



# EMPOWERMENT GRANT

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Energy Efficiency Grant Program  
for Low-Income Communities

**Energy should be affordable, so that no one has to go without. Energy should be clean, so that no one is harmed by fossil fuel pollution. Energy should be resilient, so that it's there when we need it. Low income communities must play a lead role in our transition to a clean energy economy—as beneficiaries, as decision-makers, and as the entrepreneurs and workers that will build our clean energy future.**

## **What is the Empowerment Grant Program?**

Energize Delaware was selected to facilitate the Empowerment Grant Program and funded by the merger of Delmarva Power with Exelon. This program will provide funding to organizations to administer energy efficiency programs that directly benefit Delmarva Power customers, whose households earn 60% or below the Delaware State median income. The initial funding held in a designated Delaware Community Foundation account will be awarded by Energize Delaware to service energy efficiency providers this summer. For more information on those organizations awarded please contact the Empowerment Grant Program.

## **How will the funds be used?**

The Grant funds will help to do the following:

- Increase energy efficiency for low-income Delaware households
- Engage with and inform households about the benefits of efficiency and strategies available
- Develop a comprehensive community-based approach to address energy-efficiency issues in low-income housing by mobilizing public and private sector resources, including grassroots, community-based, non-profit, and faith-based organizations
- Ensure to the greatest extent feasible that job training, employment, contracting, and other economic opportunities generated by this grant will be direct to low-income persons in the Delmarva Power Delaware service area



## **What are the Grant formats?**

### **Large-Scale Grants**

- Designed for: statewide, county or regional programs
- Non-profit and For-profit agencies can receive up to \$1 million
- First Award: June 2020
- Second Award Cycle: Winter 2020-2021



### **Community-Scale Grants**

- Designed for: small municipalities, local governments, or neighborhoods
- Non-profit and For-profit agencies can receive up to \$100,000
- Request-for-Proposal announcement April 2020
- Virtual Webinar workshops
- Grant Award: On-going, until funds expended

