

FUNDING OPTIONS FOR SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

Two Grant Programs for Oklahoma



EMERGING CONTAMINANTS IN SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES (EC-SDC) PROGRAM

SUMMARY

Part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), this grant program is focused on sampling and remediation of emerging contaminants in communities that do not have the ability to pay for it themselves. While the primary focus of this program is PFAS, any contaminant that is classified as emerging would be eligible for funding, including major contaminants in Oklahoma such as manganese.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

All communities that meet the definitions of small and disadvantaged are eligible for this program.

SMALL

Communities with a population less than 10,000 people. Specific emphasis on those less than 3,300 people and those who have positive sample results for emerging contaminants.

DISADVANTAGED

Median Household Income that is less than or equal to 90% of the National Median Household Income.

DEQ will determine Disadvantaged Status.

SMALL, UNDERSERVED, AND DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES (SUDC) PROGRAM

SUMMARY

The SUDC Grant Program is designed to help in construction projects for communities that are out of compliance but are not able to cover the costs necessary to achieve compliance. This program will help communities in Oklahoma deliver clean, safe, and healthy drinking water to their customers.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Communities that meet definitions of small, underserved, and disadvantaged are eligible for this program.

UNDERSERVED

Communities with a political subdivision of a State that either does not have household drinking water or wastewater services, or is served by a public water system that violates a requirement of a national primary drinking water regulation.

BENEFITS

- Sampling costs are covered for any sampling as part of the program.
- Funding available for remediation projects.
- Partnered with Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) to extend funding capabilities.

BENEFITS

- Funding assistance for construction projects to get a system back in compliance.
- Combined with DWSRF funding.
- Tools to sustainably provide safe drinking water to customers.

QUESTIONS? WANT TO APPLY?

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