

Session 1: Wed., March 20, 2024, 12:00pm
Session 2: Friday, March 22, 2024, 07:30am



Equity Advisory Group

Looking upstream: Named Communities Investment Fund (NCIF)

March 2024

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Introductions & Agenda

Topic	Topic Owner
Welcome & Introductions	Amber Lenhart
Overview of the Meeting: Rules and Intent	Amber Lenhart
Partner Shares	Partners
NCIF	Ana Matthews & Kristine Meyer
Wrap-up	

Guest Introductions

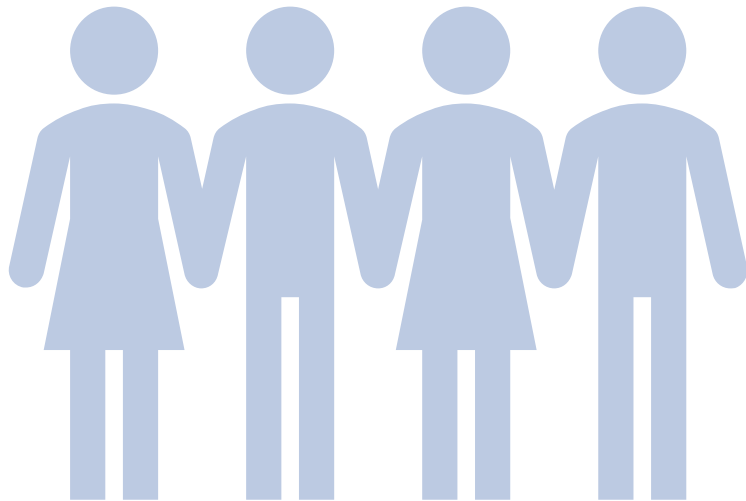
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Today's Meeting

Equity Lens Session March 2024

Clean Energy Implementation Plan



Factors for NCIF Consideration

Equity	Customer Benefit Indicators	Implementation Plan Specific Actions	Equity Advisory Group Initiatives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Affordability Access to Clean Energy Community Development Energy Security Environmental Public Health <p><i>Equity lens requires unique consideration for each proposed project</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Participation in Company Programs Number of households with a High Energy Burden (>6%) Reduction in disconnections Availability of Methods/Modes of Outreach and Communication Transportation Electrification Named Community Clean Energy Investments in Named Communities Energy Availability Energy Generation Location Outdoor Air Quality Greenhouse Gas Emissions Employee Diversity Supplier Diversity Indoor Air Quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Identified Project Multifamily Building Split Incentive Health & Safety for manufactured and mobile home Single Family Weatherization Community Energy Assistance Small Business Energy Assistance 	<p>Energy Efficiency in Named Communities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Improved awareness and energy efficiency for Spokane Tribe, multi-family and manufactured homes Increased Tree Canopy Increased access to products and appliances Increased awareness and engagement in EE programs Matching funds for EE grant applications Improved EE for those without stable housing

and Non-Energy Benefits

Rules for Engagement



- ❑ Encouraged to actively participate in discussions
- ❑ Each member will be provided time to speak
- ❑ Healthy and civil debate is encouraged
- ❑ Members should be open to new ideas and concepts
- ❑ Respectful of differing opinions
- ❑ Collectively, the group should strive to align varying options (e.g., identify shared goals for different perspectives)

Partner Shares

- ❑ Upcoming relevant community events or opportunities
- ❑ Pressing issues facing our community or a need someone might be able to address
- ❑ Challenges your organization is facing (especially around equity)



Upcoming

Sign up for our quarterly CEIP newsletter

March 26, 2024, Public Participation

- **Meeting Topic:** Energy Resiliency
- **Speaker:** John Gross




Clean Energy Implementation Plan
Energy Resiliency

March 26th, 2024 – First Quarter Public Participation Meeting

- Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83179487158?pwd=VG5MN3FFbzZJclY2a210RWp2M05DQT09>

April 16, 2024, In-Person Equity Lens Session

Start	End	Content/Agenda DRAFT
8:30 AM	8:59 AM	Optional: Meet and greet/ Breakfast
9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Avista history and background
9:31 AM	10:30 AM	Review of CEIP targets (very high level, brief overview) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Example: "This is what the CEIP means" - CETA history and timeline (20 year IRP, 10 year CEIP, etc.) - Avista Actions and Targets - Equity review (recap importance of equity in a clean energy Washington)
10:30 AM	10:45 AM	BREAK
10:45 AM	12:00 PM	CBI (Customer Benefit Indicators) as feedback for James Gall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High level - Ask do these look right, can should we remove or add as relevant to resource selection? - Identifying what Avista is tracking now
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	2:00 PM	Activity 1: Discussing impacts of CBI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asking EAG members to input 5, 10 year goals and objectives for the purpose of synergy - Break out session (how CBIs could or should be changed in the future. - EAG member input on whether Avista is trending in the right direction - How or what should Avista be doing to move the needle? Incorporate feedback from March Equity Lens Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sticky notes from March meeting that used the February sticky notes
2:00 PM	2:15 PM	BREAK
2:15 PM	3:00 PM	Activity 2: Statutory Benefit areas: Are there new metrics we need/Input:
	3:00 PM	Adjourn - EAG members



