



# News Release

Indiana Office of Energy Development (OED)

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## **Indiana announces grant opportunity for communities to bolster energy efficiency, conservation**

INDIANAPOLIS – Today, the Indiana Office of Energy Development (OED) announces a \$1.46 million grant aimed at assisting local government units across the state to strengthen energy efficiency and conservation efforts. Funds are from the federal allocation to Indiana for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program.

Grant dollars may be utilized by recipients to increase energy efficiency and conservation in their communities. Categories include efforts in energy planning, energy audits and efficiency upgrades for publicly owned buildings, and electric transportation for communities.

The \$1.46 million available is set aside for to local governments that were not allocated EECBG formula funds directly from the U.S. Department of Energy.

The Indiana OED develops and implements grant funding on a variety of factors, with a focus on the state's five pillars of electricity policy: affordability, reliability, resiliency, stability, and environmental sustainability.

“We are excited about this grant opportunity for Hoosier communities,” said Ryan Hadley, executive director of the Indiana Office of Energy Development. “Supporting energy efficiency projects at the local level leads to lower energy costs for local government and reduces taxpayer burden. It’s a win for everyone.”

Projects for the grant will have a two-year maximum but the Indiana OED is encouraging applicants to plan for a one-year project duration. Deadline to submit an application is close of business, February 2, 2024.

Information about the grant application may be found at <https://www.in.gov/oed/grants-and-funding-opportunities/eecbg-program/>. The Indiana OED will host a webinar for interested grant applicants. Information about the event will be forthcoming. Government units interested in the grant and additional OED initiatives may sign up for updates.

### **About the Indiana Office of Energy Development**

The Indiana Office of Energy Development (OED) was established to shepherd energy planning and policy development. OED focuses on the development and implementation of comprehensive energy planning for the state that utilizes all of Indiana's energy resources and supports a strong, dynamic, and growing economy. To further that mission, the OED also grants funding to local communities and other entities, which is made available through the State Energy Program from the U.S. Department of Energy.

Additional information about the Indiana OED may be found at: <https://www.in.gov/oed/>

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