

# Resilient and Efficient Codes Implementation Department of Energy Competitive Grant Program



**\$90M**Federal
Funding

On March 4, 2024, the <u>Department of Energy (DOE)</u> announced \$90 million in funding to support building energy code adoption, training, and technical assistance at the state, territory, tribal, and local levels. This <u>Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)</u> represents the second round of Resilient and Efficient Codes Implementation (RECI) funding and builds on the <u>27 awards that were announced last year</u>, which included activities such as workforce development; community engagement; research and data collection; and increased support for compliance and enforcement. The Code Council is a partner on 8 of these efforts. Unlike DOE's Inflation Reduction Act energy code grants, RECI grants do not require rigid adherence to the 2021 IECC.



**20-40**Awards will be made



#### **Estimated Funding, Deadlines, and Period of Performance**

Between 20 and 40 awards will be made, with funding varying between \$500k and \$10 million. Cost sharing is not required. DOE anticipates projects will run between 1 year and 5 years. Concept papers are due **April 5th at 5pm ET**. Full applications are due **June 6th at 5pm ET**.

## **Eligible Applicants**

Applications must include a state, territory, or tribal code adoption entity and be submitted by that entity, or as part of a partnership, which can include local code agencies, code and standards developers, associations of builders, design and construction professionals, utilities, and consumer, energy and environmental advocates. Applications from partnerships are preferred. Any partner can serve as the prime applicant/recipient. A local government is not required to apply with the state in which it resides.







or Tribal

Partnership

Required

## **Eligible Activities**

DOE's FOA focuses on enhancing building energy codes and energy code implementation solutions to improve energy efficiency, resilience, and equity across various sectors. Key areas of focus include technical assistance for state, territory, tribal, and local code updates with additional emphasis on high impact areas, implementation and compliance assistance with an emphasis on rural communities, workforce development and training, utilizing utility data to validate energy savings, and assisting disadvantaged communities.



#### **Additional Resources**

Additional information is available within the associated <u>Funding Opportunity</u> <u>Announcement</u>. The Code Council will post additional code official-specific factsheets and guidance at <u>iccsafe.org/RECI</u> and <u>iccsafe.org/federalgrants</u>. More information on this funding opportunity can be found <u>here</u>. Please reach out to us at <u>federalgrants@iccsafe.org</u> for additional information or inquiries.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Defined by DOE to include Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DOE notes that based on 2020 Census data, Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Vermont, and West Virginia have over 40% of their population living in a rural community.