

# The Clean Energy Plan Benefits Texas

Funding from President Biden's clean energy plan is helping Texas minimize the impacts of climate change and prepare for a clean energy future. As of June 2024, Texas has received over \$33.6 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 \$66.5 billion of new investment in clean energy generation and storage to Texas by 2030. New clean energy projects since the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act have already spurred \$17.02 billion in investment and helped create 24,122 new clean energy jobs in the Lone Star State.

#### **ENERGY EFFICIENCY:**

- Texas <u>received</u> over \$690 million for consumer home energy rebate programs, which will <u>help</u> low-income households in Port Arthur and Austin save an average of 25% on home energy bills.
- Thanks to tax credits <u>covering</u> 30% of the costs of installing solar panels, battery storage systems, and other home upgrades, an estimated 1 million Texas households are set to install rooftop solar panels – reducing energy costs and pollution.
- The DOE's Tribal Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates Program <u>awarded</u> the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas, Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas, and Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo \$941,723 for energy efficiency and electrification home upgrades.

#### **CLEANER AIR:**

- Texas <u>received</u> \$3 million, and six metro areas each <u>received</u> an additional \$1 million from the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program.
- 15 projects across Texas <u>received</u> over \$288 million from the DOT's Low-and No-Emission Vehicle Program.
- 32 Texas school districts <u>received</u> over \$90 million from the EPA's Clean School Bus Rebate Program to purchase low- and zero-emission school buses. In addition, 19 Texas school districts <u>received</u> over \$104 million in funding through the first Clean School Bus Program Grants Competition.

#### **DROUGHT RESILIENCY:**

 The DOI <u>awarded</u> \$60 Million for water conservation and drought resilience in the Rio Grande Basin.  As part of the DOI's WaterSMART Drought Resiliency Project grants, the City of Santa Rosa <u>received</u> \$9.5 million to fortify the community's water infrastructure and overall resiliency to drought conditions.

## **ELECTRIC VEHICLES:**

• As part of the DOT's National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program, Texas will receive \$407 million over five years to deploy EV charging infrastructure.

#### SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE:

- 16 projects in Texas <u>received</u> over \$237 million from the DOT's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program.
- The DOT's Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight & Highway Projects Program (INFRA) awarded \$25 million to the Anzalduas Bridge Expansion Project in McAllen.

# **RESILIENCY, CONSERVATION, AND EQUITY:**

- Six projects across at least five cities <u>received</u> \$36.6 million from the USDA's Urban and Community Forestry Program to increase access to green spaces.
- The EPA's Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving (EJCPS) Program selected four projects in Texas to receive funding.
- The EPA's Environmental Justice Government-to-Government (EJG2G) program selected two projects in Dallas and Houston to receive funding.
- The EPA <u>selected</u> six superfund sites in Texas to receive over \$10 million in cleanup funding.

### **CLIMATE-SMART AGRICULTURE:**

- The USDA's Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) <u>awarded</u> over \$8.8 million to 28 Texas farmers, ranchers, and businesses to invest in renewable energy.
- The USDA's 'From Learning to Leading: Cultivating the Next Generation of Diverse Food and Agriculture Professionals Program' <u>awarded</u> the University of Texas at San Antonio, Texas State University, Our Lady of the Lake University, Texas A&M University, Kingsville, and St. Edward's University over \$37.8 million.
- Three projects in Texas were <u>selected</u> to receive funding from the USDA's Increasing Land, Capital, and Market Access Program.