

# **Clean Energy Transformation Act**

#### Washington Equity Advisory Group March 2022 EAG Meeting

March 16, 2022





#### PacifiCorp Equity Advisory Group (EAG) March Meeting March 16, 2022, 1pm-4pm Pacific Time

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#### March 2022 Meeting Objectives

- Hear from EAG members about their organizations
- Learn about PacifiCorp's low-income bill assistance program and get input from the EAG
- Help scope the transportation electrification grant objectives, eligibility, and scoring criteria

#### March 2022 Meeting Agenda

Time (PT)	Description
1:00 PM	Meeting Overview and Updates
1:20 PM	EAG Member Presentations and Check-In
1:35 PM	PacifiCorp Presentation: Low-Income Bill Assistance (LIBA)
1:55 PM	Activity: LIBA
2:15 PM	Break
2:25 PM	PacifiCorp Presentation: Transportation Electrification Review
2:35 PM	Activity: Transportation Electrification Grant Program Public Comment
3:50 PM	EAG Member Check-Out and Closing

### March 2022 Updates

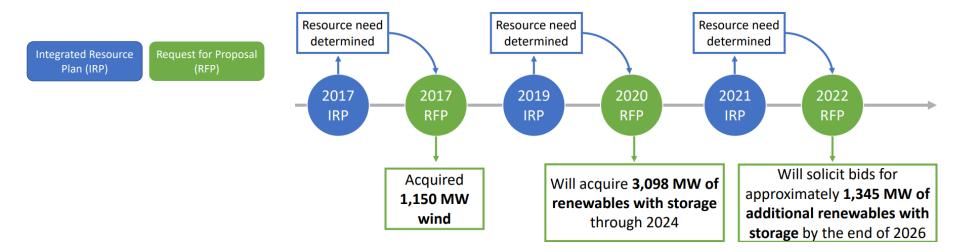
- New EAG member: Welcome Gio and Cristina (Latino Community Fund)
- Leadership introduction: Joelle Steward
- CEIP process update
- All-Source Request for Proposal (RFP): Heather Eberhart



- PacifiCorp filed the CEIP with WUTC on December 30, 2021
- The CEIP is available at <u>www.pacificorp.com/ceip</u>
- WUTC published Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments on January 7, 2022
  - Now in a 5-month comment period
  - Submit written comments via Commission's web portal at <u>http://www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing</u>
  - Questions for PacifiCorp should be submitted to CEIP@PacifiCorp.com

#### PacifiCorp's 2022 All-Source Request for Proposals

• PacifiCorp's planning process occurs about every 2 years and is followed by a procurement process to purchase new energy generation resources to serve our customers across six states.



• PacifiCorp will issue a request for proposal (RFP) in 2022 to identify and procure the lowest cost, lease risk resources to fulfil needs.

#### PacifiCorp's 2022 All-Source Request for Proposals

Washington's Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) includes new equity rules which are being incorporated into the RFP.

- Washington bidders have opportunities to bid using tax credits available for using diversity suppliers: RCW 82.08.962 and 82.12.962
- PacifiCorp is offering bidders a free bid alternative to provide pricing for a different diversity strategy.
- Winning bidders will be required in their contract to **track and report its use of diverse businesses** including, but not limited to, women-, minority-, disabled-, and veteran-owned businesses, and also to track and report to the utility the firm's application of the labor standards in RCW 82.08.962 and 82.12.962.

PacifiCorp is conducting **outreach to potential bidders or resource suppliers**, including nonprofit organizations and under-represented bidders, such as minority-, women-, disabled-, and veteran-owned businesses, to encourage equitable participation in the bidding process.

