

Training for Residential Energy Contractors

Funding Opportunity Announcement Webinar

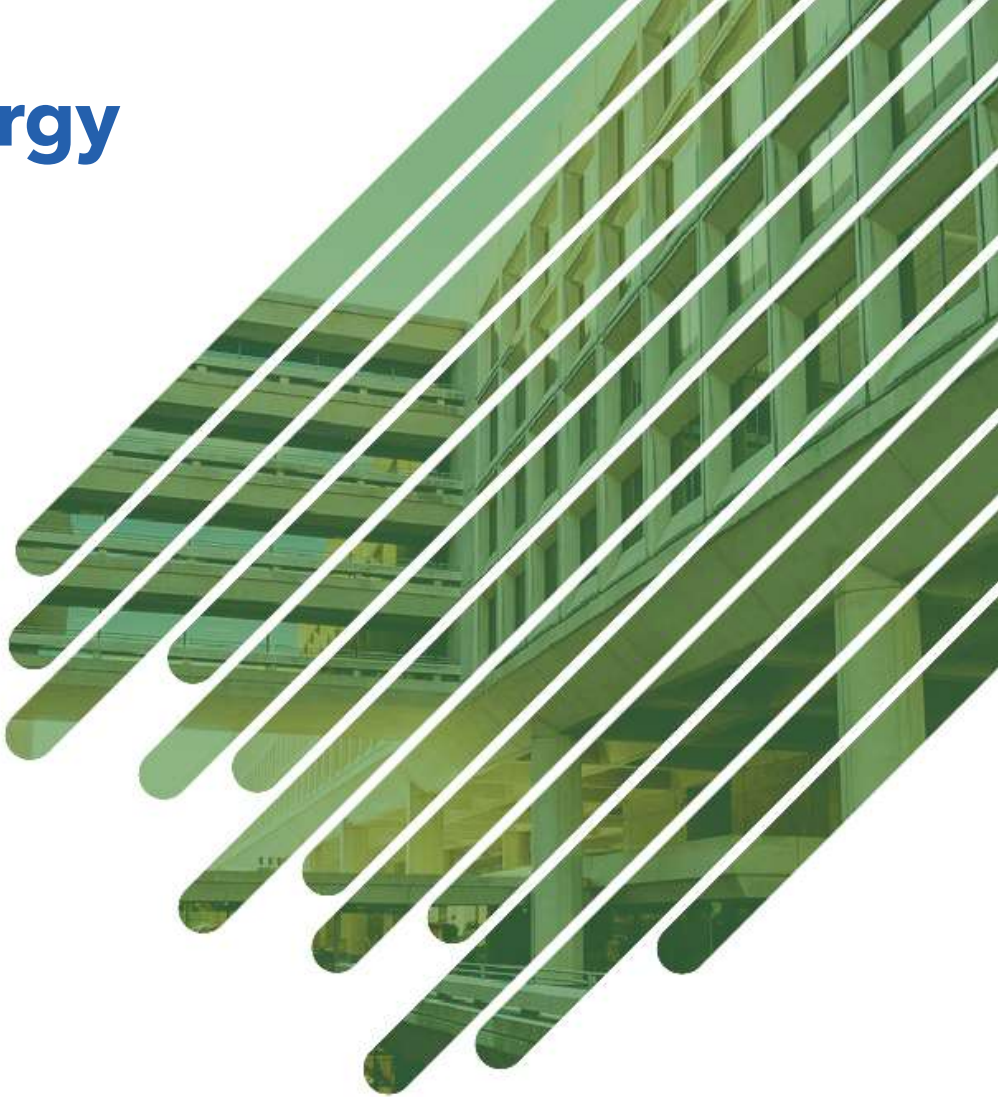
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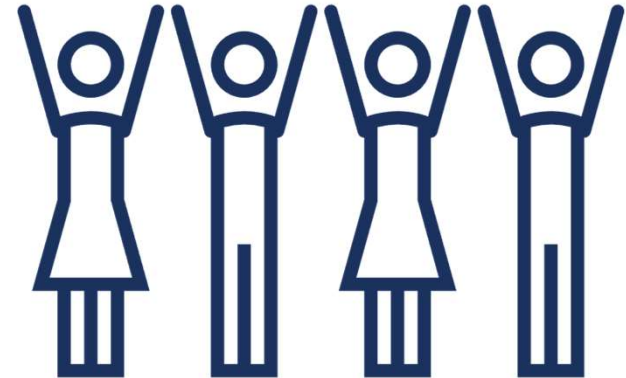
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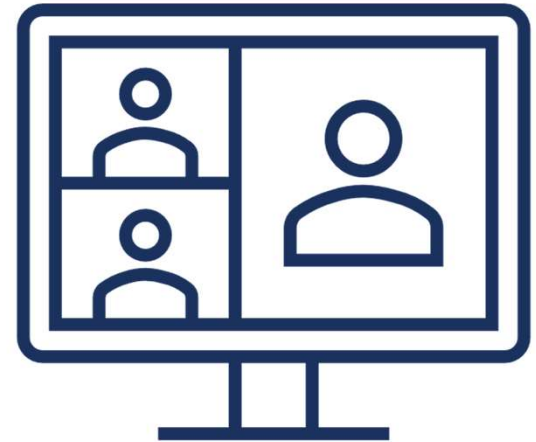
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- ✓ Please be careful not to submit any language that might be business sensitive, proprietary, or confidential.
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- ✓ DOE will not discuss any new information during this webinar, other than that provided in the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA).
- ✓ Participation in today's webinar will not convey any advantages or disadvantages in the application evaluation process.
- ✓ Your participation is completely **voluntary**.
- ✓ All applicants are strongly encouraged to carefully read the Funding Opportunity Announcement DE-FOA-0003316 and adhere to the stated submission requirements.
- ✓ This presentation summarizes contents of the FOA. If there are any inconsistencies between the FOA and this presentation or statements from DOE personnel, the FOA is the controlling document and applicants should rely on the FOA language and seek clarification by submitting a question either in the chat today or to TRECgrants@hq.doe.gov.



