

# Department of Buildings and General Services

## Municipal Energy Resilience Program

**Total Program Funding**    \$45,000,000

**Program Open**                    Pending. Please visit [bgs.vermont.gov/municipal-energy-resilience-program](https://bgs.vermont.gov/municipal-energy-resilience-program) for more information and links to application materials once they are made available.

### Program Description

The Municipal Energy Resilience Program provides staffing support, technical assistance, and project funding to help energy burdened communities across the state become more resilient by reducing their energy use and building operational costs. The program provides the following grants and services to covered municipalities:

- ✓ Free energy resilience audits and technical assistance
- ✓ Education, outreach, and grant application assistance from your local Regional Planning Commissions
- ✓ Grants of up to \$500,000 are available to make covered municipal buildings more energy efficient and resilient

Qualifying projects include weatherization, thermal efficiency, supplementing or replacing fossil fuel heating systems with renewable or electric heating systems.

### Eligibility

Any city, town, fire district, incorporate village, or other governmental incorporated unit except school districts.

### Maximum Award and Award Calculation

- Community education grants of up to \$4,000 per covered municipality
- Energy resilience audits will be free until funds are exhausted
- Energy Resilience Projects of up to \$500,000 per covered municipality

Awards will be calculated based on the criteria stipulated in Act. 172 as well as the merit of the application. Municipalities with the highest energy burden community needs and lowest resources as defined in Efficiency Vermont's 2019 Energy Burden Report will be prioritized for funding.

### Program Partners

- Vermont's 11 Regional Planning Commissions
- Efficiency Vermont
- Vermont League of Cities and Towns
- Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network

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