

GFO-26-401

Pre-Application Workshop

Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program

Tribal Application

October 7, 2026

Workshop Agenda

1. Welcome and Logistics
2. Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Background
3. Grant Funding Opportunity (GFO) Overview
4. Application Organization
5. How to Apply
6. Question and Answer

Housekeeping

- GFO-26-401 Webpage:
 - [GFO-26-401 - Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program: Application for Tribes](#)
- Workshop is being recorded.
- Workshop slides, transcript, recording, and a Q&A document will be posted to the website.
- Three Ways to Ask Questions
 1. Zoom Q&A box
 2. Q&A session at the end of the workshop
 3. Email to EBD Program staff

Program Staff

Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal
Direct Install Program

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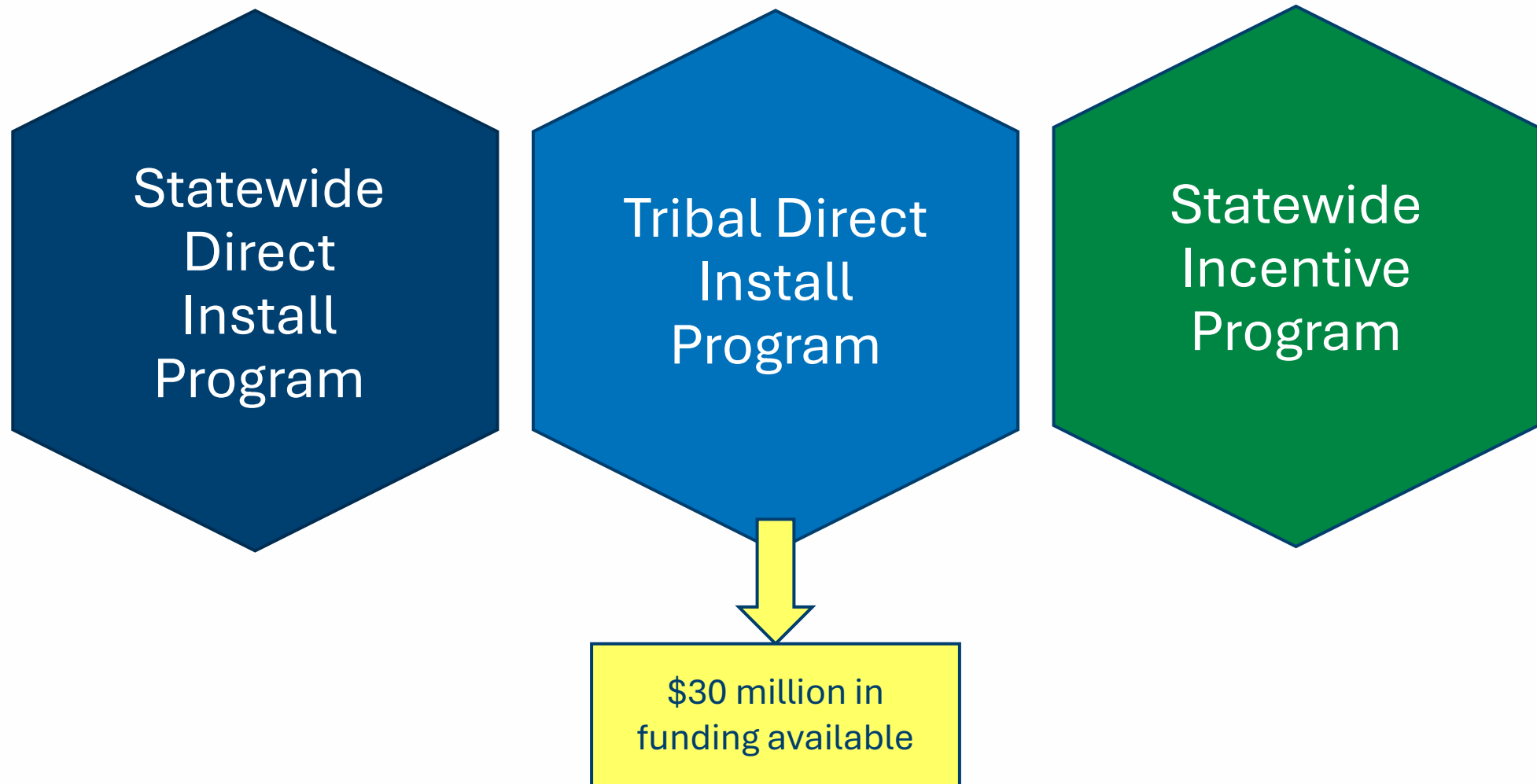
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**Last day to submit questions:
Wednesday, October 21, 2026**

Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program



Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Components



Program Goals

**Reduce GHG
Emissions**

**Advance Energy
Equity**

**Prioritize Buildings
Owned by Tribes &
Tribal Members**

**Improve Resiliency to
Extreme Heat**

Improve Air Quality

**Improve Energy
Affordability**

**Support Local
Workforce**

**Support Grid
Reliability**

**Support Tribal Energy
Sovereignty
Resolution**

EBD Tribal Direct Install Program Snapshot

Total Program Funding: \$30 million funding allocation

Eligible Applicants: All California Native American tribes

Eligible Projects: Energy efficient and electric upgrades to homes

Funding per Tribe: \$75K and option to request additional funds

How it Works: Implement yourself with a direct grant or receive services from a CEC-selected third-party program implementer

Eligible Buildings

Building Types



- Single-family homes
- Multifamily buildings
- Manufactured/mobile homes
- Existing homes only

Building Ownership/Location



- Owned/managed by a tribe or tribal organization
- OR
- Owned by a tribal member
 - Not required to be located on tribal land
 - Must be in California

Building Fuel Types



- Natural gas or propane for space heating or water heating.
- Replaced with new, efficient electric equipment.

Recommended Criteria



- Strongly encouraged to prioritize low-income households
- Other recommended criteria:
 - High energy bills
 - Vulnerability to extreme heat/cold
 - Homes occupied by vulnerable tribal members

Eligible Measures



Heating and Cooling

- Electric heat pump*
- Duct testing/sealing
- Smart thermostat
- Ceiling fan, whole-house fan

Water Heating

- Heat pump water heater*
- Low-flow showerheads and faucets

Cooking and Laundry

- Induction range or cooktop
- Electric clothes dryer

Building Envelope

- Insulation
- Air sealing
- Solar window film

Air Quality and Lighting

- Air filtration
- LED lights

Electrical Upgrades and Remediation

- Electrical wiring and panel upgrades
 - Including to make the building solar-ready
- Remediation and safety

Cost caps (for these measures only):

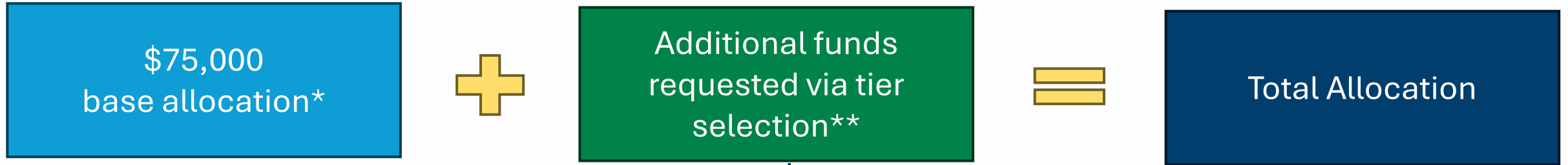
- \$6,000 for single-family and multifamily homes
- \$7,200 for manufactured/mobile homes

