





## Sustainable Jersey and Sustainable Jersey for Schools

**Opportunity for FREE Technical Support on Energy Initiatives** 

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Application Due Date:	April 14, 2017

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## A. Background

Sustainable Jersey is once again partnering with the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) and New Jersey Natural Gas (NJNG) to provide a powerful program to assist municipalities and school districts within <u>NJNG service territory</u> in completing the Sustainable Jersey energy actions. Efforts will be focused on improving building performance through energy efficiency analysis, planning, and upgrades, but may also include renewable energy and other energy-related improvements.

This program will provide a trained EDF Fellow, typically an MBA or similar graduate with specialty training in energy project assessment and development, to work for 10 weeks (40 hours per week) during the summer of 2017 at no cost to the municipality or school district. The fellow will provide the expertise and support needed to help implement Sustainable Jersey energy actions, including but not limited to:

- Establishing and/or updating comprehensive energy tracking management system, benchmarking, and creation of an energy usage baseline
- Creating a carbon footprint
- Planning and, where feasible, implementing energy audits to identify building improvements
- Where needed, providing business planning to formulate a building upgrade action plan
- Planning and helping to coordinate building performance upgrades
- Exploring feasible renewable energy options including direct purchase options and planning for on-site generation systems

The exact work program will depend on what energy work has already been completed, and the district or municipality priorities for building energy performance upgrades. Work on these efforts will include research and assistance with application for outside funding through the NJ Clean Energy Program or other incentive and grant programs, and developing the documentation needed to apply for Sustainable Jersey certification points for related energy actions.

Sustainable Jersey energy staff will provide guidance and support for the EDF Fellow and compensate him/her through a grant funded by New Jersey Natural Gas. The receiving municipality(ies) and district(s) will be expected to provide:

- The EDF Fellow a place to work for the 10 weeks of the program, during the summer of 2017, including a desk, a phone, a computer, and an email account.
- An on-site supervisor/coach to serve as the primary contact for the Fellow and provide oversight, in collaboration with the Sustainable Jersey energy program staff.
- Access to energy records as needed by the project, support from relevant staff, and an opportunity to present project results and recommendations to senior decision makers by the end of the program.

**Applications are due April 14, 2017.** Please contact Tony O'Donnell, Project Specialist for Sustainable Jersey's Energy Team, at 609-771-2921 or email him at <u>odonnela@tcnj.edu</u> if you have any questions regarding this opportunity.

## B. Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to apply for 2017 EDF Fellow program, an applicant must:

- Be a New Jersey municipality or school district registered in the respective Sustainable Jersey certification program.
- Be physically located within the <u>New Jersey Natural Gas territory</u>. See Section F of this application for a summary of areas included in the NJNG territory.
- Agree to provide the support outlined in Section A.

## C. Submitting the Application

- 1. A completed application must be **submitted electronically by 11:59 pm on April 14, 2017 to** <u>grants@sustainablejersey.com</u>.
- 2. The email subject line should include the municipality's or school district's name and "2017 EDF Fellows Application".
- 3. Applicants will receive an email acknowledging receipt of their application.

#### **D.** Selection Process

A committee of Sustainable Jersey staff will review and evaluate applications. During the selection process, it is likely that staff will want to interview appropriate municipal, school personnel to assess potential match with the EDF Fellows program. Applicants must be responsive to this interview request to be considered for the program.

Applications will be screened based on the Eligibility Requirements outlined in Section B and evaluated based on the criteria outlined below:

- The applicant is registered in the Sustainable Jersey or Sustainable Jersey for Schools program.
- Responsiveness to selection committee interview request.
- Demonstrated commitment to support the Fellow's effort and complete the appropriate energy actions.

## E. Sustainable Jersey Technical Support for Energy Initiatives Application Form 2017

Please complete the attached *Sustainable Jersey Technical Support for Energy Initiatives 2017 Application.* Please contact Tony O'Donnell, Project Specialist for Sustainable Jersey's Energy Team at 609-771-2921 or email him at <u>odonnela@tcnj.edu</u> if you have any questions regarding this opportunity.

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# Technical Support for Energy Initiatives 2017 Application

Municipality	
or School	
District Name	
County	

## **Primary Municipal/School District Contact**

(The application follow-up and will be directed to this contact.)

Name	
Title	
Mailing Address	
Phone	
Email	

For **municipal applicants**, please list the approximate number of buildings. For **school district applicants**, please list each school in the district including the name and type (elementary, etc.). In lieu of listing the information here, it can be included as an attachment. Just note in the box that an attachment is provided.

## Summary

Please provide a summary of the energy relative initiatives that are completed or planned at any of the municipal or school district facilities. Note if the efforts were funding in part through the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy Program or other external funding source.

#### Authorization

The application should signed by an authorized individual. For a municipality, this includes the mayor or other authorized member of the governing body, or the business administrator. For school districts, this includes the superintendent or business administrator.

I hereby authorize submission of this application, and agree that if selected, \_\_\_\_

will accept the assignment of an EDF Fellow for a period of 10 weeks during the Summer of 2017 and provide him/her with the necessary guidance and support to accomplish the program outlined in this application.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

#### **BURLINGTON COUNTY**

Bass River Township Washington Township

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Old Bridge Township (\*)

#### **MONMOUTH COUNTY**

Aberdeen Township Allenhurst Boro Asbury Park, City of Atlantic Highlands Avon-By-The-Sea Belmar Boro Bradley Beach Boro Brielle Boro Colts Neck Township Deal Boro Eatontown Boro Englishtown Boro Fair Haven Boro Farmingdale Boro Freehold Boro Freehold Township Hazlet Township Highlands Boro Holmdel Township Howell Township Interlaken Boro Keansburg Boro **Keyport Boro** Lake Como Boro Little Silver Boro Loch Arbour Village Long Branch, City of Manalapan Township Manasquan Boro Marlboro Township Matawan Boro Middletown Township

#### **MONMOUTH COUNTY**

Monmouth Beach Boro Neptune City Boro Neptune Township Oceanport Boro Ocean Township Red Bank Boro Rumson Boro Sea Bright Boro Sea Girt Boro Shrewsbury Boro Shrewsbury Township Spring Lake Boro Spring Lake Hts. Boro **Tinton Falls Boro** Union Beach Boro Wall Township West Long Branch Boro

#### **MORRIS COUNTY**

Boonton, Town of Boonton Township Denville Township Dover, Town of Jefferson Township Lincoln Park Borough Mine Hill Township Montville Township Mountain Lakes Boro Mount Arlington Boro Mount Olive Twp. (\*) Netcong Boro Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp.(\*) Randolph Township (\*) Rockaway Boro Rockaway Township Roxbury Township Washington Township (\*) Wharton Boro Victory Gardens Boro

#### **OCEAN COUNTY**

Barnegat Light Boro Barnegat Township Bav Head Boro Beach Haven Boro Beachwood Boro Berkeley Township Brick Township Eagleswood Township Harvey Cedars Boro Island Heights Boro Jackson Township Lacey Township Lakehurst Boro Lakewood Township Lavallette Boro Little Egg Harbor Twp. Long Beach Township Manchester Twp. (\*) Mantoloking Boro Ocean Gate Boro Ocean Township Pine Beach Boro Point Pleasant Boro Point Pleasant Beach Seaside Heights Boro Seaside Park Boro Ship Bottom Boro South Toms River Boro Stafford Township Surf City Boro Toms River Township Tuckerton Boro

#### SUSSEX COUNTY

Hopatcong Boro

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