

State of Maine
Master Score Sheet

RFA# 202206101								
Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants								
Bidder Name:		207 Permaculture	AVCOG	CEBE	GPCOG	Island Institute	Klein Energy Consulting	KVCOG
Proposed Cost:		\$29,900	\$62,500	\$44,359	\$30,000	\$37,460	\$25,000	\$35,000
Scoring Sections	Points Available							
Criteria 1: General Information/Service Provider and Group Eligibility	Pass / Fail	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition • 2 points for each high SVI or small population community • 1 point for each medium SVI or medium population community.	10	3	10	9	1	6	4	5
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience	35	32	35	35	32	32	35	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	35	35	35	34	35	27	35	33
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	20	20	20	20	20	15	20	20
TOTAL	100	90	100	98	88	80	94	90

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Bidder Name:		MCOG	SCEC	SMPDC	Sunrise Ecologic	YCSWCD		
Proposed Cost:		\$19,720	\$25,000	\$22,500	\$50,000	\$20,000		
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Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience	35	32	35	32	35	25		
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	35	34	32	35	35	33		
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	20	20	20	20	20	20		
TOTAL	100	90	91	89	98	80		



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AWARD NOTIFICATION LETTER

October 14, 2022

Rachel Lyn Rumson
207permaculture, L3C
22 Taylors Trail
New Gloucester, Maine 04260

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Rachel:

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Rachel Lyn Rumson](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:35:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_207permacultureL3C.pdf](#)

Hello Rachel Lyn,

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Warmly,
Brian

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Zach Gosselin
Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments
125 Manley Road
Auburn, Maine 04210

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Zach:

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Zach Gosselin](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:31:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_AVCOG.pdf](#)

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Claire McGlinchey
Center for an Ecology-based Environment
447 Main Street
Norway, Maine 04268

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Claire McGlinchey](#)
Cc: ["CEBE Scott"](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:31:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_CEBE.pdf](#)

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October 14, 2022

Sara Mills-Knapp
Greater Portland Council of Governments
970 Baxter Boulevard, Suite 201
Portland, Maine 04103

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Sara:

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Sara Mills-Knapp](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:30:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_GPCOG.pdf](#)

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October 14, 2022

Sam Vail
Island Institute
386 Main Street
Rockland, Maine 04841

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: "Sam Vail"
Cc: aroche@islandinstitute.org
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:34:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_IslandInstitute.pdf](#)

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Sharon Klein
Klein Energy Consulting
81 Grant Street
Bangor, Maine 04401

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Sharon:

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To: [Sharon Klein](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:30:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_KleinEnergyConsulting.pdf](#)

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Robyn Stanicki
Kennebec Valley Council of Governments
17 Main Street
Fairfield, Maine 04937

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: rstanicki@kvcog.org
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:30:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_KVCOG.pdf](#)

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Meg Rasmussen
Midcoast Council of Governments
165 Main Street
Damariscotta, Maine 04543

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Meg Rasmussen](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:33:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_MCOG.pdf](#)

Hello Meg,

Thank you for your application to GOPIF's Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant RFA. The attached Award Notification Letter for RFA #202206101 lists the selected applications and next steps in the award process.

Warmly,
Brian

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AWARD NOTIFICATION LETTER

October 14, 2022

Jennifer Peters
Sunrise County Economic Council
7 Ames Ways
Machias, Maine 04654

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
RFA #202206101, Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

Dear Jennifer:

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Jen Peters](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:29:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_SCEC.pdf](#)

Hello Jen,

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AWARD NOTIFICATION LETTER

October 14, 2022

Abbie Sherwin
Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission
110 Main Street, Suite 1400
Saco, Maine 04072

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Abbie:

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To: [Abbie Sherwin](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
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October 14, 2022

Shri Verrill
Sunrise Ecologic, LLC
47 Shackletons Way
Boothbay, Maine 04537

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Shri:

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From: [Ambrette, Brian](#)
To: [Shri Verrill](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
Date: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:34:00 AM
Attachments: [ANL_SunriseEcologicLLC.pdf](#)

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AWARD NOTIFICATION LETTER

October 14, 2022

Melissa Brandt
York County Soil & Water Conservation District
21 Bradeen Street, Suite 304
Springvale, Maine 04083

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Awards under
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Dear Melissa:

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To: [Melissa Brandt](#)
Subject: RFA#202206101 Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
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RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: 207permaculture
DATE: 9/16/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	3
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	90

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: other – low-profit LLC
- Community Letters of Support
 - Durham Conservation Commission (unsigned, not on letterhead)
 - Gray
 - New Gloucester
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - North Star Planning
 - Royal River Conservation Trust
 - rbouvier consulting
 - CCSWCD – no LOS
 - Marsha Dunn – no LOS

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 3

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 0

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: 207permaculture

DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35

Score: 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Lead consultant, associate, graphic facilitator
 - Royal River Conservation Trust (in kind), rbouvier consulting (natural resource issues, trends in climate change and statistical and economic analysis), Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District, North Star Planning, Maine Solar Solutions is on call for solar system consultation (in kind)
 - Local committees for each town
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Yes
 - Focus on front of meter energy expertise, not behind the meter (efficiency, etc.)
 - Facilitation and engagement, planning and community development, plus subject matter expertise in environmental economics, low impact development, soil science, permaculture, conservation, community agriculture, farming, fishing, forestry, land conservation, water ecology, community development and youth engagement experience
 -
- Previous Experience
 - Helping groups make decision and manifest their visions for change
 - Local sustainability and education initiatives across NE and Washington
 - Town of Gray low impact development, stormwater retention, village walkability, biodiverse soils, edible vegetation.
 - Several school greenhouse designs
 - Health and sustainable food initiative with Portland
 - Cooperative development with new Americans
 - Planning board and resiliency committee experience
 - Staff member is former planner and current Town Manager of Durham
 -

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APPLICANT: 207permaculture

DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Interested in determining pockets of high SVI areas
 - Will learn about engaging socially vulnerable populations as part of the work
 - Will provide stipends for youth and seniors participation
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Reasonable
- Applicant concerned with climate migration, biological disturbances, public costs, and related.

