A One Year **Reflection: The IRA's Impacts on** Latino/a/e Comunidades

A GREENLATINOS ENCUENTRO

## Welcome!

### Ice-breaker: Drop in the chat your name, location, organization and your favorite summer bevvy or treat!

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# Agenda

- Opening the Space & Housekeeping
- Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Recap
- Colaborativo40
- GreenLatinos Summit Recap & Upcoming Events
- Member Updates + Announcements

#### **Climate Justice, Clean Air, Sustainable Communities**

- \$370 Billion in climate and clean energy (next 5-10 years)
- **\$270B** in the form of tax incentives (biz, gov & indiv.)
- Environmental Protection Agency
  - \$27B in Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)
  - \$3B in Environmental and Climate Justice Grants
  - \$1.5B in Methane Emissions Reduction Program (MERP)
- Community Benefits:
  - Projected emission reductions: 42% GHG reduction by 2030 (2005 baseline)
  - Jobs: Increase in skilled labor and job opportunities
- Community Concerns:
  - Permitting Reform Threats (Debt Ceiling Negotiations, Side Deals)
  - Implementation, Enforcement, Communities Receiving Benefits & Investments
  - Advancing Nascent, potentially harmful technologies

TOP 5 STATES WITH NEW JOBS IN HISPANIC/LATINO COMMUNITIES			
STATE	# OF JOBS	INVESTMENT \$	
ARIZONA	12,120 JOBS	\$8.25 BILLION	
NEVADA	10,650 JOBS	\$4.42 BILLION	
CALIFORNIA	3,300 JOBS	\$5.12 BILLION	
TEXAS	2,543 JOBS	\$4.92 BILLION	
RHODE ISLAND	1,850 JOBS	\$200 MILLION	

#### **Climate Justice, Clean Air, Sustainable Communities**

- Clean Transportation (DOT, EPA, HUD, Treasury, Dept of Energy)
  - \$7.5B allocated for Clean Vehicle Tax Credit for new EVs
  - \$3B for Neighborhood Access and Equity Grant Program; support technologies and infrastructure to reduce surface transportation-related air pollution, including greenhouse gas emissions
  - \$3B for USPS Clean Fleets; vehicles and charging infrastructure
  - \$1.3B tax credit for used EVs: Credit For Previously Owned Clean Vehicles
  - \$1B In funding to replace trucks with ZEVs build charging infrastructure, and provide workforce training
  - \$60M In Diesel Emissions Reductions; identify and reduce diesel emissions from goods movement to address health impacts in EJ communities

#### Water Justice & Ocean Conservation

Both the Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law include **\$15.4 billion to** enhance the West's resilience to drought

# Goals for the Biden Administration



Immediately reduce water demand



Maximize water resources



Protect the Colorado River Basin's communities for the long term

\$15.4B

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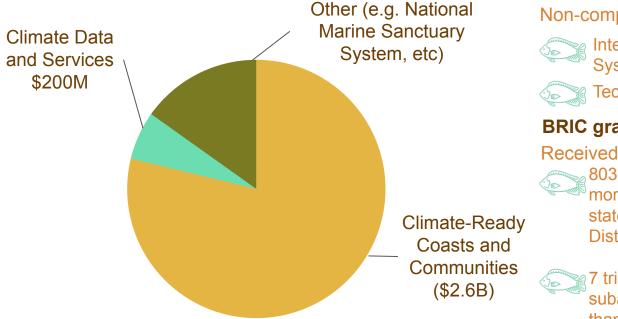
IRA

Funding

Out of the 314 million people of the US, the Colorado River and its tributaries provide water to nearly 40 million people. That's a little more than one out of every 8 people in the US!

