

# PCEF Grant Committee Meeting

February 16, 2021, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.





## **Virtual Participation Check**

Guidelines for public participation

- Committee meetings open to the public
- Public invited to comment at around 6:05 p.m.
- Opportunities for public engagement in other forums/meetings

- **→** Guidelines applied to virtual meeting:
  - **Chatbox:** open for introductions and public comment. All other times, host-only chats (PCEF Staff).
  - Raise Hand: used by Committee only.
  - Video: on for Committee only.
  - **Microphone:** public members muted unless giving public comment or for introductions.
  - Recording: this meeting is being recorded.
  - **Captioning:** this meeting is being captioned; settings > show subtitles.

**Guiding Principles** 



Focused on climate action with multiple benefits.

**Justice Driven** 

Advance systems change that addresses historic and current discrimination. Center all disadvantaged and marginalized groups particularly Black and Indigenous people

Invest in people, livelihoods, places, and processes that build climate resilience and community wealth, foster healthy communities, and support regenerative systems. Avoid and mitigate displacement, especially resulting from gentrification pressures.



**Community-powered** 

Trust community knowledge, experience, innovation, and leadership. Honor and build on existing work and partnerships, while supporting capacity building for emerging community groups and diverse coalitions. Engage with and invest in community-driven approaches that foster community power to create meaningful change.



Implement transparent funding, oversight, and engagement processes that promote continuous learning, programmatic checks and balances, and improvement. Demonstrate achievement of equitable social, economic, and environmental benefit. Remain accountable to target beneficiaries, grantees, and all Portlanders.



# Introductions



# **Public comment**



# Agenda

6:00	Introductions
6:05	Public comment
6:10	Update on program reporting and evaluation efforts $ ightarrow$ small breakout group discussions
6:45	Report out on breakout discussions
6:55	Break / Committee member discussion in small group breakouts – not open to public or staff
7:15	Co-chair role, potential decision
7:25	Committee member recruitment and selection subcommittee
7:35	Other Committee member roles
7:55	Committee member comments
8:00	Meeting close



# Reporting and evaluation update



- Recap Dashboard Concept and Process
- Breakouts
- Report and Discussion



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#### Climate

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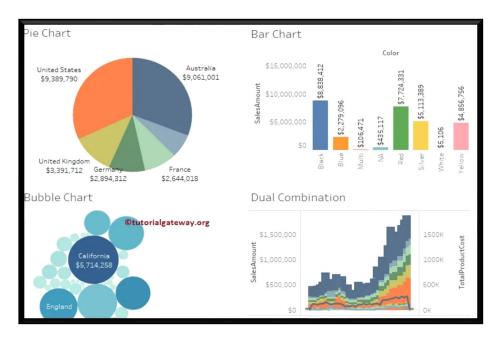
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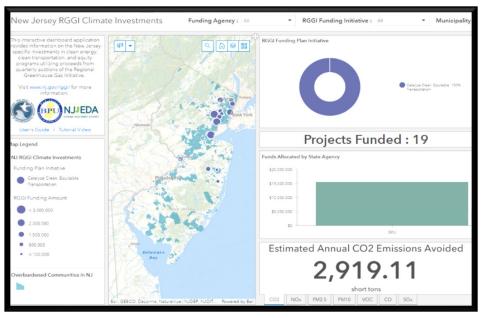
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#### **Dollars Invested**

- % of grant dollars to organizations serving and reflective of PCEF priority populations\*
- By funding/project type
- By grant type (mini, planning, small, large)
- By project location
- Funds leveraged

#### **Grants Made**

- % of grants to organizations serving and reflective of PCEF priority populations\*
- By funding/project type
- By grant type
- By project location
- Percent of planning grants that successfully apply for implementation grants
- % of mini grants to organizations with three or fewer FTE





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#### **Greenhouse Gases Reduced\***

- Energy savings from efficiency measures
  - C02e\*
    - # therms of natural gas\*
    - # kWhs of electricity\*
  - Building type (residential, commercial)
  - Average energy savings per building?
- · Buildings improved
  - Square feet by building type
- Trees/shrubs planted/maintained
  - By project location
- Acres protected/converted
  - By project location

