Local Infrastructure Hub Cohorts
Agenda

- Welcome
- Highlight of DOE Building Technologies
- Overview of Local Infrastructure Hub Cohorts
- Highlight of DOE State & Community Energy Programs
- Questions/Discussion
- Next Steps

Last 30 minutes (optional)
- Opportunity for more in-depth Q&A
Local Infrastructure Hub: Regional Cohorts Initiative
Local Infrastructure Hub is a $55 million national platform to raise the floor for local governments to drive impact through infrastructure

Three tiers of support for cities

- **Information and Navigation**
  Online sessions and tools to deliver actionable intelligence to mayors and help them find the right opportunities for their cities and get organized to win

- **Grant Application Bootcamps**
  Robust technical assistance to complete great applications

- **Deep Technical Assistance**
  Further technical assistance on climate and racial wealth equity

**Small/medium cities population < 150k**

- Special focus on supporting smaller and capacity-constrained communities that often feel left behind by big federal programs
- Programming focused on transportation, broadband, climate resilience, energy efficiency, workforce, and more
- Innovation track to help cities responsibly leverage technology in their projects
- Online hub with grant search tool, program guides, and application templates
- Yearlong storytelling campaign launching this spring highlighting local infrastructure progress in hundreds of communities across the country
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Local Infrastructure Hub Intent

Program Focused On:

- Accelerating climate action through climate goals, equity, and racial wealth equity
- Incorporating the Justice40 Initiative into application packages
- Sharing information for future local governments for projects that are successful
- Create meaningful, observable change for all community residents, especially for communities of color
Local Infrastructure Hub Service Area

Local Communities in the Southeast

- Build local government capacity
- Build local CBO capacity
- Enhance community engagement
- Improve local community competitiveness for federal funding like IIJA, IRA
- Increase long-term capacity of communities to access funding

* This program is open to communities in 12 states. Membership in SSDN is not required.
### Types of Technical Assistance Available

Local governments and/or CBOs will be able to choose from three options:

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<td>• Multi-local government facilitation</td>
<td>• Soliciting criteria and developing menus of options</td>
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<td>• Bridging city priorities with community priorities</td>
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<td>• Completing federal forms</td>
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<td>• Community Benefits Agreements</td>
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<td>• Support community planning processes</td>
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# Technical Assistance Packages

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<td>Access to 1:1 help from SSDN’s bench of experts.</td>
<td>Combination of access to 1:1 assistance from SSDN’s bench of experts and a small grant award to local CBOs.</td>
<td>A small grant award for local community based organizations for capacity building to support a federal grant application.</td>
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Technical assistance is matched to needs like grant writing, sustainability / resilience expertise, and more

Grant awards would go to community based organizations, no more than $20,000 in value.

Up to $30,000 award to build local capacity to go after federal funding opportunities right now and into the future.
## Technical Assistance Partners

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<td>Impact Energy: Equity and community based organization support</td>
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| National Partners | ACEEE, African American Mayors Association (AAMA), Building Electrification Institute, C40, Center for Neighborhood Technology, Climate Mayors, Electrification Coalition, Elevate, Emerald Cities, EV Noire, Greenlink, The Greenlining Institute, Institute for Market Transformation (IMT), Living Cities, Mississippi Rivers and Towns Initiative (MRCTI), National Association of City Transportation Officials, New Buildings Institute (NBI), NRDC, Partnership for Southern Equity, PolicyLink, Southeast Sustainability Directors Network (SSDN), Southface, Urban Sustainability Directors Network (USDN), World Resources Institute (WRI), Bloomberg Philanthropies, Waverley Street Foundation, Thomas Consulting Group, CityScale |
Application Process

- Submit application telling us what you need or email Nick
- SSDN responds back to you
- We match you with your needs
- Sign an MOU
- Then complete a brief report at the end to share the results/impact of the LIH support and/or if you applied to a grant, provide a copy of the application
Next Steps

- Request a 1:1 call to discuss your community’s specific questions
- Apply to the LIH!

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# Upcoming Federal Opportunities

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<td>• Community Economic Development Focus on Energy Communities</td>
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