

Applying for a Community Energy Plan Grant: Resources and Technical Assistance

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Overview of the NJBPU Community Energy Plan Grant Program (CEPG)

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Questions and Answers





- Certification program for municipalities and schools in New Jersey
- Tools, resources, and guidance to help municipalities and schools become more sustainable
- Grants and funding for municipalities and schools
- Regional Hubs





Community Energy Plan Grant Program (CEPG)

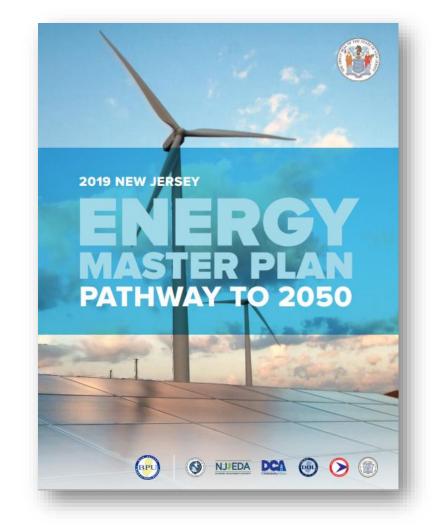




Community Energy Plan Grant (CEPG)

The Community Energy Plan Grant (CEPG) program was designed to support municipalities in developing **community-level energy plans** that align with the strategies in New Jersey's Energy Master Plan.

All New Jersey municipalities are eligible for \$10,000. Overburdened municipalities are eligible for \$25,000 and enhanced technical assistance.





Community Energy Plan Grant Update

These two grant programs support municipalities with community-level clean energy initiatives.

Community Energy Plan Grant (CEPG) Program

- Grants for municipalities to develop community energy plan grants
- Two grant award levels
 - \$10,000
 - \$25,000 overburdened municipalities

Changes for PY4: Grantees will be required to complete the following

- Post final approved plan on municipal website
- Promote final approved plan on municipal social media channel(s)

Sustainable Jersey will provide Technical Assistance for applicants, with a focus on assistance for overburdened municipalities



CEPG – Statewide Impact

Participation from municipalities throughout the State covering <u>ALL</u> counties

CEPG program awardees by county:

Atlantic -5

Bergen – 20

Burlington – 9

Camden – 8

Cape May – 6

Cumberland – 3

Essex - 11

Gloucester – 2

Hudson – 6

Hunterdon – 6

Mercer – 3

Middlesex – 11

Monmouth – 10

Morris - 6

Ocean - 8

Passaic - 6

Salem - 1

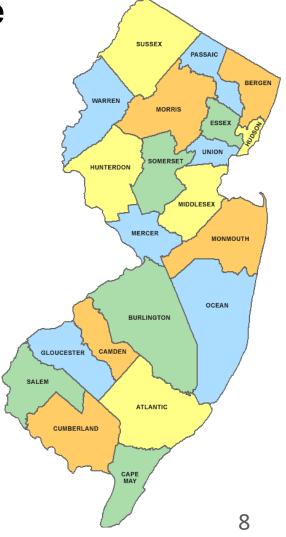
Somerset - 3

Sussex - 2

Union - 10

Warren - 2





Overburdened Municipalities

In support of ensuring equitable access to clean energy benefits, the CEPG program criteria for Overburdened Municipalities (OBMs) has been expanded to assist more communities.

In addition, OBMs are eligible for:

- Larger grant awards of \$25,000 for community energy planning
- Enhanced technical assistance to develop funding applications and to develop energy plans upon award



List of Overburdened Municipalities

Municipality	Municipality	Municipality	Municipality
Asbury Park City	Fairfield Twp	Maurice River Twp	Salem City
Atlantic City	Fairview Boro	Millville City	Seaside Heights Boro
Bayonne City	Flemington Boro	Mount Holly Twp	So. Toms River Boro
Beverly City	Freehold Boro	New Brunswick City	Sussex Boro
Bridgeton City	Garfield City	Newark City	Teterboro Boro
Brooklawn Boro	Glassboro Boro	North Bergen Twp	Trenton City
Burlington City	Gloucester City	Passaic City	Union City
Camden City	Guttenberg Town	Paterson City	Upper Deerfield Twp
Cape May City	Haledon Boro	Paulsboro Boro	Victory Gardens Boro
Chesilhurst Boro	Hamilton Twp	Pemberton Twp	Vineland City
City of Orange Twp	Hi-nella Boro	Penns Grove Boro	West New York Town
Clayton Boro	Irvington Twp	Pennsauken Twp	West Wildwood Boro
Clementon Boro	Jersey City	Perth Amboy City	Westville Boro
Commercial Twp	Keansburg Boro	Phillipsburg Town	Wildwood City
Deerfield Twp	Kearny Town	Pine Hill Boro	Woodbine Boro
Dover Town	Lakewood Twp	Plainfield City	Woodbury City
East Newark Boro	Lawnside Boro	Pleasantville City	Woodlynne Boro
East Orange City	Lindenwold Boro	Prospect Park Boro	Wrightstown Boro
Egg Harbor City	Lodi Boro	Riverside Twp	
Elizabeth City	Long Branch City	Roselle Boro	



CEPG – Program Year 4 Timeline

MILESTONE	ОВМ	NON-OBM
Establish Planning Team	Within 45 days of grant agreement submission	Within 45 days of grant agreement submission
Consult with Sustainable Jersey	Within 45 days of grant agreement submission	Within 90 days of grant agreement submission
Submit Proposed Revised Budget	Within 105 days of award announcement	Within 150 days of award announcement
Complete Workplan Template	Within 6 months of grant agreement submission	Within 6 months of grant agreement submission
Community Engagement Session	Within 8 months of award announcement	Within 8 months of award announcement
Finalize and Submit Plan	Within 12 months of award announcement	Within 12 months of award announcement



CEPG - Reporting Requirements

\$10,000 grant award

 One (1) expenditure report at the end of the twelve (12) month grant term

\$25,000 grant award (OBMs)

 Three (3) quarterly expenditure reports and one (1) final report on or before the end of the twelve (12) month grant term



CEPG - Stakeholder Engagement

Participation in this grant program requires at least two stakeholder sessions:

- First session: Application phase
- Second session: Plan development phase

Requirement is just a minimum!