TREC FOA Webinar Overview

- I. Funding Opportunity Description
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I. Funding Opportunity Description

Training for Residential Energy Contractors (TREC):

The State-Based Home Energy Efficiency Contractor Training Grants competitive program will provide Grant funding to States for the purpose of training, testing, and certifying residential energy contractors.

The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) appropriated \$200 million for State Energy Offices to develop and implement a program to train, test, and certify residential energy contractors through section 50123.

For this competitive program, DOE is making up to \$40 million in TREC funds available to states to complement the \$150 million in TREC formula funds that DOE previously announced on July 17, 2023, through an administrative and legal requirements document. These funds are intended to help states build a workforce qualified to scale delivery of energy efficiency and electrification upgrades associated with the \$8.8 billion IRA Home Energy Rebates Programs.

Program Purpose

This provision funds States to:

- 1. Reduce the cost for contractors** to acquire requisite skills by subsidizing available training, testing and certifications and developing training tools that contractors, their employees, and new entrants can access.
- 2. Provide testing and certifications for contractors** trained and educated to install home energy efficiency and electrification technologies and deliver residential energy efficiency and electrification improvements.
- 3. Partner with nonprofit organizations** to develop and implement a State sponsored workforce program that attracts and trains a diverse set of local participants to deliver the influx of new federally-funded energy efficiency and electrification programs.

FOA Reference: II.B

Program Strategic Goals

This FOA seeks applications to address the skill and labor shortage by focusing on the following goals:

- 1) Train small contractors and their employees to effectively deliver the Home Energy Rebates Programs.
- 2) Reduce barriers to trainings and certifications for those in rural and underserved communities.
- 3) Support State Energy Office partnerships with non-profits to design and implement community-focused workforce development program models.
- 4) Implement innovative, replicable workforce development program models for energy efficiency and electrification upgrades.
- 5) Provide training for contractor firms that offer high-quality jobs with family-sustaining wages, benefits, and career pathways with opportunities for worker advancement.

FOA Reference: II.C

Examples of Allowable Activities

Potential activities under the TREC FOA that support the Home Energy Rebates Programs could include, but are not limited to:

- Training contractors to meet qualifications and certification requirements to join a state qualified contractor list.
- Training contractors how to use a state- or federally issued tool for contractors to identify disadvantaged communities in order to target their outreach to these communities.
- Training contractors how to conduct home energy assessments, including how to determine heating and cooling needs under the Home Efficiency Rebate Programs.
- Training contractors about the relationship between a building's envelope and heating and cooling systems, including how the sequencing of different improvements can impact the overall home.
- Training contractors, auditors, or others to become Home Energy Score Assessors and provide certificates to homeowners as required by the Home Efficiency Rebates Program. ,
- Training contractors to understand invoicing requirements for the Home Energy Rebates Programs.
- Training contractors on Home Energy Rebates Programs' Quality Assurance and Quality Control requirements and protocols.
- Training contractors to use diagnostics during assessments (to help identify appropriate improvements) as well as while completing retrofits (to ensure proper installation).
- Integrating employment placement for certified contractors to deploy the rebates program.

