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA) HAP Contracts
  - Including RAD PBRA HAP contracts executed on or before September 30, 2021
- Section 202
  - Project Rental Assistance Contracts (PRAC) Direct Loans
  - Pre-1974 Section 202 Direct Loan
- Section 811
- Other small programs listed in in Section 3 (Eligibility Information) of the Notice of Funding (NOFOs) available on [hud.gov/GRRP](https://www.hud.gov/GRRP)

Public housing and properties with vouchers are not eligible



# What does GRRP pay for?



## Utility Efficiency

Energy Star 7.0 windows  
Electrical upgrades  
WaterSense fixtures  
HVAC and water heater heat pumps  
Efficient ovens and clothes dryers  
Air-seal testing  
Insulation  
Heat or Energy Recovery Ventilators



## Climate Resilience

Clean backup power  
Emergency shelter  
Emergency water access  
FORTIFIED certification  
Green or blue roof  
Floodproofing  
Subsurface stormwater storage  
Wind- and impact-resistant windows  
Rainwater/greywater collection systems  
Fire resistant roof, windows, & fencing



## Carbon Reduction

Rooftop or carport solar  
Wind energy generation  
Geothermal energy generation  
Renewable energy storage  
Electric Vehicle charging stations  
Responsibly sourced raw building materials

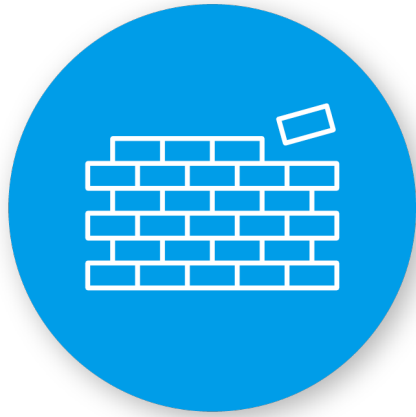
**And more, including  
soft costs.**

Learn more at [www.hud.gov/GRRP](http://www.hud.gov/GRRP) or email [GRRP@hud.gov](mailto:GRRP@hud.gov)



# GRRP Awards: 3 Different Cohorts

Three award paths, or “cohorts,” take different approaches to supporting properties based on stage of recapitalization, owner greening expertise, and property needs.



## 1) Elements Awards

Owner driven investments selected from Elements menu  
Max: \$750K per property / \$40k PU



## 2) Leading Edge Awards

Meet ambitious green certifications  
Max: \$10M per property / \$60K PU



## 3) Comprehensive Awards

Deep energy and resilience retrofits for properties with highest need  
Max: \$20M per property / \$80K PU

Learn more at [www.hud.gov/GRRP](http://www.hud.gov/GRRP) or email [GRRP@hud.gov](mailto:GRRP@hud.gov)

# GRRP Award Application Timelines

Each cohort accepts applications quarterly over the course of 12 months



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# HUD Multifamily Properties Look Up Tool

- HUD Multifamily Properties Look Up Tool (*Ensure that the property is a GRRP eligible contract*)  
[https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/housing/mfh/hsgrent/mfhpropertysearch](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/housing/mfh/hsgrent/mfhpropertysearch)
- Or download the HUD MF-assistance portfolio and sort [Multifamily Assistance & Section 8 Database | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)

Home / Program Offices / Housing / Multifamily / Multifamily Housing - Renting / Multifamily Housing Property Search

## Multifamily Housing Property Search

If you are looking for an apartment, you can search below for FHA-insured or Multifamily Assisted properties.

Property Name	Address	City	State	ZIP	SoA Category	Contract #	Assisted Units	Total Units	Details
Oakdale Rehabilitation & Skilled Nursing	76 North Main Street	West Boylston	MA	01583	223(f) Refi/ Purchase of 232 Nursing/ ICF			52	<a href="#">More</a>
1 Gurney Street	1 Gurney St	Boston	MA	02120		MA06RDD1206	3	37	<a href="#">More</a>
10 Thacher Street	10 Thacher Street	Boston	MA	02122	223(f) Refi/ Purchase of 232			31	<a href="#">More</a>

# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

- Supports community development activities to build stronger and more resilient communities.
- Managed by local and state governments.
- Activities are identified through an ongoing planning process and may address housing rehabilitation needs i.e., GRRP projects.
- State and local governments can assist GRRP projects in their community with their CDBG allocation or by leveraging their CDBG with a Section 108 guaranteed loan.

