

Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority

Board of Directors Meeting
March 11, 2025

JOSH SHAPIRO, GOVERNOR | JESSICA SHIRLEY, ACTING SECRETARY



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Agenda

- I. Welcome/Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Election of Officers
- IV. Financial Update
- V. Energy Accelerator Program – Year One Review
- VI. 2025 Energy Development Plan Revisions
- VII. New Business
 - A. Grant Application to Green Bank for Rural America
 - B. Strategic Lending Partnership with Philadelphia Green Capital Corp.
 - C. Grant Request from Capital Good Fund
 - D. Statements of Financial Interest from Board Members and Designees
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjourn



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Call To Order – Roll Call

Ex-Officio Members:

- Jessica Shirley (DEP -- Chair)
- Rick Siger (DCED)
- Russell C. Redding (PDA)
- Wendy Spicher (BAS)
- Stephen M. DeFrank (PUC)
- Darryl Lawrence (Consumer Advocate)

State House:

- Rep. Joshua Kail
- Rep. Elizabeth Fiedler

State Senate:

- Sen. Carolyn Comitta
- Sen. Gene Yaw

Appointed by Governor and Confirmed by Senate:

- Laureen M. Boles
- Romulo L. Diaz, Jr.
- Sarah Hetznecker
- Bernie M. Lynch
- Vacant
- Vacant
- Vacant
- Vacant



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Election of Officers

- Board Treasurer
- Board Secretary



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2024-25 PEDA Budget Overview

Available 24-25 PEDA Funds	\$2,314,195
Planned Admin Expenditures	- \$481,790
Remaining PFM Contract	- \$56,210
EAP KEEP Fund	- <u>\$500,000</u>
Net Balance:	\$1,276,195

*Through January 31, 2025

Energy Accelerator Program - Year One Review

- Overview – PFM
- KEEP Home Energy Loan – Alayna Schmeider
- MORE Grant & Loan – Alayna Schmeider
- Solar for All – Greg Smith



