



Introduction

On behalf of EPA Region 2, I'd like to extend my congratulations on 50 years of ANJEC!

ANJEC's grantmaking in over \$2 million to New Jersey communities is a standout achievement in environmental work.



Rooted in Community



"Serving on an environmental commission shows you the true essence of public service and volunteerism"



Let's Talk Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act

- The EPA can now support national projects and statewide initiatives with an emphasis on environmental justice.
- Justice 40 40% of BIL and IRA funding will go to communities designated as overburdened or disadvantaged.
- "Whole of government approach"

Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund

- \$27 Billion to address one of the root causes of climate change
- The Fund seeks to cut down emissions, advance renewable energy, and move private interests in a sustainable way.
- \$6 Billion Clean Communities Investment Accelerator — community-driven, non-profit pollution reduction initiative.



Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program

- \$5 Billion grant pool which is a 3-part program for local, state, territories, and tribal nations.
- Part one \$250 million funding noncompetitive grants
- Part two and three \$4.6 billion competitive grants across 6 sectors
 - Electricity Generation
 - Industry
 - Transportation
 - Buildings
 - Agriculture
 - And Waste Management

Presentation title

Solid Waste Infrastructure For Recycling (SWIFR)

- 2022, BIL granted EPA \$275 million to create the Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling grant program.
- SWIFR allocates \$55 million in grants every year from 2022-2026 & follows the *National Recycling Strategy*, which identifies weaknesses in the American recycling system for reinforcement.



State Revolving Fund (SRF)

- Clean Water (CW)
 - Water quality
 - Water and energy efficiency
 - Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs)
- Drinking Water (DW)
 - Contamination Prevention
 - Lead pipe replacement
- BIL contributed \$396 Million 2022-2023

2023 SRFCW Funding \$124.5 Million

> 2023 CSRFDW Funding \$142.9 Million

2022-2023 SRF Total Funding \$495 Million

Environmental Justice

- While EJ's central role in new policy and practice on the federal level is certainly a recent development, the concept of EJ is not.
- Executive order 12898 (1994) -codifies definitions, clarifies roles, and sets expectations for the federal prioritization of EJ moving forward.
- Giving historically marginalized and climate vulnerable populations a seat at the table is how we address EJ concerns and prevent further harm.





Thank you





Happy 50th ANJEC!