

ANNOUNCEMENT

“Cleaner Greener Communities, Phase II Implementation Grants - Round 2”
Program Opportunity Notice (PON) 2951
\$30 Million Available

APPLICATION DUE DATES:

Category 1 – Incentive Applications (open enrollment): NYSERDA will continue to accept applications through the existing program, PON 2721 - Category 1, which was released in 2013, until 4:00 PM Eastern Time on September 30, 2015, until funds are exhausted, or until the solicitation is revised by NYSERDA, whichever comes first.

Category 2 – Planning Initiatives (competitive due date): Applications for Category 2 under PON2951 are due by 4:00pm Eastern Standard Time on June 16, 2014.

Category 3 – Sustainability Projects (competitive due date): Applications for Category 3 under PON2951 are due by 4:00pm Eastern Standard Time on June 16, 2014.

The [Cleaner, Greener Communities \(CGC\) Program](#) was announced by Governor Cuomo in his 2011 State of the State address as a competitive grant program to encourage communities to develop and implement regional sustainable growth strategies. The primary goal of the CGC Program is to encourage communities to develop regional sustainable growth strategies in such areas as emissions control, energy efficiency, renewable energy, low-carbon transportation, and other carbon reductions. [Phase I of CGC](#) provided funding to the 10 Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) regions in New York State (NYS) for the development of Regional Sustainability Plans. [Phase II of CGC](#) offers grant funding for projects that support the goals of each region’s respective sustainability planning effort. The CGC Program is funded with proceeds from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, the purpose of which is to lower carbon emissions in the participating states.

Through this round of Phase II of CGC, NYSERDA is offering competitive grants for the implementation of market-transforming sustainability initiatives and projects that accelerate the adoption of sustainable planning and development practices, are innovative, create multiple community benefits, reduce carbon emissions, leverage public and private resources, and propel NYS toward an environmentally and economically vibrant and resilient future. Funding will support policy and plan development, technical assistance, and implementation of projects and initiatives that have the ability to be inspirational and replicated to expand market adoption and overall impact.

This announcement is not a solicitation for proposals. To receive the full solicitation, please visit NYSERDA’s Web site at www.nyserda.ny.gov or submit your request to cgc@nyserda.ny.gov.

How to Participate:

Paper or faxed applications will not be accepted. All applications must be completed and submitted on-line through the Consolidated Funding Application. If changes are made to the program terms, notification will be posted on NYSERDA’s website.

Program details and guidance materials may be found at the following location: <http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/guidance>.
The Consolidated Funding Application may be accessed at the following location: <https://apps.cio.ny.gov/apps/cfa/>.

No communication intended to influence this procurement is permitted except by contacting cgc@nyserda.ny.gov. Contacting anyone other than this Designated Contact (either directly by the proposer or indirectly through a lobbyist or other person acting on the proposer’s behalf) in an attempt to influence the procurement: (1) may result in a proposer being deemed a non-responsible offerer, and (2) may result in the proposer not being awarded a contract.

All questions regarding the CFA process should be directed to the applicable regional email address shown below.

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