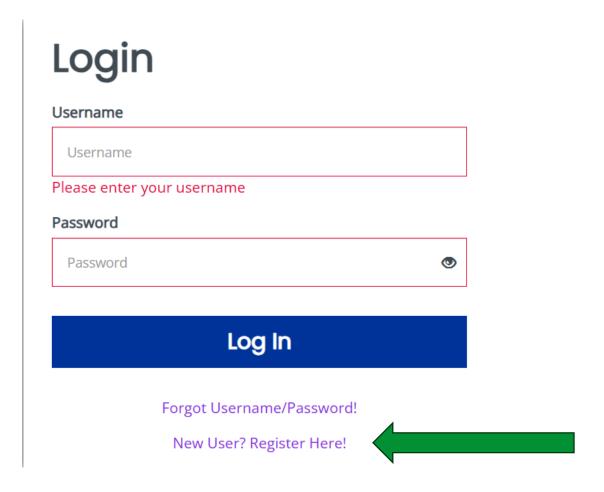
 Municipalities are encouraged to hold more stakeholder sessions to receive continued feedback from the community.





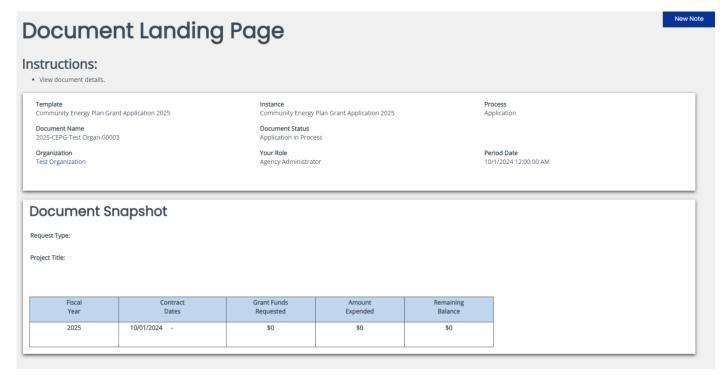
SAGE – Register for Account

- Go to njbpu.intelligrants.com
- Select "New User? Register here!"
- A "New User Registration" window will pop up; fill out the required information
- You will receive a follow up email confirming approval of account
- Email should come from BPUIGXadmin@bpu.nj.gov





Landing Page



- Application should be accessible through "My Opportunities" on the main SAGE page
- Look for application with at least some of the following information:
 - 2025-CEP-Community Energy Plan Grant Y4 (CEP – 2026)
- The image to the left should be the first page you see in the application.
 - You will see your document status on this page



Application – Step 1 – Applicant Information

- Step 1 encompasses the following subsections
 - a) Applicant Agency Information
 - b) Official Contact Information
 - c) Program Contact Information
 - d) Fiscal Contact Information
 - e) Attorney Contact Information
 - f) Project Title
 - g) Location of Proposed Project



Step 1– Applicant Agency Information

Will have two dropdown prompts:

- Type of Request select "new"
- Type of Agency select "municipality"

UEI/SAM#

- Input number if available
- If you do not know/have a number, the field can be left blank



Step 1 (continued) – Official Contact Information

- Official Contact Information/Program Contact Information
 - Enter the relevant grant team contacts in these fields
 - Need First/Last Name; Title; Phone #; Email Address
- Fiscal Contact Information
 - Same contact information, plus:
 - Agency Fiscal Year
 - Name of CPA Firm appointed by grantee
- Attorney Contact Information
 - First/Last Name; Title; Phone #; Email Address



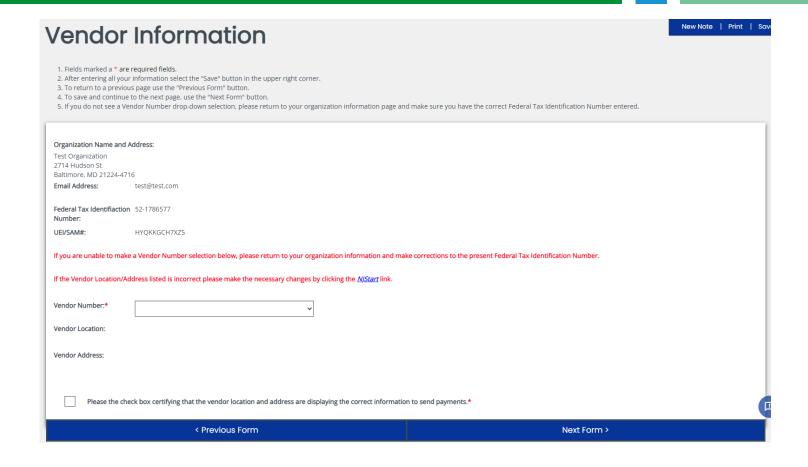
Step 1 (continued) – Project Information