#### Renewable Kilowatts Installed\*

- Installed capacity\*
- Annual generation\*
- By project location
- By user/owner type (res, commercial, institution, community solar)





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#### Workforce\*

- People employed on PCEF projects
  - By demographics
- People trained
  - By demographics
- Wages paid to people on PCEF projects
  - By demographics

#### **Businesses\***

- Dollars to businesses (contractors)
  - By demographics
- Number of businesses (contractors) on PCEF projects
  - By demographics
- Businesses (contractors) assisted
  - By demographics
- Business (contractor) start-up or scale-up
  - By demographics





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#### **Supporting Applicants**

- Workshops, office hours, etc.
  - # participants
  - By demographic
  - Satisfaction

#### **Reviewing Applications**

- Number of applications received
  - By funding category
  - By grant size
  - By orgs that reflect PCEF priority population
  - % ineligible
  - Applicant satisfaction
- · Grants awarded
  - By funding category
  - By grant size
  - To orgs that reflect PCEF priority population

#### **Managing Grants**

- Contracts under management
  - By funding type
    - On track
    - Grantee satisfaction
  - By funding category
    - On track
    - Grantee satisfaction

#### **Accountability**

- Performance Audit Findings
- Financial Audit Findings
- Expenditures
  - Administration
  - Programming
  - Grants





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#### Energy Cost Savings

- Average estimated % reduction in energy bills for residential clean energy projects
- Average estimated % reduction in energy bills for non-residential clean energy projects

#### Food Production

Pounds of food? People served?

#### Climate Education

 % of projects with educational component accompanying physical improvement

#### Climate Resiliency\*

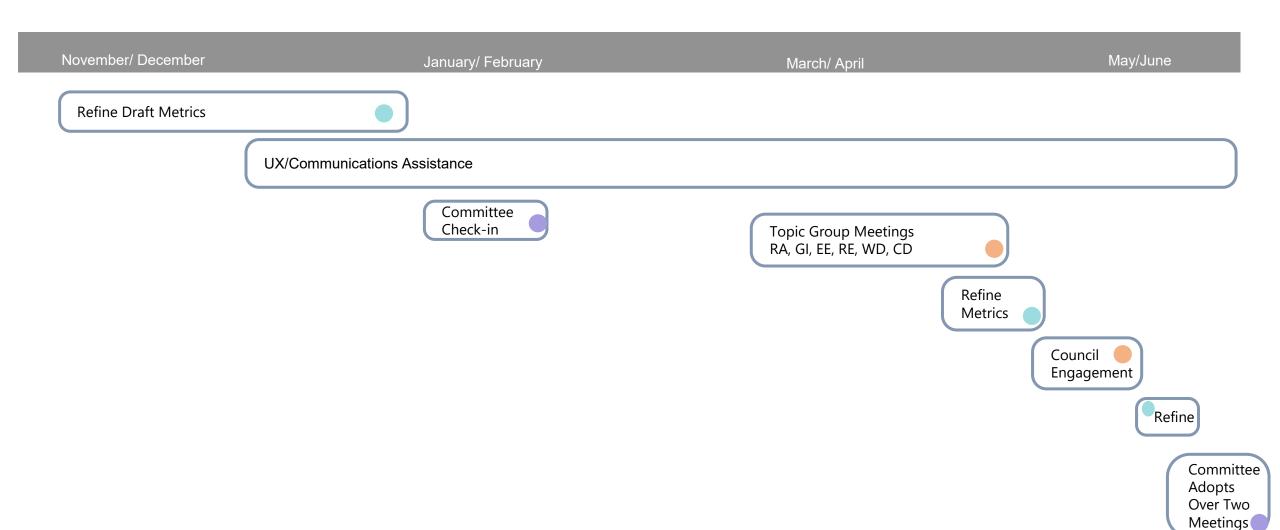
- Energy storage (amount and # of locations)
- # groups engaged in resiliency planning
- # resiliency hubs established

#### Environmental Improvement

- Air quality improvements number of structures improved by type (resi/non-resi)
- Habitat creation number/size of projects
- Flood control/groundwater recharge— number of projects
- Water conservation % building projects that included water conservation measures

# PCEF Metrics Development: Process & Timeline

Subcommittee WorkCommittee TouchpointEngagement



### **Breakout Conversations**

- . What are your initial impressions about this approach?
- Do you feel the draft metrics meet our legislative requirements and align with our guiding principles?
- Is there anything you feel is important to add, delete, or amend to better communicate PCEF program effectiveness or align with our guiding principles?