FOA Reference: II.B

Partnerships

DOE encourages States to partner with **nonprofit organizations** to develop and implement TREC programs. Doing so can help States leverage and support nonprofit's expertise in order to deliver innovative, effective, and equitable training programs. Potential activities under the IRA 50123 FOA that support State partnerships with nonprofit organizations could include, but are not limited to:

- Designing and implementing TREC programs.
- Recruiting small contractor firm engagement in TREC programs.
- Mapping out how residential energy efficiency work in a state can fit into a career pathway with employer-validated credentials and relevant trainings in the state.
- Assessing job quality in residential energy efficiency jobs to place trainees with employers that offer high-quality jobs.
- Identifying underserved community members to recruit into TREC programs.

DOE is compiling a **Teaming Partner List** to facilitate the formation of project teams for this FOA. This could allow organizations that may wish to participate on a project to express their interest to other applicants and explore potential partnerships.

- **SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:** View the Teaming Partner List by visiting the Infrastructure eXCHANGE homepage and clicking on "Teaming Partners" within the left-hand navigation pane.

FOA Reference: II.C

Topic Areas

This FOA includes two topic areas. Applicants must submit one application for one topic area through this FOA.

- 1. Training Small Contractor Firms** - State Energy Offices may use funding to support existing small contractor firms through training and certifications so that the contractor firm employees can deliver energy efficiency and electrification improvements eligible for rebates under the Home Efficiency Rebates Program or the Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates Program.
- 2. Innovative, Effective, and Equitable Workforce Development Programs** - State Energy Offices may use funding to implement innovative, effective, and equitable workforce development program models that deliver contractor training program curriculum. States can collaborate with nonprofit organizations to design/enhance and implement workforce development, training, certification, and employment programs that train, test, and certify underrepresented populations, new entrants to the workforce, youth ages 17-25, incumbent workers, displaced workers, and contractors to conduct home energy efficiency and electrification improvements under the Home Energy Rebates Programs.

FOA Reference: II.E

Topic Area 1: Training Small Contractor Firms

Potential program activities could include, but are not limited to:

- Supporting women and minority-owned contractors to scale and enter a new market.
- Supporting underrepresented workers, such as women; Asian workers; Hispanic or Latino workers; Black or African American workers; workers of two or more races; or other workers identified by States.
- Supplementing the cost for participants and contractor firms through payment for training; scholarships to participants and contractor firms; and/or stipends for their participation.
- Providing testing and certification of participants and contractor firms to deliver home improvements and rebates.
- Engaging with nonprofit organizations to recruit small contractor firm engagement.
- Engaging non-traditional contracting firms (e.g., remodelers, siding companies) to encourage effective integration of the residential rebates in their projects.
- Training contractors on marketing and sales, including around financial analysis and payback times, so they can better understand and describe the benefits of energy efficiency and electrification technologies for consumers.
- Training contractors how to conduct home energy assessments, including how to determine heating and cooling needs under the Home Efficiency Rebates Programs.
- Training contractors about the relationship between a building's envelope and heating and cooling systems, including how the sequencing of different improvements can impact the overall home.
- Training contractors, auditors, or others to become Home Energy Score Assessors and provide certificates to homeowners as required by the Home Efficiency Rebates Program.
- Training contractors to use diagnostics during assessments (to help identify appropriate improvements) as well as while completing retrofits (to ensure proper installation).
- Pursuing any of the activities related to the Home Energy Rebates Programs listed in Section II.B.

FOA Reference: II.E.i

Topic Area 2: Innovative, Effective, and Equitable Workforce Development Programs

Potential program activities could include, but are not limited to:

- Offering, or working with already existing, quality pre-apprenticeship with preferential entry to registered apprenticeship, and/or registered apprenticeship programs.
- Implementing rural workforce development strategies to provide accessible training for residents in rural communities (e.g., mobile training centers, virtual training programs, working with local governments and/or Tribes, etc.).
- Collaborating with high schools and/or nonprofit organizations to integrate green building training and certification into career and technical education programs that lead to energy efficiency certifications.
- Supporting the goals of American Climate Corps by implementing workforce development that serves youth populations and provides participants with paid skills-based training; prepares participants to enter into a Registered Apprenticeship program (e.g. an apprenticeship readiness program with preferential or direct entry into a Registered Apprenticeship program that can meet the demand for new apprentices); and prepares participants to obtain a private or public-sector job in the field of residential energy efficiency and electrification.
- Collaboration with Indian Tribes on training and workforce development.