- Project Title
 - For this grant, you can format it as: CEPG_MunicipalityName_2026
- Location of Proposed Project
 - Should be a check box stating "Click here if the project's location is the same as the agency's address"
 - Since the CEP is not a physical project, you can select this box for the location



Step 2 – Vendor Information

- Organization information should automatically populate.
 - Confirm information is correct
- Use dropdown box to select Vendor Number



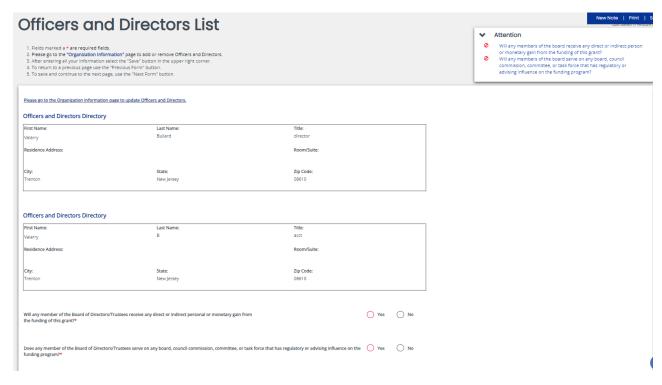


Step 3 – Officers and Directors List

- Officers and Directors can be any relevant municipal official
 - Examples: Mayor, Business Administrator, Grants Director, etc.

Will need to answer the following questions:

- 1) Will any member of the Board of Directors/Trustees receive any direct or indirect personal or monetary gain from the funding of this grant?
- 2) Does any member of the Board of Directors/Trustees serve on any board, council commission, committee, or task force that has regulatory or advising influence on the funding program?





Step 4 – Program Details

 Program Specifications + Scope of Work – should be pre-filled with program information

Assessment of Need

Evaluation (more specific language included with written guidance)





Step 5 - Objectives

- Objective Title should be pre-filled. Will display each required objective of program.
- Object Number can leave blank
- Questions to answer (language provided in guidance packet)
 - Describe what will be done to alleviate what needs are described
 - Methods list the methods to be used to attain objectives described and estimated completion date
 - Evaluation
- Additional attachments submit original application if available



Step 6 – Background History/Capacity/Financial Management

- Describe your agency's mission/purpose
 - Prompt is meant more for private organizations.
 - Can just put information about being the municipal government and serving the residents of the town.
- There will be a prompt to upload organizational chart that lists the duties and responsibilities of staff that will be directly involved in the project
- Financial Management
 - How many years of experience does your agency have with grants?
 - Does your agency have qualified staff to oversee financial operations?
 - Agency Fiscal Year end
 - Agency accounting system dropdown box Cash or Accrual



Step 7 – Agency Minority Profile

The Department's Office of Minority and Multicultural Health has defined "minorities" as the four major race/ethnic minority populations (African Americans, Latinos/Hispanic, Asian/Pacific Islanders, and American Indians/Eskimos) as well as linguistic minority populations who are either non-English speaking or have limited English proficiency.

Complete this form is your agency is requesting funds from this department for the first time or has not received funds in the last (2) years from the department.

1.	Is this a mind	ority-managed organization?	\bigcirc	Yes	\bigcirc	No
2.	Is this agenc	y serving a large minority population?	\bigcirc	Yes	\bigcirc	No
3.	Indicate all o	of the languages in which services are being pro	ovided	by this	orgar	nization, by placing a check in each applicable box:
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		Spanish				
		French				
		Creole				
		Other				



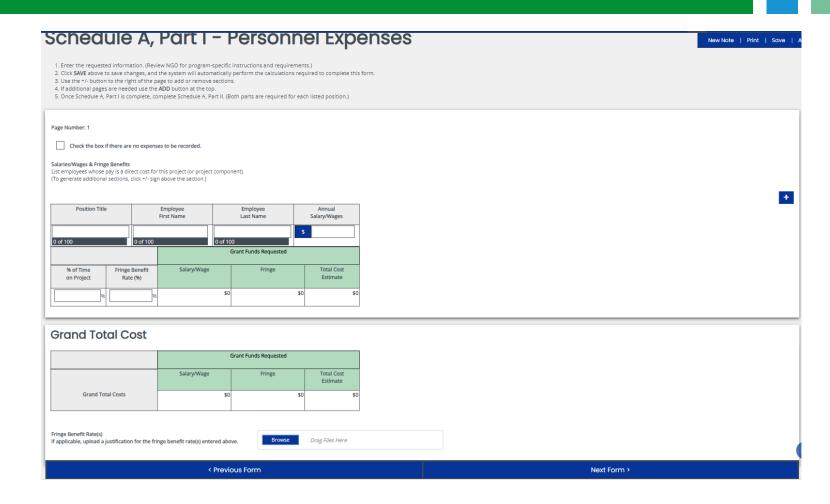
Step 8 – Personnel Expenses

Enter best guess for how grant funds will be spent.

Opportunity to revise budget later in the process.