CEIP: Named Communities Investment Fund

Ana Matthews & Kristine Meyer
March 2024

Named Communities Investment Fund

- Specific Action dedicated to the equitable distribution of energy and non-energy benefits and reduction in burdens to Named Communities
- Funding is limited to 1% or approximately \$5M of electric revenues, annually

\$2M
Supplement Energy Efficiency

\$1M
Investments in Distribution Resiliency

\$1M
Incentives & Grants for customers or third parties

\$500,000
Outreach & Engagement

\$500,000
Other Projects, Programs or Initiatives

Energy Efficiency NCIF

*The cleanest energy
is the energy that is
never used.*

40% or up to \$2M

Supplement and support **energy efficiency** efforts targeted to Named Communities

Community Identified
Projects

Multifamily Building
Split Incentive

Health & Safety for
Manufactured & Mobile
Homes

Named Community
Single Family
Weatherization

Community & Small
Business Energy
Efficiency

Factors for NCIF Consideration

Equity

- Affordability
- Access to Clean Energy
- Community Development
- Energy Security
- Environmental
- Public Health

Equity lens requires unique consideration for each proposed project

Customer Benefit Indicators

- (1) Participation in Company Programs
- (2) Number of households with a High Energy Burden (>6%)
- (3) Reduction in disconnections
- (4) Availability of Methods/Modes of Outreach and Communication
- (5) Transportation Electrification
- (6) Named Community Clean Energy Investments in Named Communities
- (7) Energy Availability
- (8) Energy Generation Location
- (9) Outdoor Air Quality
- (10) Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- (11) Employee Diversity
- (12) Supplier Diversity
- (13) Indoor Air Quality

and Non-Energy Benefits

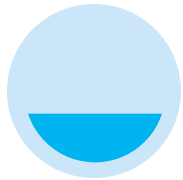
Implementation Plan Specific Actions

- Community Identified Project
- Multifamily Building Split Incentive
- Health & Safety for manufactured and mobile home
- Single Family Weatherization
- Community Energy Assistance
- Small Business Energy Assistance

Equity Advisory Group Initiatives

- Energy Efficiency in Named Communities
- (1) Improved awareness and energy efficiency for Spokane Tribe, multi-family and manufactured homes
 - (2) Increased Tree Canopy
 - (3) Increased access to products and appliances
 - (4) Increased awareness and engagement in EE programs
 - (5) Matching funds for EE grant applications
 - (6) Improved EE for those without stable housing

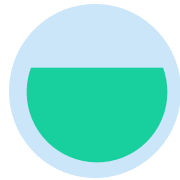
NCIF for dual fuel, today



Project Costs

Overall projects costs are considered against existing rebate and incentive programs

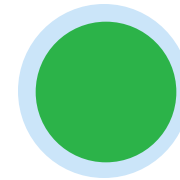
Remaining portion after rebate/incentive award is considered for NCIF



Cost Separation

EE Engineer conducts analysis to separate gas and electric usage or energy savings to identify ratio of gas vs. electric