*All projects must include a heat pump or heat pump water heater, or both

Grant Funding Opportunity (Application) Overview



Funding Allocations



Tier	Tribal Housing Stock	Additional Funds Range	Estimated Additional Homes Retrofitted
1	10-49 homes	Up to \$25,000	approximately 1-2 homes
2	50-299 homes	Up to \$100,000	approximately 2-6 homes
3	300-649 homes	Up to \$250,000	approximately 3-15 homes
4	650+ homes	Up to \$500,000	approximately 5-25 homes

*Applicants may request less than \$75,000 if desired

**Amount of additional funds depends on availability of funds

Program Structure Overview

All tribes can choose an option to:

Receive direct grant and implement on their own
(Implementing tribe)

or

Receive services via the program implementer
(Nonimplementing tribe)

Task	Responsible Party if Tribe Opts to Receive Direct Grant	Responsible Party if Tribe Opts for Implementer's Services
Identify homes to serve	Implementing Tribe	Nonimplementing Tribe
Conduct home assessment	Implementing Tribe	Program Implementer
Contractor enrollment	Implementing Tribe	Program Implementer
Program coordination and layering	Implementing Tribe	Program Implementer
Retrofitting homes	Implementing Tribe	Program Implementer
Quality control	Implementing Tribe	Program Implementer
Reporting to CEC	Implementing Tribe	Program Implementer

Applicant Groups

Group 1 (Implementing tribe) & Group 2 (Nonimplementing tribe)

Group 1 Applicants

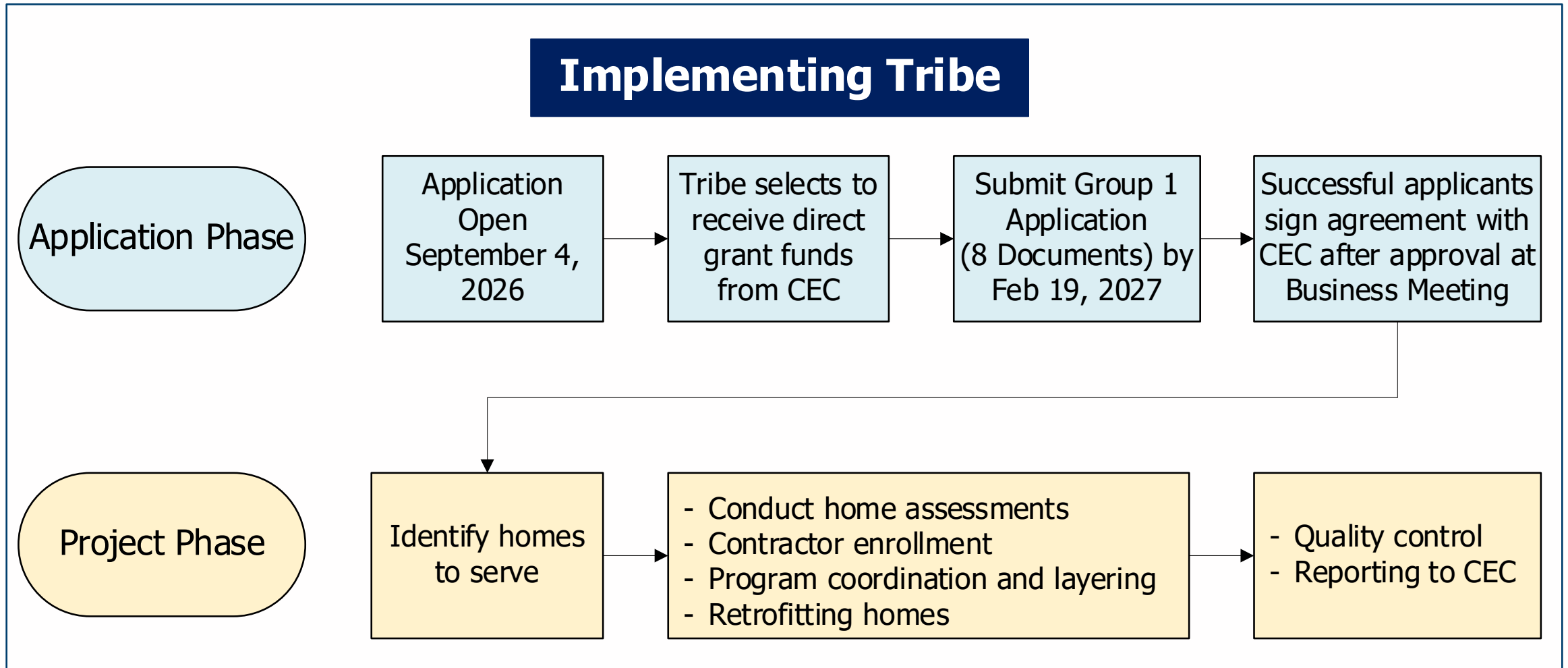
- Implementing tribes
- Will sign an agreement with the CEC to receive a direct grant to provide decarbonization retrofits and related services for their tribe
- Responsible for meeting all program requirements

