## ARPA Project and Expenditure Reporting Data Trends & Grant Summaries Overview

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## **Agenda**

- 1. Reporting Analysis
- 2. Obligation Deadline Reminder & Treasury Guidance
- 3. Grant Award Summaries Overview
- 4. Reminders and Announcements
- 5. Q&A







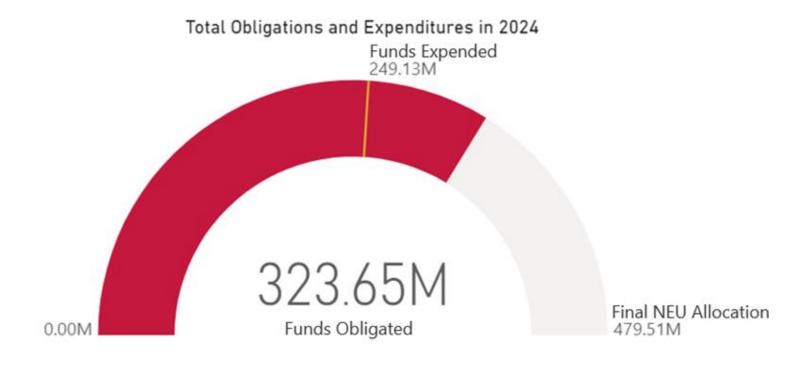
## **April 2024 Maryland NEU Reporting Summary**

- 134 of 145 NEUs (92.4%) submitted their April 2024 reports by the April 30th deadline.
  - The data on the subsequent slides is based on these 134 NEUs.
- 130 of the 134 (97.0%) of NEUs that submitted Project and Expenditure Reports selected the Standard Allowance.
- 53 NEUs (39.6%) have fully obligated their funds.
- 21 NEUs (15.7%) have fully obligated and fully expended their funds.









- Maryland NEUs received a total of \$479.5 million in CLFRF funding.
- Through April 2024,
  \$323.6 million (67.5%)
  of this funding has
  been obligated and
  \$249.1 million (51.9%)
  has been expended.







### Total Obligations and Expenditures by Year

● Expenditures ● Obligations ● Sum of Treasury Final Allocation

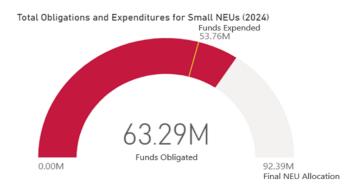


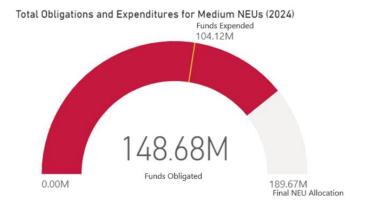
- In the April 2022 report, only \$112.9 million (23.5%) in funding had been obligated and \$35.3 million (7.4%) expended.
- By April 2023, this had increased to \$213.5 million (44.5%) in funding obligated and \$123.2 million (25.7%) expended.

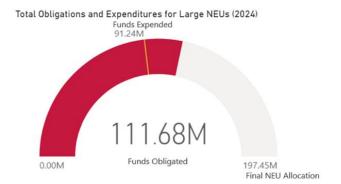




## Obligation and Expenditure Data by NEU Size







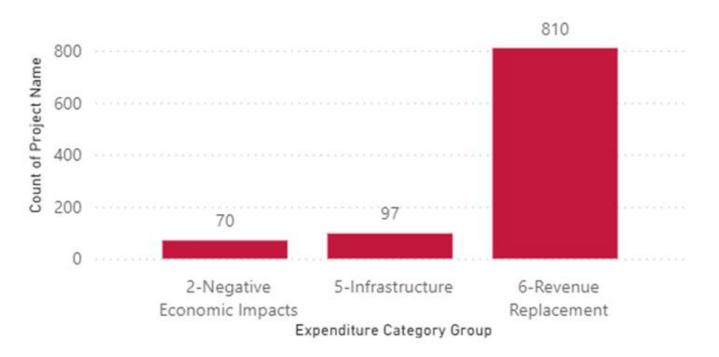




- NEUs were designated as Small (<\$3 million in CLFRF funding), Medium (between \$3 million and \$10 million in CLFRF funding), and Large (>\$10 million in CLFRF funding).
- Medium NEUs have obligated the largest proportion of their funds at 78.4% compared to Small NEUs (68.5%) and Large NEUs (56.6%).
- Small NEUs have expended both a larger portion of their total funds (58.2%) and obligated funds (84.9%) compared to Medium (54.9%/70.0%) and Large NEUs (46.2%/81.7%).