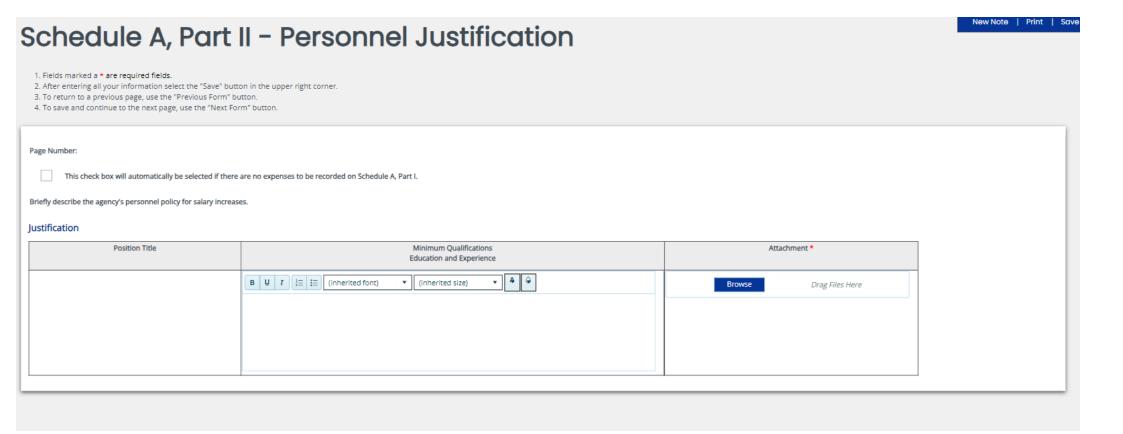
Same process can be applied for the following sections:

- Personnel Justification
- Consultant Services
 Costs
- Other Cost Categories



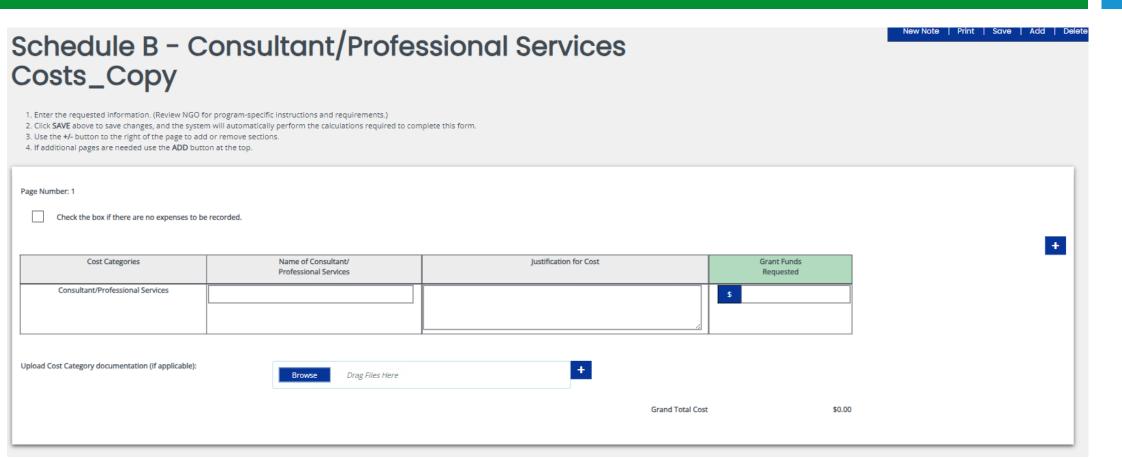


Step 9 – Personnel Justification



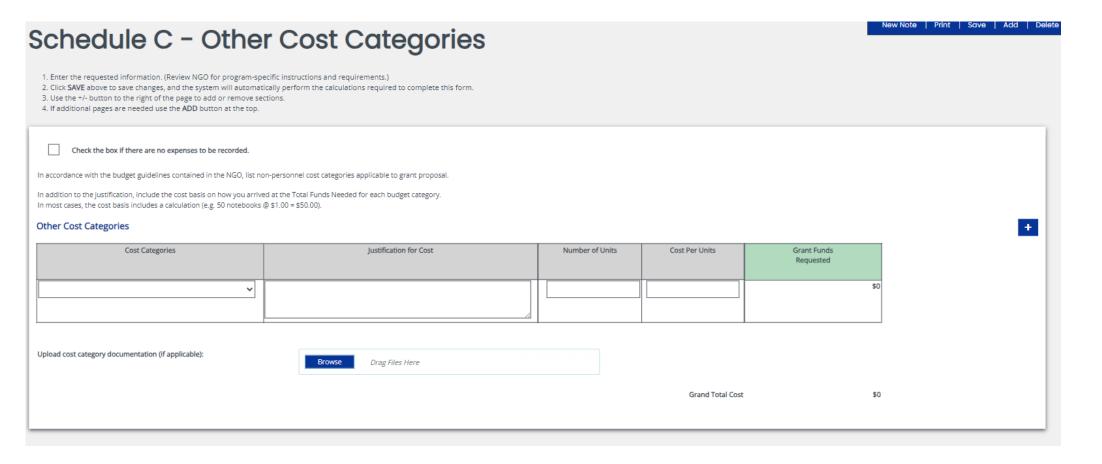


Step 10 – Consultant Services Costs





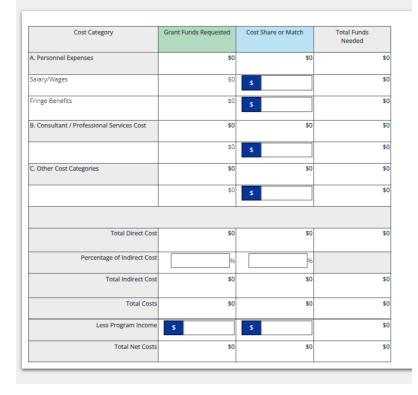
Step 11 – Other Cost Categories





Step 12 – Cost Summary

Cost Summary



Total of grant should populate under "Total Funds Needed"

Do not need to input anything under "Cost Share or Match"



Step 13 – Required Documents

- Need to upload the following
 - Certificate of Incorporation or similar document if this is not available, use some form of municipal document
 - Copy of current financial audit
 - Proof of SAM registration
 - Only applicable if you have one/are receiving federal funds
 - If you do not have this, you can skip.