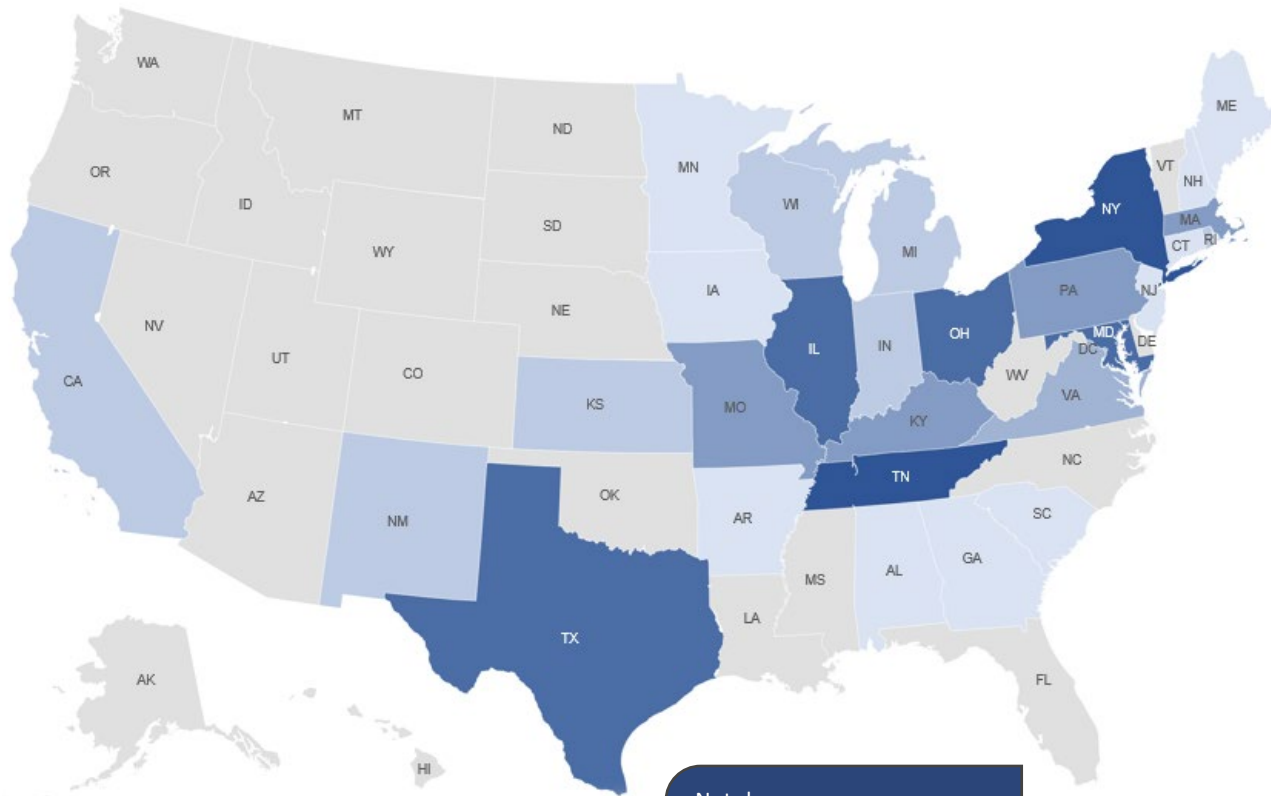


# Funding Overview

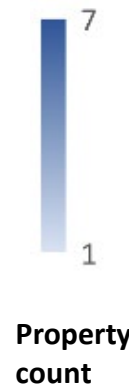
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## GRRP Awards by State



