

FACTSHEET

ABOUT

On April 13, 2023, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) unveiled the Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (TCTAC) initiative, in collaboration with the Department of Energy (DOE). This initiative aims to allocate grant funding to eligible applicants to establish technical assistance centers across the United States, providing crucial support to communities facing environmental justice concerns.

FUNDING ALLOCATION

- The EPA, in partnership with the DOE, has allocated \$177 million to assist overburdened communities nationwide.
- Region III, encompassing Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia, will receive \$12 million to enhance accessibility and address environmental justice concerns.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide outreach to underserved, overburdened, rural, and capacity constrained communities in Region III to receive technical assistance.
- Deliver technical assistance to increase the capacity of Hubs and communities of concern in Region III to assess environmental and energy justice concerns.
- Deliver training and technical assistance to increase the capacity of underserved, overburdened, rural, and capacity constrained communities in Region III to obtain funding to address environmental and energy justice issues.
- Deliver technical assistance to increase hub and community capacity to engage policymakers, government agencies, and industry in projects, programs, and initiatives that will address local environmental and energy justice issues in Region III.

The Region III TCTAC will be led by key partners, including the National Wildlife Federation (NWF), the Center for Community Engagement, Environmental Justice, and Health (CEEJH), and the University of Maryland Environmental Finance Center (UMD EFC).

PARTNERS

- Community hub partners include Centro De Apoyo Familiar, South Baltimore Community Land Trust, Overbrook Education Center, Sussex Health & Environmental Network, Sentinels of Eastern Shore Health, and Empower DC.
- Morgan State University will serve as the lead HBCU Hub, and West Virginia State University will act as another HBCU Hub.

CONTACT US

Your expertise and commitment will be invaluable to our shared mission!

To inquire about technical assistance or to volunteer as a service provider, please call:

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