

EPA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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Today's Slides

- New Funding Opportunities:
 - Solid Waste for Infrastructure (SWIFR) for Communities Grants
 - Solid Waste for Infrastructure (SWIFR) for States and Territories
 - Recycling Education and Outreach (REO)
 - Climate Pollution Reduction Grants
- EPA New England Healthy Communities Grants



Unprecedented Congressional Support for Recycling and Materials Management

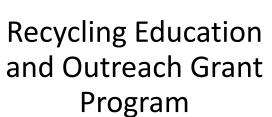
- 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act /Bipartisan Infrastructure Law:
 - \$350M for Grant funding for FY22-26:
 - \$55M/year for Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) grant program
 - \$15M/year for education and outreach on prevention, recycling, <u>including a toolkit to</u> <u>support programs</u>
 - \$25M for best practices for battery collection and voluntary labeling program
 - \$10M for a battery collection program
 - \$15M to create voluntary labeling guidelines for batteries



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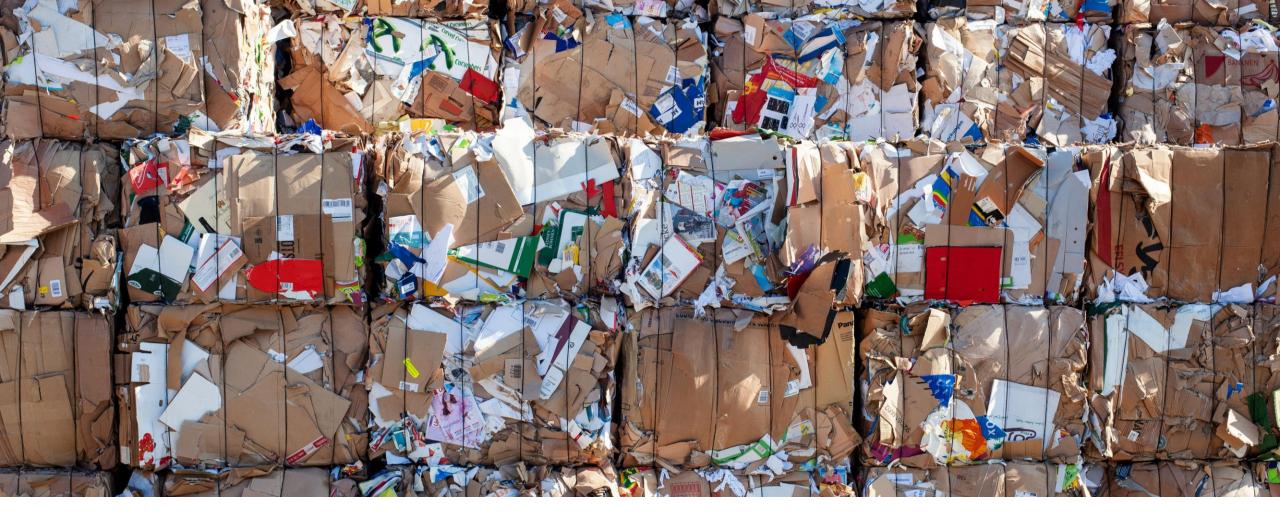








