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Solar plus Storage for Resilient Communities Grant Opportunity

This grant program funds solar and battery back-up power so community buildings (e.g. public safety facilities) can provide essential services when the power goes out. Sponsored by the Washington State Department of Commerce:

Track 1 Grants: Planning and Predevelopment is available for projects that identify sites, complete community outreach and engagement to identify community needs, complete feasibility studies, or develop cost estimates, specifications, or other early design work.

Track 2 Grants: Installation is available for projects that complete the installation of solar plus battery storage systems, including final design, purchase and installation of equipment, commissioning, developing operational plans, training, and community outreach to increase community awareness of the facility.

Amount of Grant Funding Available: \$35.4 million total funding

Track 1 - \$7,500 - \$100,000 – no match requirement.

Track 2: \$15,000 - \$1.5 million with a 30% match required.

Commerce will prioritize projects that:

- Demonstrate partnerships between emergency officials, communities, and utilities and engage local communities, especially vulnerable populations, to identify community needs and preferences.
- Serve remote areas, areas with more power outages or areas that are highly vulnerable to threats.

Timeline:

- January: Final guidelines published and applications open
- March: Applications due
- May: Award announced July 1: Grant funding begins

Technical assistance: Commerce will offer technical assistance for site feasibility studies to help eligible applicants prepare for future funding opportunities.

For More information on this grant program: <https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/solar-plus-storage/>

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