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## **Presenter**





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### **Agenda**

- Safety message
- History of the grant cycle / How we got here
- What we're looking for this year
- Navigating the grant system
- Helpful tips
- Questions



# **Safety Message**

- Make sure you're in a safe place to take this call
- Look for tripping hazards and distractions

• If you need to drop off, please do. Your safety comes first.





### How we got here

- In 2019, announced net-zero carbon strategy for Duke Energy by 2050
- In 2021, began work to renovate Duke Energy Foundation to align with net-zero business strategy
  - Best practice benchmarking with 14 other foundations
  - External focus groups across seven-state jurisdictions
  - Targeted 1:1 stakeholder conversations



### **Our forward strategy**

Duke Energy Foundation powers the vitality of our communities through philanthropy focused on vibrant economies; climate resiliency; and justice, equity and inclusion.

Duke Energy Foundation seeks grant funding and community engagement opportunities that impact:



#### **Vibrant Economies**

- Workforce development training for jobs vital to the energy economy
- Trades & Training Programs for the region's most pressing workforce development needs with a focus on underrepresented populations
- Urban revitalization addressing urban blight and building vacancies while promoting business retention and revitalization (OH/KY only)



#### **Climate Resiliency**

- Environmental projects supporting land conservation; clean water; and biodiversity of plant and animal species
- Environmental resiliency projects that prepare communities for and mitigate against the effects of climate change
- Natural disaster preparedness and response



#### **Justice, Equity and Inclusion**

- Thriving natural environments, including access to green space, in historically underserved and environmental justice communities
- Programs supporting the "just transition" for communities transitioning to cleaner energy generation
- Diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives supporting upward mobility

### **Putting it into practice**

- New Grants System (Benevity.org)
  - New log in / registration required and provide ACH Payment info
  - Govt entities can still apply, but will have extra steps to get manually entered in the system
  - Duke-Energy.com/Foundation will guide you through the process
- Local Impact Grants \$20,000. Available all year work with Community Relation Managers
- Larger Grants Request for Proposals and By Invitation
  - First request for proposals = Workforce Development and Energy Workforce Pipeline
    - February March 2023 Applications Accepted
    - Grants Announced April 2023
    - Grant award range \$25,000 \$50,000
  - Later in 2023 could see RFP for Sustainability and Climate Resiliency and others TBD
    - OH/KY Urban Revitalization
- Grants must serve communities that are also served by Duke Energy



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## Workforce Development & Energy Workforce Pipeline - What we're looking for

#### **Strategic Principles**

- Workforce development training for jobs vital to the energy economy
  - Examples:
    - Line worker training and engineering programs at local community colleges
    - Engineering, energy and climate programs at four-year universities
    - Certification programs specific to energy trades
    - Scholarships for minorities and underserved
- Energy and engineering education and career readiness for K-12 students and teachers
  - Examples:
    - Teacher professional development for teaching energy concepts
    - Out-of-school programs engaging students in engineering education
    - District-level initiatives supporting energy and engineering learning
- Trades and Training Programs for the region's most pressing workforce development needs
  - Examples:
    - Trades training programs with licenses and certifications
    - Programmatic support of new training programs

### **Grant review process**

 Each application is read, reviewed and scored cross functionally by individuals from Duke Energy Foundation, Subject Matter Experts and Community Relations departments

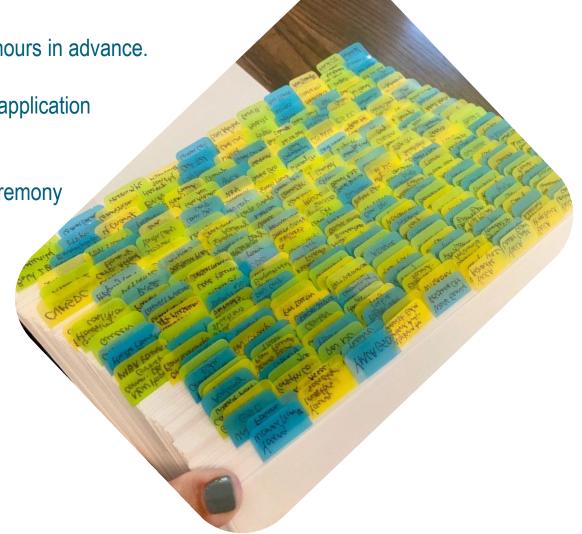
Application open Feb through March 30, 2023. Plan to submit 48 hours in advance.