Contract – Step 1 – Application for Grant Funds Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

Application for Grant Funds Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

NOTE: The following document related to Debarment and Suspension as required by Federal regulations will be used as the basis for completion of this certification:

- 1. Fields marked a * are required fields.
- 2. After entering all your information select the "Save" button in the upper right corner.
- 3. To return to a previous page use the "Previous Form" button.
- 4. To save and continue to the next page, use the "Next Form" button

In accorda	nce to Federal Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension," the undersigned certifies, to the best of his o	her knowledge that as an applicant, this agency or its key employees:
B. hav tran C. are		nem for commission of fraud or a criminal offense, in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or Local) in bezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements or receiving stolen property. I) with commission of any offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and
	The applicant agrees that by submitting this application, it will obtain from all its subgrantees a certification that	ncludes without modification paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), of this certification in accordance with Federal Executive Order 12549. *
	Agency Name: Test Organization	
	Signature of Above Officials	Date Signed:

List of parties excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-Procurement or Non-Procurement or Non-Procurement or Special Services Administration, U.S. Printing Office, Washington, D.C. This document can be acquired from the Superintendent of



Documents by calling (202) 783-3238.

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Step 2 – Application for Grant Funds Certification Regarding Lobbying

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The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge that:

- A. No grant funds awarded from State and/or Federal appropriations have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the grantee, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any grant, the making of any loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- B. If any funds other than State and/or Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the grantee shall complete and submit the Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions. This form can be found at the following website address: http://www.hhs.gov/oagam/oam/oaportunities/rfo0202/sf111.pdf.
- C. The grantee shall require that the language of this compliance requirement (certification) be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This requirement (certification) is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The applicant agrees that by submitting this application, it will obtain from all its subgrantees a certification that includes without modification paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), of this certification in accordance with Federal Executive Order 12549.*

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Signature of Above Official: Date Signed:

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Step 3 – Certification Sheet

Certification Sheet

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- 4. To save and continue to the submit application, use the "Submit Application" button. (AA and AO roles only)
- 5. To save and continue to the next page, use the "Next Form" button.

	I certify that this agency is in possession of and will comply with the Terms and Conditions for Administration of Gran	nts and the applicable Cost Principals.*
	I have read the Certifications Regarding Debarment and Suspension (Schedule G of the Application for Grant Funds) and certify to the best of my knowledge that as an applicant this agency and its key employees are in compliance wit I will also obtain such certification from all subgrantees in accordance with Federal Executive Order 12549. This form	
	I have read the Certification Regarding Lobbying (schedule H of the Application for Grant Funds) and, to the best of r This form will be maintained on file in the agency's office.	ny knowledge, certify that this agency is in compliance.
	I understand that my payments will depend on the timely submission of all reports.	
	I have submitted a listing of the officers and directors (Schedule of the application for Grant Funds) and their addres For renewal applications, I have submitted only changes from the original submission.	ses and will notify you in writing within ten days of any changes as they occur.
	I have completed and submitted the Agency Minority Profile (Schedule J of the Application for Grant Funds) at least of	ne time during the past two years.
	I certify that this agency is not delinquent on any Federal or State Debt.	
	As a non-profit corporation, I certify that this agency has 501(c)(3) status as required by the Internal Revenue Service with N.J.S.A. 45:17A-18 et seq.	and is registered as a charitable organization in accordance
	Please check box if you have read and agree to the BPU Grant Terms and Conditions.*	
	Name of Agency: Test Organization	
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Contact Information

Questions?

Contact us at:

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Sustainable Jersey Planning Resources and Technical Assistance Opportunities

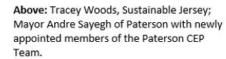
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What Does a Municipality Get Out of CEP?

- Better understanding of how energy is used in community
- Consolidated list of municipality's past energy accomplishments
- Clear, agreed upon set of energy initiatives to be implemented in the next 3-5 years, including:
 - Who will lead each initiative
 - Funding options
- Information on funding opportunities to complete selected initiatives
- Having a complete Community Energy Plan may open up additional funding options





Right Top: Tracey Woods, Sustainable Jersey; Charnette Frederic, councilwoman for Irvington doing CEP stakeholder engagement at the Haitian New Years Day Celebration.





Right Bottom: Maplewood's CEPG Team in action; members of the elected body, staff, and volunteers.

Right: Screenshots from Pleasantville's 2023 Community Energy Plan



Resources for CEP

- Sustainable Jersey Data Center
- Guide for Sustainable Energy Communities
- Workplan Template
- Model Community Energy Plan
- Community Energy Planning Guide and RFP Template
- Technical Assistance



Community Energy Plan Resources

Community energy plans are short-range plans created by municipalities to identify energy initiatives to increase clean energy production, reduce energy use, and cut greenhouse gas emissions across an entire community.

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities created a Community Energy Plan Grant (CEPG) program to help New Jersey municipalities in developing a community energy plan. Sustainable Jersey has an array of resources to support the creation of community energy plans.

Community Energy Plan Resources

Community Energy Planning Guide with RFP Template for Energy Consultants

This document provides an overview of the community energy planning process. The document also includes guidance and a template RFP for using consultants for community energy planning.

