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Climate Act goal of 40% of the benefits associated with clean energy and energy efficiency investments directed to disadvantaged communities.

Development of an inclusive clean energy economy has been identified as strategic priority by NYSERDA, as outlined in the Strategic Outlook for 2021-2024.

Statewide LMI Portfolio includes outreach, education, and engagement as necessary to increase access to clean energy solutions.

Regional Clean Energy Hubs will play an instrumental role in positioning disadvantaged to engage in and benefit from the emerging clean energy economy.
Clearinghouse Intention/Goal

➢ Partners - groups, organizations, and/or individuals representing groups that may include but are not limited to economic development and workforce agencies, business associations, community action agencies, chambers of commerce, education and training providers, municipal governments, foundations, business leaders, nonprofits, civic groups, utilities, Energy Professionals, other NYSERDA contractors.

➢ For the purpose of this initiative, subcontractors or other entities being paid to perform services via this contract are not considered Partners. Though, the above types of organizations could be Contractors or Subcontractors.

➢ Subcontractors - an organization that has an agreement/MOU with the Contractor to perform the services in this solicitation.

Participation in, or use of, the clearinghouse does not guarantee or disqualify an award or selection as part of a proposing team. Teaming arrangements and partnerships are at the discretion of the individual organizations.
Regional Clean Energy Hub Overview

Proposal Submission deadline: **November 23, 2021**

Program period: **five (5) years**

Funding: **Up to $36,656,600 available**

Allocations per region were developed based on a variety of factors:

- Base funding amount of $1.85 million provided for each region
- Distribution of statewide population
- Percentage of low-to-moderate income households and
- Land area (sq. miles) by region

Statewide Advisory Group to help inform program strategies
Proposer Eligibility

➢ NYSERDA expects teaming to ensure proposals have the capacity and geographic coverage to provide services to the entire Region.

➢ A community-based organization from each region is expected to be in a lead or co-lead role in the strategic development and management of Hub activities.

➢ Hubs should leverage existing organizational capacity.
Proposer Qualifications

- Project Management – Coordinate the work of the Hub services
- Partnerships – The ability to establish solidified partnerships and leverage existing relationships, will be a factor in proposal evaluation.
- Staffing – Deploy multi-lingual, culturally appropriate staff that are representative of the communities within the Region. Advisors must live or work within the Region they serve.
- Regional Coverage – demonstrate a strong local presence in the Region and outline how they are uniquely qualified to provide services to disadvantaged communities within each proposed Region
Core Services

Services that are expected to be delivered, starting in the first year of the contract and throughout the contract period:

➢ Program Management and Administrative Functions
➢ Develop a Regional Assessment and Barriers Analysis
➢ Outreach and Awareness
➢ Community Campaigns
➢ Energy Education
➢ Project Coordination
Additional Services

Services that are expected to be delivered but are anticipated to scale up over the program period:

- Equitable Engagement
- Workforce and Small Business Development
- Local Projects and Pilots
RFP 4630 Proposal Requirements

Proposal Attachments:
➢ Attachment A – Budget form to be completed for all regions except Long Island
➢ Attachment A-1 (Long Island) – Budget form to be completed for Long Island region only
➢ Attachment B – Statement of Work
➢ Attachment C – Staffing Plan
➢ Attachment D – Schedule of Hub Activities (for all services)

Other supporting documents:
➢ Resumes
➢ References
➢ Letters of Support/Commitment for subcontractors and partners
How To Apply

➢ NYSERDA’s Current Funding Opportunities webpage
➢ Review all Associated Documents
➢ Returning User - Login to Portal
➢ New User – Read Application Instructions & Portal Training Guide

Login to NYSERDA Portal

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LOGIN

Not registered? Create an account
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Timeline

Online Clearinghouse Available through November 22, 2021
➢ Organizations submit a statement of interest form that includes organization name, region, county(ies) served, point of contact and description of services provided.

RFP Launch – September 23, 2021
➢ Solicitation on the street for nine (9) weeks.
➢ Proposals due by 3:00 p.m. on November 23, 2021
➢ Pre-bid webinars on October 6 and October 28, 2021

Scoring Committee meets December 2021
Award Notifications and Debrief early January 2022
Anticipated Program Launch – February 2022
Questions

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