



American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

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- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) created by the Energy Independence & Security Act of 2007
- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 allocated \$2.8 billion to block grant formula and \$400 million for national competition
- State of Florida's Share: \$168.8 million (\$138.4 million direct to local governments through formula distribution from Department of Energy and \$30.4 million to State)
- State required to pass through 60% of State funding to local governments

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- Cities with 35,000+ residents receive formula funding and apply directly through Department of Energy (DOE)
- Gainesville's allocation is \$1,198,500
- Applications are due by June 25, 2009
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategies due within 120 days of award
- Reporting requirements

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Eligible Activities

- Development of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy
- Technical Consultant Services
- Residential and Commercial Building Energy Audits
- Financial Incentive Programs
- Energy Efficiency Retrofits
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs for Buildings and Facilities
- Development and Implementation of Transportation Programs

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Eligible Activities (Continued)

- Building Codes and Inspections
- Energy Distribution
- Material Conservation Programs
- Reduction and Capture of Methane and Greenhouse Gases
- Traffic Signals and Street Lighting
- Renewable Energy Technologies on Government Buildings
- Any Other Appropriate Activity

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Project Evaluation Criteria

- Jobs created and/or retained
- Energy saved
- Renewable energy generated
- Greenhouse Gas emissions reduced
- Cost savings
- Meets City Commission Strategic Initiative
- Cost per kWh saved

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Recommended Projects

- Behavior Modification Program
- Low-income Energy Efficiency Program
- LED Traffic Signals
- LED Outdoor Lighting
- Solar Array of GRU Adm. Building
- Audits for General Government Buildings

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Recommendation

1. Approve EECBG eligible projects as submitted and ranked by staff
2. Direct staff to submit the EECBG application and authorize the City Manager/General Manager to execute all grant related documents



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Questions?