#### PacifiCorp's 2022 All-Source Request for Proposals

The proposed RFP schedule, subject to change, is:

Date	RFP Milestone
February 14, 2022	RFP Comments Due from Interested Persons (see website for more information)
March 10, 2022	Approval by Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
April 26, 2022	Proposed Date to Issue RFP to Market (subject to change)
November 17, 2022	Notice of Intent to Bid Due
January 16, 2023	Bids Due from Market
April 24, 2023	Final Shortlist Recommendation
December 31, 2026	Required Online Date

More information on how to participate in the RFP can be found at PacifiCorp's website:

PacifiCorp's 2022 All-Source Request for Proposals

https://www.pacificorp.com/suppliers/rfps/2022-all-source-rfp.html

PacifiCorp's **request of the Equity Advisory Group is to provide recommendations** for how PacifiCorp can reach out to potential bidders or resource suppliers, including nonprofit organizations and under-represented bidders, such as minority-, women-, disabled-, and veteran-owned businesses, to encourage equitable participation in the bidding process.

# Low-Income Bill Assistance





### **Energy Burden Assessment**



As a condition under Biennial Conservation Plan, PacifiCorp is required to **develop a plan and conduct research necessary to achieve sustained energy burden reduction for its low-income Washington customers**.

PacifiCorp contracted with Empower Dataworks for Energy Burden Assessment.

Target assessment completion date by end of May 2022.

Schedule			
12/6/21 – 2/25/22	Data Collection		
2/28/22 – 05/27/22	Analysis and Energy Burden Metric Calculation		
May / June 2022	Presentation of Findings and Recommendations to Advisory Groups		

### **Energy Burden Assessment**

Data collection to establish baseline for energy assistance need as defined in CETA.

#### Determine existing program effectiveness:

program funding relative to need, creating sustained energy burden reductions, targeting effectiveness to high-burden customers

Identify underserved customers. Yield customer-level data for targeting programs Develop concrete recommendations for energy burden focused program implementation

## Low Income Bill Assistance Program (LIBA)

The Low Income Bill Assistance program is a discount program available to our incomeeligible households in Washington.

- Available through Tariff Schedule 17 since 2003
- Open to all income-qualified applicants—enrollment cap eliminated effective August 1, 2021
- 1-year and 2-year (fixed income) enrollment certification
- 3 discount tiers by income level
- Discount applied to net bill excluding tax—previously discount applied only to kWh in excess of 600 kWh
- Program period: October 1 through September 30
- Surcharge to fund program collected through Tariff Schedule 91. Collected from non-LIBA participants.





#### Percentage of **Household Income Credit Level** Participants\* 41% 70% of net bill (excludes taxes) 0-75% of Federal Poverty Level 76-100% of Federal Poverty Level 35% of net bill (excludes taxes) 31% 101-200% of Federal Poverty Level 15% of net bill (excludes taxes) 29% or 80% of Area Median Income (whichever is greater) \*As of end of 2021

#### POWERING YOUR GREATNESS

### **Example customer on LIBA saves \$53.82 on this bill**

0.000000	0.00	(Washington State Utility Tax \$5.73)
0.0600000	8.88	City Utility Tax
	158.95	Total New Charges
	100.00	

#### Next scheduled read date: 02-16. Date may vary due to scheduling or weather. NEW CHARGES - 01/22 COST PER UNIT CHARGE UNITS 7.75 Basic Charge - Single Phase Energy Charge Block 1 600 kwh 46.25 0.0770800 Energy Charge Block 2 1.108 kwh 0.1063000 117.78 Federal Tax Act Adjustment -0.0035900 -6.13 1,708 kwh B P A Columbia River Benefits -0.0102900 1,708 kwh -17.58 Wa Low Income Energy Credit -0.3500000 -51.82 8.88 0.0600000 105.13

ITEM 1 - ELEC	TRIC SERVICE			St Yakima WA al Schedule 17			
METER NUMBER	SERVICE PERIOD From	То	ELAPSED DAYS	METER READINGS Previous	S Current	Meter Multiplier	AMOUNT USED THIS MONTH
12345678	Dec 16, 2021	Jan 18, 2022	33	20416	22124	1.0	1,708 kwh

