

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY STUDIES



August 2011 – Over \$300 Million in Federal Funds State, Local, and Tribal Governments

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Approximately \$316 million is available in current or upcoming funding opportunities for state, local and tribal governments from the DOE and HUD that can be used to support climate and energy initiatives, including energy efficiency, regional planning, and renewable energy. For full eligibility and application details, please visit the links provided below.

DOE State Energy Program PY 2011 Formula Award Funding – \$39 million

Application Due: August 19, 2011

Eligible Entities: State governments

DOE's SEP seeks to provide grants to state energy offices in all states and U.S. territories to design and carry out their own renewable energy and energy efficiency programs. States use grants to address their energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging RE and EE technologies. For more info, visit [DOE SEP PY 2011](#).

HUD HOPE VI – \$0.5 million

Application Due: August 22, 2011

Eligible Entities: Local governments

HUD requests proposals for the HOPE VI Main Street Program. This program provides grants to small communities to assist in the revitalization of an historic or traditional central business district or "Main Street" area by replacing unused commercial space in buildings with affordable housing units. HUD encourages activities that actively promote sustainability through enhancing EE measures. \$500K expected to be available, 1 award anticipated. For more info, contact Lawrence Gnessin at lawrence.gnessin@hud.gov or go to HUD HOPE VI.

DOE Weatherization Formula Grants – Likely to be approximately \$210 million

Application Due: Varies by program year, next due date is August 19, 2011

Eligible Entities: Agencies that administer the WAP program

DOE requests proposals for the WAP Formula Grant. Lead applicants must be agencies that administer the WAP program. Proposal due date varies by prime applicant's program year. Grantees will be notified as soon as an update on FY 2011 funding becomes available. For planning purposes, grantees should proceed with their respective plans using the same funding level as the DOE 2010 appropriated funds. For more info, contact Meghaan Hampton at Meghaan.Hampton@netl.doe.gov or go to [DOE Wx Formula Grants](#).

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HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program Advance Notice – \$67 million

HUD has released an advance NOFA for the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program. This program supports metropolitan and multijurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, energy, workforce development, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact. HUD is not yet receiving pre-applications or applications. Specific questions regarding program requirements should be directed to sustainablecommunities@hud.gov or through www.hud.gov/sustainability. To download the advance notice of requirements, visit [HUD SC Regional Planning Grant Program Advance Notice](#).

Interested in learning more about Sustainable Communities and how your Agency might participate?

If so, check out this webinar on the Sustainable Communities Grant Program:

What: Sustainable Communities Grant Program: Making Equity in Housing, Transportation, and Jobs the Heart of Your Region's Application – Join PolicyLink, HUD, and leading regional planners to discuss best equity practices to drive planning and investments in housing, energy, health, environment, and infrastructure needs.

When: Wednesday August 17, 2:00-3:00 pm EDT

[Webinar Registration](#)

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