FOA Reference: II.E.ii

II. Award Information

Award Overview

Total Amount to be Awarded	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Up to \$40,000,000
Number of Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approximately 10 to 30 awards (0-15 in each topic area)
Average Amount Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual awards may vary between \$250,000 and \$5,000,000 (with the target range of \$2,000,000).
Anticipated Period of Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 48 months
New Applicants Only	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DOE will accept only new applications under this FOA.• DOE will not consider applications for renewals of existing DOE-funded awards through this FOA.

FOA Reference: III.A

III. Eligibility Information

Eligible Applicants

Eligible Applicants

In accordance with the IRA Section 50123, funding is only available to States, the District of Columbia, and a United States Insular Area (as that term is defined in Section 50211 of the IRA). These eligible entities are referred to throughout this FOA as “States”. No other entity types may be considered for this funding. In accordance with 2 CFR Part 910.126 and DOE Program Rule 10 CFR Part 420, eligibility for these awards is restricted to State Energy Offices.

Domestic Entities

The proposed subrecipient(s) must be domestic entities. The following types of domestic entities are eligible to participate as a subrecipient of this FOA:

1. Institutions of higher education;
2. For-profit entities;
3. Nonprofit entities; and
4. State and local governmental entities and Indian tribes.

FOA Reference: IV.A

Cost Sharing

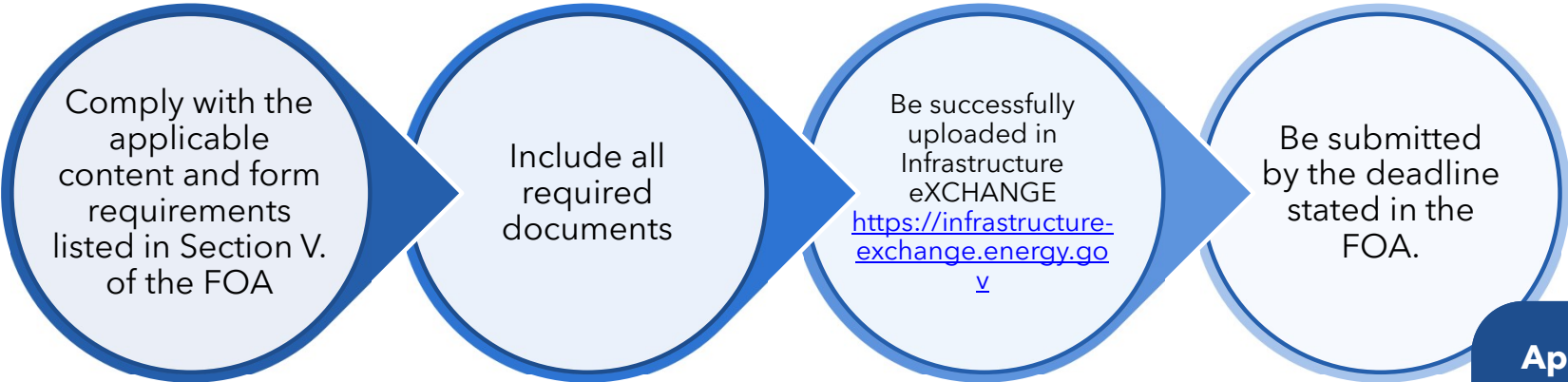
- Cost sharing is encouraged but not required under this FOA.
- Applicants are bound by the cost share proposed in their Full Applications if selected for award negotiations.
- Each project team is free to determine how best to allocate the cost share requirement among the team members. The amount contributed by individual project team members may vary, as long as the cost share requirement for the entire project is met.

FOA Reference : IV.B

Compliance Criteria

May 9, 2024: Letters of Intent due by 5 p.m. ET.
July 12, 2024: Full Application due by 5 p.m. ET.

All applicant submissions must:



DOE will not review or consider submissions submitted through means other than Infrastructure eXCHANGE, submissions submitted after the applicable deadline, or incomplete submissions.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their letters of intent and full applications at least 48 hours in advance of the deadline.

FOA Reference: IV.C

IV. Application and Submission Information

Anticipated TREC FOA Schedule

Milestone	Timeline:
FOA Issue Date:	03/29/2024
Submission Deadline for Letters of Intent	05/09/2024 5:00pm ET
Submission Deadline for Full Applications:	07/12/2024 5:00pm ET
Expected Date for DOE Selection Notifications:	10/24/2024
Expected Timeframe for Award Negotiations:	10/25/2024 – 01/12/2025

FOA Reference: Cover page

Infrastructure eXCHANGE Website – Where to Find the FOA

1. <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/>
2. View the FOA and apply on eXCHANGE by searching “DE-FOE-0003316”

