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Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Proposals

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EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

- \$4.6 billion in competitive funding
 - Local governments are eligible
 - Coalitions are encouraged
- Awarded for a 5-year period
- No match required
- Due April 1, 2024; ~115 awards
- Selection by the United States Environmental Protection Agency
- Strategies must be in Priority Climate Action Plan to be eligible (due March 1st)



Enhanced Green Communities Program



Green Communities

- Developed in 2009
- Recognizes local governments that invest in programs and policies that lead to a more sustainable region

 Build upon existing successful program – *proof of concept exists!*

 Focused on climate mitigation

 Expanded ability to provide technical assistance to local governments

 Targeted engagement to low-income and disadvantaged communities

 Connect local governments to related workforce development & funding opportunities

Enhanced Green Communities Program



Requested Amount: Between \$2M - \$10M

Period of Performance: 5 years

Funding would potentially support (annually):

- **4 Full Time Staff** to provide technical support, outreach, and necessary follow-up
- **3-5 Fellows**, including dedicated engagement of Low Income and Disadvantaged Communities
- Expanded **education** and **outreach** campaign, including regional conferences/summits
- “**Seed-funding**” to support participating communities to take actions
- Local Government **Certification** and **Recognition**

E-Bike and Transportation Incentives Program

- Build upon emerging ARC program
- Expand e-bike rebate program to **region** and potentially **statewide** partners
- Dedicate **75% of rebate funds** for low-income and disadvantaged communities
- Partner with **outreach, health, and workforce development** organizations
- Exploring **Universal Basic Mobility** pilot to fund additional transportation-related expenses



E-Bike and Transportation Incentives Program

- Requested Amount: Between \$10M - \$50M
- Period of Performance: 5 years
- Funding would potentially support (annually):
 - Up to 10,000 E-bike riders in Metro Atlanta
 - Partnerships dedicated to **Low-Income** and **Disadvantaged Communities** engagement
 - Partnerships and coordination with **retailers** at **regional** and **statewide** level
 - Expanded **education** and **outreach** campaigns, classes, and resources
 - Thorough **evaluation** and **reporting** methods to capture environmental, economic, and public health outcomes