

ENERGY INNOVATIONS

SMALL GRANT PROGRAM

What is the Energy Innovations Small Grant Program?

The Energy Innovations Small Grant Program is an element within the California Energy Commission's Public Interest Energy Research. (PIER)

The Small Grant Program supports the development of new technologies that are in the proof-of-concept stage. The research must target a California energy problem and provide a specific solution to test as part of the research project. To attract adequate funding from other sources, the Small Grant Program provides assistance to technologies that are not sufficiently developed.

Who May Apply for Grants?

Individuals, small businesses, non-profits, and academic institutions are eligible for funding. Federal departments (agencies, laboratories or federally-funded research and development centers) are not eligible.

How Much Funding is Available?

The maximum award per grant is \$95,000 for hardware projects and \$50,000 for analytical projects. Maximum term of each grant project is 12 months. Approximately 30-40 grants are awarded per year. Cost-sharing is not required.

What Projects are Eligible for Funding?

The Small Grant Program funds research and development concepts that address one or more of the seven PIER program areas:

- Industrial/Agriculture/Water Efficiency
- Buildings Efficiency
- Advanced Generation
- Renewables
- Energy-related Environmental Research
- Energy Systems Integration
- Transportation

What is the Grant Application and Review Process?

The Small Grant Program holds three to four solicitations per year. Solicitations are announced on the Energy Commission website at:

www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/smallgrant

Proposals are screened and evaluated by technical reviewers and policy reviewers. Final awards are made by the California Energy Commission.

Please send me a grant application package.

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For more information, including a grant application package, please see the following website www.energy.ca.gov/research/innovations

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What is the California Energy Commission and PIER?

The California Energy Commission is the state's primary energy policy and planning agency. The Commission licenses power plants 50 megawatts or larger; forecasts energy supplies and demand; develops and implements the state's building standards; and promotes energy efficiency and conservation; development of energy resources; and demonstration of new, alternative and advanced energy technologies.

The California Energy Commission's **Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) Program** supports energy research, development and demonstration (RD&D) projects that help improve the quality of life in California by bringing environmentally safe, affordable and reliable energy services and products to the marketplace.

Currently, PIER annually awards up to \$62 million in electricity, and \$15 million in natural gas to conduct the most promising public interest energy research by partnering with RD&D organizations including individuals, businesses, utilities, and public or private research institutions. For more information, please visit the following websites:
www.energy.ca.gov
www.energy.ca.gov/pier

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