Group 2 Applicants

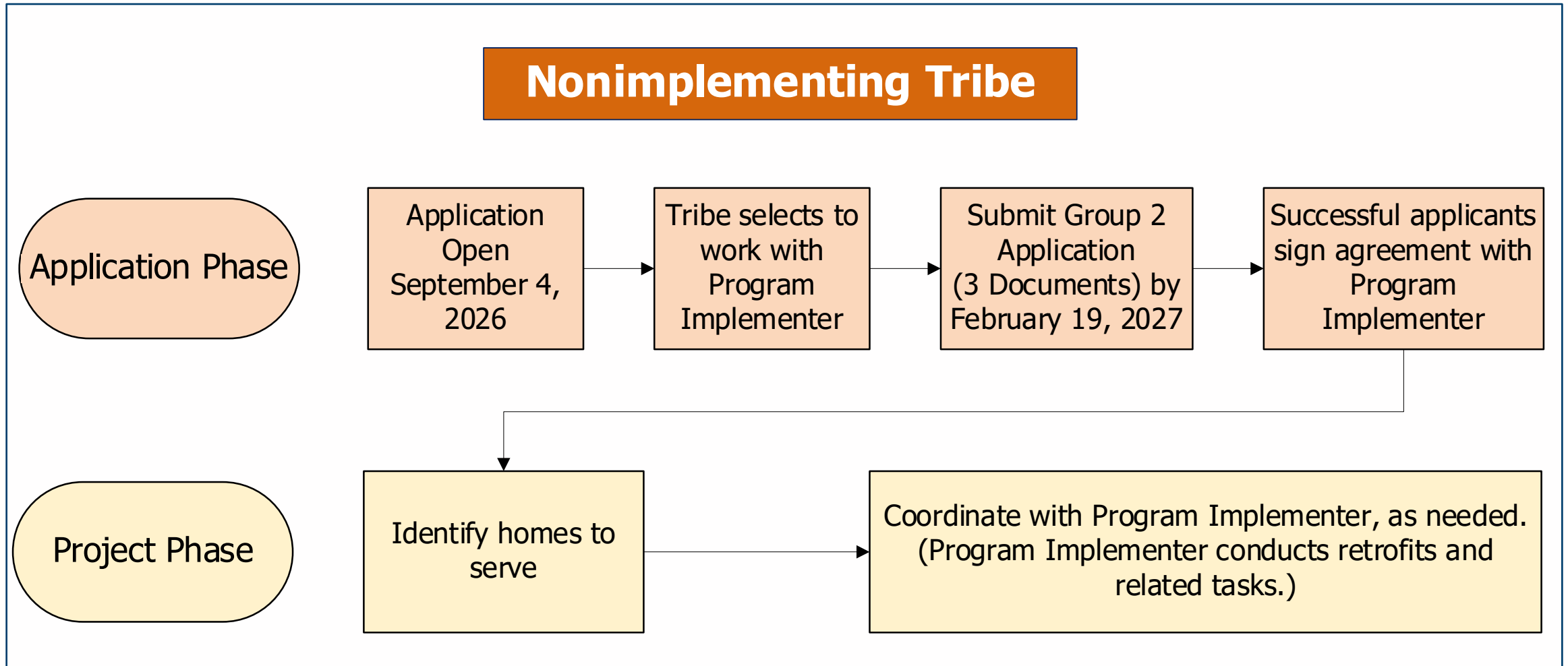
- Nonimplementing tribes
- Will sign an agreement with a third-party program implementer who will implement decarbonization retrofits and related services for the tribe
- Responsible for identifying homes to serve