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FOA Number	FOA Title	Announcement Type	Office	LOI Deadline	CP Deadline	FA Deadline
DE-FOA-0003316	The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Section 50123 established the State-Based Home Energy Efficiency Contractor Training Grants, Training for Residential Energy Contractors (TREC)	Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)	Office of State and Community Energy Programs (SCEP)	5/9/2024 05:00 PM ET		7/12/2024 05:00 PM ET
DE-FOA-0003026	Assisting Federal Facilities with Energy Conservation Technologies (AFFECT) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Advancing Net-Zero Federal Facilities	Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)	Office of Federal Energy Management Programs (FEMP)			6/27/2024 05:00 PM ET

Application Process

- The application process includes two submission phases: **Letter of Intent and Full Application.**
- All submissions must conform to the form and content requirements described below, including maximum page lengths.

Each must be submitted in Adobe PDF format unless stated otherwise.

A control number will be issued when an applicant begins the infrastructure eXCHANGE application process. The control number must be included with all application documents. Specifically, the control number must be prominently displayed on the upper right corner of the header of every page and included in the file name (i.e., Control Number_Applicant Name_Full Application).

Each must be written in English.

Page numbers must be included in the footer of every page.

All pages must be formatted to fit on 8.5" x 11" paper with margins not less than one inch on every side. Use Calibri typeface, a black font color, and a font size of 12-point or larger (except in figures or tables, which may be 10-point font). A symbol font may be used to insert Greek letters or special characters, but the font size requirement still applies. References must be included as footnotes or endnotes in a font size of 10 or larger. Footnotes and endnotes are counted toward the maximum page requirement.

Each submission must not exceed the specified maximum page limit, including cover page, charts, graphs, maps, and photographs when printed using the formatting requirements set forth above and single spaced. If applicants exceed the maximum page lengths indicated below, DOE will review only the authorized number of pages and disregard any additional pages.

FOA Reference: V.A

Content and Form of the Letter of Intent



Applicants must submit a Letter of Intent by May 9, 2024 at 5:00pm Eastern to be eligible to submit a Full Application. DOE has provided an optional Letter of Intent Template to assist with submitting the required information. The Letter of Intent Template is available on Infrastructure eXCHANGE under this FOA (DE-FOA-0003316).

DOE will use Letters of Intent to plan for the merit review

process. The letter should not contain any proprietary or business-sensitive information. The letter will not be used for down-selection purposes and does not commit an applicant to submit an application.

Each applicant must provide the following information as part of the Letter of Intent:

- Lead Organization;
- Main Point of Contact; and
- Topic Area of Interest.

IRA 50123: TRAINING FOR RESIDENTIAL ENERGY CONTRACTORS
LETTER OF INTENT TEMPLATE

The DOE created this template to help State applicants with the required Letter of Intent phase of the application process. The LOI communicates a State applicant's intent to apply to the Training for Residential Energy Contractors (TREC) Competitive Program. While this form is not required to be used, the information requested below is required to be submitted in order to be an eligible LOI submission. For more information, see FOA Section V.C "Content and Form of the Letter of Intent". The information below must be submitted by the date on the cover page of the Funding Opportunity Announcement.

Control Number:	Click or tap here to enter text.
Anticipated Topic Area of Interest:	Choose an item.
Prime Applicant Agency:	Click or tap here to enter text.
Lead Project Manager Name and Contact Information:	Click or tap here to enter text.
Business Points of Contact Names and Contact Information:	Click or tap here to enter text.

FOA Reference: V.C

Full Application

Component	File Format	File Name
Statement of Work	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_StatementofWork
Resumes	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_Resumes
Letters of Commitment	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_LOCs
Community Partnership Documentation	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_PartnerDocs
Statement of Project Objectives	MS Word	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_SOPO
SF-424: Application for Federal Assistance	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_App424
Budget Justification Workbook	MS Excel	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_Budget_Justification
Summary/Abstract for Public Release	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_Summary
Summary Slide	MS PowerPoint	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_Slide
Subrecipient Budget Justification, if applicable	MS Excel	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_Subrecipient_Budget_Justification
SF-LLL Disclosure of Lobbying Activities	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_SF-LLL
Community Benefits Plan: Job Quality and Equity	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_CBP
Community Benefits Plan Budget Justification	MS Excel	ControlNumber_CBP_Budget_Justification
Current and Pending Support	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_CPS
Location(s) of Work	Excel	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_LOW
Transparency of Foreign Connections	PDF	BusinessSensitive_ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_TFC
Potentially Duplicative Funding Notice	PDF	ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_PDFN