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RFA #: 202206101
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DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101
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APPLICANT: AVCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	10
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	100

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - Wilton
 - Phillips
 - Eustis
 - Kingfield (town also provides services to UTs Salem Township and Freeman Township)
 - Rangeley
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Rep. Randall C. Hall
 - NRCM

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 10

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 5
- # high SVI communities: 2

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APPLICANT: AVCOG

DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35

Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Trusted relationship and relevant staff skills
 - Grant writing and coordination
 - Consultant selection and facilitation
 - Project reporting and documentation
 - Program expertise
 - Service provider and regional coordinator roles separated among two staff
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Yes
 - Economic and community development, transportation planning, environmental management, land use planning
- Previous Experience
 - Culverts, solar ordinances, renewable energy projects, hazard mitigation planning, broadband, EV charging, procurement, energy conservation
 - Current GOPIF service provider

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EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1 Info meeting
 - TASK 2 Resolution
 - TASK 3 Self-assessments
 - AVCOG to review municipal plans on file and cross check with DACF
 - County and town level plan reviews
 - Provide drafts of self-assessments for towns to review
 - TASK 4 Workshops
 - Prepare and facilitate workshops
 - Prepare and deploy outreach campaign focused on vulnerable communities
 - Enroll communities in CRP
 - TASK 5 Multitown workshop on shared priorities
 - TASK 6 Grant research and assistance
 - Research funding opportunities for community priorities
 - Assist towns in drafting
 - TASK 7 Reporting
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - All communities are medium or high SVI
 - Outreach campaign to vulnerable communities planned for workshops
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Included detailed Gantt chart

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EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

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- Other notes

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APPLICANT: CEBE
DATE: 9/16/2022

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NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

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Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	9
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	34
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	98

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: nonprofit organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Casco
 - Oxford
 - Hartford
 - Sumner
 - Lovell
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - none

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 9

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): 1 and 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 4
- # high SVI communities: 2

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Small staff, working board
 - Grants to respond to climate and ecological emergencies
 - Youth engagement as part of capacity
 - Four staff members (one currently dedicated primarily to the CRP), a 10 member working Board of Stewards which includes five youth members in their teens and twenties, and an expert advisory board.
 - Connections with numerous local and statewide organizations and coalitions
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Project focus areas related to Maine Won't Wait
 - Stakeholder engagement
 - Working groups on food, shelter, energy, transportation
 - Extensive experience working with small communities on climate action
- Previous Experience
 - EVs, alternative transportation, solar, window inserts, workshops (e.g., carpentry), net-zero housing, food systems, community gardens, and more.
 - Nothing explicitly about behind-the-meter energy efficiency but embedded within net-zero and top of mind for window inserts.
 - Current GOPIF service provider

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EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 34

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1, “Build Diverse Community Representation”
 - Public presentations and outreach.
 - Includes representatives of youth, health, housing, public safety, conservation, transportation, and education. Stipends. Invitations to neighboring communities.
 - Task 2, “Facilitate Self-Assessments and Resolution Process”
 - Task 3, “Explore and Prioritize Community Actions,”
 - Task 4, “Apply for Grants,”

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Communities are either under 4000 population or medium-high SVI
 - Will include economically diverse audience in task 1
 - Stipends for low-income people to participate
 - In-person meetings so internet bandwidth/access is not a barrier
 - Youth engagement

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Tasks are well defined and reasonable
 - Would benefit from more detailed timeline

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APPLICANT: CEBE
DATE: 9/16/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Requested amount: \$44,395
- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: GPCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	1
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	88

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: GPCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - Westbrook
 - Gorham
 - Standish
 - Each town committing \$1000 in-kind staff time
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI – no LOS

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 1

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 0

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: GPCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - GPCOG has a Director of Sustainability, a Coordinator, and an Associate working on climate action; for the next two years, will be hosting between 10-14 Resilience Corps members plus other staff including staff comprising transportation and land use planners, data analysts, GIS expertise, and outreach and communications professionals
 - Partnering with GMRI for vulnerability assessments, science and technical review, and support for engagement and capacity building

- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? yes
 - City and climate planning, sustainability projects, resource economics, GIS
 - Would benefit from specifics around energy expertise and services

- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider, regional coordinator, and pilot project service provider
 - Yarmouth and Freeport climate planning
 - Hosting Maine Clean Communities program

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: GPCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Educating municipal officials and other community leaders about climate hazards and impacts and climate action solutions in their individual communities and in the three-municipality region.
 - Task 2: Guiding the cohort through the Resilience Self-Assessment and supporting them with regional data on climate vulnerabilities and planning.
 - Task 3: Facilitate internal municipal staff discussions on priority actions. Providing a framework for setting priorities for implementation, resulting in the completion of the List of Community Actions
 - Task 4: Providing materials and guidance for public engagement activities including outreach and the necessary community workshop.
 - Task 5: Supporting a strong project proposal to the CRP for additional investment by assisting communities with initial applications for Community Action grants (or other funding opportunities) and advising them on reporting requirements.
 - Task 6: Documenting the methods and outcomes of the project for future use by other municipalities, the region, and the state.
- Identifies specific lessons learned from previous service provider cohort and adjusts approach for this application accordingly
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Yes, proposal includes specific steps to ensure equity and inclusion within the public engagement process: identifying key stakeholders that represent vulnerable populations, GPCOG will collect and present town specific social vulnerability data, multiple types of outreach activities at different times, and assess the equity component for each project on the list of priority actions
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Reasonable and expedited timeline for March 2023 CAG application

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: GPCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes
 - \$1000 in-kind cost share from each town

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: Island Institute
DATE: 9/16/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	6
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	27
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	15
TOTAL POINTS		80

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Island Institute

DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Nonprofit organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Cranberry Isles
 - Swan’s Island
 - Gouldsboro
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI
 - Gouldsboro Shore Group

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 6

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 2
- # communities with population below 4,000: 3
- # high SVI communities: 2

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Island Institute

DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35

Score: 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Relationships and community development and climate experience with island and coastal communities
 - Approx. 50 staff with climate resilience, energy, and economic development
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Yes including ETIPP and partnership with GMRI
 - Energy transition
 - Would benefit from more detail on what this service entails
- Previous Experience
 - Current GOPIF service provider

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: Island Institute
DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 27

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1.1 Support adoption of municipal resolution
 - Leadership Framework is not described
 - TASK 1.2 Facilitate completion of the Community Self-Reliance Evaluation and review of the List of Community Actions
 - Would benefit from greater detail about how the task will be carried out. This is one of the more effort-intensive tasks and gets minimal treatment in the scope of work.
 - TASK 1.3 Utilize our experience in facilitating community meetings to co-design and co-facilitate public workshop(s)
 - TASK 2.1 strategize and advance the implementation of priority community and Group-wide climate and energy projects by accessing viable funding sources
 - Would benefit from greater detail. Prioritization, grant research, and grant writing are key tasks that get minimal discussion here
 - TASK 3.1 Track metrics and report to regional coordinator
 - This task is out of scope and not fundable under RFA scope
 - TASK 3.2 Participate in training and peer learning opportunities within Region 2
 - This task is out of scope and not fundable under RFA scope

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Application states that “process will ascribe to robust community engagement practices, including inclusive planning processes so that diverse community voices are heard. In practice, this will include individual recruitment of individuals through conversations and invitations (email and postcard), consideration of the time of the event and location, and offerings of alternative ways to participate (i.e., through individual conversations, offerings of a recording, and debrief opportunities)” but...
 - Would benefit from greater detail of how vulnerable groups would be identified and supported to participate

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Timeline not provided

- Overall proposal would benefit from greater attention to detail and specificity

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Island Institute

DATE: 9/16/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 15

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - Did not complete the budget table
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - Task 3.1 and 3.2 are out of scope – will not fund
- Is the cost share provided?
 - More clarity needed on cost-share sourcing
- Other notes
 - If task 3 not funded, subtract \$6,070.50 (including 27.8% indirect)
 - \$31,389.50 would be adjusted award

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: Klein Energy Consulting
DATE: 9/21/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	4
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS		94

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: for-profit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Penobscot Nation
 - Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians
- Partner/other Letters of support
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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 4

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? Yes, tribal
- Region(s): 4
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35

Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Consulting business to help communities identify climate priorities
 - Dr. Klein plus an assistant, with experience with community energy engagement
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Yes
 - Community engaged, community-led climate and energy initiatives
 - Energy equity and justice including indigenous tribes, rural, low-income communities, and communities with higher percentages of people of color
 - Behind- and front-of-meter energy experience
 - Grant writing experience
- Previous Experience
 - Teaching research and public service
 - Community window insert building workshops
 - Current Service Provider

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1 Community self-assessment
 - Task 2 Community workshop
 - Task 3 Finalizing Partnership application & 1st Grant application
 -
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Community-led
 - Stipends provided to community members
 - Proven process will be adapted/replaced by whatever is best for the unique culture and traditions of each new community
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Reasonable objectives
 - Prepare communities for March 2023 CAG round

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/21/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes
 - Stipends for community participation

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: KVCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	5
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	33
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS		90

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: KVCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional planning organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Chelsea
 - Gardiner
 - Freedom
- Partner/other Letters of support

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 5

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 2 and 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 1

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: KVCOG

DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35 **Score:** 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - 4-person community resilience team: exec director, environmental planner, financial manager, community resilience planner
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Energy expertise not specifically identified
 - 5 organizational focal areas: CEDS, brownfields assessments, solid waste diversion, joint purchasing, community resilience
- Previous Experience
 - 50 years serving 60 municipalities
 - Federal Reserve Working Communities Challenge
 - Current GOPIF Service provider and partner to Regional Coordinator contracts

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: KVCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 33

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) yes
 - Community outreach and candidate development
 - Community Resilience Self Evaluations
 - Workshops – project review and prioritization
 - Grant Admin and Reporting

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - “Public Engagement strategies will be explored to maximize participation among all community groups and representing a variety of residents: impacted individuals, residents with disabilities, minority residents, and low-income people.”
 - Would benefit from greater detail

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Timeline, roles/responsibilities, points of contact to be developed within 30 days of grant start

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: KVCOG
DATE: 9/16/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - Minor addition errors in Total Budget column. Does not affect funds requests or cost share
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - reasonable
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes

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TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: Midcoast Council of Governments
DATE: 9/21/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	4
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	34
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	90

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Midcoast Council of Governments

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - South Thomaston
 - Owls Head
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI
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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 4

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 0

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Midcoast Council of Governments

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35 **Score:** 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Exec Director, Community Sustainability Planner, Planner
 - GMRI
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Land use planning, community and economic development, sustainability and resilience
 - Community engagement
 - Clean energy could benefit from more detail and expertise
 - plus a member of ICLEI for support with GHG emission inventories
- Previous Experience
 - GHG emission inventory
 - SLR and water quality
 - GIS
 - Coastal flooding and resilience

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Midcoast Council of Governments

DATE: 9/21/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work**

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 34

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1 Define working groups
 - TASK 2 Review and assess work to-date
 - 2.1 “Community Resilience Training” program with GMRI
 - 2.2 Complete self-evaluations
 - 2.3 GHG baseline with ICLEI model
 - 2.4 Prioritize and plan short and long term actions
 - TASK 3 Engage community
 - 3.1 GMRI SLR workshop
 - 3.2 Public input meetings
 - 3.3 Social media
 - 3.4 Public meeting to share self evals and prioritization outcomes with selectboards
 - TASK 4 Update selectboards
 - 4.1 Selectboard meetings
 - 4.2 Complete enrollment
 - TASK 5 Apply for CAGs
 - 5.1 40 hours of grant writing services to each community for CAG applications. Will also provide list of other funding sources.
 - TASK 6 Plan to address remaining priorities
 - 6.1 Roadmap
 - 6.2 GMRI Resource Workshop
 - 6.3 GMRI additional exploration through Community Resilience Training program
 -
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Both groups will develop community engagement plans to gather input from diverse community voices including meetings and surveys
 - Planning Forward workshop: designed to help rural coastal communities plan for climate change
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Clear tasks but would benefit from greater clarity of outcomes and timelines
- ICLEI GHG inventory work not identified in budget. Will be interested to see a methodology that is feasible within Service Provider role/funding.

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Midcoast Council of Governments

DATE: 9/21/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes
 - Budget is reasonable

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: Sunrise County Economic Council
DATE: 9/21/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	4
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	91

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Sunrise County Economic Council

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional economic development organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Roque Bluffs
 - Whitneyville
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Non letter of support:
 - Maine Sea Grant
 - UMM GIS Service Center
 - Dr. Sharon Klein
 - Island Institute
 - A Climate to Thrive

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 4

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 2
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Sunrise County Economic Council

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35

Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Robust partnership approach
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Sharon Klein and ACTT for energy and emissions related support
 - UMM GIS Service Center and Maine Sea Grant for resiliency support
 - New coastal adaptation and resilience post doc position at UMM under MOU with SCEC, SG, and Coop Ext.
 - SCEC new hire with energy background
 - Island Institute
- Previous Experience
 - Energy efficiency projects
 - Current service provider and regional coordinator

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Sunrise County Economic Council

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1 New enrollments – complete enrollment steps
 - TASK 2 Project lists and prioritization
 - including updating emergency operation plans for each community
 - TASK 3 Assistance with CAG or other funding applications
 - CTCS will provide training in flood resilience checklist - what does this mean? Will they help the towns complete the checklist?
 - TASK 4 Reporting and training

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Both communities are high SVI
 - Approach is tailored to community needs, but could benefit from greater detail about engaging vulnerable groups within each community

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Objectives and timelines reasonable

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Sunrise County Economic Council

DATE: 9/21/2022

**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - Yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - Yes, by partners
- Other notes
 - TASK 2 largely provided by partners

**STATE OF MAINE
TEAM CONSENSUS EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission

DATE: 9/21/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future

NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette

NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	2
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	32
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS	(Max: 100 Points)	89

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail

Score: Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional Planning Organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Ogunquit
 - Wells, Wells Energy Advisory Committee
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Great Works Regional Land Trust
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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10

Score: 2

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 1
- # high SVI communities: 0

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35 **Score:** 32

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Sustainability coordinator and coastal resilience coordinator
 - Added land use and sustainability planner and a sustainability and resilience specialist to support expanding climate and sustainability work
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Through its Regional Sustainability and Resilience Program, SMPDC provides technical assistance, training, and planning services to municipalities to enhance their sustainability, climate preparedness, and community resilience.
 -
- Previous Experience
 - GOPIF service provider and regional coordinator
 - Experience supporting municipal action and resolutions: climate goals, solar collaborative, GHG inventory
 - Experience designing and conducting workshops and engaging community members on climate change and community resilience: workshops, presentations and listening sessions, community engagement
 - Efforts to help communities identify community resilience needs and priorities: facilitated workshops, Regional Sustainability and Coastal Resilience Assessment framework, Tides, Taxes and New Tactics
 - Projects identifying and implementing regional/group projects: Solar collaborative, Regional Sustainability and Resilience Pilot, Climate Ready Coast regional plan
 - Efforts to apply for and secure funding for community resilience projects: Coastal Community grants, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant for regional coastal resilience plan, Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership
 - Would benefit from additional detail on energy efficiency experience and expertise

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EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Identify a community lead and onboard each community
 - Task 2: Complete the Community Resilience Self-Evaluation and review the List of Community Actions for each community
 - Task 3: Host community resilience workshop(s)
 - Task 5: Develop the list of priority group-wide actions
 - Task 6: Support each community in passing a municipal resolution
 - Task 7: Assist communities with enrollment application
 - Task 8: Assist communities in seeking funding for priority projects
 - Task 9: Grant administration

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Stakeholder mapping including social vulnerability
 - Identify underserved populations and determine effective ways to engage
 - Meet communities where they are, prioritize accessibility, inclusive workshop schedule, opportunities for feedback

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Clear deliverables identified
 - Aiming for enrollments in 12 months, perhaps 6 months if communities request accelerated pace.

