

Make our communities

Shine



Apply for a Shine award, June 1 to July 31, 2023.

We're inviting nonprofit organizations to apply for a Shine award for local projects that will impact the community through inclusive collaborations and equitable strategies. We're seeking proposals that support zero carbon workforce development, environmental justice and equity, inclusive economic development and STEM education in our service area. Shine projects align with SMUD's goal of eliminating all carbon emissions from our power supply by 2030, so all our customers will live in a Clean PowerCitySM.

Who is eligible to apply?

All applicants must be incorporated nonprofit organizations within SMUD's service area. These include, but are not limited to community-based nonprofits, chambers of commerce, property-based improvement districts, neighborhood and homeowners associations. Collaboration and joint applications are encouraged.

Shine awards are competitive and funds are limited.

Apply online Thursday, June 1 through Monday, July 31, 2023 by 5 p.m.

For more details on how to apply, **register** for a Shine application webinar. Learn more at **smud.org/Shine**

Powering forward. Together.



Have a idea?

We want to support you.

What types of projects are eligible?

Shine awards are available for a variety of projects including, but not limited to:

- Zero carbon workforce development
- Environmental justice and equity
- Inclusive economic development
- Community and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education

What are some examples of Shine projects we might fund?

- Interior lighting upgrades for energy efficiency and improved safety
- Facility improvements to increase energy efficiency and expand service
- Infrastructure improvements to enhance community development
- STEM programs for under-resourced students

All Shine projects must be located in SMUD's service area.

3 funding levels of Shine:



Spark award – \$10,000 or less

Spark funds are for short-term projects that are ready in 3-6 months and look to spark immediate positive change that can be leveraged into long-term benefits for the community. Spark awards require a 25% funding match.



Amplifier award – Up to \$50,000

Amplifier funds will help launch projects within 6 months and will have a measurable impact on the community. Amplifier awards require a 50% funding match.



Transformer award – Up to \$100,000

Transformer funds are for projects that target broader community issues, that generally occur over longer timelines and are ready to launch within 12 months. Transformer awards require a dollar for dollar match.