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KEEP Home Energy Loan

2024 Totals

Applications: 207

Approval percentage: 71.98%

Funded projects: \$1,161,286

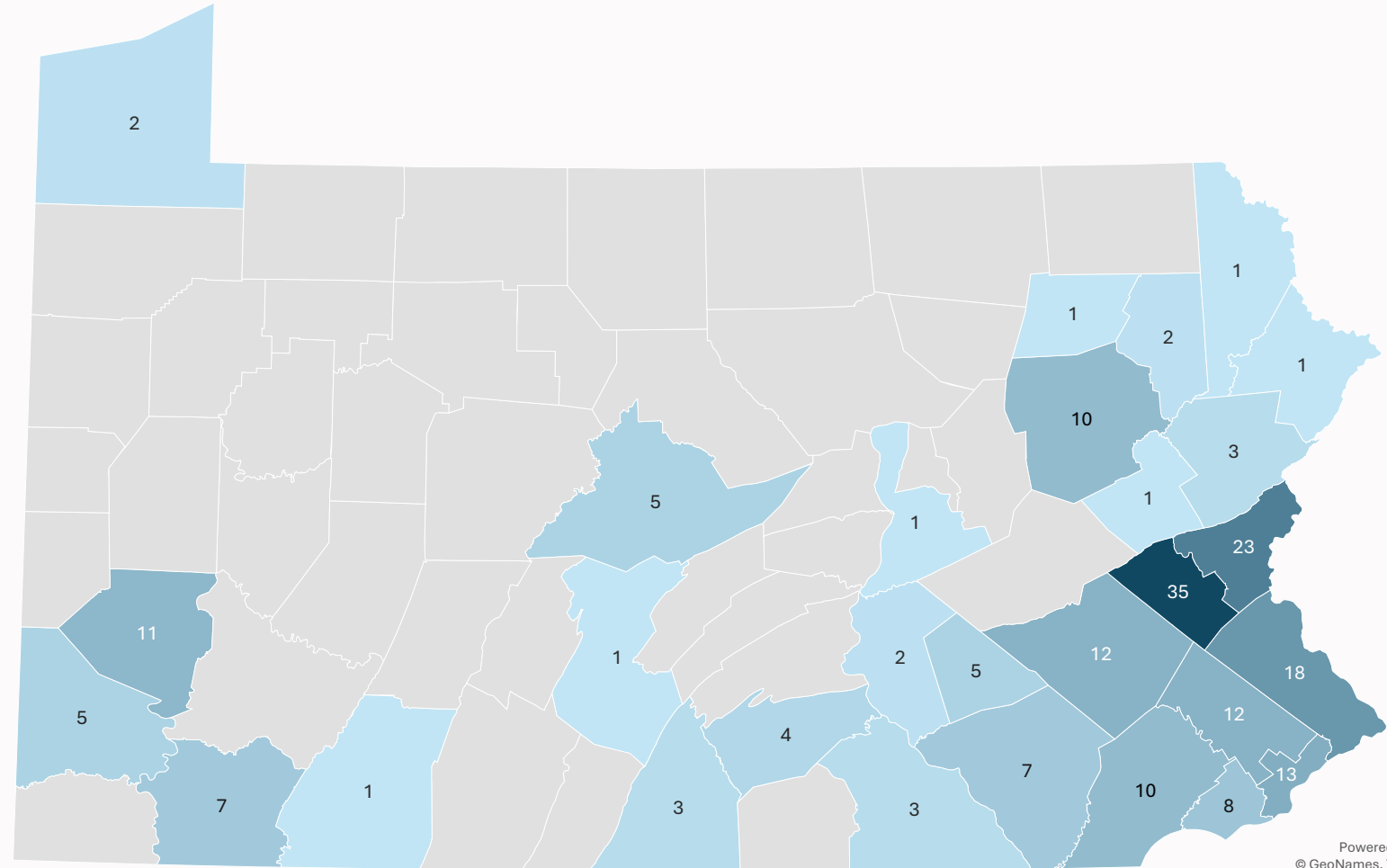
Approved contractors: 254



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2024 Applications

KEEP Loan Applications



Applications
35

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MORE Program

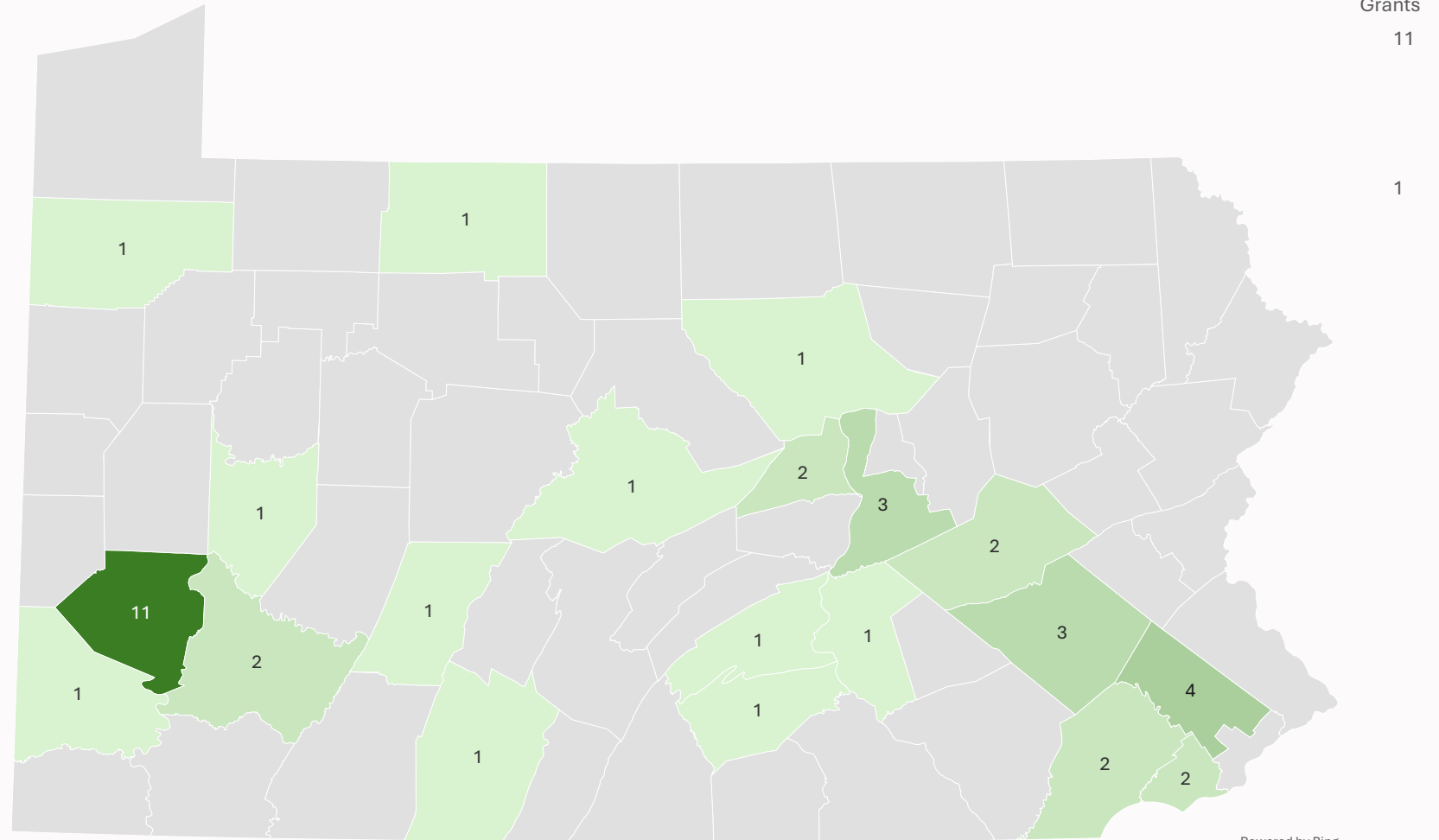
- MORE Grant application was open from June 3 to December 6, 2024
- Grants for level 2 energy audits, Energy Conservation Measure project design, and interest rate buydown on a MORE Loan
- Awarded \$1,977,525 to 42 local governments
 - Approx. 43% grants awarded were priority communities
- Adjusted budget to accommodate all eligible applicants
- MORE Loan opened December 27, 2024 – no applications yet



