



Funding Opportunity Kentucky School Facilities

Fact Sheet – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Improvements at Public School Facilities

As you look at your budget for the next few fiscal years, the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet (EEC) Office of Energy Policy and Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) Office of Finance and Operation are sharing a new funding opportunity to help you achieve your energy efficiency and renewable energy goals. Under the [Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act](#) (IIJA), \$500,000,000 will be available through grants for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Improvements at Public School Facilities. This fact sheet as an informational resource and will be updated as new information is made available.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

To provide competitive grants to make energy efficiency, renewable energy, and alternative fueled vehicle upgrades and improvements at public schools.

Grant funds will be disbursed through the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Bureau of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

RECIPIENTS

Consortium of One Local Education Agency and one or more Schools, Non-Profits, For-Profits and Community Partners.

ELIGIBLE USES

Energy efficiency (envelope, HVAC, lighting, controls, etc.), ventilation, renewable energy, alternative vehicles, and alternative fuel vehicle infrastructure improvements.

Priority (Page 645) given to an eligible entity that has: renovation, repair and improvement funding needs; serves a high percentage of students eligible for a free or reduced price lunch; that leverages private sector investment through energy-related performance contracting.

Competitive Criteria (Page 645): the extent of the disparity between the fiscal capacity and needs of the eligible entity; ability to raise funds for the project; bond capacity; bond rating; ability to maintain improvements; and potential energy efficiency and safety benefits from energy improvements.

NEXT PROGRAM MILESTONES

The opportunity to apply for funding is expected to be open in the Fall of 2022.

RESOURCES

[Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act](#), SEC. 40541 (Page 643 of 1039)
<https://www.congress.gov/117/plaws/publ58/PLAW-117publ58.pdf>

[Guidebook to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) (The White House, Jan. 31, 2022)
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/build/>

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