- Well-designed application and solid example of integrating accessibility and vulnerable populations through the scope of work

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**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - SMPDC will provide a 15% match contribution, equal to \$3,475, using funds from membership dues which are immediately available and unencumbered.
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: Sunrise Ecologic
DATE: 9/21/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

SUMMARY PAGE

		Points Awarded:
Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	8
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	35
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS		98
	(Max: 100 Points)	

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: Sunrise Ecologic

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: for profit enterprise
- Community Letters of Support
 - Boothbay
 - Boothbay Harbor
 - Southport
 - Wiscasset
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Rep. Holly Stover
 - Boothbay Region Clean Drinking Water Initiative
 - Non letters of support
 - John Snell
 - Shadow Group

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 8

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 4
- # high SVI communities: 0

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APPLICANT: Sunrise Ecologic

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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35 **Score:** 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Sole-member LLC with support from 2 subcontractors and a technical advisor
 - Noted that resources are available for additional help where expertise may fall short.
 - John Snell, LLC will be available to provide services as a subcontractor in the area of clean energy/emissions reductions and Strategy Areas A-D. Wendy Betts, Owner of The Shadow Group, LLC will be available to provide assistance with fundraising, grant writing program compliance and reporting for Strategy Areas A-H.
 -
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Climate resilience, clean energy and emissions reduction, funding research and identification
- Previous Experience
 - Community development, resilience, clean energy, emissions reduction, fundraising, grant writing, reporting, watershed, dams, wetlands, climate resiliency mapping, energy assessments, behind- and front-of-the-meter experience, grant identification.
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**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work**

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 35

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Municipal resolution and CRP contact/committee
 - *Direct support:* Hereafter, direct support will be used to describe a variety of services and technical assistance including communication: phone calls, emails, developing agendas and or notes/minutes; attending and/or facilitating in person or video conference meetings, and providing digital educational and project management material in advance and as follow up.
 - Task 2: Self-evaluation & community action(s) next steps
 - Task 3: Diverse engagement & equitable outreach
 - Mix of in-person, virtual, web-based, hardcopy/mail, and phone approaches
 - Task 4: Community meetings
 - Workshops for pairs of communities
 - Task 5: Community Action Grant
 - And fundraising sustainability plan
 - Task 6: Grant reporting & administration

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Four smaller communities, 3 with medium SVI
 - Specific task dedicated to diverse engagement and equitable outreach
 - Community members without access to computers and or transportation; who may be hearing or visually impaired; at home sick and wanting to participate; or in need of childcare to attend will be ensured of the opportunity to participate by utilization of equitable outreach strategies
 - Will develop equitable decision making and communication protocol as part of Task 1

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Clear, well-organized deliverables
 - Will develop Gantt chart as part of Task 1
 - Seeking CAG application in Spring 2023

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**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101
RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant
APPLICANT: York County Soil & Water Conservation District
DATE: 9/21/2022

DEPARTMENT NAME: Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
NAME OF RFP COORDINATOR: Brian Ambrette
NAMES OF EVALUATORS: Brian Ambrette, Sarah Curran, Ross Anthony

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Numerical Score:		
Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility	(Pass/Fail)	Pass
Criteria 2: Community Group Composition	(Max: 10 Points)	2
Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, Previous Experience	(Max: 35 Points)	25
Criteria 4: Scope of Work	(Max: 35 Points)	33
Criteria 5: Budget Proposal	(Max: 20 Points)	20
TOTAL POINTS		80

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 1: General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Total Points Available: Pass/Fail **Score:** Pass

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: nonprofit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Sanford
 - Waterboro
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - none
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EVALUATION OF

Criteria 2: Community Group Composition

Total Points Available: 10 **Score:** 2

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 1

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

APPLICANT: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF

Criteria 3: Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

Total Points Available: 35

Score: 25

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Extensive project management experience
 - Grassroots approach to connecting programs and resources to communities
 - staff is trained in project management, planning, and facilitation
 - deeper collaboration with large network of relevant partnerships will be key to project success
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Strongest in resilience
 - would benefit from more detail on specifically how project will leverage partners for clean energy and emissions expertise
 - Project management, grassroots approach, energy efficiency, erosion, habitat improvement, water quality, fish habitat, stormwater mitigation, forestry, conservation, and related.
- Previous Experience
 - Worked with farmers, municipalities, and landowners to connect to cost share and planning programs that increase energy efficiency, decrease erosion, improve habitat, improve water quality, improve infrastructure of stream crossings for fish habitat and stormwater mitigation, demonstrate working forest practices, train contractors, and provide guidance for municipal ordinances related to conservation issues
 - Managed 31 single and multi-year grants for our local communities.
 - Watershed plans address the effects of rising sea level and impacts of climate change in in each of our major river systems; worked to build steering committees, education and outreach, provide engineering and cost share to reduce nonpoint source pollution
 - With the City of Sanford on 9 grant projects to improve water quality, reduce flooding from stormwater, and to identify ash trees that are susceptible to infestation.
 - Connect landowners to cost share programs through our Federal and State partners and provide technical assistance where needed.
 - Hosted and alternative energy workshop on solar, geothermal, biofuel, and wind energy options for farmers and landowners (in 2011, still relevant?)

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APPLICANT: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9/21/2022

EVALUATION OF
Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

Total Points Available: 35 Score: 33

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Community Outreach and Leadership
 - work with the local Sanford Regional Technical Center (SRTC) program (which enrolls students from both communities) on outreach and information materials
 - map out the stakeholders for each community. This will help to identify which stakeholders should complete the self-evaluation and who should be involved in the workshops
 - Task 2: Community Resilience Self-Evaluation and Community Action List
 - 2 facilitated group discussions per community
 - Task 3: Community Resiliency Workshop
 - Participants will have the option to participate in person or virtual
 - Task 4: Develop Priority Action List
 - Task 5: Group Action opportunities
 - Task 6: Municipal Resolution
 - Task 7: Assist Communities to complete application for enrollment in CRP
 - Task 8: Priority Projects funding opportunities (once enrolled)
 - Task 9: Grant Administration

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - In Task 1, “will work to identify underserved populations, have been historically marginalized, and/or are socially vulnerable. Our goal is to invite their input to identifying ways to increase engagement in their communities and provide a path for everyone to participate”
 -