Community Energy Plan Workplan Template

Workbook for selecting and prioritizing energy initiatives. This document is available in two formats:

> Writeable PDF - click here Google sheet - click here

Guide for Sustainable Energy Communities

Case studies, best practices, and descriptions of energy initiatives

Model Community Energy Plan

Sample CEP for the fictional town of Gotham, NJ For a Microsoft Word version, click here

Creating a CEP: Resources and Technical Assistance Webinar, 2021

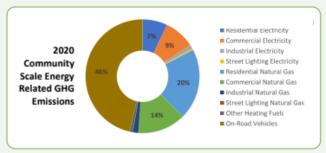
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Sustainable Jersey Data Center

Sustainable Jersey Data Center

Comprehensive municipal data and interactive maps for all New Jersey municipalities, including transportation, energy usage, residential, and other



Above is a community GHG emissions by sector chart created by compiling data from electric and natural gas utilities, and transportation planning authorities. Visit the data center to download this chart and additional data for your community.

Grants and Free Technical Assistance

Visit the Sustainable Jersey Community Energy Planning webpage to learn about current funding opportunities.

Your municipality is eligible for free technical assistance to develop applications and create a community energy plan. Contact info@sustainablejersey.com to learn about available technical assistance.

Need help? Email info@sustainablejersey.com.

Screenshot of Sustainable Jersey CEP Resource Sheet

www.sustainablejersey.com/fileadmin/media/Grants and Resources/Small Grants/CEPG/CEPG Resource Page.pdf



What can technical assistance look like?

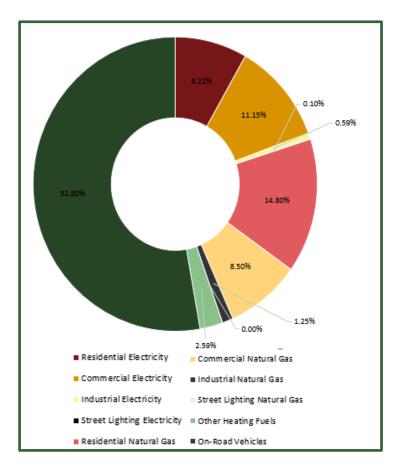
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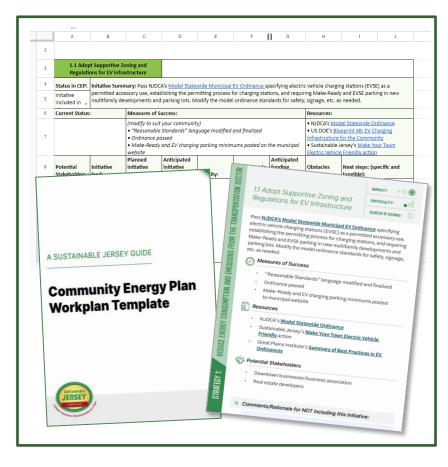
Resource Investigation



Workplan Template







Strategy 1: Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Transportation Sector

- 1.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Regulations for EV Infrastructure
- 1.2 Train First Responders on EVs and EVSE
- 1.3 Train Non-Emergency Staff on EVs and EVSE
- 1.4 Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicles
- 1.5 Improve Municipal Fleet Efficiency
- 1.6 Install Public EV Charging Infrastructure
- 1.7 Encourage Non-Municipal Fleets to Improve Efficiency
- 1.8 Encourage Workplace EV Charging Infrastructure
- 1.9 Community EV Outreach

Strategy 2: Accelerate Deployment of Renewable Energy and Distributed Energy Resources

- 2.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Permitting for Private Solar
- 2.2 Post Solar Permitting Checklist
- 2.3 Adopt Zoning and Permitting for Community Solar
- 2.4 Train First Responders on Solar
- 2.5 Train Non-Emergency Staff on Solar
- 2.6 Install On-Site Municipal Renewable Generation
- 2.7 Buy Renewable Energy for Municipal Facilities
- 2.8 Offer a Solar Employee Benefit Program
- 2.9 Institute a Community-wide Solar Purchasing Program
- 2.10 Implement Renewable Government Energy Aggregation (R-GEA)
- 2.11 Support Community Solar as Project Ambassador
- 2.12 Support Community Solar as Outreach Coordinator
- 2.13 Host a Community Solar Project on Municipal Property

Strategy 3: Maximize Energy Efficiency and Conservation and Reduce Peak Demand

- 3.1 Upgrade Energy Efficiency in Municipal Facilities
- 3.2 Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach Campaign
- 3.3 Commercial Energy Efficiency Outreach Campaign
- 3.4 Conduct Energy Efficiency Outreach to Large Energy Users

CEP Potential Initiatives

Strategy 4: Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Building Sector

- 4.1 Construct New Municipal Buildings as Model Green Buildings
- 4.2 Encourage Benchmarking and Commissioning for Existing Buildings
- 4.3 Require Developers to Complete Green Development Checklist
- 4.4 Conduct Outreach Targeting New Construction in the Community

Strategy 6: Support Community Energy Planning and Action with an Emphasis on Encouraging and Supporting Participation by Lowand Moderate-Income and Environmental Justice Communities

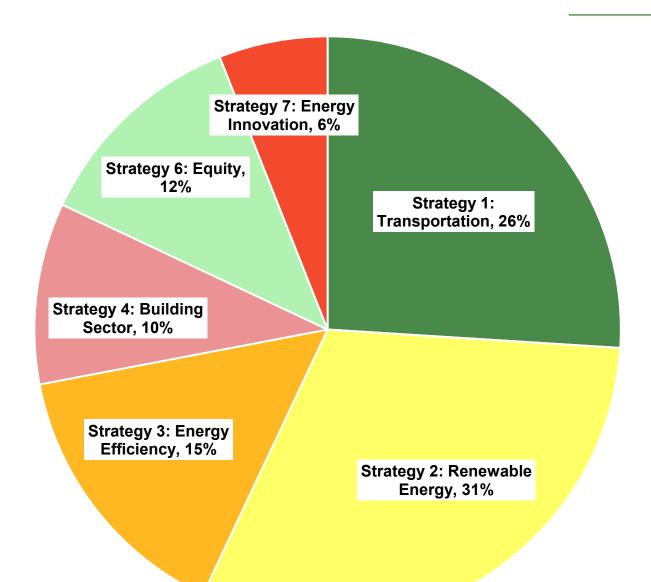
- 6.1 Make Community Energy Planning Inclusive
- 6.2 Conduct Energy Efficiency Outreach to Low- and Moderate-Income Residents
- 6.3 Support Shared Mobility Programs
- 6.4 Support Low- and Moderate-Income Community Solar Subscriptions
- 6.5 Conduct Energy Efficiency Outreach to Community-Serving Institutions

