

Make our communities Shine!



Apply for a Shine award, June 1 - July 31

Free online workshops are available for assistance.

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We invite 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, affordability and community resiliency, economic development and STEM education.

Who's eligible to apply?

Nonprofit organizations in our service area. These include community-based nonprofits, chambers of commerce, property-based improvement districts, neighborhood and homeowners associations. We encourage collaboration and joint applications.

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

Shine awards are competitive and funds are limited.

For help with your application, [register](#) for a live technical assistance webinar.

Learn more and apply at smud.org/Shine

Powering forward. Together.



Have a *Shine* idea?

We want to support you.

What types of projects are eligible?

Projects can include, but aren't limited to:

- Zero carbon workforce development
- Affordability and community resiliency
- Economic development
- Energy and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education

What are some examples of projects we might fund?

- Skills training programs to increase access to clean energy jobs
- Facility improvements to increase energy efficiency and expand service
- Infrastructure improvements to enhance community development
- STEM programs for under-resourced students
- Electrification projects that replace natural gas equipment with high-efficiency electric alternatives (HVAC, water heating, cooking appliances)

All Shine projects must be located in our 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 lead to long-term benefits for the community. These 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. These require a 50% funding match.



**Transformer award –
Up to \$100,000**

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

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