Top Three Expenditure Categories with the Most Reported Projects in 2024





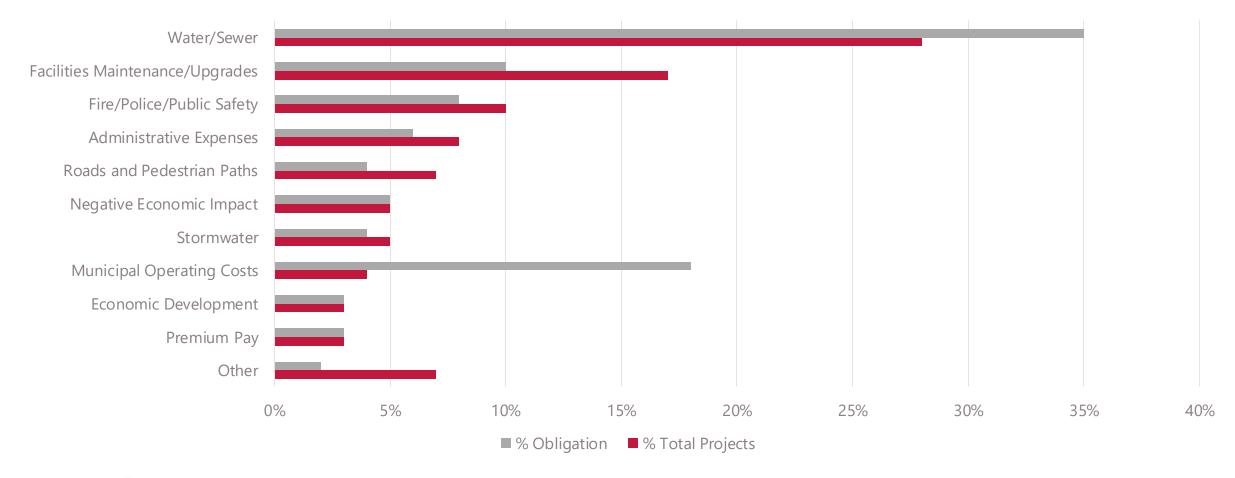
- Public Health
- Services to
   Disproportionately

   Impacted Communities
- Premium Pay
- Administrative and Other





### **Revenue Loss Trends**









## **Grant Program Award Summary Highlights**



High level understanding of the current grant program's objectives and its funding priorities from prior funding cycles.



Application information and relevant links to the NOFO and application materials.



National-level summary of previous awards compared to Maryland-specific funding.



Detailed summary of Maryland award recipients.







## **Brownfield Cleanup Grants**

### **Overview**

- Cleanup activities at brownfield sites owned by the applicant.
- Applications must be submitted by November 14, 2024, by 11:59 PM ET.
- \$100 million available in total funding.
- \$500,000 award minimum.
- \$4 million award maximum.
- \$233 million across 183 awards in FY 2024.

### Brownfield Cleanup Grant Program Review of Fiscal Year 24 Funded Projects

#### Objective

This document provides a high-level review of the Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) <u>Brownfield Cleanup Grant Program</u> Fiscal Year (FY) 24 Funded Projects. This program funds cleanup activities at brownfield sites owned by the applicant.

#### **Program Summary**

A brownfield site is a property where the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, contaminant, controlled substance, petroleum, or petroleum product, or is mine-scarred land. The Cleanup Grant Program funds cleanup activities at brownfield sites owned by the grant applicant to ensure that residents living in communities historically affected by economic disinvestment, health disparities, and environmental contamination have an opportunity to benefit from brownfields redevelopment.

Application Deadline	Applications must be submitted by <b>November 14, 2024, by 11:59 PM ET</b> . Grant applications are submitted through grants.gov.	
	For FY 2024:	
Funding Oversion	» Total Funding: Approximately \$100 Million	
Funding Overview	» Minimum Award: \$500,000	
	» Maximum Award: \$4 Million	





## Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants for Communities

### **Overview**

- Assist local waste management authorities through improvements to local post-consumer materials management, municipal recycling programs, and waste management systems.
- Letter of Intent due by November 15, 2024, with final applications due by December 20, 2024.
- \$58 million available in total funding.
- \$500,000 award minimum.
- \$5 million award maximum.

# Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants for Communities Review of Fiscal Year 23 Funded Projects

#### Objective

This document provides a high-level review of the US Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) Solid Waste for Recycling (SWIFR) Grants for Communities Fiscal Year (FY) 23 Funded Projects. This program uses Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funds to assist local waste management authorities by supporting improvements to local pbst-consumer materials management, including municipal recycling programs, and assisting local waste management authorities in making improvements to local waste management systems.

