

# Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

# Missouri Climate Pollution Reduction Subgrants

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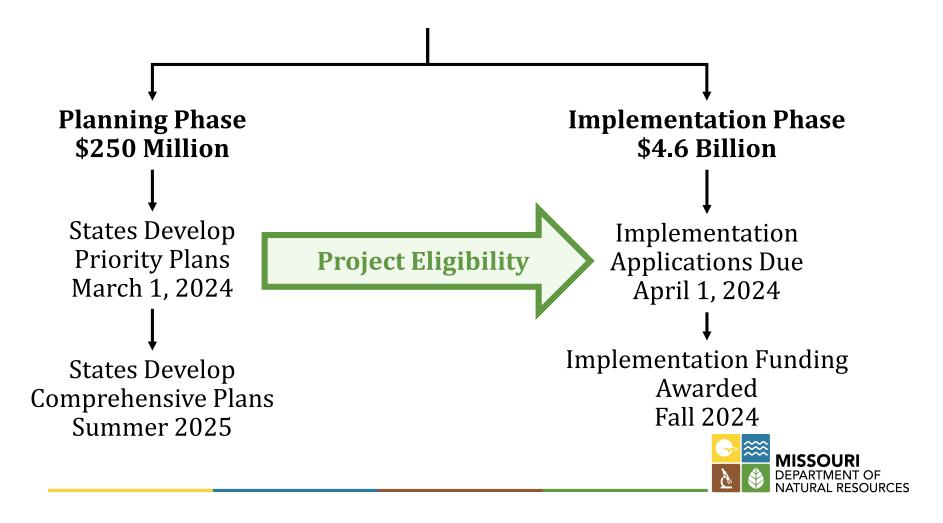
## DNR's Subgrant Opportunity:

- Who can apply?
  - Municipalities (City, County, Regional, etc)
- How can the funds be used?
  - Costs directly related to advertising, holding, and conducting three public outreach meetings
  - Staff time to collect and compile input, and develop the final report
- How much funding is available?
  - Reimbursement up to \$10,000



- The Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) is part of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), signed into law in August of 2022
- CPRG is an EPA program that provides grants to states, local governments, tribes, and territories to create plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- CPRG funding breakdown:
  - \$250 Million for planning grants
  - \$4.6 **Billion** for implementation of plans
- Project eligibility for implementation is based on inclusion in a climate action plan
  - Subgrants will help us ensure community projects are included in our plan

Inflation Reduction Act:
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant



**Missouri's Priority:** Ensure that Missouri communities have the best possible chance to receive Implementation funds

- Priority plan will include projects that communities are already doing, have planned, or want to explore
  - Focus is on near-term projects that are well-understood and available commercially
- Through the subgrants, engaging with communities to gather feedback about what projects are important to them
  - Participation is <u>not required</u>, and you can still be eligible for Implementation funds if you don't apply for a subgrant as long as the project falls into a category that is generally covered/included in Missouri's priority plan
- The Climate Action Plans developed through CPRG are not binding, projects included in the plans will be voluntary



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## What is Involved?

- Full Program Requirements and Application form are available on the department's website
- https://dnr.mo.gov/air/whatwere-doing/financialassistanceopportunities/climatepollution-reduction-subgrants

#### **Climate Pollution Reduction Subgrants**

#### Application Period is Open

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is offering Climate Pollution Reduction Subgrants to implement projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Under the subgrant award, eligible recipients will use the funds to increase public participation and engagement within the communities.



- Grant Funding Opportunity for Municipalities through the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG)
- . Missouri Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program

Funding is provided by federal **Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program**  $\sigma$ , as part of the **Inflation Reduction Act of 2022**  $\sigma$ . EPA has not yet released information about eligible entities or projects for the implementation phase of the CPRG Program. Once released, the department will include that information here.

#### Information and Assistance

For additional information, please contact the Air Pollution Control Program's CPRG team at 573-751-4817 or by email at CPRGTeam@dnr.mo.gov...



 Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) Subgrant Application Process Webinar, Sept. 28, 2023

The department plans to award these subgrants on a first come, first served basis. The department does not intend to wait for the application deadline to begin issuing the subgrants. Applicants are highly encouraged to begin this process as soon as possible.



## What is Involved?

#### Applicants are expected to:

- Announce and hold at least three public meetings on or before November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, two of which must allow in-person attendance
- Present information about Missouri's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant planning
- Gather information from their community about what kinds of emission reduction projects are most important
- Submit a report to the Department after completion of the meetings explaining their outreach efforts and input received

# Who can apply?

• Applicants must be a municipal government

• <u>Defined very broadly</u>: municipalities, cities, counties, boroughs, parishes, special districts, transit districts, joint powers authorities, councils of government, regional planning organizations, and groups of two or more of these agencies.



# What costs are eligible?

In general, any costs directly related to the public outreach and engagement meetings

- Examples include:
  - Staffing and contractual costs, associated with meetings, collecting/compiling input, and developing report
  - Planning, advertisement, and implementation of meetings,
  - Outreach and education activities,
  - Evaluation and metrics-tracking,
  - Office supplies and software,
- EPA's general grant conditions: light refreshments must be pre-approved with a budget and timing

# **Meeting Content**

The Department will provide informational webinars for applicants to present at their meetings

- Presentations will cover CPRG background information, the State's planning efforts so far, and what kind of projects we're looking to include in our plan
  - Want to hear about greenhouse gas reduction projects that are important to your communities across several emissions sectors
- Two presentations:
  - 1. Community Kickoff: Explains CPRG background
  - 2. Sector Detail Workshop: Gives detail on emissions reduction measures
- Applicants may modify these presentations with prior written approval



## Who should be invited?

- Members of the public, especially marginalized, underserved, or overburdened groups
- Other agencies or organizations for example, transportation planners, environmental groups, and agriculture
- Local businesses that may be interested in greenhouse gas reduction projects
- Local electric utilities and industries



#### Feedback Form

 The Department will provide a feedback form to capture audience feedback during and after meetings

 Subgrantees should encourage community members to fill out the form

 The form will also be available on the Department's CPRG webpage



# **Timing**

- Applications open until October 20, 2023
  - Awarded on a rolling basis as applications come in
- After notification of an award:
  - Hold all meetings by November 30, 2023
  - Submit final report summarizing meetings and input received by December 10, 2023
  - Submit invoices for all work performed by December 30, 2023



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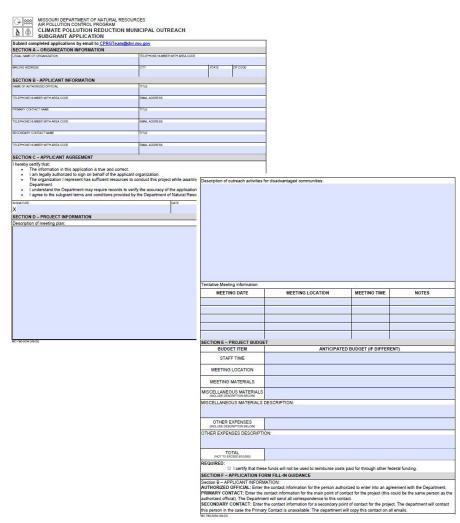
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# **Application Form**

- Simple, two-page application that includes:
  - Contact information for Municipality
  - Description of meeting plans
  - Tentative meeting dates and locations
  - Expected budget
- Submit via email to <u>CPRGTeam@dnr.mo.gov</u>





# Questions?

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