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Deliverables identified for each task
 - Goal to enroll and apply for spring 2023 grant round, but fall 2023 if more time is needed
 - YCSWCD to “provide support” to both communities for 12-month grant period – unclear what this support includes
 -

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APPLICANT: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

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**EVALUATION OF
Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal**

Total Points Available: 20 Score: 20

Evaluation Team Comments:

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - Addition error in Task 9 Total Cost leads to \$300 error in Total Project Cost. Does not affect requested amount.
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - Yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - Yes
- Other notes
 - Not requesting additional \$2500 for high SVI Sanford

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: 207permaculture, L3C

DATE: 9/6/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: other – low-profit LLC
- Community Letters of Support
 - Durham (unsigned, not on letterhead)
 - Gray
 - New Gloucester
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - North Star Planning
 - Royal River Conservation Trust
 - rbouvier consulting

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 0

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - 6-member committees in all 3 towns
 - 3 staff members from primary applicant plus one paid partner
 - Other partners bring ecological, economic, planning/SWM/infrastructure, and solar expertise
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
- Previous Experience
 - Place-making block grant in Gray
 - School greenhouse designs in Falmouth, Kittery, Gray-New Gloucester
 - Portland Health and sustainable food initiative
 - Staff member is former planner and current Town Manager of Durham

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Would benefit from more detail

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes
 - Perhaps underestimates the time required for some tasks, but otherwise budget is sound

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: AVCOG

DATE: 9/8/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - Wilton
 - Phillips
 - Eustis
 - Kingfield (town also provides services to UTs Salem Township and Freeman Township)
 - Rangeley
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Rep. Randall C. Hall
 - NRCM

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 5
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Service provider and regional coordinator roles separated among two staff
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - “experience securing and administering grant funding and philanthropic support for energy conservation upgrades and renewable energy generation projects”
 - “assisted municipalities in drafting solar zoning ordinances, performed development reviews of solar projects, offered technical assistance on regional solar power purchase agreements, and on LED streetlight conversions.”
 - Environmental management, land use planning, economic and community development, transportation planning
- Previous Experience
 - Existing CRP service provider and regional coordinator

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1 Info meeting
 - TASK 2 Resolution
 - TASK 3 Self-assessments
 - AVCOG to review municipal plans on file and cross check with DACF
 - County and town level plan reviews

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BIDDER NAME: AVCOG

DATE: 9/8/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Provide drafts of self assessments for towns to review
- TASK 4 Workshops
 - Prepare and facilitate workshops
 - Prepare and deploy outreach campaign focused on vulnerable communities
 - Enroll communities in CRP
- TASK 5 Multitown workshop on shared priorities
- TASK 6 Grant research and assistance
 - Research funding opportunities for community priorities
 - Assist towns in drafting
- TASK 7 Reporting
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - Vulnerable populations are mentioned as focus of outreach task. More detail on how these population will be engaged would be helpful.
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes
 - Detailed Gantt chart provided

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: CEBE

DATE: 9/8/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: nonprofit organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Casco
 - Oxford
 - Hartford
 - Sumner
 - Lovell
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - none

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): 1 and 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 4
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - 10-member working board
 - One staff member dedicated to CRP
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1, “Build Diverse Community Representation”
 - Public presentations and outreach.
 - Includes representatives of youth, health, housing, public safety, conservation, transportation, and education. Stipends. Invitations to neighboring communities.
 - Task 2, “Facilitate Self-Assessments and Resolution Process”
 - Task 3, “Explore and Prioritize Community Actions,”
 - Task 4, “Apply for Grants,”
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Initial outreach intended to encourage participation by “socially and economically diverse” groups
 - Stipends for low-income people to participate
 - In-person meetings so internet bandwidth/access is not a barrier

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BIDDER NAME: CEBE

DATE: 9/8/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Discrete tasks are identified.
 - Would benefit from a more detailed project timeline.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Requested amount: \$44,395
- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes
 - Allocation of effort among various tasks is reasonable

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: GPCOG

DATE: 9/8/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - Westbrook
 - Gorham
 - Standish
 - Each town committing \$1000 in-kind staff time
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI (no LOS)

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 0

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Identifies specific staff - Director of Sustainability, a Coordinator, and an Associate working on climate action in our region, plus 10-14 Resilience Corps members
 - Partnering with GMRI for vulnerability assessments, science and technical review, and support for engagement and capacity building
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? yes
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider, regional coordinator, and pilot project service provider
 - Yarmouth and Freeport climate planning
 - Maine Clean Communities

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Educating municipal officials and other community leaders about climate hazards and impacts and climate action solutions in their individual communities and in the three-municipality region.
 - Task 2: Guiding the cohort through the Resilience Self-Assessment and supporting them with regional data on climate vulnerabilities and planning.
 - Task 3: Facilitate internal municipal staff discussions on priority actions. Providing a framework for setting priorities for implementation, resulting in the completion of the List of Community Actions
 - Task 4: Providing materials and guidance for public engagement activities including outreach and the necessary community workshop.

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EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Task 5: Supporting a strong project proposal to the CRP for additional investment by assisting communities with initial applications for Community Action grants (or other funding opportunities) and advising them on reporting requirements.
- Task 6: Documenting the methods and outcomes of the project for future use by other municipalities, the region, and the state.
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Provides four specific actions that will increase equity and inclusion
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes.
 - Timeline for March 2023 CAG applications
- Identifies specific lessons learned from previous service provider cohort and adjusts approach for this application accordingly
- Strong understanding of service provider role, program outcomes, and delivery challenges

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes
 - \$1000 in-kind cost share from each town

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Island Institute

DATE: 9/9/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Nonprofit organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Cranberry Isles
 - Swan’s Island
 - Gouldsboro
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI
 - Gouldsboro Shore Group

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 2
- # communities with population below 4,000: 3
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Abby Roche will lead project
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Deep experience and connections with island communities
 - Institute has both adaptation and clean energy expertise in-house
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1.1 Support adoption of municipal resolution
 - Leadership Framework is not described
 - TASK 1.2 Facilitate completion of the Community Self-Reliance [sic] Evaluation and review of the List of Community Actions
 - Would benefit from greater detail about how the task will be carried out. This is one of the more effort-intensive tasks and gets minimal treatment in the scope of work.
 - TASK 1.3 Utilize our experience in facilitating community meetings to co-design and co-facilitate public workshop(s)
 - TASK 2.1 strategize and advance the implementation of priority community and Group-wide climate and energy projects by accessing viable funding sources

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BIDDER NAME: Island Institute

DATE: 9/9/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Would benefit from greater detail. Prioritization, grant research, and grant writing are key tasks that get minimal discussion here
- TASK 3.1 Track metrics and report to regional coordinator
 - What metrics will be tracked?
 - Reporting to GOPIF?
- TASK 3.2 Participate in training and peer learning opportunities within Region 2
 - This task is more connected with their commitments to the Regional Coordinators than the service provider grant. PERHAPS NOT FUND THIS TASK?
- Scope of work is under-developed. Would benefit from more description in key areas
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Application states that “process will ascribe to robust community engagement practices, including inclusive planning processes so that diverse community voices are heard. In practice, this will include individual recruitment of individuals through conversations and invitations (email and postcard), consideration of the time of the event and location, and offerings of alternative ways to participate (i.e., through individual conversations, offerings of a recording, and debrief opportunities)” but...
 - Would benefit from greater detail of the “robust community engagement practices” to be used.
 - Would benefit from greater detail of how vulnerable groups would be identified and supported to participate
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - No timeline provided
- 6 pages to burnish credentials and just 2 pages to describe scope of work? More detail needed to describe tasks. Some lack of attention to detail (e.g. authors’ comments left in document, missing project timeline)

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - General cost-share from SLR/Climate Adaptation Team budget
- Other notes
 - TASK 3.1 budget feels disproportional to the level of effort indicated in scope of work.
 - Indirect costs

Recommend partial funding?

