# 2024 Energy Equity for Renters Technical Assistance Application

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ACEEE's Energy Equity for Renters initiative is providing a new round of technical assistance services to local governments and their community-based organization (CBO) partners to support active or planned work to analyze the rental market, conduct community engagement, determine possible rental energy efficiency policy options, and implement these initiatives. Technical assistance will primarily focus on growing local governments' and CBOs' knowledge, resources, planning and evaluation procedures, and information sharing with one another.

ACEEE staff will provide technical assistance services for up to 10 communities during the period of February 2024 – June 2025. The length of our technical assistance support for a given recipient will vary depending on the specific needs of a community. For more background information on this opportunity, see our technical assistance overview. Please contact Stefen Samarripas using localpolicy@aceee.org with any questions regarding this application.

Applications for this technical assistance are due by **Friday January 5, 2024**. We will announce our selections in late January 2024.

Applications must be submitted using this online form. You may submit documents, such as applications for federal funding opportunities, containing the requested information in lieu of filling out any of the questions on this form. If you choose to do so, you must indicate where we may find the requested information on the attached documents. You can download a copy of the application questions to guide your preparation here.

**Selection Criteria**

*Applicants must meet these minimum requirements:*

- Lead applicant (the one completing this application) should be a local government or CBO.
- Applicant must include information about at least one CBO involved in the proposed work that primarily serves disadvantaged communities and/or individuals.
- The lead applicant will submit a scope of work outlining the specific roles and timing of activities for themselves, ACEEE, and their local government or CBO partner. The scope of work may cover a period ranging from 2 to 16 months.
- Proposed technical assistance will support a policy or program designed to improve rental housing energy efficiency while preserving or expanding housing affordability.
- Application should articulate how the technical assistance will supplement or support other current and/or planned activities. Please note that we are available to provide only limited support for grant writing activities.

*The most competitive applicants will also have the following characteristics:*

- Planned or active rental energy performance policy and/or program development work aligns closely with actions steps outlined in ACEEE's policy guide *A New Lease on Energy* and/or policy implementation toolkit.
- Policy or program development has the potential to result in substantial energy and non-energy benefits (e.g. positive health outcomes, improved household finances, increased comfort) for renters.
- Applicant's scope of work demonstrates strong relationships and outlines roles for multiple community partners and/or a local housing department.
- Policy and/or program that proposed technical assistance supports is replicable in other communities across the United States.
- Local government is taking an innovative approach to policy or program development.

## Technical Assistance Applicant Information

## Lead Local Government Agency/Department *

Local Government Agency/Department Name

Primary Contact Person

Title of Primary Contact Person

Primary Contact Email Address

Primary Contact Phone Number

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## Lead Community-Based Organization (CBO) Applicant *

CBO Partner
Name

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Primary Contact
Person

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Title of Primary Contact
Person

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## Technical Assistance Policy or Program Information

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**The following questions ask for information about the rental home energy efficiency initiatives (policies or programs) for which you are requesting technical assistance.**

1. Please describe the rental energy efficiency policy and/or program that the proposed technical assistance will help advance. *

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2. How do you envision our technical assistance services being used to advance your planned or active work? *

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3. Please outline the scope of technical assistance work you are requesting from ACEEE. This should outline specific tasks and the timing of those tasks for all involved parties (local government, CBO(s), ACEEE, and other partners). Activities may begin and end at any point between February 2024 and June 2025. For examples of the technical assistance work we may be able to provide see, our technical assistance overview.

*If you choose to upload a separate scope of work document on the last page of this application rather than provide the information here, please ensure that the scope of work should be no more than two pages in length.* \*

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4. Please describe any funding and/or information challenges you face in completing the work outlined in the scope of work. \*

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5. Please share information demonstrating local government leadership's commitment to establishing the policy or program the technical assistance is meant to support in the response box below. Examples include (but are not limited to) adopted policies or resolutions, letters of support from policymakers, or allocation of funding to specific projects. *

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6. How do you expect the initiative(s) will affect housing affordability in your community? Please be as detailed as possible. *

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7. What are other potential impacts of the policies and/or programs? Please be as detailed as possible. *

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8. *While helpful for our technical assistance work, the following question is informational and will not affect ACEEE's decision to provide technical assistance to an applicant.*

For those that are pursuing or have secured federal funding to support their efforts to improve rental housing energy efficiency: Please identify the funding you are seeking or have secured and share any resources or other support you may need to carry out this federally-funded work.

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**Technical Assistance Stakeholder Involvement**

9. Please provide an in-depth description of the past and current relationship between the local government and community-based organization (CBO) partner(s) listed at the beginning of this application. *

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10. How would you like to see these relationships grow in the future?*

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11. ACEEE can provide some funding to compensate CBOs for their participation in work related to our technical assistance. Please share information about any of these funding needs.

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12. Please describe any current work being done by other organizations or groups that will affect the policy or program you are seeking to create and implement. *

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13. What other partners (within or outside government) do you anticipate being involved in work on these policies or programs? Please describe their role in this work. *

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**Technical Assistance Additional Information**

14. Please upload any supporting documents and files for your application below. This includes any documents providing information to questions you chose not to respond to directly on the application form.

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15. You may share any additional information that is relevant to your application in the response box below.

**Thank You!**

Thank you for completing this application. We will review submitted applications in January 2024, and we will contact selected applicants towards the end of the month. Depending on our capacity and the number of applications received, we may be available to provide reviewer feedback after making our final selections.