Not shown on map:  
DC – 3  
Guam – 0  
Northern Mariana Islands – 0  
Puerto Rico – 0  
U.S. Virgin Islands – 0



**\$370.6**

**Million awarded**  
*in 5 of 12 funding rounds*

**243**

**Applications**

**84**

**Awarded properties**

**10,456**

**Homes impacted**

**25%**

**In non-metro areas**



# Additional Resources & Questions

- Read the NOFOs (Notice of Funding Opportunity) and Notice
- Find FAQs, fact sheets, benchmarking resources, and much more on [www.hud.gov/GRRP](http://www.hud.gov/GRRP)
- Attend office hours (Wednesdays at 3pm ET)
- Submit Questions to the GRRP Inbox
  - [GRRP@hud.gov](mailto:GRRP@hud.gov)



# LOCAL LABOR PARTNERSHIPS IN FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS

**Dan McNulty**

Massachusetts Building Trades Unions





# **Massachusetts Building Trades Unions**

## **Driving the Massachusetts Economy**







# Local Labor Partnerships in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Grants

**Dan McNulty, MBTU**  
**[Dan@massbuildingtrades.org](mailto:Dan@massbuildingtrades.org)**



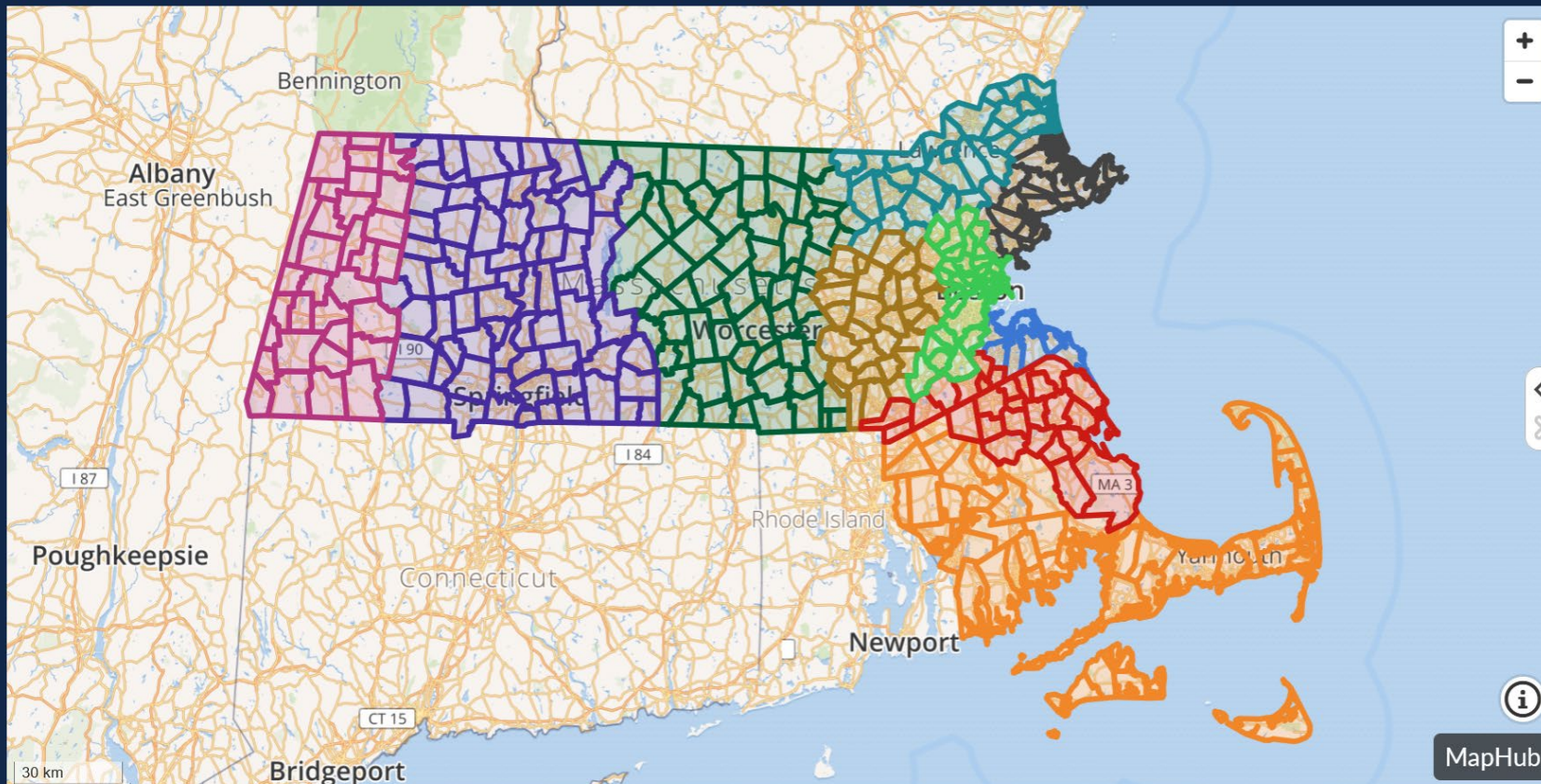
# Labor Standards in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- Competitive BIL Grants: There are Workforce Development and Job Creation Criteria/Scoring in BIL grant applications.
- Partner with local building trades union councils to fulfill this section.