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/15/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: for-profit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Penobscot Nation
 - Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? Yes, tribal
- Region(s): 4
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Sharon plus a grad student assistant
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Primarily energy-related expertise and skill engaging tribal communities
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider for two towns and two tribes

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1 Community self-assessment
 - Task 2 Community workshop
 - Task 3 Finalizing Partnership application & 1st Grant application
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Strong attention to workshop design, community participation, and outreach
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Prepare communities for March 2023 CAG round

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes
 - Stipends for community participation

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: KVCOG

DATE: 9/13/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - Chelsea
 - Gardiner
 - Freedom
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 2 and 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 1

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - 4-person community resilience team: exec director, environmental planner, financial mgr, community resilience planner
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Energy expertise not specifically identified
 - 5 organizational focal areas: CEDS, brownfields assessments, solid waste diversion, joint purchasing, community resilience
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider and partner to regional coordinator

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) yes
 - Community outreach and candidate development
 - Community Resilience Self Evaluations
 - Workshops – project review and prioritization
 - Grant Admin and Reporting
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Not discussed in application
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Timeline, roles/responsibilities, points of contact to be developed within 30 days of grant start

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BIDDER NAME: KVCOG

DATE: 9/13/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - Minor addition errors in Total Budget column. Does not affect funds requested or cost share
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - Reasonable budget
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: MCOG

DATE: 9/13/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: COG
- Community Letters of Support
 - South Thomaston
 - Owls Head
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 0

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Exec Director, Community Sustainability Planner, Planner
 - GMRI
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Yes, plus a member of ICLEI for support with GHG emission inventories
- Previous Experience
 - Individual staff have substantial relevant experience
 - limited organizational experience likely mitigated by staff experience

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1 Define working groups
 - TASK 2 Review and assess work to-date
 - 2.1 “Community Resilience Training” program with GMRI
 - 2.2 Complete self-evaluations
 - 2.3 GHG baseline with ICLEI model
 - 2.4 Prioritize and plan short and long term actions
 - TASK 3 Engage community
 - 3.1 GMRI SLR workshop
 - 3.2 Public input meetings
 - 3.3 Social media
 - 3.4 Public meeting to share self evals and prioritization outcomes with selectboards
 - TASK 4 Update selectboards

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BIDDER NAME: MCOG

DATE: 9/13/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- 4.1 Selectboard meetings
 - 4.2 Complete enrollment
 - TASK 5 Apply for CAGs
 - 5.1 40 hours of grant writing services to each community for CAG applications.
Will also provide list of other funding sources.
 - TASK 6 Plan to address remaining priorities
 - 6.1 Roadmap
 - 6.2 GMRI Resource Workshop
 - 6.3 GMRI additional exploration through Community Resilience Training program
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Not discussed in application
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Clear tasks but would benefit from greater clarity of outcomes and timelines
- Thorough process described, nice integration with GMRI programming.
- GHG inventory work not identified in budget. Will be interested to see a methodology that is feasible within Service Provider role/funding.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes
 - Budget is reasonable

**STATE OF MAINE
INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SCEC

DATE: 9/13/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional economic development organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Roque Bluffs
 - Whitneyville
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - none

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 2
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Jen Peters
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? yes
 - Sharon Klein and ACTT for energy and emissions related support
 - UMM GIS Service Center and Maine Sea Grant for resiliency support
 - New coastal adaptation and resilience post doc position at UMM under MOU with SCEC, SG, and Coop Ext.
 - SCEC new hire with energy background
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider and regional coordinator

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - TASK 1 New enrollments – complete enrollment steps
 - TASK 2 Project lists and prioritization
 - including updating emergency operation plans for each community
 - TASK 3 Assistance with CAG or other funding applications
 - CTSC will provide training in flood resilience checklist - what does this mean? Training to SCEC, or to towns? Will they help the towns do the checklist?
 - TASK 4 Reporting and training
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Not discussed in detail
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Tasks are well defined but would benefit from a timeline

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SCEC

DATE: 9/13/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - Yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - Yes, by partners
- Other notes
 - TASK 2 largely provided by partners

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SMPDC

DATE: 9/19/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional Planning Organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Ogunquit
 - Wells, Wells Energy Advisory Committee
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Great Works Regional Land Trust

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 1
- # high SVI communities: 0

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Sustainability Coordinator, Karina Graeter, and Coastal Resilience Coordinator, Abbie Sherwin, have the expertise and capacity to expand this work to the Communities participating in this Service Provider Grant proposal
 - added two new staff members, Hannah Bonine, Land Use and Sustainability Planner, and Julia Maine, Sustainability and Resilience Specialist, to support the organization’s expanding climate change and sustainability work
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? yes
 - Regional Sustainability and Resilience Program provides technical assistance, training, and planning services to municipalities to enhance their sustainability, climate preparedness, and community resilience.
 - trusted partners for municipal planning issues and have strong existing relationships with the communities participating in this proposal
 - Lists extensive experience related to the service provider tasks: supporting municipal actions and resolutions, designing and conducting workshops, identifying needs and priorities, identifying regional projects, securing grant funds
- Previous Experience
 - Current service provider to 4 communities
 - Regional Coordinator for region 1

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Identify a community lead and onboard each community

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BIDDER NAME: SMPDC

DATE: 9/19/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Task 2: Complete the Community Resilience Self-Evaluation and review the List of Community Actions for each community
 - Task 3: Host community resilience workshop(s)
 - Task 5: Develop the list of priority group-wide actions
 - Task 6: Support each community in passing a municipal resolution
 - Task 7: Assist communities with enrollment application
 - Task 8: Assist communities in seeking funding for priority projects
 - Task 9: Grant administration
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - In Task 1, stakeholder mapping “will identify populations that are underserved, have elevated social vulnerability, and/or have historically been marginalized and/or excluded from municipal planning efforts and determine appropriate and effective ways to engage those populations in the process”
 - In Task 3, specific considerations provided for accessible and inclusive workshops
 - In Task 4, “ensure the list includes the priorities of ... particularly those of the most vulnerable community members”
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Clear deliverables identified
 - Aiming for enrollments in 12 months, perhaps 6 months if communities request accelerated pace.
- Well designed application and solid example of integrating accessibility and vulnerable populations through the scope of work

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - SMPDC will provide a 15% match contribution, equal to \$3,475, using funds from membership dues which are immediately available and unencumbered.
- Other notes
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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Sunrise Ecologic LLC