#### Schedule 17 LIBA – 76-100% FPL **Detailed Account Activity**

NEW CHARGES - 01/22	UNITS	COST PER UNIT	CHARGE
Basic Charge - Single Phase			7.75
Energy Charge	600 kwh	0.0770800	46.25
Energy Charge	1,108 kwh	0.1063000	117.78
Federal Tax Act Adjustment	1.708 kwh	-0.0035900	-6.13
Bill Assistance Program			2.00
B P A Columbia River Benefits (Washington State Utility Tax \$5.73)	1,708 kwn	-0.0102900	-17.58
City Utility Tax		0.0600000	8.88
Total New Charges			150.0
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Schedule 16 – Residential

1234 Main St Yakima WA Residential Schedule 16

Previous

20416

METER READINGS

Current

22124

METER

1.0

MULTIPLIER

AMOUNT USED THIS MONTH

1.708 kwh

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# LIBA: Bill Examples



**Detailed Account Activity** 

ITEM 1 - ELECTRIC SERVICE

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### LIBA: Administration and Agencies



□ Partner with local agencies administer program

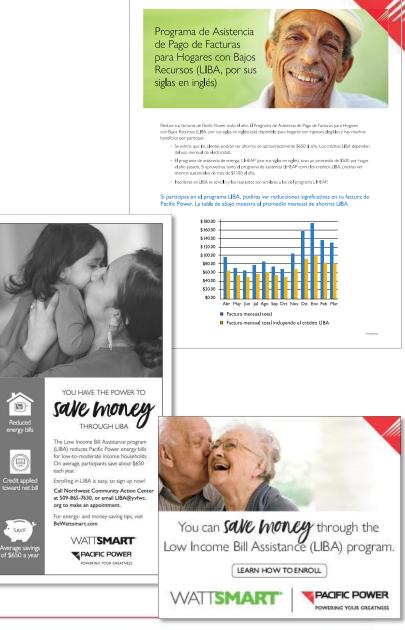
- Blue Mountain Action Council
- Yakima Valley Farmworkers Clinic (doing business as Northwest Community Action Center)
- Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC) of Washington
- □ Local agencies income qualify customers
- □ Local agencies assign customers to one of the three income bands
- □ \$75.00 agency administration fee for each certified customer
- Agency administration reimbursement funded from program surcharge

#### Marketing and Outreach Goals and Target

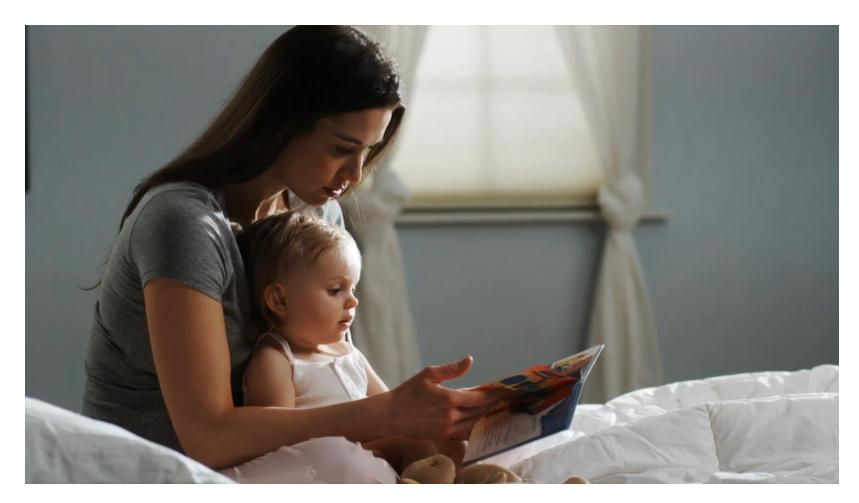
- GOAL: Increase enrollment of customers who are income eligible
- TARGET: All income qualified residential customers in Washington
- IN-MARKET TIMEFRAME: Spring and Fall
- MARKETING STRATEGIES UTILIZE: Owned, Paid, Earned and Social Media

