EEAC Low-Income Committee Update

NEXT STEPS
Update on Empowerment Grant Funding
Broaden and Expand Focus
Create Funding Priorities
Empowerment Grant Highlights

Time-Table

- December 2019
  - Grant Manager Hired
- January 2020
  - Large- Scale Grant Launched
- February 2020
  - Community-Scale Grant Launched
  - 3 County Workshops Held
- March 2020-Covid 19
  - Assistant Grant Manager Hired
- April-August
  - Online workshops-Zoom
  - Grant Review Committee Reviews
- September-December 2020
  - First Grant Awards
  - Press Events
  - Development and Launch of Online Grant application

By The Numbers

20 Grant Applications
- 9 Large- Scale in April 2020 + 4 in December 2020 = 13 total
- 11 Community-Scale

6 Grants Awarded
- 1 Large-Scale
- 5 Community-Scale

Funds Awarded as of January 2021

- Community- Scale Empowerment Grant $433,390.00
- Large- Scale Empowerment Grant $500,000.00
Grant Awards To Date

Large-Scale Grant

New Castle County Habitat for Humanity
Program: Refrigerator Replacement Program
Amount Awarded: $500,000
Location: Statewide

Community-Scale Grant

Sussex County Habitat for Humanity
Program: Insulated Skirting for Manufactured Homes
Amount Awarded: $100,000
Location: Sussex County
Grant Awards To Date

**Community-Scale Grant**

Wilmington Senior Center
Program: Lafayette Court Energy Efficiency
Amount Awarded: $150,000
Location: City of Wilmington

**Community-Scale Grant**

Interfaith Power and Light
Program: Windows of Hope
Amount Awarded: $80,650
Location: City of Wilmington

**Community-Scale Grant**

New Ecology, Cinnaire & Central Baptist Community Development Co.
Program: Eastside Efficiency
Amount Awarded: $68,000
Location: City of Wilmington

**Community-Scale Grant**

Kingswood Community Center & Energy Coordinating Agency
Program: DIY Energy Workshops
Amount: $34,740
Location: East Side of Wilmington
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Empowerment Grant Relaunch

Large-Scale Grant
April 15th
Due Date: May 28th
$100k-$1 million

Community-Scale Grant
April 15th
Open Date
$5K-$100K

2020 Annual Report
March 5, 2021

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Empowerment Grant Program Announces Grant Award to Delaware Interfaith Power and Light
November 23, 2020

Funding to support energy efficiency and weatherization in Wilmington homes Dover – Energize Delaware announced today that the Empowerment Grant Program (EGP), funded by the Exelon Merger for Delmarva Power Customers in Delaware, is awarding $80,600 to Delaware Interfaith Power and Light (DIEPL). In its application, DIEPL wants to help weatherize older rental properties by fabricating and installing custom Interior Storm Windows (ISW) in rental apartments. Labor

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Next Steps: Develop the Energy Equity Fund

CLEAN, EFFICIENT, AFFORDABLE, SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AS TOOL FOR IMPACT

Through aligned strategies and investments, we can positively impact the socioeconomic position of thousands of Delawareans. Through partnerships, collaboration and funding the Energy Equity Fund will focus on:

- Easing the Energy Burden
- Healthy and Safe Homes
- Access to Clean and Renewable Energy
- The Creation of Clean Energy Jobs

Carbon Reduction and Climate Resiliency

Healthy and Safe Population

Social and Economic Development
Next Steps: Develop the Energy Equity Fund

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WE ARE EMPOWERING ENERGY EQUITY

Advocacy and Policy Development
Education, Training and Outreach
Resource Development
Programs and Services Best Practices
Next Steps: Develop the Energy Equity Fund

3 Targeted and Focused

- Low-Moderate Income Communities
- Minorities
- Urban
- Rural
- Small Business (Downtown)
- Non-Profit Community
- Municipalities
- Youth
- Faith Community
Align Energy Efficiency with Healthy and Safe Homes

- Recognize and align energy-efficiency efforts that encourage and promote healthier and safer homes.

- Develop and coordinate linkages between energy-efficiency programs and clean-energy homes to enhance the health of residents living in these homes and communities.
ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND REPAIRS CREATE HEALTHIER HOMES AND CAN REDUCE MEDICAL COSTS

Inadequate housing contributes to health problems such as chronic diseases and injuries and can have harmful impacts on childhood development, seniors, and adults. Poor indoor air quality, lead paint, and other hazards often coexist in homes, placing children and families at great risk for multiple health problems.
Access to Clean and Renewable Energy

**Affordability and Access to Clean Renewable Energy**

- Foster entrepreneurial efforts for the efficient and sustainable production and delivery of energy, especially in the small-business community, for vulnerable communities and underserved communities.

- Create diversity and equity in the energy sector supply chain and pass on the savings and value to underserved communities.

- Pursue climate resiliency generating measurable social and environmental impact as well as a financial return for everyone.
Support Workforce Development and Clean-Energy Jobs

• Enable and fuel the creation, sustainability and vibrancy of employment, training, certification and incentives for clean energy jobs.

• Advocate for workforce development and access to energy for small businesses, creating job opportunities that provide family-supporting wages, good benefits and opportunities for career advancement.
We are promoting access to energy efficiency, clean and renewable energy, healthier homes and clean-energy jobs.

- Enable access to energy-efficiency support in underserved communities and groups across the state.
- Provide funding for energy efficiency, weatherization and renewable-energy investments and clean energy jobs.
- Optimize business and foundation resources by integrating energy, housing, health, safety and work-force resources.
- Identify goals and track outcomes to demonstrate the energy solutions as well as the financial and social impact.