ANJEC 50th Anniversary

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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.
“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
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!