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: for profit enterprise
- Community Letters of Support
 - Boothbay
 - Boothbay Harbor
 - Southport
 - Wiscasset
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Rep. Holly Stover
 - Boothbay Region Clean Drinking Water Initiative

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 4
- # high SVI communities: 0

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Shri Verrill plus 2 subcontractors and a technical advisor
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? yes
 - Shri Verrill, Sunrise Ecologic
 - Experience in MWW strategies E, F, G, H
 - work has included coastal & aquatic stream assessment, mapping, prioritization, funding, and implementation of a variety of restoration & management projects including tidal crossings, dam removal, tide gate replacement, stream restoration & connectivity, living shorelines, and salt marsh restoration and remediation
 - history of municipal, state, federal, tribal, RPO, nonprofit, university partnerships
 - co-founded the Alliance for Economic Democracy and served as the Chair of the organizing committee and MC for the Economic Democracy in Maine conference
 - John Snell LLC
 - forty years of experience providing comprehensive energy performance services for public and private buildings
 - energy assessment technical support and due diligence for public and privately funded energy efficiency and renewable energy investment opportunities
 - From 2004-2019 John served as Chair of the Green Energy Technology Committee in Lincoln, MA. In this capacity he led the effort to prototype four important initiatives: 1) Carbon neutral by law; 2) Municipal 20% reduction initiative; 3) Residential 20% reduction pilot; 4) Community solar.

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BIDDER NAME: Sunrise Ecologic LLC

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- He is currently providing municipal decarbonization technical support for six communities in Massachusetts for the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission and the Montachusett Regional Planning Commission.
- He is also a member of the Center for an Ecology Based Economy's Energy Working Group. He has helped develop a net zero road map for the town of Norway, Maine and is currently working on energy and decarbonization reports for Oxford Hills School Administrative District 17.
- Wendy Betts
 - over thirty years' experience with funding research and identification (federal, state, and local), grant writing program implementation and program evaluation (design of performance measures and compliance) and is available as a subcontractor to assist with strategy areas A-H
 - and grant reporting and administration for the CRP
- Alex Jackimovicz, Alliance for Economic Democracy
 - available to provide technical assistance for public meetings to ensure that virtual presentations and recordings function smoothly
- well qualified team
- Previous Experience
 - See above

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Task 1: Municipal resolution and CRP contact/committee
 - *Direct support:* Hereafter, direct support will be used to describe a variety of services and technical assistance including communication: phone calls, emails, developing agendas and or notes/minutes; attending and/or facilitating in person or video conference meetings, and providing digital educational and project management material in advance and as follow up.
 - Task 2: Self-evaluation & community action(s) next steps
 - Task 3: Diverse engagement & equitable outreach
 - Mix of in-person, virtual, web-based, hardcopy/mail, and phone approaches
 - Task 4: Community meetings
 - Workshops for pairs of communities
 - Task 5: Community Action Grant
 - And fundraising sustainability plan
 - Task 6: Grant reporting & administration
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - Will develop equitable decision making and communication protocol as part of Task 1
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Clear, well-organized deliverables
 - Will develop Gantt chart as part of Task 1
 - Seeking CAG application in Spring 2023

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - yes

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EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: nonprofit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Sanford
 - Waterboro
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - none

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 1

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - staff is trained in project management, planning, and facilitation
 - seems to be only one staff member for the proposed scope of work
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise?
 - Identifies areas of expertise in adaptation/resilience with respect planning, stormwater, natural resource
 - Claims some clean energy experience but unclear what this might include beyond hosting a workshop over a decade ago.
 - Claims broad network of partners to help but does not list any partners specifically or their areas of expertise
- Previous Experience
 - watershed plans address the effects of rising sea level and impacts of climate change in in each of our major river systems, including our recent project award for an impacted marine watershed (Biddeford Pool)
 - worked closely with the City of Sanford on 9 grant projects to improve water quality, reduce flooding from stormwater, and to identify ash trees that are susceptible to infestation

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application)
 - Scope of work and much of the language is very similar to SMPDC's application.
 - Task 1: Community Outreach and Leadership
 - work with the local Sanford Regional Technical Center (SRTC) program (which enrolls students from both communities) on outreach and information materials

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RFA #: 202206101

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BIDDER NAME: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Brian Ambrette

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- map out the stakeholders for each community. This will help to identify which stakeholders should complete the self-evaluation and who should be involved in the workshops
 - Task 2: Community Resilience Self-Evaluation and Community Action List
 - 2 facilitated group discussions per community
 - Task 3: Community Resiliency Workshop
 - Participants will have the option to participate in person or virtual
 - Task 4: Develop Priority Action List
 - Task 5: Group Action opportunities
 - Task 6: Municipal Resolution
 - Task 7: Assist Communities to complete application for enrollment in CRP
 - Task 8: Priority Projects funding opportunities (once enrolled)
 - Task 9: Grant Administration
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged?
 - In Task 1, will work to identify underserved populations, have been historically marginalized, and/or are socially vulnerable. Our goal is to invite their input to identifying ways to increase engagement in their communities and provide a path for everyone to participate
 - Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable?
 - Deliverables identified for each task
 - Goal to enroll and apply for spring 2023 grant round, but fall 2023 if more time is needed
 - YCSWCD to “provide support” to both communities for 12-month grant period – unclear what this support includes
 - Ambitious scope, very similar to scope proposed by SMPDC
 - Over 50 deliverables identified to be completed in 4-5 months in order to meet Spring 2023 target for enrollments

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct?
 - Addition error in Task 9 Total Cost leads to \$300 error in Total Project Cost. Does not affect requested amount.
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative?
 - Yes
- Is the cost share provided?
 - Yes
- Other notes
 - Not requesting additional \$2500 for high SVI Sanford

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: 207permaculture, L3C

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Other: Low-profit limited liability corporation
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - Royal River Conservation Trust (Los)
 - Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District
 - North-Star Planning (LoS)
 - Marsha Dunn
 - rbouvier Consulting (Los)
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Durham	Yes	No	Low
1	New Gloucester	Yes	No	Low
1	Gray	Yes	No	Low

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Entities have relevant capacities and qualifications
 - Primary bidder has experience in sustainability, climate resiliency, stakeholder facilitation, and front-of-the-meter energy. Lacking in behind-the-meter energy.
 - Sub-bidders have similar experience.
- Expertise
 - Climate resiliency and sustainability planning, stakeholder facilitation for decision making, social innovation, youth engagement, solar consultation, and more.
- Previous Experience
 - Bidder and sub-bidders have a wide variety of climate, sustainability, and front-of-the-meter focused projects

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- Communities have a population higher than 4K and low SVI.
 - Communities are interested in determining pockets of varying SVIs

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BIDDER NAME: 207permaculture, L3C

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.
- Other notes:
 - Concerned with climate migration, biological disturbances, public costs, and related.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$7,725).
- Requesting: \$29,900

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: AVCOG

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Council of Government
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - Randall Hall (State Representative) (Los)
 - NRCM (LoS)
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
3	Wilton	Yes	Yes	Medium
3	Phillips	Yes	Yes	High
3	Eustis	Yes	Yes	High
3	Rangeley	Yes	Yes	Medium
3	Kingfield	Yes	Yes	Medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Staff is experienced in economic and community development, transportation planning, environmental management, and land use planning.
- Expertise
 - Provides technical assistance to rural communities in Western Maine with a history of successful programs.
- Previous Experience
 - Past initiatives focused on solar and energy efficiency projects.
 - Listed past initiatives focused on the four areas identified under “capacity”. Includes topics under watershed analysis, climate resiliency, solar, energy efficiency and conservation, broadband, EVs, and past CRP work.

