

SUSTAINABILITY AWARD CATEGORY LIST

FOR PROJECTS THAT MAY QUALIFY FOR SUSTAINABILITY (SUST) FUNDS

The availability of these funds is subject to funding availability in each Funding Year

Not all "qualifying" projects will be funded in the requested FY if SUST funding is no longer available

All projects will be reviewed by the Sustainability Program Developer to determine how they advance the goals of the Sustainability, Resiliency, and/or Indoor Air Quality Programs

All SUST awards are for a **minimum of \$1,500** and a **maximum of \$150,000** per LHA over each 2-year period or if in a Municipal Light District, \$150,000 per year.

EOHLC Requirements for Income Eligible Program Audits where available:

1. All SUST awards are contingent on an energy audit having been done on the development within the past 4 years.
2. LHAs needs to submit the details of their energy audit on the Application for Sustainability Award document.
3. LHAs in Municipal Light Districts which have any gas connection (cooking or heat) require a GAS audit within past 4 years.
4. **For new applications to the Income Eligible Program:** www.leanmultifamily.org. If you have applied within the past year, but haven't heard back, contact (617)348-6425.

SUST funds can be used for components which specifically reduce water, electricity, gas, oil or propane use and/or improve indoor air quality. SUST funds cannot be used for components that while they may reduce water or energy usage, are something the housing authority is already obligated to do.

Category	Requirements	SUST payment - always capped at \$150k per LHA
Building Envelope		
Air sealing & insulation	Bring insulation R-value to code	100% of air sealing and insulation cost, up to \$150k. NONE of roofing, wall materials or basement repair costs.
	1) at any time to bring attic insulation up to code	
	2) at the time of a roof replacement	
	3) at the time of siding replacement	
	4) at the sill (exterior penetration) or in the basement ceiling joists	
Weatherstripping of exterior doors	Exterior doors that fail to seal properly and allow air exchange between the exterior and conditioned interior space. Award may be used to weatherstrip doors, replace ineffective weatherstripping, or cover the labor cost of adjusting door hardware to better fit it in its frame.	100%, up to \$10k
HVAC Systems		
Air source heat pumps (ASHP)	Replacement must be turned down by Income Eligible Program, unless in Municipal Light Plant District.	case-by-case basis, depending on size of project
General HVAC and/or DHW Electrification	Replacement must be turned down by Income Eligible Program, unless in Municipal Light Plant District.	case-by-case basis, depending on size of project
Maximum set-point thermostats	Set point "pin" must prevent heat call above 78 degrees	100%, up to \$100k

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Lighting	Income Eligible program must have turned down retrofit as not cost-effective. Exemption for LHAs in Municipal Light Districts, where all cost-effective measures will be paid for	100% up to \$150k for Municipal Light Districts. Others on a case-by-case basis after Income Eligible Program rejection
Exterior building & parking lot lighting		
Occupancy sensors		
LED fixtures and bulbs		
Refrigerators	Rejected by Income Eligible program or LHA is in Municipal Light District; >10 years old	100%, up to \$150k
Indoor Air Quality		
Bathroom fans	There may be no existing fan which vents to the outside. Specifically, if no fans exist, the site qualifies. If fans exist but vent into the attic, the site qualifies. If current fans exhaust to the outside, but they are old, they do NOT qualify	100%, up to \$150k
Range hoods	Same criteria as bath fans above	100%, up to \$150k
Gas or propane stove conversion	Existing natural gas or propane stove must be >10 years old. New stove must be electric.	100%, up to \$150k
Exterior improvements		
Trees	Any shade trees which are installed to replace trees which have been removed because of site work	100%, up to \$10k

Components NOT Covered
Windows
Washing machines or clothes dryers
Programmable thermostats (too prone to breakage)
Emergency Lighting