# Break (20 min)

Until 7:15pm



# Co-chair role, discussion and potential selection

### **Co-chair role**

- One year term, with a maximum of three years of service
- Responsibilities in by-laws:
  - Convene and conduct both regular and special meetings
  - Encourage full and safe participation by Committee members
  - Assist in the process of building consensus
  - Ensure all participants abide by the Committee's Working Agreement
  - Develop meeting agendas (in consultation with the facilitator and staff liaison)
- Additional roles in <u>draft</u> working agreement:
  - Attend City Council meetings to represent the Committee
  - Sign correspondence on behalf of the Committee
  - Make the public feel welcome at Committee meetings
  - First point of contact for media with the Committee
  - Make sure Committee meeting gets through all required business
  - Make sure all Committee members get a chance to talk
  - Make sure clear decisions are reached



# Committee member recruitment and selection

## Other Committee member efforts

Grant review audit panel/grant review panel Recruitment and selection subcommittee Reporting and evaluation subcommittee By-laws subcommittee Ad-hoc engagement



## **Committee member comments**



# CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITY BENEFITS — FUND

### Modified consensus decision making process

- **Proposal** put forth for consideration by Committee member
- **Temperature check** each Committee member indicates how comfortable they are with making an affirmative decision
- Discussion additional discussion if needed
- Amendments Committee members can offer amendments to the original proposal
- **Decision** each Committee member can 1) affirm the proposal, 2) stand aside, or 3) indicate that "no" they do not support the proposal. Note that standing aside is counted as a decision to affirm for the purposes of approving a proposal.

The following minimum number of affirmative decisions is required for a decision to represent the position of the PCEF Committee.

- When 6 or 7 Committee members are present : 5 Affirmative decisions
- When 8 or 9 Committee members are present : 6 Affirmative decisions



### **Reporting & Evaluation Subcommittee**

The Reporting and Evaluation Subcommittee exists to support the PCEF Grant Committee in meeting its legislative mandate regarding reporting on program effectiveness (7.07.050.E.5, 7.07.050.E.6, 7.07.040.D) and its commitments to accountability and continuous improvement.

#### The Subcommittee will:

- 1. Develop, and update as necessary, the reporting and evaluation process. This includes consideration of *program achievements* (high level program metrics and grantee outputs and outcomes) and *processes* (what worked well in delivering our program and how we might improve).
- 2. Provide guidance to implementation of the reporting and evaluation process. This includes high level guidance to evaluation elements and workplan.
- 3. Review performance and identify items to bring to the full Committee for consideration of implications.

This subcommittee is expected to be a standing subcommittee as reporting and evaluation are a regular part of the Committee's work.

### PCEF Reporting and Evaluation: Legislative Directives

- Adopt a methodology to measure, track and report to the public, the Mayor, and the City Council the effectiveness of the programs in implementing the City's Climate Action Plan in a manner that supports social, economic and environmental justice, including developing a diverse and well-trained workforce and contractor pool in the field of energy efficiency, renewables, green energy initiatives generally. All fund recipients shall file a report tracking their success in meeting the stated objectives (7.07.050.E.5).
- Prominently display progress in meeting "measurable and ambitious goals for the training and hiring of historically disadvantaged groups, including women, people of color, people with disabilities, and the chronically underemployed and measurable goals for contracting with businesses owned or operated by such groups" (7.07.050.E.6).
- The Fund shall be subject to a **financial audit every year and a performance audit every 2 years**, with the costs of any audit excluded from the 5 percent limitation for administrative expenses (7.07.040.D).