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MORE Grant Awards

MORE Grant Distribution



MORE Grant Awards by County

Allegheny: Richland Township, Borough of Wilkinsburg, Mount Oliver Borough, Borough of Braddock, Churchill Borough, Borough of Etna, Oakmont Borough, City of Duquesne, Borough of Crafton, Monroeville Municipality, City of McKeesport

Armstrong: Ford City Borough

Bedford: Southampton Township

Berks: Borough of St. Lawrence, West Reading Borough, Boyertown Borough

Cambria: Windber Area Authority

Centre: Patton Township

Chester: Borough of Phoenixville, Borough of Oxford

Crawford: City of Meadville

Cumberland: Camp Hill Borough

Dauphin: Borough of Steelton

Delaware: Radnor Township, City of Chester

Lycoming: City of Williamsport

McKean: Mount Jewett Borough

Montgomery: Ambler Borough, Upper Dublin Township, Upper Moreland-Hatboro Joint Sewer Authority, Springfield Township

Northumberland: Borough of Kulpmont, City of Shamokin, Kulpmont-Marion Heights JMA

Perry: Newport Borough

Schuylkill: Borough of Schuylkill Haven, Borough of Cressona

Union: Union County Commissioners, Borough of Lewisburg

Washington: Monongahela City

Westmoreland: City of New Kensington, Arnold City

PEDA Energy Development Plan Revision Process

- Plan revision at least once every five years
- Current plan version is from 2020
- Revision process initiated in 2024
- Current plan distributed to Board (1st meeting of 2024)
- PEDA ED to propose revisions to the Board (3rd meeting of 2024)
- Issue draft for public comment (Spring 2025)
- Finalize EDP after considering public comment (May 2025)
- Board approval of final EDP (May 2025)

2025 Draft Energy Development Plan

- Introduction
- PEDAs Role & Mission
- Opportunities for Innovation
- Policy Objectives & Guiding Principles
- Energy Accelerator Program
- Funding Resources
- Program/Project Evaluation Criteria



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2025 Draft Energy Development Plan

- Introduction – **New section. Identifies energy challenges**
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- PEDA's Role & Mission – **New/modified section. Articulates PEDA's role, modifies the mission**
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2025 Draft Energy Development Plan

PEDA's Mission – Proposed Revision

The Authority's mission is to expand opportunities for innovation in the development of Pennsylvania's clean, diverse, indigenous energy resources, and thereby to make contributions to energy conservation, energy efficiency, resiliency, and economic development. The Authority's programs will help mitigate the impacts of climate change through the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, improve public health, protect the environment, ensure greater energy reliability, and strengthen economic development and job creation in Pennsylvania. The Authority is committed to implementing its programs and investing its resources equitably across the Commonwealth.



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- Opportunities for Innovation – **New section. Identifies energy technologies and approaches for possible PEDA support**
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New Business

Grant Application to Green Bank for Rural America

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Proposed motion:

The PEDA board authorizes and directs staff to finalize and submit its application to the Green Bank for Rural America (GBRA), seeking capitalization and technical assistance grants totaling \$11 million for a new Energy Independence for Municipalities (EIM) revolving loan program. The grant application shall explain that, if supported by GBRA, the EIM program would fund projects that improve energy resilience and reduce energy costs for municipalities and municipal authorities in rural and low-income areas across Pennsylvania.



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New Business

Strategic Lending Partnership with Philadelphia Green Capital Corp.

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Proposed motion:

The PEDA board of directors authorizes and directs staff to: (1) execute an agreement between PEDA and Philadelphia Green Capital Corp. (PGCC), through which PEDA staff would identify projects to be funded by PGCC's National Clean Investment Fund loan from the Coalition for Green Capital (CGC); (2) identify funding under the PEDA-PGCC agreement those program-eligible projects that reflect the priorities of the board as expressed in the Energy Development Plan; and (3) execute any other agreements needed to facilitate the confidential sharing of information and documents between PEDA, PGCC, and CGC, consistent with the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law.



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New Business

Grant Request from Capital Good Fund

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Proposed motion:

The PEDDA board approves the request from Capital Good Fund (CGF) for a grant of up to \$500,000 from the Energy Development Fund to expand the Pennsylvania BRIGHT solar leasing program to low-to-moderate income families beyond CGF's current fifteen-county service area to other parts of the state, as well as to provide data and information with regard to solar adopters in Pennsylvania. This grant is contingent on PEDDA staff seeking and obtaining approval from the Department of Environmental Protection to award the grant through the non-solicitation award process.



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New Business

Statements of Financial Interest



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Other Business

Additional PEDA issues for discussion?



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Public Comment

Open floor for public comment



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Adjourn

Next scheduled meeting: May 20, 2025



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The Department of Environmental Protection's mission is to protect Pennsylvania's air, land and water resources and to provide for the health and safety of its residents and visitors, consistent with the rights and duties established under the Environmental Rights Amendment (Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution).