

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grants: Community and Corridor (CFI)

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

Category: Public Transportation

Eligible Applicants: States, territories, metropolitan planning organizations, units of local government, special purpose districts, public authorities with a transportation function, Indian Tribes, authorities, agencies, or entities owned by the listed entities, and groups of listed entities are eligible for the Community and Corridor programs. Additionally, a state or local authority with publicly accessible transportation facilities is eligible for the Community program.

Total IJJA Funding: A total of \$2.5 billion is available for fiscal years (FY) 2022–2026, split evenly between Community and Corridor grants, each receiving \$1.25 billion.

FY24 Grant Funding: \$500 million in Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) funding is expected for FY2024. For reference, the combined FY22/23 application offered \$700 million, with \$350 million allocated for Community grants and \$350 million for Corridor grants.

Match Requirements: Based on the FY22/23 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), the match requirement is expected to be 20% of the total project cost.

Key Dates: The FY24 NOFO is expected in Spring 2024. For reference, the FY22/23 NOFO was released on March 14, 2023, and closed on June 13, 2023.

Overview: The Discretionary Grant Program for Charging and Fueling provides \$2.5 billion in competitive funding to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure and other alternative fueling infrastructure along designated alternative fuel corridors. The CFI program comprises the Community Charging and Fueling Program Grants (Community Program) and the Alternative Fuel Program Grants (Corridor Program), both described in more detail below.

Eligible Activities: Charging and Fueling grants support the acquisition and installation of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging or alternative fueling infrastructure, assistance for operating costs (for the first 5 years after installation), and the acquisition and installation of traffic control devices. CFI grants can be distributed as Community or Corridor grants, each with a separate set of eligible activities. Per the FY22/23 NOFO, eligible activities include:

- **Community Program:** The installation of electric vehicle charging and alternative fuel in locations on public roads, schools, parks, and in publicly accessible parking facilities.
- **Corridor Program:** The deployment of electric vehicle charging and hydrogen/propane/natural gas fueling infrastructure along designated alternative fuel corridors and in communities.

Opportunities for Climate and Racial Wealth Equity: Electric Vehicles will play a vital role in the United States' decarbonization and climate change mitigation efforts. Ensuring that the benefits from electric vehicle infrastructure reach all communities presents a key climate and racial equity opportunity.

Per the [FY22/23 NOFO](#), CFI projects must address environmental justice. In addition, projects eligible for Community funding are expected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and address gaps in publicly accessible infrastructure. The Department of Transportation acknowledges that equity concerns may arise regarding project affordability, accessibility, reliability, location, safety, and economic opportunities. DOT encourages equitable planning processes to facilitate fair distribution of a project's costs and benefits throughout a community.

Key Funding Criteria: Based on the [FY22/23 NOFO](#), applicants can expect to be evaluated on the project's impacts on safety, climate change, resilience, sustainability, equity, community engagement, Justice40, workforce development, job quality, wealth creation, and alignment with the CFI program vision.

Additionally, in [FY22/23](#), DOT considered the geographic diversity of applicants for Community grants to achieve a balance between urban and rural communities.

Additional Information: For more program details, visit DOT's Charging and Fueling [website](#).

Applicants may consult technical resources, guides, and toolkits available at www.driveelectric.gov, DOE's [EV Grid Assist resources](#), and the [Electrification Coalition](#). Additional information can be found on the [Joint Office of Energy and Transportation website](#).