

Rural Energy Startup Program Update



Wisconsin Office of Energy Innovation

Rural Energy Startup Program: Deadline Extended for Grant Applications

The OEI has opened an extended application period for the Rural Energy Startup Program (RESP)! Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, until funds are expended or **March 29, 2024, at 1:30 PM Central**, whichever comes first.

RESP, funded by the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), supports rural communities in taking initial steps to reduce energy use, reduce fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency. If you are a rural municipality looking to start a comprehensive energy plan, investigate renewable resource planning or want to assess and retrofit a building, you still have time apply.

Remember to submit **ALL** required application materials when you submit, including a map screenshot or PDF and the Applicant Metrics spreadsheet (See [Application Instructions](#) Section 5.3).

- For help with the [OEI Map](#), please see the [OEI Map Handout](#).
- The [Applicant Metrics](#) form.

For more general information, including webinars you can read more about the grant and grant requirements at the [RESP website](#).

- If you missed the webinar that covered the program application instructions, you can find the webinar recording [here](#), and the webinar slides [here](#).
- If you missed the joint webinar with EIGP discussing which grant program fits your project idea best, you can find the webinar recording [here](#), and the webinar slides [here](#).

Additionally, the Application Instructions can be found [here](#) and the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for RESP can be found [here](#).

If you have questions, please send them to oei@wisconsin.gov



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