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- All targeted communities have a population under 4K and medium to high SVI.
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.
- Other notes:
 - SoW is thorough and robust. I appreciate the detail and attention to reasonability of this effort. Gantt chart of tasks is provided for the 12-month period.

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RFA #: 202206101

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BIDDER NAME: AVCOG

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$9,375).
- Requesting: \$62,500

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: CEBE

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Non-profit
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - N/A
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Casco	Yes	Yes	High
3	Oxford	Yes	No	Medium
3	Hartford	Yes	Yes	High
3	Sumner	Yes	Yes	Medium
3	Lovell	Yes	Yes	Medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Staff works with grants to respond to climate and ecological emergencies. Projects have a direct relation to focus areas of MWW. Small staff with a Board of Stewards (includes youth engagement).
- Expertise
 - Stakeholder engagement, working groups (food, shelter, energy, and transportation)
- Previous Experience
 - EVs, alternative transportation, solar, window inserts, workshops (e.g., carpentry), net-zero housing, food systems, community gardens, and more.
 - Nothing explicitly about behind-the-meter energy efficiency but embedded within net-zero and top of mind for window inserts.

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- All communities have either a population under 4K and medium to high SVI.
 - Also notes that they will include an economically diverse audience under the first task.
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.
- Other notes:
 - I appreciate the attention to economic diversity and youth engagement.

**STATE OF MAINE
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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: CEBE

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$7,835).
- Requesting: \$44,395
 - NOTE: Could have requested up to \$60,000

**STATE OF MAINE
INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: GPCOG

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Council of Government
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - GMRI
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Westbrook	Yes	No	Low
1	Gorham	Yes	No	Low
1	Standish	Yes	No	Low

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Robust capacity for community resilience for smaller towns. In-house staff works in climate action (i.e., technical, economic, social, etc.). In addition to the in-house team, GPCOG has 10-14 Resilience Corps members.
- Expertise
 - City and climate planning, sustainability projects, resource economics, GIS
 - NOTE: I would have appreciated some specifics (e.g., solar, energy efficiency, etc.).
- Previous Experience
 - CRP (Round 1), municipal climate action planning, and Maine Clean Communities

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- Noted that there will be encouragement to reach out and target vulnerable populations for stakeholder engagement.
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.
 - NOTE: Timeline is expedited.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: GPCOG

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$4,500).
- Requesting: \$30,000

**STATE OF MAINE
INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Island Institute

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Non-profit
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by "(Los)")
 - Gouldsboro Shore Group (LoS)
 - GMRI (LoS)
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
2	Swan's Island	Yes	Yes	High
2	Cranberry Isles	Yes	Yes	Medium
2	Gouldsboro	Yes	Yes	High

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Robust capacity for providing community and environmental resilience for vulnerable island and coastal communities with proven track record. About 50 team members at the Island Institute with a wide variety of skills ranging from climate resilience, energy, economic development, and related.
- Expertise
 - Collaborative stakeholder engagement, vulnerability reduction, economic development, climate resiliency, energy transition (entailing?), community recruitment, energy planning, and business development.
- Previous Experience
 - Wide variety of community work across island and coastal communities on the coast of Maine. Climate resiliency, energy transition, ocean acidification, broadband efforts, and related across a multitude of communities.

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- All communities have a population lower than 4K and medium to high SVI.
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Island Institute

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal, but additional funds are unclear
- Budget narrative does not align with proposal – high prices for out of scope tasks (e.g., Task 3.1)
- Cost share is provided (\$85,000).
- Requesting: \$37,460

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - For-profit
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by "(Los)")
 - N/A
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
4	Penobscot Nation	Yes	Yes	High
4	Houlton Band of Maliseets	Yes	Yes	High

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Solo enterprise with previous experience with CRP. UMO SOE. Climate and energy priorities.
- Expertise
 - Renewable energy, energy efficiency, sustainability, climate change, grant writing, community engagement, community leadership, energy equity
- Previous Experience
 - Volunteer board member of WindowDressers. Experience with vulnerable communities. CRP. Teaching and public service. Community engagement.

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- Both populations are under non-municipal communities with a population of 4K with a high SVI
 - Both populations are also Native Nations.
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.
- Other notes:
 - Provides stipend to community members

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

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RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Klein Energy Consulting

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$9,496).
- Requesting: \$25,000

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: KVCOG

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Regional Planning Organization
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - N/A
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
2	Freedom	Yes	Yes	High
3	Chelsea	Yes	Yes	Medium
3	Gardiner	Yes	No	Medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Strong history of technical assistance and community engagement for over 50 years across 60 municipalities. Wide range of expertise and relevant experience.
- Expertise
 - Land use, housing, community planning, climate resilience, business development, climate action, community diversity, and related
- Previous Experience
 - Economic development, climate resiliency, public health, housing, environmental assessment, waste, and related
 - NOTE: A lack of energy expertise and experience in proposal

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- All communities have a population below 4K or medium to high SVI
 - Could have more detail on *how* to engage vulnerable communities
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
 - NOTE: \$10 not accounted for in total project budget. Small error.

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BIDDER NAME: KVCOG

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$6,175).
- Requesting: \$35,000

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: MCOG

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Council of Government
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by "(Los)")
 - GMRI (LoS)
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Owls Head	Yes	Yes	Medium
1	South Thomaston	Yes	Yes	Medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Regional planning organization serving 3 mid-coast counties. Broad expertise across staff. Land use planning, economic and community development, grant writing, and related.
- Expertise
 - Community engagement, climate resilience, clean energy, GHG inventories, emissions reduction, transportation planning, housing programs, GIS, consensus building, and related
 - NOTE: No explicit mention of energy efficiency or behind-the-meter energy
- Previous Experience
 - Climate change task force, watershed projects, estuary projects, land trusts, GIS

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- Both communities have a population below 4K and medium SVI.
 - Education on climate vulnerable areas
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: MCOG

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$3,480).
- Requesting: \$19,720

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SCEC

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Regional Economic Development Organization and Non-profit
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by "(Los)")
 - Maine Sea Grant
 - UMM GIS Service Center
 - Dr. Sharon Klein
 - Island Institute
 - A Climate to Thrive
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
2	Whitneyville	Yes	Yes	High
2	Roque Bluffs	Yes	Yes	High

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Initiatives and facilitates job creation and prosperity in Washington County. Loan programs, scholarships, training, and partnerships. 28-year track record. Robust partnership approach given limited capacity.
- Expertise
 - Community engagement, economic development, climate resiliency, broadband, clean energy, emissions reductions, front-of-the-meter energy projects, and related
 - NOTE: No mention of behind-the-meter energy
 - NOTE: Energy efficiency projects listed under scope of work
- Previous Experience
 - CRP service provider. