

Application Process at a Glance

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Apply to become an eligible Host Employer.

nyserdera.ny.gov/cjf-plus-host-app



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Once approved, start search for a Fellow.

NYSERDA offers a directory of Fellows available to approved organizations.

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Once an eligible Fellow is selected, submit an application to the Program.

nyserdera.ny.gov/5566-app



NYSERDA will host biweekly drop-in office hours to answer questions on the Climate Justice Fellowship Plus Program.

Visit nyserdera.ny.gov/cjf-plus to learn more.



Climate Justice Fellowship Plus Program

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), with support from U.S. Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York's 14th congressional district, is pleased to announce The Climate Justice Fellowship Plus Program. Fully funded by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Climate Justice Fellowship Plus Program is a \$3 million pilot program to advance climate justice in the Bronx and Queens.

Eligible Host Employers can receive \$73,125 in wage subsidies over 15 months to expand capacity for supporting climate justice and/or clean energy priorities.

ELIGIBLE HOST EMPLOYERS MUST:

- Be a non-profit organization, public library, municipality, public college, public university, or private non-profit university serving or located in the Bronx or Queens.
- Commit to hiring and supporting Fellows' professional development training/mentoring for 15 months.
- Offer a minimum of 12.5 days paid vacation or sick time as well as allow federal holidays off.
- Demonstrate a plan to advance climate justice and/or clean energy priorities in the Bronx and Queens.



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Fellow Eligibility

- Must be a resident of New York's 14th congressional district.
- Must be a member of a Priority Population.
- Must commit to the entire 15-month fellowship with the goal of assisting the employer in advancing climate justice and/or clean energy priorities.
- Must commit to participating in cohort services and quarterly check-ins with BronxWorks.



Sample Activities

- Developing a comprehensive strategy to encourage investment by anchor institutions to equitably address climate change and local community wealth building.
- Delivering energy efficiency education and resources to community members through a series of workshops, tabling events, and media.
- Analyzing specific clean energy curriculum and exploring avenues to incorporate community voice in curriculum and programs.

BronxWorks, a multi-service organization and settlement house, will provide case management services to fellows enrolled in the Climate Justice Fellowship Plus Program.

Fellows will work with BronxWorks to receive up to \$5,000 in supportive service and professional development funding.



Priority Populations for the Program

- Displaced homemaker
- Low-income individual
- Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian ("Indian" is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe)
- Individual with disabilities
- Older individual
- Previously incarcerated individual
- Individual experiencing homelessness
- Individual that has aged out of the foster care system
- Individuals who meet one of the following:
 - English language learner
 - Individual who has low level of literacy
 - Individual facing substantial cultural barrier
- Eligible migrant and seasonal farmworker
- Individual within two years of exhausting lifetime TANF eligibility
- Single parent (including single pregnant persons)
- Long-term unemployed individual
- 16- to 24-year-old who is enrolled in or have completed a comprehensive work preparedness training program
- Incumbent or unemployed fossil fuel worker