The required application documents differ for Group 1 and Group 2 applicants.

Participation Process – Group 1 Applicants



Participation Process – Group 2 Applicants



Application Organization



Solicitation Manual

- Guide to the Application Process
- Provides information on all attachments
- Administrative details

GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Equitable Building Decarbonization

Tribal Direct Install Program:

Application for Tribes



GFO- 26-401

[Solicitation Information](#)

<https://www.energy.ca.gov/funding-opportunities/solicitations>

State of California

California Energy Commission

August 2026

Application Components

Attachment Number	Document Name	Group 1 Applicants	Group 2 Applicants
Attachment 1	Application Form	Required	Required
Attachment 2A & 2B	Program Narrative	Required (2A)	Required (2B)
Attachment 3	Scope of Work	Required	Not Applicable
Attachment 4	Schedule of Products and Due Dates	Required	Not Applicable
Attachment 5	Budget Forms	Required	Not Applicable
Attachment 6	Contact List	Required	Not Applicable
Attachment 7	California Environmental Quality Act Compliance Form	Required	Not Applicable
Attachment 8A & 8B	Applicant Declaration	Required (8A)	Required (8B)
Attachment 9	Terms and Conditions	For Review Only	Not Applicable
Attachment 10	Special Terms for Confidential Information	For Review Only	Not Applicable

Group 1 = Applicants seeking to receive a direct grant from CEC and performing services themselves
 Group 2 = Applicants seeking to receive services from third-party program implementer

Attachment 1: Application Form

Required for Group 1 and Group 2 Applicants

- Contact information for the Applicant
- Program participation method: Group 1 Applicant or Group 2 Applicant
- Funding amount
- Agree to all required certifications

ATTACHMENT 1 APPLICATION FORM	
This form provides information about the applicant and the project. Each applicant must complete and sign this form. Applicants must be California Native American tribes on the contact list maintained by the California Native American Heritage Commission. If an applicant submits multiple applications, the last received application will be considered.	
<u>Applicant's Identification Information</u>	
1. Legal Name of Applicant	
2. Applicant's Project Manager (serves as point of contact for all communications)	
Name:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
E-Mail:	
3. Please select applicable box for Applicant	
☐ <u>Applicant</u> is a federally recognized tribe	
☐ <u>Applicant</u> is not a federally recognized tribe	
4. Please select desired program participation method	
☐ Group 1: Applicants to be Implementing Tribes. Successful <u>applicant</u> will receive a direct grant from the California Energy Commission and be responsible for meeting all program requirements.	
☐ Group 2: Applicants to be Nonimplementing Tribes. Successful <u>applicant</u> will receive services from a CEC-selected third-party implementer who will work with the Tribes to fulfill all program requirements.	
Application Form August 2026	Page 1 of 4 EBD Tribal Direct Install Program

Group 1 = Applicants seeking to receive a direct grant from CEC and perform services
Group 2 = Applicants seeking to receive services from third-party program implementer

Attachment 2A and 2B: Program Narrative

Required for Group 1 and Group 2 Applicants

Group 1 Applicants (2A)

- Primary goals of retrofits
- Approach to identifying homes to serve and number of expected projects
- Approach to meeting program requirements
 - Home assessments and identifying measures
 - Program coordination and layering
 - Contractor enrollment
 - Retrofitting homes
 - Quality control
- Approach to meeting data reporting requirements

