

Green Jobs Act of 2007

Eligible Individuals

Target populations of eligible individuals to be given priority for training and other services shall include:

1. workers impacted by national energy and environmental policy;
2. individuals in need of updated training related to the energy efficiency and renewable energy industries;
3. veterans, or past and present members of reserve components of the Armed Forces;
4. unemployed individuals;
5. individuals, including at-risk youth, seeking employment pathways out of poverty and into economic self-sufficiency; and
6. formerly incarcerated, adjudicated, nonviolent offenders.

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Eligible Industries

Energy efficiency and renewable energy industries eligible to participate in a program include:

1. the energy-efficient building, construction, and retrofits industries;
2. the renewable electric power industry;
3. the energy efficient and advanced drive train vehicle industry;
4. the biofuels industry;
5. the deconstruction and materials use industries;
6. the energy efficiency assessment industry serving the residential, commercial, or industrial sectors; and
7. manufacturers that produce sustainable products using environmentally sustainable processes and materials.

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Activities Listed

(A) NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM – (DOL)

The Secretary, acting through the Bureau of Labor Statistics, where appropriate, shall collect and analyze labor market data to track workforce trends resulting from energy-related initiatives

**(B) NATIONAL ENERGY TRAINING PARTNERSHIP GRANTS
(Geographic Diversity)**

The Secretary shall award National Energy Training Partnerships Grants on a competitive basis to eligible entities to enable such entities to carry out training that leads to economic self-sufficiency and to develop an energy efficiency and renewable energy industries workforce. Grants shall be awarded so as to ensure geographic diversity with at least 2 grants awarded to entities located in each of the 4 Petroleum Administration for Defense Districts with no subdistricts, and at least 1 grant awarded to an entity located in each of the subdistricts of the Petroleum Administration for Defense District with subdistricts.

(C) STATE LABOR MARKET RESEARCH, INFORMATION, AND LABOR EXCHANGE RESEARCH PROGRAM – (IDES)

The Secretary shall award competitive grants to States to enable such States to administer labor market and labor exchange information programs. A State shall use amounts awarded under a grant to provide funding to the State agency that administers the Wagner-Peyser Act and State unemployment compensation programs.

(D) STATE ENERGY TRAINING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM-(DCEO)

The Secretary shall award competitive grants to States to enable such States to administer renewable energy and energy efficiency workforce development programs. State shall use amounts awarded under a grant to award competitive grants to eligible State Energy Sector Partnerships to enable such Partnerships to coordinate with existing apprenticeship and labor management training programs and implement training programs that lead to the economic self-sufficiency of trainees.

**(E) PATHWAYS OUT OF POVERTY DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM-
(Community Based)**

Secretary shall award competitive grants of sufficient size to eligible entities to enable such entities to carry out training that leads to economic self-sufficiency. The Secretary shall give priority to entities that serve individuals in families with income of less than 200 percent of the sufficiency standard for the local areas where the training is conducted that specifies, as defined by the State, or where such standard is not established, the income needs of families, by family size, the number and ages of children in the family, and sub-State geographical considerations.

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(D) STATE ENERGY TRAINING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM-(DCEO)

ELIGIBILITY- To be eligible to receive a grant under this subparagraph, a State Energy Sector Partnership shall—

- 1) consist of nonprofit organizations that include equal participation from industry, including public or private nonprofit employers, and labor organizations, including joint labor-management training programs, and may include representatives from local governments, the workforce investment system, including one-stop career centers, community based organizations, qualified service and conservation corps, community colleges, and other postsecondary institutions, small businesses, cooperatives, State and local veterans agencies, and veterans service organizations;
- 2) demonstrate experience in implementing and operating worker skills training and education programs; and
- 3) demonstrate the ability to identify and involve in training programs, target populations of workers who would benefit from training and be actively involved in activities related to energy efficiency and renewable energy industries.

(E) PATHWAYS OUT OF POVERTY DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM (Community Based)

ELIGIBLE ENTITIES- To be eligible to receive a grant an entity shall be a partnership that-

- 1) includes community-based nonprofit organizations, educational institutions with expertise in serving low-income adults or youth, public or private employers from the industry sectors, and labor organizations representing workers in such industry sectors;
- 2) demonstrates a record of successful experience in implementing and operating worker skills training and education programs;
- 3) coordinates activities, where appropriate, with the workforce investment system; and
- 4) demonstrates the ability to recruit individuals for training and to support such individuals to successful completion in training programs carried out under this grant, targeting populations of workers who are or will be engaged in activities related to energy efficiency and renewable energy industries.