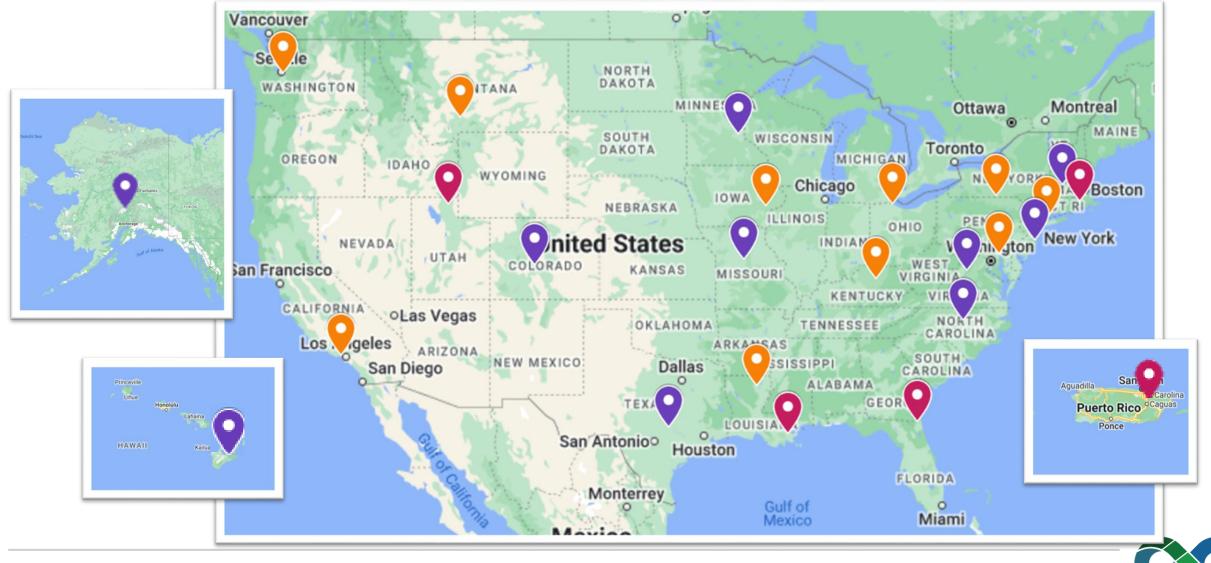
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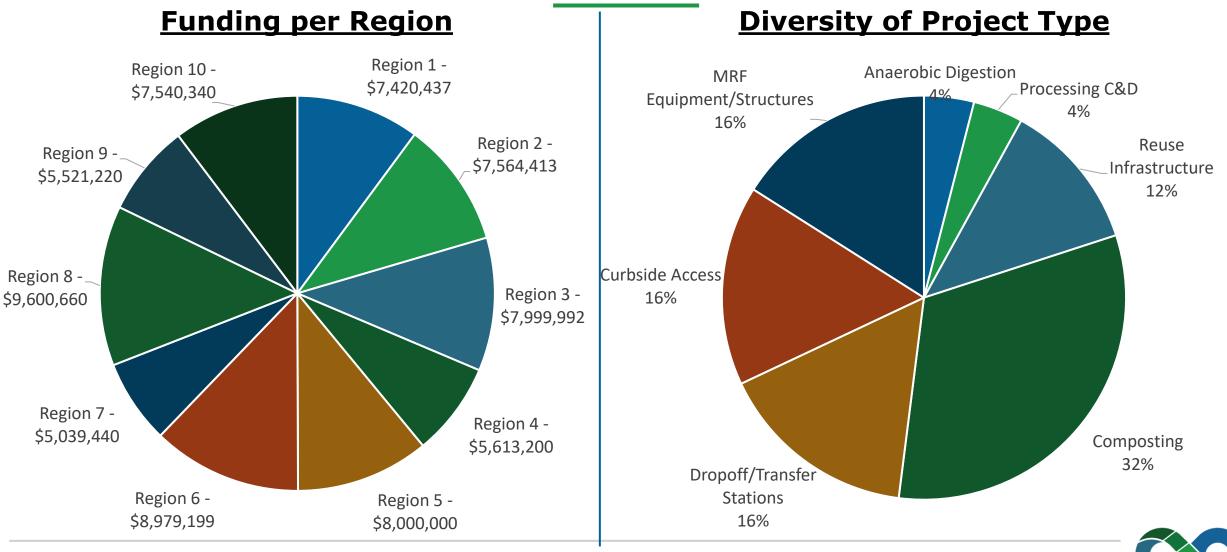
Grant Selections

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) for Communities

25 Successful Applications



Distribution of 25 Awards



Summary of Awards

| Applicant Name | Region | Track | Award Amount | Project Type |
|--|--------|-------|--------------|--|
| City of Stamford (CT) | 1 | 1 | \$2,016,941 | Composting |
| Chemung County (NY) | 2 | 1 | \$1,697,250 | Composting |
| Mayor and City Council of Baltimore (MD) | 3 | 1 | \$4,000,000 | Composting |
| Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (KY) | 4 | 1 | \$1,800,000 | Drop off/transfer station |
| Lucas County (OH) | 5 | 1 | \$4,000,000 | MRF construction |
| City of West Monroe (LA) | 6 | 1 | \$997,199 | MRF Equipment |
| City of Iowa City (IA) | 7 | 2 | \$4,000,000 | Composting |
| City of Bozeman (MT) | 8 | 2 | \$1,605,660 | Composting |
| Los Angeles County Public Works (CA) | 9 | 2 | \$3,999,090 | Anaerobic digestion |
| City of Seattle (WA) | 10 | 2 | \$4,000,000 | Construction and demolition debris |
| City of Greenfield (MA) | 1 | 1 | \$2,055,330 | Curbside, MRF equipment/MRF structures |
| Ocean County (NJ) | 2 | 1 | \$1,867,163 | MRF equipment/MRF structures |
| Durham County (NC) | 4 | 1 | \$3,313,200 | Drop off/transfer station |
| Chaffee County (CO) | 8 | 2 | \$3,995,000 | Drop off/transfer station |
| Hawai'i County (HI) | 9 | 1 | \$1,522,130 | Reuse infrastructure |
| Matanuska-Susitna Borough(AK) | 10 | 1 | \$3,540,340 | Composting |
| Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Planning Commission (VA) | 3 | 1 | \$3,999,992 | Reuse infrastructure, tire grinding |
| City of Minneapolis (MN) | 5 | 1 | \$4,000,000 | Transfer station |
| City of Austin (TX) | 6 | 1 | \$4,000,000 | Reuse infrastructure |
| Boonslick Regional Planning Commission (MO) | 7 | 1 | \$1,039,440 | Curbside and MRF equipment |
| City of Providence (RI) | 1 | 1 | \$3,348,166 | Composting |
| Municipality of Trujillo Alto (PR) | 2 | 1 | \$4,000,000 | Curbside collection |
| Nassau County (FL) | 4 | 1 | \$500,000 | MRF upgrades |
| City of New Orleans | 6 | 1 | \$3,982,000 | Curbside Recycling |
| City of Logan (UT) | 8 | 1 | \$4,000,000 | Composting |

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Region 1: City of Stamford

Project Title: Food Scrap Collection/Compost Programs and Other Recycling

Location: Stamford, CT

Funding Requested: \$2,016,941

Project Track: Track 1

Project Type: Composting

Project Description: This project involves (1) the creation of four strategically located food waste collection, (2) a curbside collection program for residential and commercial food waste, (3) a recycling education and outreach program for the public, and (4) a pilot for a food waste collection and composting program at a public high school.



FY 2022 and 23 Healthy Communities Sustainable Materials Management in CT

FY22

•Center for EcoTechnology: Fostering Resilient Wasted Food Solutions for New Haven County \$40,000

•City of Middletown Connecticut: Fostering solutions for Take Out Containers \$40,000

FY23

•Rescuing Leftover Cuisine, Inc. (and MEANS) - New England Food Recovery Extension @ Bristol, Barnstable, Plymouth Counties MA, RI and CT \$40,000

•Food Rescue US: Fairfield County: Helping End Food Waste and Food Insecurity in Bridgeport, CT \$37,500





PLANNING GRANTS to design Priority Climate Actions Plans (PCAP)

State Government

• Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Metropolitan Statistical Areas

- Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments (Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk, CT Metro Area)
- Capitol Region Council of Governments (Hartford-East Hartford-Middletown, CT Metro Area)
- South Central Regional Council of Governments (New Haven-Milford, CT Metro Area)



¹¹ <u>https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/cprg-planning-grant-information</u>