### Past/Current Marketing and Outreach Strategies

- Website
- Social media (Facebook and Twitter)
- Bill messages
- English/Spanish radio ads in the Yakima Service area
- English movie theatre ad in Walla Walla
- English and Spanish newspaper ads
- Community organizations English/Spanish handouts



#### Example LIBA Ad: Movie Theatre



#### Pacific Power

November 19, 2021 · 🌣

Sometimes we all could use a helping hand. Find out if you qualify for a reduced energy bill through the Low Income Bill Assistance program (LIBA). Learn more at pacificpower.net/assistance

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A veces todos podemos usar un poco de ayuda. Descubra si califica para ahorrar en su factura de energía a través del programa Low Income Bill Assistance (LIBA). Para más información visite pacificpower.net/asistencia

#### See Translation



# Example LIBA Ad: Radio and Social Media





Spanish



## Future/New Marketing Outreach Opportunities

- Beginning 2022, adding marketing in Spring in addition to Fall outreach (previously, outreach only ran in the Fall)
- Working on plans for radio outreach through the local KDNA radio station
- Postcards to all Washington residential customers who are not currently enrolled in the LIBA program
- Short breakroom meetings at fruit storage and packing facilities: Spanish speaker provide residential and income assistance program information to employees
- Earned media opportunities in English and Spanish



# Transportation Electrification Grant Program

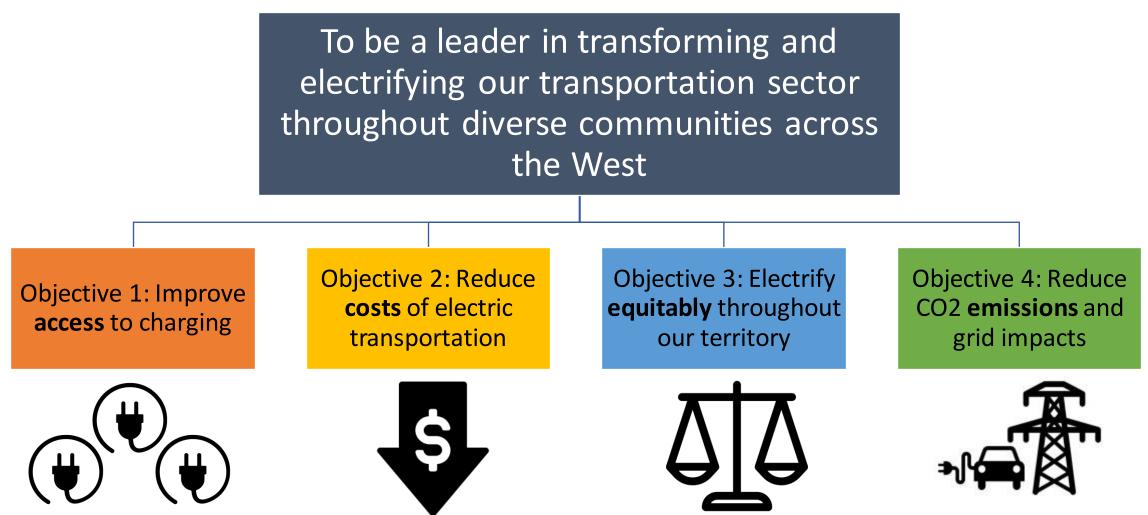




# Agenda for Today's Discussion

- Revisit overall Transportation Electrification objectives
- Review grant process
- Define specific grant objectives
- Determine eligibility criteria
- Refine scoring categories

