



# National and State Funding Opportunities



## **Biofuels Infrastructure Grant Program**

The Biofuels Infrastructure Grants Program provides funds to Michigan public service stations to install or convert fuel delivery systems to sell high blend ethanol E85 and/or biodiesel blends of B20 or higher.

[www.michigan.gov/eotrans](http://www.michigan.gov/eotrans)

## **Michigan Biomass Energy Program - Workshop and Event Funding**

Up to \$2,500 is available for workshops or events that promote the production, commercialization, and use of biomass in Michigan.

[www.michigan.gov/biomass](http://www.michigan.gov/biomass) - see Project Funding

## **Michigan Department of Environmental - Quality Pollution Prevention Loans**

The Small Business P2 Loan Program provides loans of up to \$400,000 at an interest rate of 5% or less to existing independently owned businesses with 500 or fewer full time employees. Projects that qualify for P2 loan funding include those that eliminate or reduce waste at the business location (source reduction), result in environmentally sound reuse and recycling for the loan applicant's generated wastes, conserve energy or water on-site, or are a qualified agricultural energy production system.

[www.michigan.gov/deqp2loan](http://www.michigan.gov/deqp2loan)

## **Michigan Public Service Commission – Low Income and Energy Efficiency Fund**

Supports the implementation of energy-efficiency projects and renewable-energy projects in the state. Businesses, non-profit organizations, government agencies and/or schools are eligible to apply.

<http://www.michigan.gov/lieefund>

## **Michigan Economic Development Corporation**

List of numerous financial incentives available in MI, includes 21<sup>st</sup> Century Jobs Fund, MNEA, renewable energy renaissance zones, etc.

<http://www.michigan.org/medc/tc/Alternative.Energy/Financial.Incentives/>

## **Department of Energy EERE Financial Opportunities**

The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) works with business, industry, universities, and others to increase the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. One way EERE encourages the growth of these technologies is by offering financial assistance opportunities for their development and demonstration.

<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/financing/>

## **Department of Energy EERE Project Management Center**

Contains a listing of excellent resources for locating energy efficiency and renewable energy business opportunities.

<https://www.eere-pmc.energy.gov/Business.aspx>

## **Department of Energy EERE Federal E85 Incentives and Laws**

Incentives for Biofuels infrastructure development.

[http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/progs/ind\\_fed\\_incentive.cgi](http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/progs/ind_fed_incentive.cgi)

### **Biomass Research and Development Initiative**

The Biomass Research and Development Initiative (BRDI) is a multi-agency effort to coordinate and accelerate all Federal biobased products and bioenergy research and development.

<http://www.brdisolutions.com>

### **Tax credits pertaining to Energy Policy Act of 2005**

<http://www.energy.gov/taxbreaks.htm>

### **Federal Grants**

To find and apply for numerous grant programs offered by the federal government

[www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)

### **USDA Rural Development - Section 9006 – Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Program**

Grants, guaranteed loans, combination grant/guaranteed loans to help agriculture producers and small rural businesses purchase and install renewable energy systems and make energy efficiency improvements in rural areas.

[www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs)

### **USDA Rural Development - Section 6401 - Value Added Producer Grants**

Grants may be used for planning activities and for working capital for marketing value-added agricultural products and for farm-based renewable energy. Eligible applicants are independent producers, farmer and rancher cooperatives, agricultural producer groups, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures.

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/vadg.htm>

### **USDA Rural Development Biobased Products and Bioenergy Program**

The goal of the Biobased Products and Bioenergy Program is to finance technologies needed to convert biomass into biobased products and bioenergy in a manner which is cost-competitive in large national and international markets. The focus of this program in Rural Development, Business and Cooperative Programs (BCP) is to promote national economic interests through conversion of renewable farm and forestry resources to affordable electricity, fuel chemicals, pharmaceuticals, and other materials. Loans for biomass conversion into biobased products and bioenergy are eligible for financing under the Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program.

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/biomass/biomass.htm>

### **USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service – Conservation Innovation Grants**

Designed to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies.

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/cig/>

### **Renewable Fuels Foundation**

Seeks to provide funding to universities and non-profit organizations, such as research consortiums, in the United States. Seeking projects that directly focus on economic and public policy implications of domestic production and consumption of ethanol.

Contact the Renewable Fuels Foundation at 202-289-3835

### **EPA's Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR)**

To strengthen the role of small businesses in federally funded R&D and help develop a stronger national base for technical innovation.

[www.epa.gov/ncer/sbir](http://www.epa.gov/ncer/sbir)