#### Water Justice & Ocean Conservation

Both the Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provide **\$3.3 billion for NOAA** funding



Significant portion of NOAA's **IRA** funds are competitive

Non-competitive funding for

Integrated Ocean Observing **Systems** 

Technical Assistance

#### **BRIC grant program - FEMA**

**Received:** 

803 subapplications totaling more than \$4.6 billion from 55 states, territories, and the **District of Columbia** 

7 tribal government subapplications totaling more than \$56.2 million

**Mentimeter Activity** 



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- 20+years of experience in community engagement, especially in communities of color
- Worked on Obama 2008 and Bernie 2016
- Led the largest voter registration campaign in 2020, registering 1.5M POC in 11 states
- Led grant pursuits at Fortune 500 consulting firm
- Partner at Everyday Voters

#### **Justice40**

#### What is the Justice 40 Initiative?

President Biden made a historic commitment that 40% of Federal Government's investments benefit and flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

#### What kinds of investments fall within the Justice40 Initiative?

The categories of investment are: climate change, clean energy and energy efficiency, clean transit, affordable and sustainable housing, training and workforce development, remediation and reduction of legacy pollution, and the development of critical clean water and wastewater infrastructure.

#### How is Justice40 Initiative Implemented?

To meet the goal of the Justice40 Initiative, the Biden Administration is transforming hundreds of Federal programs to ensure that disadvantaged communities receive the benefits of new and existing Federal investments in these categories. Through President Biden's Inflation Reduction Act, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and the American Rescue Plan, Federal agencies are making historic levels of investment to advance environmental justice.



#### Colaborativo40/ Collaborative40

#### What is Colaborativo40?

Colaborativo40 is a first of its kind collaborative made up of Latino/a/e community serving organizations, environmental justice organizations, businesses, universities, Latinas, unions, and elected officials.

#### What is the purpose of Colaborativo40?

The purpose of Colaborativo40 is to help the Latino/a/e community serving organizations, environmental justice organizations, businesses, universities, Latinas, unions, and elected officials by helping them with the Justice 40 Initiative by:

- Acting as connecting points to facilitate funding.
- Supporting greater access to government funding opportunities.
- Providing education, awareness and access to resources about the upcoming grants.
- Lowering and eliminating the significant barriers that impede Latino/a/e communities from gaining access to their fair share of Federal funding for climate and clean energy investments.

#### Grant Process: Lifecycle, Roles & Responsibilities

Federal Government		Applicant		
		Application	• Implementation	
Grant Lifecycle	Funding			
Phase	Opportunity Announcement & Application Review	<ul> <li>Grant Writer/s: Grant Narrative and overall application</li> <li>Primary: Grant Submitter</li> </ul>	Implementation with Partners: Technical Advisors, Communications Experts, Community Partners, etc.	
Award Phase	Award Award	<ul> <li>Secondaries/ Partners: Technical Experts, Communications, Community Partners, etc.</li> </ul>	• Evaluating & Reporting     • Grant & Budget Compliance	
Notifications	<ul><li>Project Management</li><li>Application Reviewers</li></ul>	Community Engagement/ Outreach		
Post Award Phase	Implementation, Reporting & Closeout	<ul> <li>Budget</li> <li>Letters of Commitment/ Support from Partners: Technical Experts, Communications, Community Partners, Local Electeds, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Administration, Permits, etc.</li> <li>Promotion/ Communication on Grant Implementation</li> <li>Project Management</li> </ul>	

#### **Federal Grant Applications Recommendations**

- Start early.
- Enlist a robust team.
- Ensure your UEI and CAGE Number early, which you can do for free at <u>SAM.gov</u>
- Most federal grant notices and applications have templates for the forms, narratives, budgets, etc. that you will need to submit.
- Grant templates are usually available on Grants.gov or on the agency website.
- The government agency has a free webinar detailing the grant in which you are applying. Watch the webinar to learn more about it.
- Read the instructions carefully. Your application can be disqualified for something as simple as not using the correct font.
- Consider hiring a grant writer, if you can.
- Set roles for people on your team for the grant, and ensure everyone knows deadlines and responsibilities.
- Consider setting an internal deadline for 1-2 weeks before the application deadline for an internal review.
- Designate a person on your team to be in charge of submitting the grant application.

#### **Grants Survey**



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# September 25-28



**GreenLatinos Hispanic Heritage Month Advocacy Days** 

## **Member Announcements**

- Something you are working on, announcements, or a proposal for future GreenLatinos programming!
- Become a GreenLatinos Member!

# Thank You for Joining Us!

Topic suggestions for upcoming meetings? Want to join the listserv?

Visit: greenlatinos.org/join