#### **Program Summary**

The SWIFR for Communities Program funds a range of projects that will help local governments and communities improve and transform their post-consumer materials management infrastructure. This includes projects that will result in a significant decrease in the generation of municipal solid waste (MSW), projects that increase the diversion of MSW from landfills and incineration, and projects providing innovative solutions to increase access to prevention, reuse, mechanical recycling, anaerobic digestion, and composting. Applications must be submitted under one of two program tracks:

- » Track 1: Projects that Support <u>Disadvantaged Communities</u>
- » Track 2: Projects that Support All Other Communities





### Clean School Bus Rebate Program

#### Overview

- Replace older diesel-powered school buses with new, zero emission school buses.
- Funds the necessary infrastructure and job training to implement zero emission school bus fleets.
- Applications due January 9, 2025.
- \$960 million available in total funding.
- \$20,000 per bus award minimum.
- \$325,000 per bus award maximum.

# Clean School Bus Rebate Program Review of Fiscal Years 22 and 23 Funded Projects

#### Objective

This document provides a high-level review of the Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) <u>Clean School Bus (CSB) Program's</u> Fiscal Years 22 and 23 Funded Projects. This program funds projects to replace existing school buses with clean and zero-emission (ZE) school buses.

#### **Program Summary**

Funded through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the CSB Program aims to invest in new cleaner school bus replacements that will produce either zero or low tailpipe emissions compared to their older diesel predecessors, and having these older buses replaced with cleaner ones. Additionally, it strives to improve air quality by replacing highly polluting buses while accelerating the transformation to low and zero emission alternatives, engage stakeholders in program development, and ensure a broad geographic distribution of awards.

» Note: Funding is available for State and Local Governments that directly provide school bus services to one or more school systems.

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	Application Deadline	Applications must be submitted by <b>January 9, 2025, by 4:00 PM ET</b> .  Grant applications are submitted through the EPA application portal.	
Fu		For FY 20YY:	
	Funding Overview	» Total Funding: \$965,000,000	
	r arianing overview	» Minimum Award: \$20,000 per bus	





## **Upcoming Grant Opportunity**

#### **PROTECT - Forecasted**

- Provides funding to ensure surface transportation resilience to natural hazards through support of planning activities, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and atrisk coastal infrastructure.
- Two types of awards: Planning Grants and Competitive Resilience Improvement Grants.
- A Grant Program Summary will be distributed once the NOFO is released.





### **Grant Program Questions**

If you have questions about the grant programs discussed above or other IIJA or IRA grants, reach out to the MTAP team via the question portal. MTAP can answer questions related to:

- Project eligibility
- Eligible uses
- Application timing
- Match requirements
- Reporting
- And more!

Please note that MTAP is not able to assist in writing grant applications.





## **Fund Mapping Service Reminder**

The MTAP Team offers a fund mapping service to connect your envisioned projects with potential IIJA/IRA funding sources.

- Please visit the <u>MTAP Fund Mapping Request Form</u> to submit projects ideas your municipality is considering.
- The MTAP team will help you match your project to an array of IIJA/IRA relevant funding opportunities.









## **ARPA Obligation Deadline Reminder**

# As of October 2024, there are only 2 months to meet the ARPA December 2024 obligation deadline.

- The current budget cycle is the last formal budget cycle before the deadline and these funds must be obligated by **December 31, 2024,** and spent by **December 31, 2026**. Funds that are not obligated by the December 31, 2024, date will need to be returned to Treasury.
- Please note: Having a line item in an internal budget does not qualify as obligated funds.







## **Reporting Reminders**

- Updates to the Portal User Guide specify that projects are only assumed to be under revenue loss if they are reported under that Expenditure Category (EC) in the reporting portal.
- If projects are reported under a different EC in the portal, Treasury will assume the greater reporting and compliance requirements will apply.
- It was reported that some NEUs had trouble submitting Alternative Compliance Examination Engagement (ACEE) reports in the portal. Treasury has updated the way to submit the ACEE, and encourages those who had trouble previously to try again.





## **Upcoming MTAP Events + Reminders**

- The next MTAP Office Hours Session will be on **Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 10:00 am ET**.
- Be on the lookout for additional guidance from our team to assist you with meeting Treasury's obligation deadline!
- MTAP will be distributing a short survey in the coming weeks your participation in this survey will be greatly appreciated and help guide MTAP's next steps!





## **Engage with MTAP**

- <u>Complete a Fund Mapping Request Form</u> we can assist your municipality in finding IIJA and IRA programs that support your project ideas.
- Subscribe to our newsletter and forward it to colleagues.
- Watch the recording of prior MTAP webinars.
- Attend Office Hours on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 10:00 am E.T.
- Submit a Question on ARPA, IIJA or IRA grants.
- Visit our Website and IIJA Resources Page.

Share Feedback with MTAP at <a href="mailto:arpa.neuadmin@maryland.gov">arpa.neuadmin@maryland.gov</a> – and let us know how we can help!