Group 2 Applicants (2B)

- Primary goals of retrofits
- Approach to identifying homes to serve and, if known, number of expected projects

Attachment 3: Scope of Work

Required for Group 1 Applicants only

Task 1: Agreement Administration

Subtasks include:

- Meetings with CEC staff
- Monthly Progress Reports and invoices
- Obtaining subcontracts and site host agreements
- Final meeting and agreement closeout

Task 2: Conduct Home Retrofits

Subtasks include:

- Identify homes to serve
- Conduct home assessments
- Contractor enrollment
- Identify retrofit measures
- Program layering
- Retrofit homes
- Quality Control

Task 3: Project Tracking, Data Collection, and Reporting

Subtasks include:

- Project related data
- Labor related data

Applicants may add needed additional tasks at the end of the scope of work.

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Attachment 4: Schedule of Products and Due Dates

Required for Group 1 Applicants only

- Review Schedule of Products and Due Dates
- Propose completion dates for additional tasks

Attachment 4 Schedule of Products and Due Dates			
Task Number	Task Name	Product(s)	Due Date (calendar days)
1.1	Kick-off Meeting		
		Kick-Off Meeting Agenda (CEC)	10 days before Kick-Off Meeting
		Updated Schedule of Products and Due Dates (if needed)	15 days after Kick-Off Meeting
1.2	Critical Project Review (CPR) Meetings (If Needed)		
		CPR Report(s)	10 days before CRP Meeting
		Agenda and list of expected participants (CEC)	5 days before CPR Meeting
		Schedule for written determination (CEC)	10 days after CPR Meeting
		Written determination (CEC)	As indicated in schedule for written
1.3	Monthly Progress Reports and Invoices		
		Monthly progress reports	15th of every month or as specified by CAM
		Monthly invoices	15th of every month or as specified by CAM
		Advance payment requests and reconciliation reports (if applicable)	As determined by CAM
1.5	Obtain and Execute Subcontracts and Site Host Agreements		
		List of subcontract agreements and timeline for execution	30 days after Kick-Off Meeting
		Subcontract agreements (draft, if requested)	As determined by CAM
		Subcontract agreements (final)	As determined by CAM
		Site host agreements (if requested)	As determined by CAM
1.6	Final Meeting		
		Written documentation of meeting agreements and unresolved activities	5 days after the Final Meeting
		Schedule for completing closeout activities	10 days after the Final Meeting
2.0	CONDUCT HOME RETROFIT PROJECTS		
		Documentation of methodology for calculating home energy savings (draft)	As determined by CAM
		Documentation of methodology for calculating home energy savings (final)	As determined by CAM
		Final close out report	10 days before the Final Meeting
3.0	PROJECT TRACKING, DATA COLLECTION, AND REPORTING		
		Project Data	Monthly or as specified by CAM
		Labor Data	November 15th of each year or as specified by CAM
<Etc.>	<Insert Task Name>		
		<Insert 1st Product Name>	<Insert Date>
		<Insert 2nd Product Name>	<Insert Date>
		<etc. Add/delete rows as necessary>	<Insert Date>

Attachment 5: Budget Forms

Required for Group 1 Applicants only

- Complete budget form for total requested funding amount for the Applicant
- Additional budget form required for each Subcontract that will receive $\geq$ \$100,000 or 25% of the total award, whichever is lower
- Carefully read the Instructions – both the instructions sheet and the bottom of workbook sheets
- Select appropriate cost category for each cost (project, project-related, administrative).
 - 15% cap on administrative costs

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Attachment 5: Budget Forms- Cost Categories

Required for Group 1 Applicants only

Project Costs

- Equipment, permitting, and labor to conduct home retrofits

Project-Related Costs

- Identifying homes to serve
- Home assessments
- Quality control
- Follow-up surveys

Administrative Costs (Capped at 15%)