Strategy 7: Expand the Clean Energy Innovation Economy

- 7.1 Adopt Energy Storage Policies
- 7.2 Install an Energy Storage System
- 7.3 Develop Local Microgrid
- 7.4 Develop/Participate in a District Energy System



Past Recipient Strategy Selection Overview

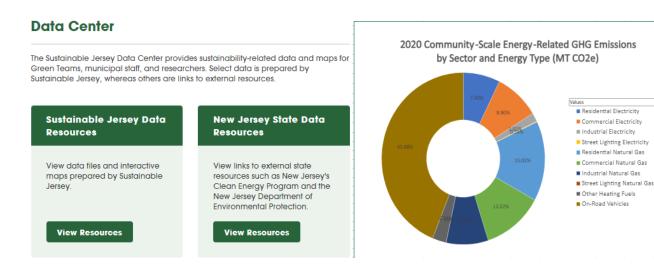


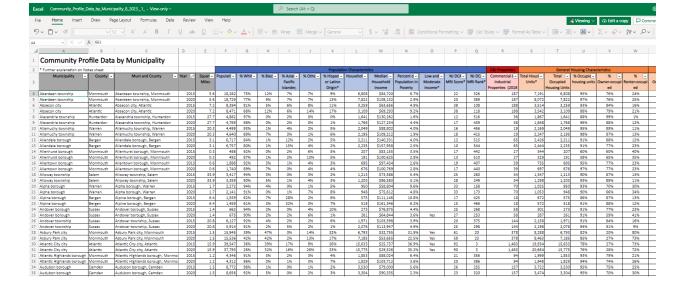
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Strategy 1: Transportation	26%	
Strategy 2: Renewable Energy	31%	
Strategy 3: Energy Efficiency	15%	
Strategy 4: Building Sector	10%	
Strategy 6: Equity	12%	
Strategy 7: Energy Innovation	6%	



Sustainable Jersey Data Presentation

- Understand current energy landscape
- Key datasets include…
 - Community Profile Data by Municipality
 - Electric and Gas Usage by Sector
 - Solar Installation Data
 - Energy Efficiency Program Participation
 - Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions

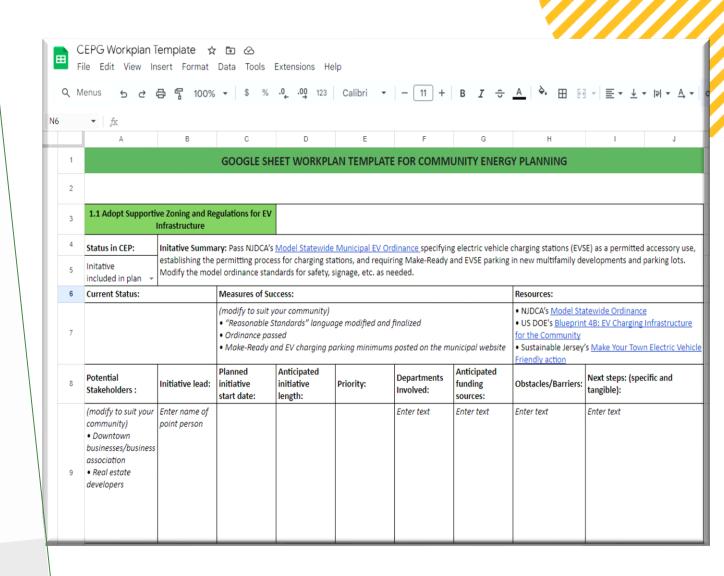




A SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GUIDE

Community Energy Plan Workplan Template







Sustainable Jersey Model Plan Template

- Framework to present information collected in Workplan Template
- Available in Word Document format

Instructions and placeholders for municipalityspecific data are typed in red font.

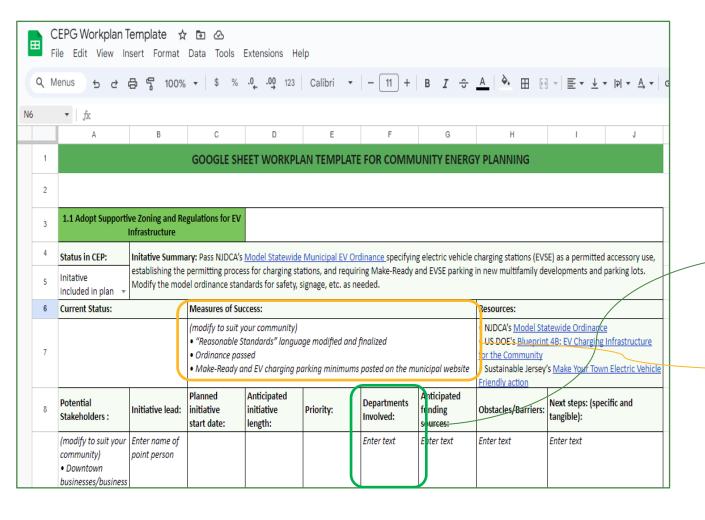
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Resource links are conveniently provided in blue for easy access.





