The Mass Save® **Workforce Training Grant**





Overview

The Mass Save Workforce Training Grant provides funding annually for energy efficiency training and certification programs. Funding can range up to \$7,500 per individual or up to \$50,000 per organization. This grant prioritizes supporting diverse individuals in Environmental Justice Communities and increasing training and certification completion rates amongst diverse workers by alleviating the financial hardship that may pose as a barrier.

The following entities are eligible to apply:

- Massachusetts residents who are enrolling in an energy efficiency certification or training program.
- Massachusetts organizations that currently offer energy efficiency certifications or trainings, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - Community-Based Organizations
 - Community Colleges
 - Training Centers and Trades Programs

Requirements

For organizations:

- Sign a Memorandum of Agreement
- Submit curriculum or training schedule as part of the application
- · Coordinate with a designated point of
- Submit an impact report at the end of the program term to track the efficacy of the funded program

For individuals:

- Sign an Award Letter
- · Show proof of program cost
- Show proof of registration within 30 days of receiving grant funds
- Show proof of completion of the program and a copy of certificate (if applicable)

Applications will be accepted from May 15 - October 15, 2024.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and reviewed monthly. Applicants will be notified of a decision within 45 days of submission.

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Eligibility

To be eligible for funding, applicant's proposed programming must benefit residents who live in communities served by one or more of the Mass Save Sponsors (Berkshire Gas, Cape Light Compact, Eversource, Liberty, National Grid, and Unitil).

The Sponsors of Mass Save welcome applications from all individuals and organizations who can support the training of individuals, but will prioritize applicants who live and work in Massachusetts-designated Environmental Justice Communities (EJCs) and Priority Groups. Priority Groups include those who identify as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and people of color), women, LGBTQIA+, first generation and/or multilingual residents.

Approved Programs

- Training/Education: Approved program topics include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning / Refrigeration
 - Weatherization
 - Building Controls
 - Energy Auditing

- **Certifications:** Approved certifications include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Certified Energy Manager/ Certified Energy Auditor
 - Building Science Principles
 - GPRO Fundamentals of Building Green
 - Building Operator Certification
 - BPI Analyst Technician
 - BPI Analyst Professional

Grant Amount

The total grant amount is based upon program cost and the availability of funds. Funding requested cannot exceed the program cost. Program cost includes items such as registration, tuition, and exam fees. The grant amounts will be capped at the following amounts:

- \$7,500/individual
- \$50,000/organization

If the applicant is unable to fulfill the application deliverables as described in the original proposal and/or individual scholarship request, we reserve the right to decline future funding requests. Grant awardees will be required to return any unused funds within 6 months.

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