CPRG Implementation Grants

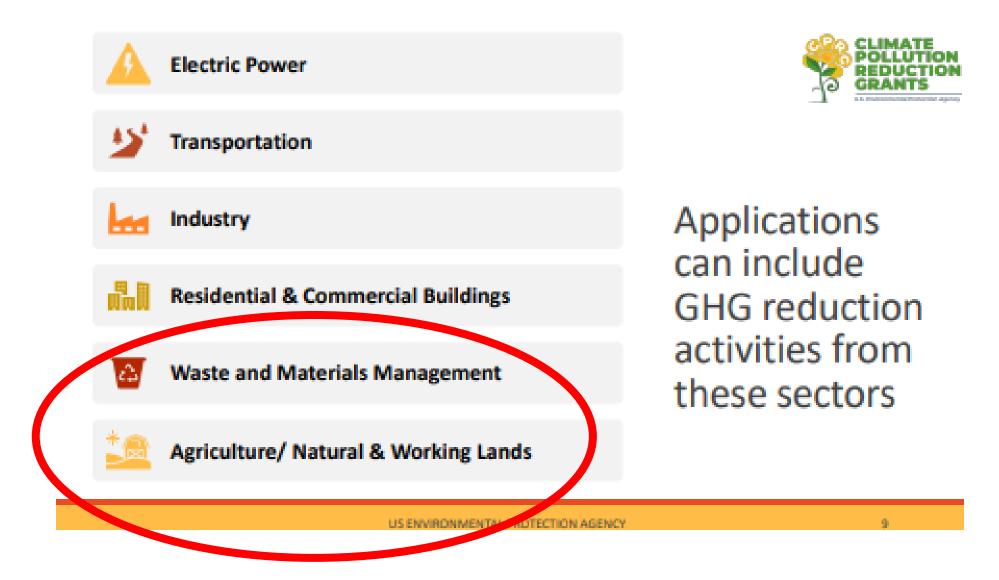


- On September 20, EPA launched a \$4.3 billion competition for states, local governments, tribes, and territories to fund policies and programs to cut climate pollution
- EPA also launched \$300 million competition for only tribes and territories to fund policies and programs to cut climate pollution
- These implementation grants build on \$250 million in CPRG planning grants EPA awarded this year



https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-09/cprg-impl-webinar-2023-09-21.pdf









IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS OPEN OPPORTUNITY

Waste, Water, and Sustainable Materials Management Sector

- Standards and incentives to reduce methane emissions from landfills and wastewater treatment facilities, including through collection for use or destruction
- Programs and incentives to reduce or divert waste (including food and/or yard waste) through improved production practices, improved collection services, and increased reuse or recycling rates
- Programs and incentives to reduce GHG emissions associated with plastics production, use, and waste management
- Programs to expand composting and bio-digestion infrastructure to reduce GHG emissions and increase beneficial use of organic waste
- Policies and programs to reduce construction and demolition waste through building reuse, deconstruction, and material diversion and reuse
- Installation of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures at wastewater treatment facilities





IMPLEMENATION GRANTS continued

Agricultural Sector

- Incentive programs to fund electric agricultural equipment technologies
- Incentives for technologies and techniques that reduce nitrous oxide emissions from fertilizer application
- Incentives to promote anaerobic digesters to capture methane and generate renewable energy or produce renewable fuel



New England Sustainable Material Management Update: April 19, 2023



Bowen, Janet

Retention Policy 10 years (Capstone approach) (10 years)

April 19, 2023

<u>Updates</u>

- 1. 2023 Healthy Communities Grant Program Announcement, application is May 26, 2023
- 2. EPA Seeks Input on Inflation Reduction Act Programs to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions Associated with Construction Materials and Products, Comments due 5/1/2023
- 3. 2023 Circular Economy Request for Information: Challenges and Opportunities of Increasing Materials Circularity, response due by 5/1/2023
- 4. Biden-Harris Administration Announces Availability of \$16 Million for Pollution Prevention in Environmental Justice Communities
- 5. USDA Announces Cooperative Agreements for Compost and Food Waste Reduction, Applications due June 15, 2023

Tools/Case Studies

- 6. Anaerobic Digestion Facilities Processing Food Waste in the United States (2019), April 2023
- 7. 2019 Wasted Food Report, April 2023
- 8. On-farm Composting Toolkit
- 9. Map & List of Massachusetts Sites Accepting Diverted Food Material, February 2023
- 10. The Food Scrap Contamination Guide, New York State Pollution Prevention Institute
- 11. International Compost Awareness Week social media toolkit
- 12. Mitchell Center Spring 2023 Sustainability Talks, Recording available
- 13. Composting and Mulching for Climate-Wise Gardening, webinar recording March 2023

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Thank you!

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