



Resilient and Efficient Codes Implementation (RECI) Funding Department of Energy (DOE) Competitive Grant Program

On March 4, 2024, [DOE announced \\$90 million in funding](#) to support building energy code adoption, training, and technical assistance at the state, territory, tribal, and local levels. This [Funding Opportunity Announcement \(FOA\)](#) represents the second round of RECI funding and builds on the 27 awards that were announced last year, 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.

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 from 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 and 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.

Eligible Activities

DOE's FOA focuses on enhancing building codes and code implementation 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,¹ implementation and compliance assistance with an emphasis on rural communities,² workforce development and training, utilizing utility data to validate energy savings, and assisting disadvantaged communities.

Additional Resources

Additional information is available within the associated [Funding Opportunity Announcement](#). The Code Council will post additional code official-specific factsheets and guidance at iccsafe.org/RECI and iccsafe.org/federalgrants. Please reach out to us at federalgrants@iccsafe.org for additional information.

¹ Defined by DOE to include Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas.

² 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.