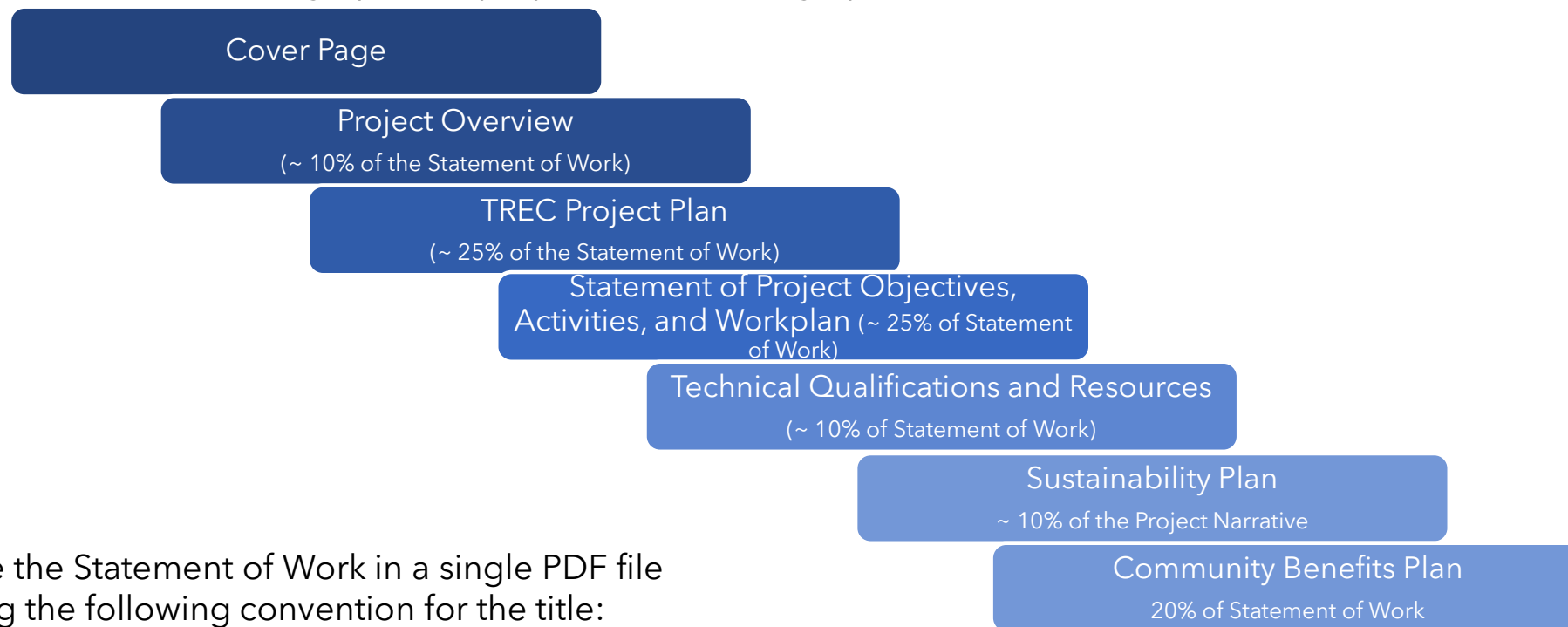
Each Full Application must be limited to a single concept. Full Applications must conform to the following components as applicable.

Full Application must be submitted by 5 p.m. ET **July 12, 2024** through Infrastructure eXCHANGE

FOA Reference: V.D.i

Full Application - Statement of Work

The Statement of Work must conform to the following content and form requirements. The statement of work must address the technical review criteria as discussed in section VI.A. of the FOA. The Statement of Work to the Full Application may not be more than 75 pages, including the cover page, table of contents, and all citations, charts, graphs, maps, photos, or other graphics.



Save the Statement of Work in a single PDF file using the following convention for the title: "ControlNumber_LeadOrganization_StatementofWork".

FOA Reference: V.D.ii

Project Overview

The **Project Overview** should contain the following information:

1. Summary
 - The applicant must provide a succinct overview of its proposed project and how it will meet the goals of the TREC program (see Section II.B.)
2. Project Goals
3. Partners
4. Coordination
5. DOE Impact
6. Constraints and Resources
7. Risks
8. Leverage

FOA Reference: V.D.ii

TREC Project Plan

The **TREC Project Plan** must include the following information:

1. Proposed training curriculum for TREC participants.
2. Plans to connect TREC participants with opportunities to deliver the Home Energy Rebates Programs.
3. Identify the certification(s) and/or license(s) that the participants will receive on completion of that training curriculum.
4. Expected per-individual cost of training.
5. Plan for connecting participants and contractor firms with employment and project opportunities.
6. Strategic Planning.