EE NCIF pays on electric percentage only costs for the envelope measures



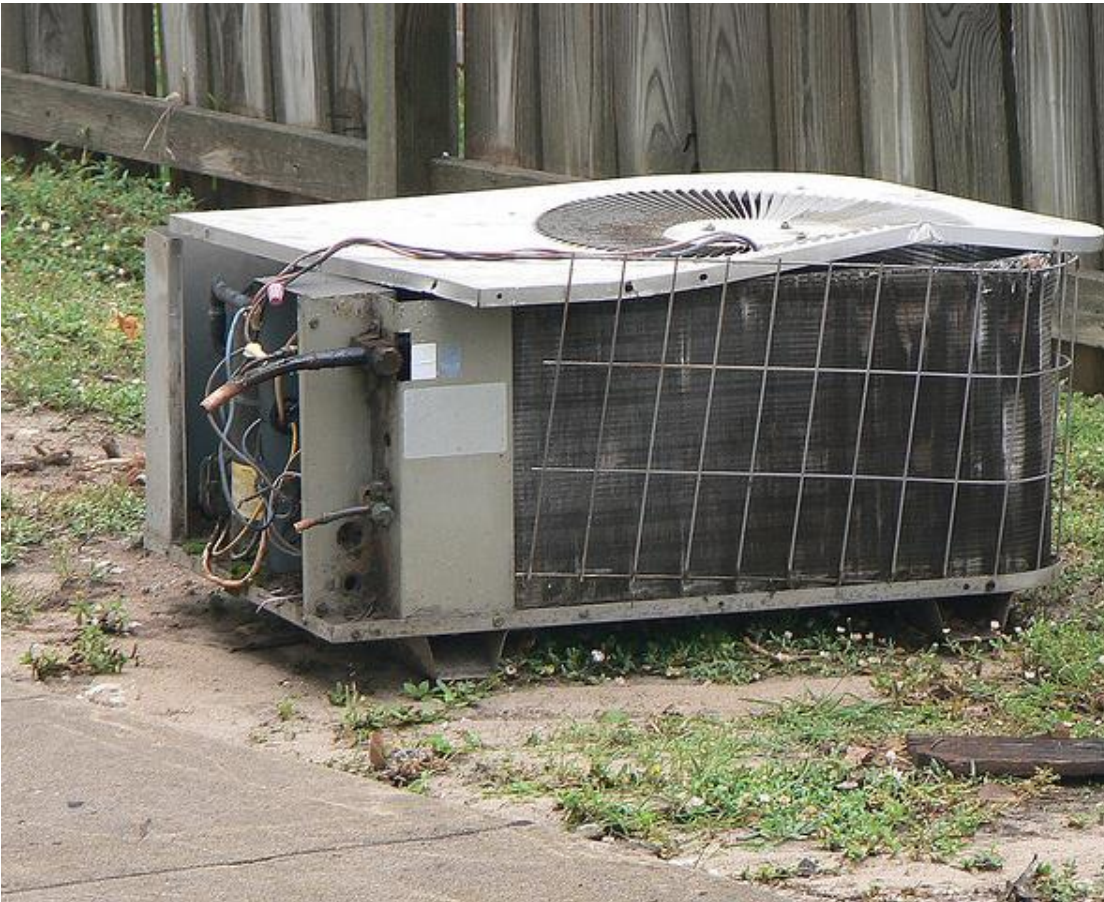
Resource Braiding

Combine grants, loans, and other funding to address overall project costs.

Community NCIF “*Other*” and/or “*Third Party*” buckets **may be** used to covers some gaps

Issue/Situation: No established funding source for gas efficiency improvements

Discussion



~currently exploring whether NCIF can be used for new electric systems for gas heating that are no longer operational (*End-of-Life*)

Preliminary consideration points

- Replacement for heating/cooling system
 - Customer driven
 - Avista may provide technical guidance for energy savings
 - Consider service impacts for electric and gas

- Efficiency Upgrades

Discussion

- How to treat for-profit organizations?
 - Benefit for NC
 - NCIF Considerations
 - Equitability considerations include emphasis for underserved populations with verified need

Case study – request to replace all heating and cooling units in a skilled nursing facility

- For-profit organization where the initial Avista site specific incentive covered 50% of the costs
- Units are not individually metered

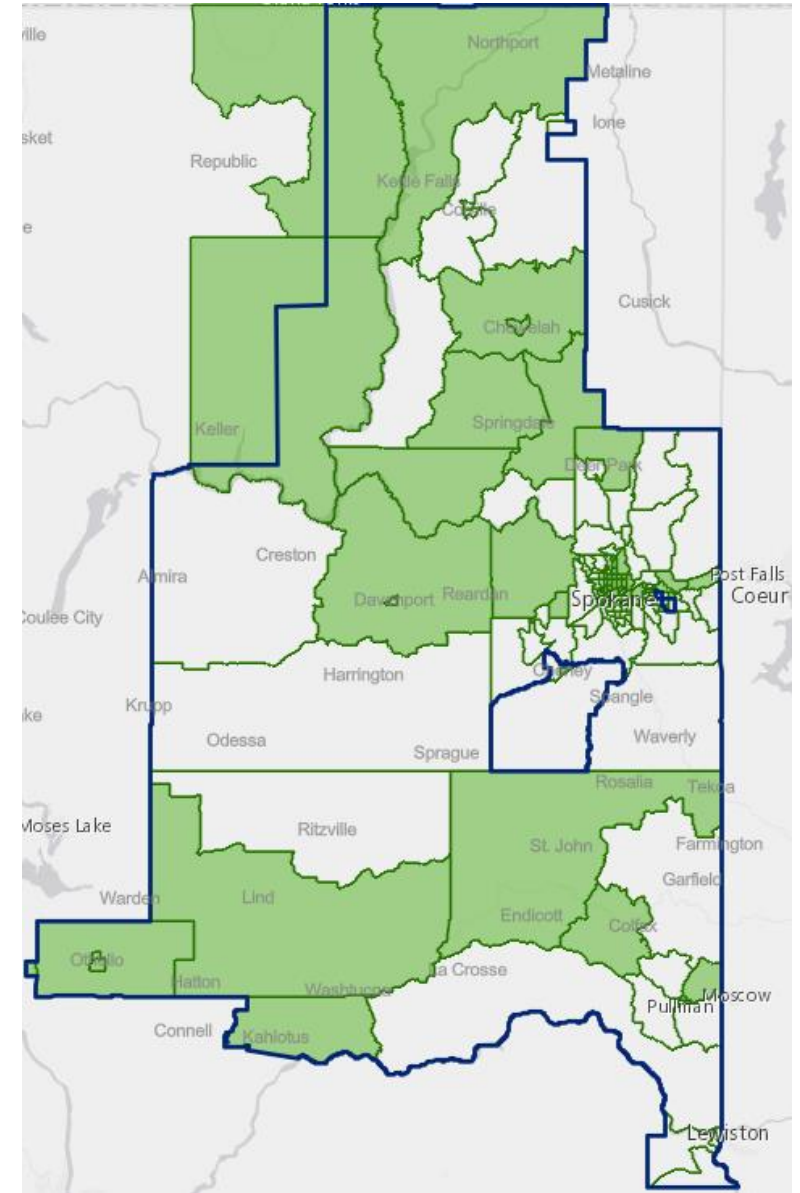
NCIF Guideline: NCIF awards are determined through a competitive grant application process. Avista will give priority consideration to applications submitted by non-profit (501(c)(3)) organizations that serve Avista's electric customers residing within Named Communities.



