

Clean Communities Investment Accelerator Partner Connection Form

This optional partner connection form has been created to help potential applicants, coalition members, and partners identify each other and create coalitions and partnerships before applying to the National Clean Investment Fund competition. **Interested parties should fill out this form by June 20, 2023.** Shortly after this deadline, parties who provide their contact information will receive a list of all parties who are interested in discussing partnerships. By providing this information, you are consenting to sharing your contact information with everyone who has signed up to be on this list.

All fields below are required, unless otherwise noted. Note: EPA will not publish this list publicly.

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This partner connection list is intended to provide organizations interested in Clean Communities Investment Accelerator grant competition with an opportunity to form coalitions and partnerships with other organizations interested in this competitive grant opportunity.

EPA does not intend for the connection list to be used by individual consultants or other for-profit vendors to market their services to potential applicants as partners or otherwise. EPA will not include the contact information for individual consultants or other for-profit vendors on the partner connection list.

You must agree to these terms of use before continuing. **On June 20, 2023, this form will be closed.** Shortly thereafter, an Excel spreadsheet will be distributed to the entire list that users will be able to filter and sort to find potential matches.

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- I agree to these terms of use.
- I do not agree to these terms of use and will not submit my information.

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Organization Type

- Non-Profit Organization
- Private-Sector Lender/Investor
- Other For-Profit Organization
- State Government
- Municipal Government
- Tribal Government
- Other

Please include a brief description of your organization.

As the nation's first state-level green bank, the Connecticut Green Bank leverages public resources to mobilize private investment to scale up clean energy and environmental infrastructure deployment. Such investment reduces the emissions of greenhouse gases and air pollutants, while providing benefits to vulnerable communities. For more details on the green bank, visit www.ctgreenbank.com

Please include a short description of your grant idea or area of interest.

Along with the Priority Project Categories identified in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund's ("GGRF") Implementation Framework (i.e., distributed power generation and storage, decarbonization retrofits of existing buildings, and transportation pollution reduction), which the Green Bank has identified as areas of investment within its plans for Connecticut (i.e., Green and Healthy Schools, Green Municipal and Commercial Buildings, Green Homes for Low Income Families and Vulnerable Communities, and Multimodal Green Transportation), the Green Bank's top areas of interest for funding from the CCIA also includes Environmental Infrastructure (i.e., land conservation, parks and recreation, agriculture, water, waste and recycling) and Building Green Resilience Hubs with a focus on enabling investment in and deployment of clean energy and environmental infrastructure in vulnerable communities. Per Connecticut's Public Act 21-115 "An Act Concerning Climate Adaptation," funding for the Environmental Infrastructure Fund may receive any federal funds (e.g., GGRF) as may become available for environmental infrastructure investment.

Working with Connecticut's Department of Banking ("DOB"), and its leadership regulating the banking industry, including through its oversight of the Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA"), we intend to collaborate with Connecticut-based community lenders (e.g., community development financial institutions, credit unions, community banks) to encourage them to support and expand lending efforts to low-income and disadvantaged communities so that they may have the necessary capital to benefit from clean energy and environmental infrastructure.

As noted within its comments on the Implementation Framework, the Green Bank intends to join coalitions of community lenders, which include green banks, within the CCIA competition. The Green Bank is open to participating in multiple applications, and is considering applying itself as a non-profit organization.

For more details on the Green Bank's comments into the GGRF, visit www.ctgreenbank.com/ggrf