FOA Reference: V.D.ii

Statement of Project Objectives, Activities, and Workplan

The **Statement of Project Objectives, Activities, and Workplan** section must contain the following information:

1. Outreach, Recruitment, Enrollment and Retention
2. Outputs and Outcomes
 - i. Topic Area One Metrics (Training Small Contractor Firms)
 - ii. Topic Area Two Metrics (Innovative, Effective and Equitable Workforce Development Programs)
3. Workplan and Task Description
4. Milestones
5. End of Project Goal
6. Project Schedule (Gantt Chart of similar)

FOA Reference: V.D.ii

Technical Qualifications and Resources

The **Technical Qualifications and Resources** must contain the following information:

- A description of the project team's unique qualifications and expertise, including those of key subrecipients;
- A description of the project team's existing equipment and facilities that will facilitate the successful completion of the proposed project and a justification of any new equipment or facilities requested as part of the project;
- Relevant, previous work efforts, demonstrated innovations, and how these enable the applicant to achieve the project objectives;
- The time commitment of the key team members to support the project;
- The skills, certifications, license(s), or other credentials of the construction and ongoing operations workforce; and
- Additional information for multi-organizational projects.

FOA Reference: V.D.ii

Community Benefits Plan: Job Quality and Equity

The applicant's Community Benefits Plan must include at least one Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely (SMART) milestone per budget period to measure progress on the proposed actions. The Plan will be evaluated as part of the technical review process. If DOE selects a project, DOE will incorporate the Community Benefits Plan into the award and the recipient must implement its Community Benefits Plan when carrying out its project.

The Community Benefits Plan must address the following:

- Community and Labor Engagement
- Investing in Job Quality and Workforce Continuity
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility
- Justice40 Initiative

For your convenience, a Community Benefits Plan template is available at: <https://www.energy.gov/clean-energy-infrastructure/about-community-benefits-plans>. Applicants are strongly encouraged to use the template to complete their specific Plan. If the template is not used, the Plan must address all of the elements described in the FOA, and as outlined in the template.

Applicants must provide a Community Benefits Plan budget justification that contains the information described in the "Budget Justification Work" with only Community Benefits Plan costs.

FOA Reference: V.D.xiv-xv

V. Application Review Information

Technical Review Criteria for Applications

Project Overview (10%)

Criterion 5: Community Benefits Plan (20%)

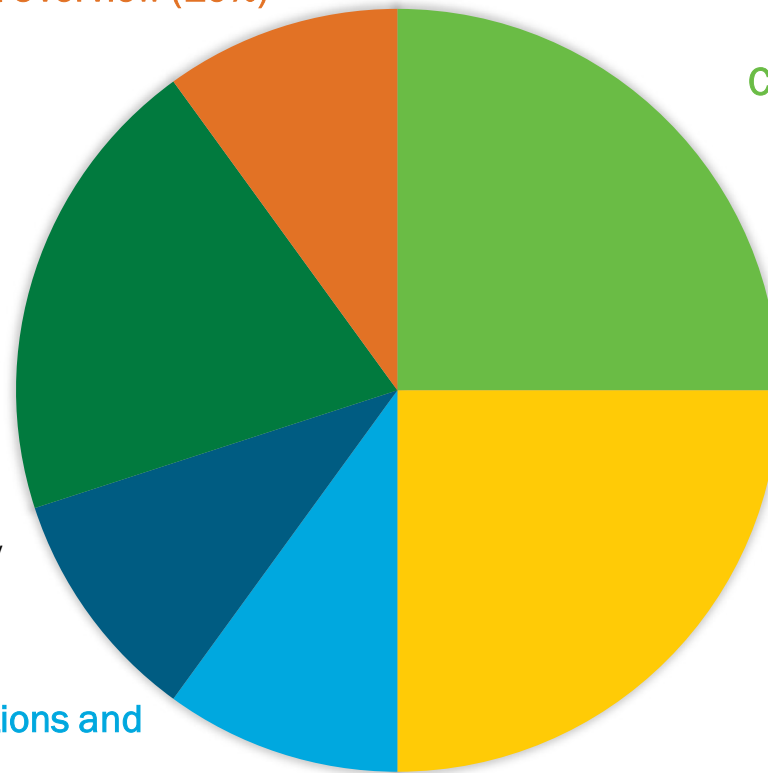
1. Community and Labor Engagement
2. Job Quality and Workforce Continuity
3. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility
4. Justice40 Initiative

Criterion 4: Sustainability Plan (10%)

Plans for future labor demands, community input, partnerships, funding, and human capital needs.