#### PacifiCorp's Transportation Electrification Vision & Objectives



#### Creating the Program Design Together

#### **Our focus for today**

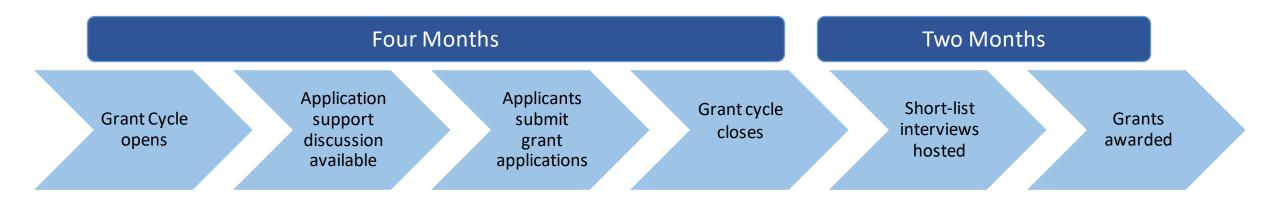
Named Communities Grant Program

- Determine Objectives
- Eligibility Requirements
- Scoring Criteria
- Application Process
- Selection Committee
- Payment Schedule
- Ongoing reporting requirements
- Technical Assistance

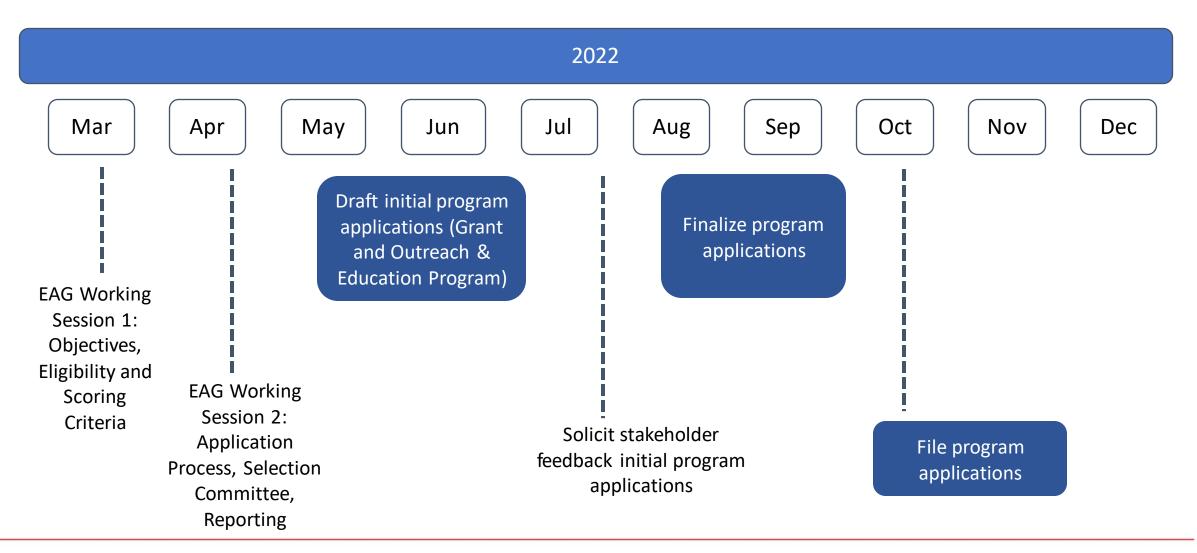
#### Outreach and Education Program

- Educational Activities
  - Dealership Engagement
  - Community Events
  - Workforce Development
- Marketing Channels
  - Social Media
  - Radio
  - Email
  - Bill
  - Website

# Grant Applicant Journey



**Program Application Development** 



### EAG Input from February Meeting

What could success look like for electric transportation for communities in need?