# Local Building Trades Councils

Our Local Building Trades Councils proudly serve as public voices and legislative advocates on behalf of thousands of union building trades men and women in their regions. Explore our map below to view each region or contact a Local Council.

To search by city or town, click the small arrow on the right side of the map.





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## **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grants, Labor and Workforce Development Language**

### ***EXAMPLE: Brockton Community Workforce Agreement***

The following Community Workforce Agreement between the city of Brockton and the Brockton & Vicinity Building Trades Council, as outlined in Job Creation standards of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, aims to secure local, skilled labor to deliver projects on-time and under-budget, and to create good, local union jobs with family-sustaining wages and benefits in doing so.

In addition to paying the Prevailing Wage for this public project, in accordance with Massachusetts Public Bid law, this project will use the following labor standards and include them in their Request for Proposals (RFP):



# Labor Standards in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- What are these BIL “Labor Standards?”
  - Require 15% of workforce hours be completed by *Registered Apprentices*
  - Adhere with state goals for labor participation by tradeswomen and people of color.
  - Local hiring goal (within agreed-upon range)
  - Pre-Apprenticeship commitments
  - Access and Opportunity Committee
  - Project Labor Agreements





# 79%

**of registered apprentices in Massachusetts are union.**





\$ 60,000,000

**MBTU invests more than \$60 million every year in training.**



# The Best-Trained Workforce Gets the Job Done Right

With over **40** training facilities across the Commonwealth, Building Trades Union members meet the highest standards for safety and excellence.



**On-time**



**On-budget**



# Labor Standards in the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

- Inflation Reduction Act:
  - Green Energy Generation and Efficiency both have labor standards built in
    - IRA programs require ***Prevailing Wage and Registered Apprenticeship*** to maximize savings
      - Building new energy? Labor standards change a 6% subsidy to 30% of a project cost
      - For Building Energy Efficiency Retrofits, ***tax deductions are multiplied by 5*** for usage of labor standards.
      - Base subsidy of \$0.50 per sq ft to potentially \$5.00 per sq ft by utilizing Registered Apprentices (and other standards.)



## **Labor Standards in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)**

- **Follow up with Massachusetts Building Trades Unions and your local building trades council:**
  - Create local labor partnerships in your BIL grant applications to secure the money by showing a roadmap to good job creation
  - Ensure maximum savings on your municipality's energy renovations and construction with our help

# FFIO POLL

*Please take a minute to respond to a few questions about the next Partnership meeting in the pop-up window.*

# FEDERAL FUNDS PARTNERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

*4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month*

- Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 2-3pm
- Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2-3pm
- Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> 2-3pm



# Q&A

*Put questions in the chat you would like  
our speakers to answer!*

If we are unable to get to your question today, please  
send it to us at [FedFundsInfra@mass.gov](mailto:FedFundsInfra@mass.gov).