

# Equitable Access to a Sustainable Future.

Collective Clean Energy Fund (CCEF) is a **mission-first, nonprofit investment fund** that fills financing gaps to accelerate clean energy adoption. We provide **below market rate loans** to building owners, developers, business owners, nonprofits and other entities.

# New Opportunity Created by the EPA's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)

CCEF has been awarded a significant amount of capital through the GGRF - National Clean Investment Fund (NCIF).

### **Project Eligibility**

The EPA has identified the following priority project categories: **Net-Zero Emissions Buildings, Distributed Energy Generation and Storage,** and **Zero-Emissions Transportation.** 

#### **Other Project Qualification Considerations**

Along with the priority project categories, CCEF can consider any application that reduces or avoids greenhouse gas emissions and other forms of air pollution.

The EPA has set a target mobilization ratio of 7:1, with the intention that the GGRF - National Clean Investment Fund (NCIF) will mobilize additional private capital. The 7:1 target will be achieved over the entire portfolio of funded projects, so this target will be flexible on a project by project basis.

CCEF also intends to deploy 50% of the funds to projects that support low-income and disadvantaged communities (LIDAC) defined as:

- Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST)-identified disadvantaged communities,
- EJScreen-identified disadvantaged communities,
- Geographically dispersed low-income households, or
- Properties providing affordable housing.

#### **Additional Requirements**

Projects receiving funding through the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund - National Clean Investment Fund (NCIF) award will be required to comply with <u>Davis-Bacon and Related Acts</u> (<u>DBRA</u>) and the <u>Build America, Buy America Act (BABA</u>). For renovations on buildings over 50 years old, the National Historic Preservation Act will also apply.

#### **Key Geographies**

CCEF will primarily target capital deployment in EPA Region 8, which includes the following states and territories:

- Colorado
- Montana
- South Dakota
- 28 Tribal Nations

- Utah
- Wyoming
- North Dakota



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### **Submit a Project**

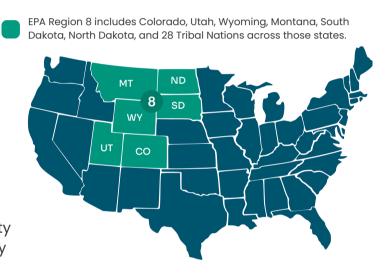
CCEF is soliciting submissions from projects that are shovel-ready and anticipate closing on financing within the next 6 to 12 months. Financing requests of \$1 million and higher are encouraged.

Information can be submitted through CCEF's <u>GGRF Project Intake Form</u>. Requested materials can be uploaded as an attachment to the project intake form. Please include the following preliminary information:

**Developer Profile** 

A summary of the overall experience and expertise of the development entity
Organization summary
Key personnel bios
Examples of success with similar projects

Project Name & Location
Provide project name
Provide project address
Indicate if the project supports a LIDAC community
Indicate if the project impacts an historic property



#### Environmental Profile of Project

Provide a summary of the environmental attributes of the project.

Provide an analysis of clean energy production and/or energy savings (kWh/therms) if available. If an engineer analysis is not available, please provide:

- a. solar production report (if applicable)
- b. storage capacity (if applicable)
- c. list of energy measures (if applicable)
- d. building square footage (if applicable)
- e. # of charging ports and estimated load (if applicable)

#### Summary of Project Costs

Total capital amount requested

Type of loan product requested (i.e. short term debt, long term debt, bridge loan, predevelopment funds, construction financing)

Identify how CCEF capital fills a "finance gap" to help implement the clean energy elements of the project.

Please provide a breakdown of the project capital stack: sources and uses of equity, debt, grants, etc