



ENERGY CONSERVATION &
MANAGEMENT DIVISION

Community Energy Efficiency Development (CEED) BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Program Overview

Program Authority

2022

- The legislature passed 'The Community Energy Efficiency Development Block Grant Act' [62-17A NSMA 1978] which created the Community Energy Efficiency Development Program and CEED Block Grant Fund
- \$10 million appropriation for CEED Block Grant Fund and program administration

2023

- ECMD hired CEED Program Manager late 2022 and began developing the necessary rules for the program
- ECMD brought to public hearing and then published the CEED program rule, establishing requirements and procedures for applying for a CEED program grant (19.1.10 NMAC)
- CEED Program Request for Applications (RFA) to be released October 2023
- Grant applications due 60 days from RFA release—grants to be reviewed and awarded within 4 weeks of deadline

Program Goals

The projects which will be funded by CEED are meant to

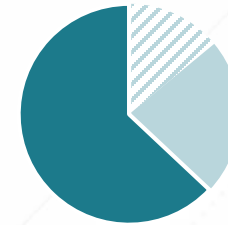


...or a combination thereof, in residential buildings in underserved communities statewide.

CEED's primary goal is helping New Mexicans upgrade to more efficient homes. This will reduce their energy bills while keeping homes comfortably lit, heated and cooled. CEED projects include installing insulation, replacing old, inefficient appliances or more comprehensive retrofits of homes. They can also include health and safety improvements for indoor air and drinking water quality.

Background Information

- Low-income households often pay a disproportionate amount of their income on home energy costs (e.g., electricity, natural gas, and other home heating fuels), referred to as the “energy burden”
- In New Mexico, individuals living below the federal poverty level pay on average 14% of their income for home energy expenses, and in some rural communities that expense can be as high as 37%



Program Purpose

- The CEED Program aims to lower energy burden for low-income New Mexicans by improving energy efficiency in underserved communities
- The CEED Program works in partnership with local community organizations by providing block grants for energy efficiency improvements
- Eligible entities include county and municipal governments (who must apply alongside a community organization); Indian nations, tribes, and pueblos; and the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority (MFA)

Evaluation Criteria for Applications

1. Capability to meet the scope of work described
2. Alignment with CEED Program goals
3. Partnership experience
4. Workforce impact
5. Geographic diversity
6. Underserved community benefits
7. Budget

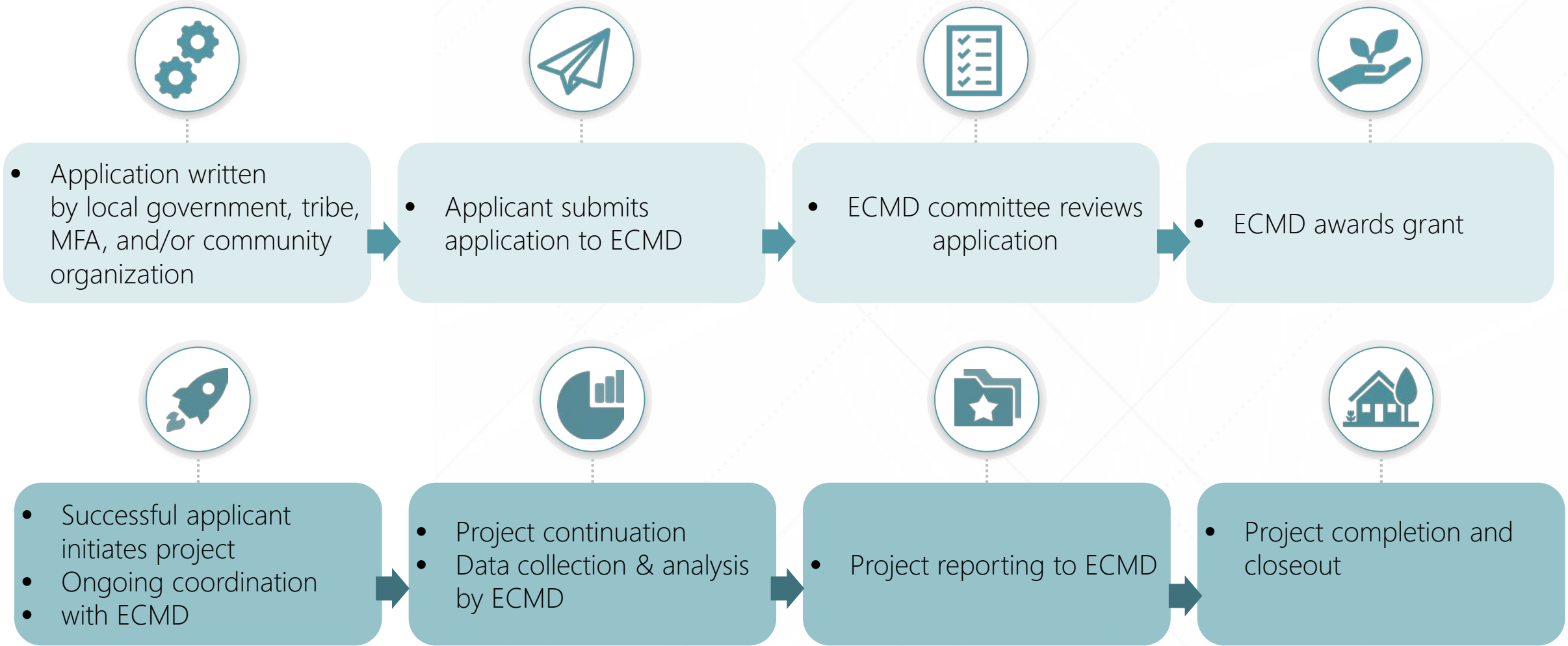


Projects will fall under one of two types –

Type 1 Projects: open to all eligible entities—for projects in underserved communities.

Type 2 Projects: open to the MFA—for projects across NM.

Project Timeline



Questions?

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