Workplan Template Plan Template



Initiative 1.1: Adopt Supportive Zoning and Regulations for EV Infrastructure

Description: Pass New Jersey's Department of Community Affairs Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance specifying electric vehicle charging stations (EVSE) as a permitted accessory use. establishing the permitting process for charging stations, and requiring Make-Ready and EVSE parking in new multifamily developments and parking lots. Modify the model ordinance standards for safety, signage, etc. as needed.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
		Level (low, medium,		
		high)		

(The following are examples of departments that may be involved as well as obstacles encountered, please modify to suit your community)

Departments involved:

- Code Enforcement
- Zoning Official

- Legal Department
- Planning staff

Obstacles/Barriers:

Community notes:

Measures of Success:

(Modify to suit your community)

- "Reasonable Standards" language modified and finalized in NJDCA's Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance to reflect municipalities' needs
- NJDCA Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance passed
- · Make-Ready and EV charging parking minimums posted on the municipal website

Next steps:

(Below are typical next steps, modify to suit your community)

- 1) Review the NJDCA's Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance, and determine if modifications need to be made in the reasonable standards section for accessibility, lighting, parking enforcement, safety, signage, etc. as needed.
- 2) Schedule meeting with municipal officials and stakeholders identified to explain the reasoning of the ordinance.
- 3) Adopt the NJDCA's Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance modified to the municipalities needs.

[Name of Municipality] Community Energy Plan



Community Energy Planning Guide

with

Model RFP Template for Consultant Services*

July 2022

Model RFP Template

NOTE: Sections in *green italics* are suggested text and should be deleted before the RFP is issued. Download a fillable version of the Model RFP Template $\underline{\text{here}}$.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR

<MUNICIPALITY NAME>
ENERGY-RELATED CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR
<MUNICIPALITY>'S COMMUNITY ENERGY PLAN

GENERAL INFORMATION AND SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1.1 <Municipality>, <County>, NJ is requesting proposals from consultants to provide support for the creation of <Municipality>'s Community Energy Plan. As a recipient of a Community Energy Plan Grant, the municipality is soliciting for <state in plain language the municipality's needs, e.g., "project management for creation of the municipal Community Energy Plan" or "electric vehicle charging station infrastructure plan for Town Hall">.

All submitted proposals for planning services shall be in accordance with the attached requirements.

1.2 The RFP package is available at <Location/URL> as of <date>.

Please submit proposals no later than <time and date> to the following address:

Name:

Name of Municipality:

Address of Municipality:

In addition to submitting a hard copy please submit an electronic copy of the full proposal to:

<Instructions for electronic submittal>

All inquiries should be directed to:

Name: Title:

Address:

Telephone number: Email:

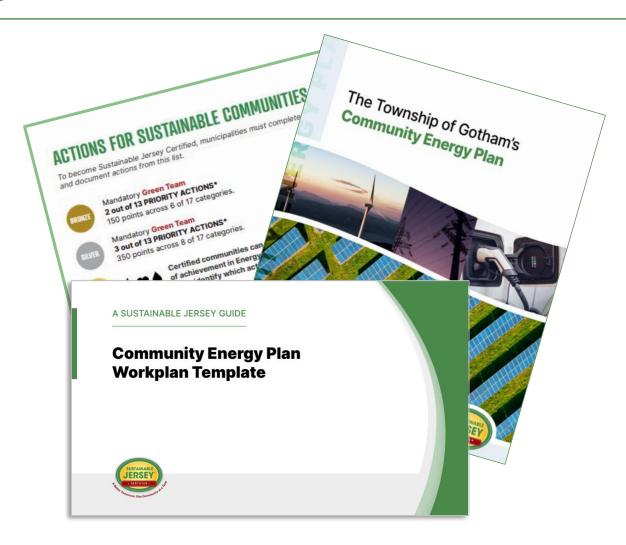
- **1.3** All proposal prices submitted in response to this RFP must remain firm for sixty (60) days following the proposal due date.
- **1.4** The municipality reserves the right to cancel this RFP, or reject in whole or in part any and all proposals, if the Municipality determines that cancellation or rejection serves the best interests of the Municipality.



Community Energy Plan Action

- 10 points: Community Energy Plan (CEP)
 OR
- 15 points: Climate Action Plan (CAP)

- Both plans encourage:
 - Energy-focused
 - Focused on high-impact initiatives
 - Strategic about community engagement
- Must use Workplan Template
- CAP requires additional elements





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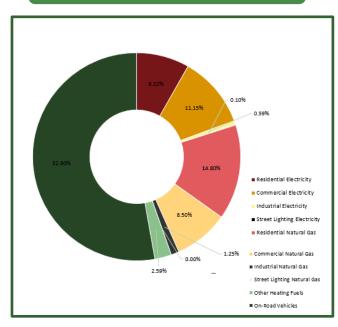


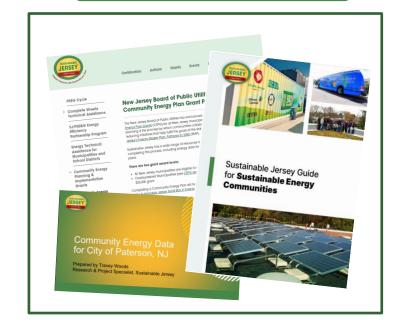


Resource Investigation



Workplan Template







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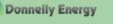






























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