



The Clean Energy Plan Benefits Colorado

Funding from President Biden's clean energy plan is helping Colorado minimize the impacts of climate change and prepare for a clean energy future. As of June 2024, Colorado has [received](#) over \$7.6 billion in funding from the clean energy plan – that's money going to communities all across the state to promote drought and climate resiliency, reduce pollution, and advance climate-smart agriculture.

CLEAN ENERGY INVESTMENTS:

- The clean energy plan is projected to bring over [\\$13.2 billion](#) of new investment in clean energy generation and storage to Colorado by 2030. New clean energy projects since the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act have already spurred [\\$1.71 billion](#) in investment and helped create 4,902 new clean energy jobs in the Centennial state.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY:

- Colorado [received](#) over \$140 million for consumer home energy rebate programs, which will help low-income households save on home energy bills.
- Thanks to tax credits [covering](#) 30% of the costs of installing solar panels, battery storage systems, and other home upgrades, an estimated 120,000 Colorado households are set to install rooftop solar panels – reducing energy costs and pollution.
- The DOE's Tribal Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates Program [awarded](#) the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Ute Mountain Ute Tribe over \$838,000 for energy efficiency and electrification home upgrades.

CLEANER AIR:

- Colorado [received](#) \$3 million, the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood Metro Area [received](#) an additional \$1 million, and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe also [received](#) funding from the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program.
- Nine projects across five counties [received](#) over \$53.4 million from the DOT's Low-and No-Emission Vehicle Program.
- Nine Colorado school districts [received](#) over \$9.2 million from the EPA's Clean School Bus Rebate Program to purchase low- and zero-emission school buses. In addition, nine Colorado school districts [received](#) over \$12.2 million in funding through the first Clean School Bus Program Grants Competition.

DROUGHT RESILIENCY:

- \$4 billion in funding from the DOI's Bureau of Reclamation will help Colorado River basin states [mitigate](#) climate-driven drought.
- Through the DOI's Bureau of Reclamation, three Colorado projects [received](#) \$68.3 million to increase drought resilience and improve water delivery systems.
- The City of Aurora and the Deutsch Domestic Water Company Inc. [received](#) over \$5.5 million from the DOI to prepare and respond to the challenges of drought.
- Colorado [received](#) over \$26.2 million from the DOI's WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants program to safeguard local water supplies in the face of severe western drought.

ELECTRIC VEHICLES:

- As part of the DOT's National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program, Colorado will [receive](#) \$56.5 million over five years to deploy EV charging infrastructure.

SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE:

- Fifteen projects across eleven counties [received](#) over \$180 million from the DOT's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program.
- The DOT awarded over [\\$188 million](#) to three Colorado projects through the Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight & Highway Projects Program (INFRA).

RESILIENCY, CONSERVATION, AND EQUITY:

- Eight projects in Aurora, Colorado Springs, Denver, Glenwood Springs, Greeley, Monte Vista, Westminster, and Wheat Ridge [received](#) \$22.19 million from the USDA's Urban and Community Forestry Program to increase green spaces.
- The EPA's Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving (EJCPS) Program [selected](#) four projects in Pueblo, Denver, and San Miguel and Montrose counties to receive funding.
- The EPA's Environmental Justice Government-to-Government (EJG2G) program [selected](#) two projects across Denver, Commerce City, and rural Colorado to receive funding.
- The EPA [selected](#) the Bonita Peak Mining District, Captain Jack Mill, Colorado Smelter, and Summitville Mine superfund sites to receive cleanup funding.

CLIMATE-SMART AGRICULTURE:

- The USDA's Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) [awarded](#) over \$2.5 million to ten Colorado farmers, ranchers, and businesses across eight counties.
- The USDA's 'From Learning to Leading: Cultivating the Next Generation of Diverse Food and Agriculture Professionals Program' [awarded](#) Adams State University \$4.6 million.