Promote incentive fro Low income families	Rural means distance, employees live remotely, can EV be a lowercost method to transport to job	Could look at electrifying the Yakima transit system	Access to bike/ scooter sharing, especially during nicer times in the year and potentially subsidies for HIC's	electric vehicles purchased are not a second vehicle	Having sufficient infrastructure to support anticipated need and build confidence for users
Work with local governments to acquire funding for transportation programs, facility and vehicle	Can EV help introduce a new type of shared transport for workers?	I have heard from two or three businesses in both Sunny side and Grandview that have employees that WALK the path between he two cities because they don't have car and bus service is infrequent - these employees want any car	Introduce rebates, incentives or trade-in programs for lawnmowers, leaf blowers, etc. to build confidence and serve as a 'gateway' to cars, etc.	E-bike charging stations - I don't know if they are really a thing but I think that e-bikes are more likely then electric vehicles to be affordable by this population	matching the needs to community
HB 1287 communication for project requirements	Accessibility to public transportation to different location businesses Wherehouse(partnership with these businesses)	there is no public transportation, accessibility. Cities are too small of an area for us.	Focus on the highest demand users that create positive affect	Availability of Zip Car type ev for short term HIC needs (car sharing)	

# Setting Objectives

- Taking time to set objectives helps frame the outcomes we want to see
- Then we can use those objectives to ensure that the grant structure and process will help us achieve those outcomes
- All ideas are welcome
- Think big and think small
- Objectives won't require unanimous support—please share points of agreement and points of divergence
- We will use the objectives we discuss today to then think about eligibility and scoring for selecting grantees

## Example Eligibility Criteria

#### Grant Funding Availability

- Non-residential customers
- Residential customers
- Not required to be a customer

Type of Eligible Projects

- Studies
- Plans
- Outreach & Education
- Deployment & Implementation

Benefits Required

- Named communities must benefit
- Residential customers must benefit

### Example Scoring Categories

Categories	Subcategories
	Reasonableness of the project plan and timeline
Project Feasibility/Utilization (20% of score)	Readiness of the project team
	Identified potential project barriers and demonstrated strategic response
Use of Funds	Applicant has internal financial commitment to match funds and/or leverages funds from other reliable sources
(15% of score)	Reasonableness of the proposed budget
Innovation	Creative project design, partnerships, and utilization of resources, particularly in serving underserved populations
(20% of score)	Is the project innovative? Has this been done before?
	Likelihood of stimulating the electric mobility marketplace
Equity	Detailed plan to directly address barriers to mobility for communities currently underserved by electric transportation (ex. rural communities, low-income communities, low-medium priced multi-family units, etc.)
(30% of score)	Detailed methods within plan to ensure timely input and oversight from community members
	Project is easily accessible to the surrounding communities
Additional Danafite	Proposed projects includes commitment to community visibility and outreach to community about the project
Additional Benefits (15% of score)	Education plan and awareness building opportunities
	Project expresses plans to expand upon the proposed project in the future



# Next Steps







- Materials. Notes from this meeting will be posted to the website next week. We will post April 2022 EAG Meeting materials in advance of the next meeting on April 13, 1-4 pm PT.
- 2. EAG Presentations. Share out about your organization in April.
- **3. All-Source RFP.** Please share this opportunity with relevant organizations. Bids are due in November.
- **4. LIBA Handouts.** PacifiCorp will share handouts for you to distribute to your communities. Thank you for your help promoting the program.

2022 EAG Meetings	Topics (tentative, to be confirmed)
January 19	<ul> <li>Clean Energy Implementation Plan (CEIP) updates</li> <li>Reflections of 2021 and ideas for 2022</li> </ul>
February 16	<ul> <li>Energy efficiency programs</li> <li>Electric vehicle (EV) plan and Transportation electrification grant program</li> </ul>
March 16	<ul> <li>EAG member presentations</li> <li>Low-income bill assistance (LIBA)</li> <li>Transportation electrification grant program (continued)</li> </ul>
April 13	<ul> <li>EAG member presentations (continued)</li> <li>Time of use (TOU) pilot</li> <li>Residential efficiency programs</li> <li>Transportation electrification grant program update</li> </ul>
June 15	<ul><li>Update from Low Income Advisory Group</li><li>Update on Energy Burden Assessment</li></ul>
July 14	<ul> <li>Update from Demand-Side Management Advisory Group</li> <li>Customer Benefit Indicator (CBI) Update</li> </ul>
September 21	TBD
October 19	TBD
December 7	Reflections on 2022 and plan for 2023

## What's Next