



OCED Energy Improvements in Rural or Remote Areas Fixed Award Program (ERA)

Administered by the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations, the ERA Program aims to fund clean energy projects that deliver measurable benefits to energy customers in rural or remote areas, support new rural or remote energy system models, and build clean energy knowledge, capacity, and self-reliance in rural America.

All pre-applications must be submitted no later than **5:00 pm ET July 13**, **2023**, and full applications must be submitted no later than **5:00 pm ET October 12**, **2023** via OCED eXCHANGE.

Eligibility

Cities, towns, or unincorporated municipalities with 10,000 inhabitants or less

Eligible Grant Activities

Local, tribal, or state governments can use funds to fund clean energy projects.

- Overall cost-effectiveness of energy generation, transmission, or distribution systems;
- Siting or upgrading transmission and distribution lines;
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from energy generation by rural or remote areas;
- Providing or modernizing electric generation facilities;
- Developing microgrids; and
- Increasing energy efficiency.

We're Here to Help!

The Environmental Resilience Institute closely follows funding opportunities for Indiana communities. Local governments and their partners can contact us with questions about grant funding or for information about creating a climate action plan.

Indiana Resilience Funding Hub

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