

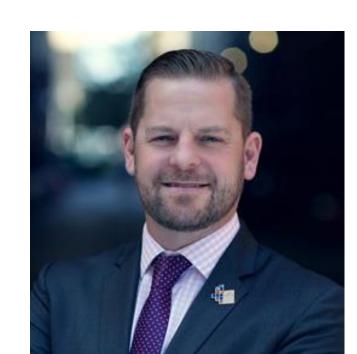




# CDFA GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION FUND COALITION

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1. Discuss the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)

 Explore the Clean Communities Investment Accelerator (CCIA) Competition



3. Detail the next steps for the CDFA Coalition

# **About CDFA**



- National member-based trade association dedicated to the advancement of development finance interests
- Network of thousands of public, private, and non-profit development finance entities
- State, county, and municipal economic development agencies and authorities
- Variety of non-governmental and private organizations including bankers, underwriters, attorneys, financial advisors, and other organizations interested in development finance



## **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund**

- The Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) is a historic new EPA program created by President Biden's Inflation Reduction Act
- The \$27 billion competitive grants aim to mobilize financing and private capital for clean energy and climate projects that benefit low-income and disadvantaged communities
- The Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund will be implemented via three grant competitions that will lower energy bills, reduce pollution, and create economic opportunities for American communities



## **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund**

- EPA issued its *Implementation Framework for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund* on April 19, 2023.
  - National Clean Investment Fund competition
  - Solar for All competition
  - Clean Communities Investment Accelerator competition



#### NATIONAL CLEAN INVESTMENT FUND

\$14 billion Notice of Funding Opportunity: TBA

- Will fund 2 3 national nonprofits that will partner with private capital providers to deliver financing at scale to businesses, communities, community lenders, and others
- Intended to catalyze tens of thousands of clean technology projects to accelerate our progress towards energy independence and a netzero economic future



#### **SOLAR FOR ALL**

\$7 billion Notice of Funding Opportunity: June 28, 2023

- Will provide up to 60 grants to States, Tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits to expand the number of low-income and disadvantaged communities that are primed for residential and community solar investment
- Intended to enable millions of families to access affordable, resilient, and clean solar energy



#### **CLEAN COMMUNITIES INVESTMENT ACCELERATOR**

\$6 billion Notice of Funding Opportunity: TBA

- Will fund 2 7 hub nonprofits to rapidly build clean financing capacity of networks of community lenders to finance pollution-reducing projects in low income & disadvantaged communities
- Intended to serve as a robust pipeline for thousands of community-led clean projects, generated by hundreds of community lenders to start or expand clean lending in underserved populations





## Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (Competitions)

National Clean Investment Fund

Clean Communities Investment Accelerator

Solar for All

Hub

**CDFA** 

- Hub
- Up to \$5 million in capitalization funding
- Up to \$625,000 in technical assistance subawards



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Community Lenders will support qualified projects within three broad categories:

(1) distributed power generation and storage; (2) decarbonization retrofits of existing buildings; and (3) transportation pollution reduction





#### **COMMUNITY LENDER**

- New or existing public, quasi-public, not-for-profit, or nonprofit entities that provide financial assistance to qualified projects at the state, local, territorial, or Tribal level or in the District of Columbia
- The EPA will require CDFA to implement an eligibility review process to ensure that entities receiving capitalization funding and technical assistance subawards meet the requirements of a "Community Lender"



## **Use of Funds**

#### **PROJECTS**

- Three broad categories:
  - 1. Distributed power generation and storage
  - 2. Decarbonization retrofits of existing buildings
  - 3. Transportation pollution reduction
- EPA expects to require capitalization funding to strengthen the balance sheets of Community Lenders through either one-time subgrants and/or one-time commitments to provide subsidies for qualifying transactions, which the community lenders can draw upon in the future and subsequently retain (i.e., when loans are repaid)



## **Use of Funds**

#### **GEOGRAPHIES**

- EPA expects to require that 100% of funds be used to ultimately support deployment of projects in low-income and disadvantaged communities
- Grantees will be expected to ensure that, in line with the Justice 40 Initiative, 40% of benefits from this competition flow to disadvantaged communities



# **CDFA Coalition**

#### **CDFA APPROACH**

- CDFA is building a national coalition of public, quasi-public, not-for-profit, and nonprofit community lenders
- With our unrivaled network, we can deliver tangible change in low-income and disadvantaged communities together
- CDFA will serve as the hub, awarding capitalization funding of up to \$5 million and technical assistance subawards of up to \$625,000 to community lenders





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