Criterion 3: Technical Qualifications and Resources (10%)

Staffing plan; team qualifications and diversity of expertise; and budget reasonableness.



Criterion 1: TREC Project Plan (25%)

1. Technical Merit and Innovation
2. Impact of the Project

Criterion 2: Statement of Project Objectives, Activities, and Workplan (25%)

1. Demonstrated Approach, Workplan, and SOPO
2. Baseline, Metrics, and Deliverables
3. Fulfillment of the Required Content
4. Outcomes
5. Workplan and Task Description
6. Milestones

FOA Reference: VI.A

VI. Award Administration Information

Award Notices

Successful applicants will receive written notification that they have been selected for award negotiations. Receipt of a notification letter selecting a Full Application for award negotiations does not authorize the applicant to commence performance of the project. If an application is selected for award negotiations, it is not a commitment by DOE to issue an award nor is it a guarantee of federal government funding. Applicants do not receive an award unless and until award negotiations are complete and the Contracting Officer executes the funding agreement, accessible by the prime recipient in FedConnect.

In some instances, **an applicant may receive a notification that its application was not selected for award and DOE designated the application to be an alternate, which means DOE may consider the Full Application for federal funding in the future.**

Ineligible Full Applications will not be further reviewed or considered for award.

FOA Reference: VII.A

Registration Requirements

There are several required one-time actions applicants must take before applying to this FOA. Some of these actions may take several weeks, so it is vital applicants build in enough time to complete them. Failure to complete these actions could interfere with application or negotiation deadlines or the ability to receive an award if selected. These requirements are as follows:

1. DOE Funding Opportunity Exchange (eXCHANGE)

Register and create an account on Infrastructure eXCHANGE at <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/>. This account will allow the user to apply to any open SCEP FOAs in Infrastructure eXCHANGE.

To access [Infrastructure eXCHANGE](#), potential applicants must have a [Login.gov](#) account. As part of the eXCHANGE registration process, new users will be directed to create an account in Login.gov. Please note that the email address associated with Login.gov must match the email address associated with the eXCHANGE account. For more information, refer to the [eXCHANGE Multi-Factor Authentication \(MFA\) Quick Guide](#) in the [Manuals section](#) of eXCHANGE.

Each organization or business unit, whether acting as a team or a single entity, should use only one account as the contact point for each submission. Applicants must also designate backup points of contact. **This step is required to apply to this FOA.** The eXCHANGE registration does not have a delay; however, **the remaining registration requirements below could take several weeks to process and are necessary for a potential applicant to receive an award under this FOA.**

FOA Reference: VII.B.i

Registration Requirements

2. System for Award Management

Register in SAM (<https://www.sam.gov>). Designating an Electronic Business Point of Contact (EBiz POC) and obtaining a special password called a Marketing Partner ID Number (MPIN) are important steps in SAM registration. Please update your SAM registration annually.

3. FedConnect

Register in FedConnect (<https://www.fedconnect.net>). To create an organization account, your organization's SAM MPIN is required. For more information about the SAM MPIN or other registration requirements, review the FedConnect Ready, Set, Go! Guide at https://www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect/Marketing/Documents/FedConnect_Ready_Set_Go.pdf.

4. Grants.gov

Register in Grants.gov (<http://www.grants.gov>) to receive automatic updates when Amendments to this FOA are posted. Please note that Letters of Intent, Concept Papers, and Full Applications will not be accepted through Grants.gov.

5. Electronic Authorization of Applications and Award Documents

Submission of an application and supplemental information under this FOA through electronic systems used by the DOE, including Infrastructure eXCHANGE and FedConnect, constitutes the authorized representative's approval and electronic signature.

FOA Reference: VII.B.i

Questions? (VII.C)

Questions about the FOA?

- Interested applicants should reach out to the SCEP Workforce Development Team with any FOA-specific questions: TRECgrants@hq.doe.gov.
- All questions and answers related to this FOA will be posted on Infrastructure eXCHANGE at <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/>.
 - Select the FOA Number to view the Q&A specific to this FOA.
- **DOE personnel are prohibited from communicating (in writing or otherwise) with applicants** regarding this FOA except through the established question and answer process on eXCHANGE.
- DOE will attempt to respond to a question within three (3) business days unless a similar question and answer has already been posted on the website.

Questions about Infrastructure Exchange?

- Email InfrastructureExchangeSupport@hq.doe.gov.

A recording and copy of the slides will be available on the program webpage soon:
<https://www.energy.gov/scep/career-skills-training-program>



Remember: Please do NOT wait until the last minute to submit your application!

Thank You!



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