- Project tracking, data collection, and reporting
- All other costs necessary for the effective administration of the program

Attachments 6-10

Attachment	Required By
Attachment 6: Contact List	Group 1 Applicants
Attachment 7: CEQA Compliance Form	Group 1 Applicants
Attachment 8A: Applicant Declaration	Group 1 Applicants
Attachment 8B: Applicant Declaration	Group 2 Applicants
Attachment 9: Terms and Conditions	Group 1 Applicants
Attachment 10: Special Terms and Conditions	Group 1 Applicants

Application Review

- Applications must be submitted by February 19, 2027
- Program staff will host office hours to answer questions
- Grounds to reject application:
 - Contains false or intentionally misleading statements or references
 - Is intended to mislead the state in its evaluation of the application
 - Does not comply with the solicitation
- All applicants that pass the review criteria will be allocated funds

Review Criteria

Administrative Criteria

- The application is received by the CEC by the due date and time specified in the “Key Activities Schedule” in Part I of this solicitation.
- The applicant has not included a statement that is contrary to the required authorizations and certifications.
- All required sections of the application form are complete, provided in required formats, appropriately signed, and all information is true and correct to the best knowledge of the applicant.

Technical Criteria

- The Applicant is an eligible Applicant.
- The project is an eligible project.

Administration Notes

- Applicants are responsible for the cost of developing the application
- CEC reserves the right to cancel the solicitation, revise amount of funds, amend solicitation, or reject any or all applications
- Applicants shall notify the CEC of any errors in the solicitation

How to Apply



Method of Delivery

All applications must be submitted through CEC's **Energy Commission Agreement Management System (ECAMS)**: <https://ecams.energy.ca.gov>

Start the process early!

- Deadline to submit applications through the ECAMS system is 11:59 p.m. on February 19, 2027. NO EXCEPTIONS
- CEC strongly encourages Applicants to upload and submit all applications by 4:00 p.m.
- Upload times may be much longer than expected. Please plan accordingly.

See **ECAMS Registration Instructions** ([ECAMS Registration Instructions](#)) for instructions to create an account.

See **ECAMS Applying for a Solicitation** ([Applying for a Solicitation](#)) for instructions on how to submit an application.

ECAMS Support: ECAMS.Support@energy.ca.gov



ECAMS Walkthrough: Select Solicitation

- The list of the solicitations currently open to public are listed under Open Solicitations (Portal)
- Select “Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program: Application for Tribes” to apply for this solicitation

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2	GFO-26-301	Characterizing Non-Driving Electric Vehicle Energy Efficiency	9/2/2026	10/28/2026	ERDD	Open to Public	▼
3	GFO-26-302	Food Production Investment Program (FPIP) 2026	9/23/2026	12/17/2026	ERDD	Open to Public	▼
4	GFO-26-401	Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program: Application for Tribes	9/4/2026	2/19/2027	RREDI	Open to Public	▼
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6	GFO-26-502	Integrated Point-Source Carbon Capture and Advanced Combustion at Industrial Facilities	9/23/2026	1/19/2027	ERDD	Open to Public	▼
7	GFO-26-601	Charger Service Skills Accelerator (CSSA)	8/10/2026	10/30/2026	FTD	Open to Public	▼



ECAMS Walkthrough: Enter Application Information



- The details for the selected solicitation are displayed on this page
- Click on Apply for Solicitation to begin creating a draft proposal
- Fill in the resulting screen with your proposal information

Apply for Solicitation

Details

Solicitation #

GFO-26-401

Solicitation Title

Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program: Application for Tribes

Type

GFO (Grants first come first served)

Division Name

RREDI

Program Name

Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Program

Method

One Phase

Application Due Date

2/19/2027

Solicitation Release Date

9/4/2026

Solicitation Release Amount

\$30,000,000.00

Status

Open to Public

Fiscal Year

2026

Solicitation Overview

Solicitation Number

GFO-26-401

Solicitation Name

Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program: Application for Tribes