Look for email announcing application period is open

Check our website: Duke-Energy.com/Foundation – Link for application

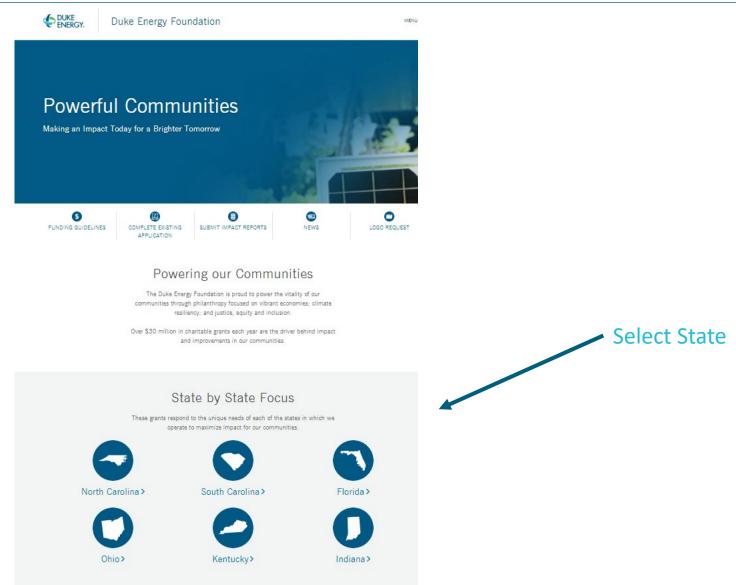
Applicants will be notified of decisions by April 2023

Ohio and Kentucky grantees – grants awarded at a Grant Ceremony



# **Navigating the Grant System**

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ting meaningful impact in our communities.



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The Duke Energy Foundation is focused on strengthening and uplifting communities throughout Ohio with grant funding. We accept grant applications for \$20,000 and less throughout the year on a rolling basis for the focus areas describe below. Please see the Application Process Step-By-Step link on right for an overview of our grantmaking process.

#### Vibrant Economies

- Workforce development training for jobs vital to the energy economy, with a focus on underrepresented populations
- Community revitalization and local economic development efforts
- Economic recovery for customers and communities facing unprecedented challenges
- . Energy and engineering education for K-12 students and teachers

#### Climate Resiliency

- Environmental projects supporting land conservation; clean water; and biodiversity of plant and animal species
- Environmental resiliency projects that prepare communities for and mitigate against the effects of climate change
- Natural disaster preparedness and response

#### Justice, Equity and Inclusion

- Thriving natural environments, including access to green space, in historically underserved and environmental justice communities\*
- Programs supporting the "just transition" for communities transitioning to cleaner energy generation\*\*
- . Diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives supporting upward mobility

#### Helpful Links

- Application Process Step-By-Step
- Grant Application Local Impact
- Grant Application Sample Local Impact
- Grant Preferences
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Grant Budget Template
- Funding Guidelines
- Eligible OH Counties
- Grant questions? Contact the representative in your county.
- Duke Energy Logo Request Form
- Complete Impact Report

- Access a Word doc to draft your application here.
- Application Process
  Overview
- Grant Preferences
- Budget Template
- Funding Guidelines
- Eligible Counties

<sup>\*</sup>Learn more about environmental justice on the EPA's website.

<sup>\*\*</sup>View one description of a just transition.

## **Helpful Tips**

- Have your EIN handy to set up your organization in the grant system.
- Name your organization's account your org's full name, not an abbreviation.
- Share contact information for two individuals when setting up your account.
- Answer all questions in the application completely. Give specific examples when you can.
- Do not reference the support of any elected officials or covered persons in your application.
- Refrain from using acronyms in your application's responses.
- Email <u>CommunityAffairs@duke-energy.com</u> for assistance
- Continue to check our website for future opportunities

#### **Questions?**

Please use the raise your hand function in Teams and we'll call on you to ask your question.
Or Type question in the chat feature.