



Community Energy Innovation Prize: Meet the Power Connectors and Previous Winners

October 19 at 2pm ET



About the American-Made Program

- Funded by the Department of Energy, the American-Made program incentivizes innovation through prizes, training, teaming, and mentoring, connecting the nation's entrepreneurs and innovators to America's national labs and the private sector.

American-Made Network

- **Power Connectors**
 - Contracted yearly to support applicants and winners of specific prizes.
 - Help extend the reach and improving the inclusivity of the Network overall.
- **Connectors**
 - Professionals from national laboratories, accelerators, incubators, universities, facilities, and industry.
 - Discover them through the American-Made Network search tool.



Community Energy Innovation Prize (CEIP) Overview

- **Goal:** Support capacity building, innovation, entrepreneurship, and economic development related to clean energy and climate for disadvantaged communities in the following areas:
 - Academic Programs
 - Workforce Development
 - Clean Energy Technology
- **Funding:** Approximately \$7.49M in total prizes
- **Who is eligible to apply?**
 - Private entities (for-profits and nonprofits); nonfederal government entities such as states, counties, tribes, and municipalities; academic institutions; and individuals.



Three Tracks:

1. Clean Energy Ecosystem Track
2. Manufacturing Ecosystem Track
3. Collegiate Track

Clean Energy Ecosystem Track

- **Funding:** Up to \$210K plus grand prizes and in-kind mentorship
- **Goal:** Community-led projects that advance community-based clean energy transition programs across a wide range of clean energy initiatives, technologies, and areas of focus.
- *Example projects:*
 - Workforce training for clean energy
 - Microgrid deployment in rural and low-resource communities
 - Creation and identification of technical assistance resources for renewable energy technologies
 - Acceleration support ecosystem for climate innovators from underserved communities

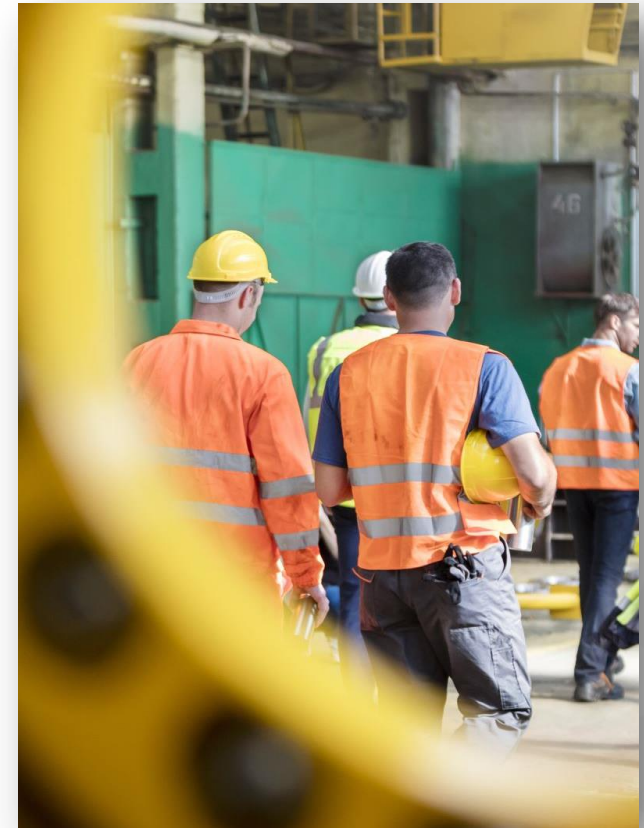
Apply by February 2, 2024



Manufacturing Ecosystem Track

- **Funding:** Up to \$210K plus grand prizes and in-kind mentorship
- **Goal:** Support communities and organizations that have been historically underserved and further the development of innovation ecosystems related to manufacturing.
- *Example projects:*
 - Academic institution develops a curriculum related to business development in clean energy manufacturing.
 - Local business incubator coordinates with regional manufacturers and develops business plans for local production.
 - Regional manufacturers engage with other local entities to develop remanufacturing, reuse, and recycling opportunities for material byproducts.

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Collegiate Track

- **Funding:** Up to \$35k plus grand prizes and in-kind mentorship
- **Goal:** To help prepare students for careers in clean energy through collaboration in a real-world setting. Students from minority serving institutions, universities located in rural and/or disadvantaged communities, and community colleges are highly encouraged to apply.
- *Example Projects:*
 - Provide consultation services for community organizations to assist in the clean energy transition.
 - Identify and implement sustainable clean energy project in partnership with local organizations.
 - Compile recommendations for weatherization, retrofitting, and the use of clean energy equipment to support efficiency.



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Power Connector Support:

- **Group Office Hours on select Thursdays and Fridays through February 2**
 - Next one: Friday, October 27 at 2pm ET
 - Covers all prize tracks
 - Ask questions, meet fellow applicants, get feedback
 - **Register** → bit.ly/ceip-office-hours
- **November 16: Teaming Workshop with yet2**
 - Network with other potential applicants and learn about strategies for effective partnership building.
 - **Register** → bit.ly/CEIP_Teaming





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- [Entrepreneur Futures Network](#) is a global non-profit dedicated to empowering the next generation of entrepreneurs and innovators. We provide training, accelerator, and funding development programs powered by 20 years of experience and our global network. Learn more at entrepreneurfutures.org
- As a Power Connector for the Community Energy Innovation Prize, our focus is the **Collegiate Track** (but if our office hours times work best for you, we can answer questions about any track!).
- Questions? Reach out to our Engagement Director, Cassie Coravos at ccoravos@entrepreneurfutures.org

**Sign up for group
Office Hours!**



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Previous Prize Winner Discussion

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