Fuel Type

Status

Open to Public

Block or Non Block

Block

Solicitation Attachments (12)

DOCUMENT TYPE	DOCUMENT NAME
Solicitation Manual	00_GFO-26-401_Solicitation_Manual_ada
Applicant Form/ Contractor Status Form	01_GFO-26-401_Att_1_Application_Form_ada
Project Narrative	02B_GFO-26-401_Att_2B_Project_Narrative_Form_Group_2_ada
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ECAMS Walkthrough: Upload Files and Submit

- Proposal documents are uploaded in the Attachments tab
- Refer to the Solicitation Manual to ensure the required attachments are uploaded
- Click on the Upload File buttons to upload each proposal document
- Click on the Submit Application button to submit your proposal

The screenshot displays the ECAMS web application interface. At the top, there are three buttons: "Pilot Testing/Demonstration/Deployment Site", "Edit Application", and "Submit Application". A red arrow points to the "Submit Application" button. Below these buttons is a navigation bar with tabs: "Details", "Attachments", "Past Agreements", "Budget Summary", "Direct Labor", "Fringe Benefits", "Travel", "Equipment", "Materials & Miscellaneous", "Subrecipients & Vendors", and "More". A red arrow points to the "Attachments" tab. The main content area shows "Solicitation Files (12)" with a table of documents. Each row in the table has an "Upload File" button highlighted with a red box. Below the table, there is a section for "Uploaded Files (0)" with a table structure and an "Upload Non-required Docs" button.

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2-Project Narrative	02B_GFO-26-401_Att_2B_Project_Narrative_Form_Group_2_ada	docx	Download	Optional	Upload File
2-Project Narrative	02A_GFO-26-401_Att_2A_Project_Narrative_Form_Group_1_ada	docx	Download	Optional	Upload File
3-Scope of Work	03_GFO-26-401_Att_3_Scope_of_Work_ada	docx	Download	Optional	Upload File
4-Project Schedule /Schedule of Products and Due Date	04_GFO-26-401_Att_4_Schedule_of_Products_and_Due_Dates_ada	xlsx	Download	Optional	Upload File
5-Budget (Proposal)	05_GFO-26-401_Att_5_Budget_Forms_ada	xlsx	Download	Optional	Upload File
6-Contact List	06_GFO-26-401_Att_6_Contact_List_ada	docx	Download	Optional	Upload File
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9-Terms and Conditions	09_GFO-26-401_Att_9_Terms_and_Conditions_ada	docx	Download	No response needed	Upload File

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Questions and Answers



Four Ways to Ask Questions

During this workshop:

1. Use the raise hand function in Zoom

Zoom Phone Controls:

*9 – Raise hand

*6 – Toggle mute/unmute

2. Type questions in the Zoom Q&A Box

After this workshop:

3. Submit written questions:

EquitableBuildingDecarb@energy.ca.gov

Subject: GFO-26-401

4. Attend program office hours

Office hours dates, times, and directions on how to access will be noticed to tribes

Last day to submit questions for Q&A: Wednesday, October 21, 2026

Key Activities and Dates

Activity	Date
GFO-26-401 Release	September 4, 2026
Pre-Application Workshop	October 7, 2026
Last Day for Written Questions	October 21, 2026
Anticipated Distribution of Questions/Answers	November 4, 2026
Last Day to Submit Applications (by 11:59 p.m.)	February 19, 2027
Anticipated Notice of Proposed Award Posting Date	March 30, 2027
Anticipated CEC Business Meeting Date	June 2027

Thank you!

Contact information and helpful links

➤ **Submit written questions:**

- EquitableBuildingDecarb@energy.ca.gov
Subject: GFO-26-401

➤ **Program webpage:**

- [EBD Tribal Direct Install Program](#)

➤ **Solicitation webpage:**

- [GFO-26-401 - Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program: Application for Tribes](#)

➤ **Subscribe to email listserv:**

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