

DOER Leading by Example Solar-Decarbonization Grant Program



The Solar-Decarbonization Program provides enhanced incentives for **new state solar PV deployment, battery energy storage, electric vehicle charging, and decarbonization efforts** to provide financial support to state entities in meeting Executive Order 594 targets and objectives.

For full program details and requirements, review the [Program Opportunity Notice](#).

Basic Grant Program and Eligibility Information

Applicant Eligibility	Any executive agency, state institution of higher education, or quasi-public state entity
Total Program Funding Available	\$25,000,000
Maximum Award per Individual Project	\$2,500,000
Schedule	Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis until allocated funds are awarded
PON Response Deadline	June 30, 2027
Additional Information	Projects must comply with all program requirements detailed in the program opportunity notice (PON)

Embodied Carbon Offsets

Projects receiving funds through this PON are required to offset the estimated equivalent embodied carbon of the project (e.g., from the production of steel and/or PV panels)

Application Process

- ☐ Confirm Eligibility: Potential applicants are encouraged to contact LBE-Grants@mass.gov prior to submitting a grant application to confirm eligibility and availability of funds.
- ☐ Submit Application: Application forms and attachments must be submitted to LBE-Grants@mass.gov.

Incentives for New Solar Deployment (per Watt)

Ownership and Metering	Rooftop Solar	Ground-Mount with Pollinator Habitat	Solar Canopy with EV Charging	Innovative Solar PV
State-owned, behind the meter	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$2.00	\$2.00
Third party-owned, behind the meter	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$1.50	\$1.50
State-owned, front of meter	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$2.00	\$2.00
Third party-owned, front of meter	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$1.50	\$1.50

Incentives for Additional Project Categories

Battery Energy Storage*	\$500 per kWh
EVSE	\$5,000 per port
Decarbonization	Equal to solar funding amount
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Environmental Justice (EJ) Adder	10% adder to total solar, storage, EVSE, and decarbonization funding

*required if solar over ≥500 kW AC

Decarbonization Funding

New solar PV projects may be eligible for an equivalent amount of funding for building or facility decarbonization projects that may be occurring around the time of the solar deployment, such as:

- Actual decarbonization conversions
- Site electrification preparation
- Building envelope improvements
- Other projects that facilitate facility decarbonization