Discussion

Assurance for equitable distribution of NCIF awards throughout Avista's service territory

Guideline: *Aiming for 30% of NCIF awards to be in rural communities outside of Spokane*



EAG Energy Efficiency NCIF Prioritization

Rank	Initiatives
1	Focus efforts on improving energy efficiency (and EE awareness/education) for schools, community centers, and other places where Named Communities spend time
1	Focus efforts on improving energy efficiency for Spokane Tribe partners
2	Improve energy efficiency in multi-family and mobile home communities
3	Increase tree canopy and shade in Named Communities (consider tradeoffs with solar)
3	Increase access to energy efficient products and appliances for Named Communities
4	Increase awareness of and engagement in energy efficiency programs while also meeting whole-house needs through community-based partnerships and referrals to services
5	Set aside funds to match for energy efficiency grant applications for community organizations and tribal partners (could have higher feasibility)
6	Focus efforts on improving energy efficiency for community members without stable housing (consider including with other initiatives)

2023 Commitments & Funding

Energy Efficiency
Spokane Tribe audits
Lincoln County Fairgrounds lighting
Malden homes weatherization
KW Energy Duct Sealing for manufactured and mobile home in Stevens, Ferry and Pend Oreille counties
Walnut Corners affordable housing PTAC replacement
Pine Villa affordable housing Phase 1 renovation (windows, insulation and doors)
the.Supper Club new refrigerator and freezer
Health & Safety for Manufactured Homes in Spokane County

Community & Resilience
Martin Luther King Community Center solar assessment
Medical equipment and air conditioning for customers with power dependency pilot
Kids Making Sense – Spokane Clean Air
Outreach for public and program participation

Combined
Online application
Martin Luther King Community Center HVAC retro-commissioning report, lighting, and windows
Kettle Falls Community Chest facility renovation

2023	
Energy Efficiency	\$ 1,034,165
Resiliency	\$ 30,476
Customer & 3rd Party	\$ 35,386
Outreach	\$ 63,297
Other	\$ 218,805
NCIF Total	\$ 1,382,129

Energy Efficiency
\$4M available funds

Residential Homes

Affordable housing window replacement
SNAP Pine Villa 2nd and 3rd Phases

Buildings

Nonprofit energy efficiency upgrades Education Building
Spokane Tribe EE Measures
Rural School District lighting

Workforce Development

Community Action Agency Workforce Development Training

Health & Safety for Manufactured Homes

KW Energy duct sealing

Programs

Multi-Family – deep retrofits in NC
Insulation for All

Community & Resiliency
\$3M available funds

Resiliency

MLK Community Center
Town of Malden Solar

Community Projects

City of Spokane Parks & Recreation: Tree Plotter software subscription
SNAP air conditioner distribution

Workforce Development

Christ Kitchen
Workforce and non-profit career development for unhoused

Combined

Church window upgrades
Corner Laundry for unhoused individuals
Affordable housing with onsite social services

Workforce Development

A flip on reducing energy burden



Tree Canopy



Presentation at May EAG Meeting

Q&A

Thank you~

Thank you!



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