# Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) Grant Program

The Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling grant program is a new grant program authorized by the [Save Our Seas 2.0 Act](https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/1982/text) and funded through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also referred to as [the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](https://www.epa.gov/rcra/bipartisan-infrastructure-law-transforming-us-recycling-and-waste-management), provides $275 million for solid waste infrastructure for recycling grants.

* Allocated as $55 million per year from FY 22 to 26 to remain available until expended.
* Additional $2.5 million provided to EPA in FY 22 funding to implement the program.

### **Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants:**

* For states, territories, and the District of Columbia to improve solid waste management planning, data collection, and program implementation.

**Goal of Grants:**

* [Implement a strategy](https://www.epa.gov/recyclingstrategy) to improve post-consumer materials management and infrastructure
* Support improvements to local post-consumer materials management and recycling programs; and
* Assist local waste management authorities in making improvements to local waste management systems
* **Only for Territories** : Equipment and Construction

**Eligible Applicants:**

* **U.S. States (Only one applicant per State)**
* **Political subdivision of states**
* U.S. Territories (Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

**Deadlines:**

* Submit Notices of Intent to participate by December 15, 2022 to SWIFR@epa.gov
* Submit grant submittal by April 30, 2023.
* TIMELINES



**EPA Webinars:**

* **Grants for States and Territories**
	+ Overview of program, review notice of intent to participate, and answer questions (same presentations)
		- **December 1, 2022** @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm (EST)
	+ Review program guidance and work plans, and answer questions (same presentations)
		- **December 19, 2022** @ 2:00pm – 3:30pm (EST)
		- **January 3, 2023** @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm (EST)
* **Grants for Political Subdivisions**
	+ Overview of program, review notice of intent to participate, and answer questions (same presentations)
		- **December 5, 2022** @ 2:00pm – 3:30pm (EST)
		- **December 7, 2022** @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm (EST)
	+ Review procurement, subawards, and answer questions (same presentations)
		- **December 13** **2022**, @ 2:00pm – 3:30pm (EST)
		- **December 19 2022**, @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm (EST)
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### **Recycling Education and Outreach Grants (Total funding: $75M):**

* For states, tribes, territories, local governments, and other organizations to fund projects to improve consumer education and outreach.

**Goal of Grants:**

* Support education and outreach on consumer recycling and waste prevention
* Inform public on what is accepted in community recycling program
* Increase collection rates and decrease contamination in recycling

**Eligible Applicants:**

* **U.S. States**, including Washington, D.C.
* Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands.
* **Local governments.**
* **Federally recognized tribal governments.**
* Native Hawaiian organizations, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Office of Hawaiian Affairs.
* **Nonprofit organizations.**
* **Public-private partnerships.**

**Deadlines:**

* Applications for funding are due **January 16, 2023**

**EPA Webinars:**

* Overview of request for application, eligible entities, evaluation criteria, application process, and answer questions (same presentations)
	+ **November 30, 2022** @ 2:00pm – 3:30pm (EST)
	+ **December 6, 2022** @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm (EST)
* Review procurement, sub awards, and answer questions (same presentations)
	+ **December 15, 2022** @ 2:00pm – 3:30pm (EST)
	+ **December 20, 2022** @ 6:00pm – 7:00pm (EST)
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### **Online Resources:**

<https://www.epa.gov/rcra/solid-waste-infrastructure-recycling-grant-program#about>

<https://www.epa.gov/rcra/recycling-education-and-outreach-grant-program>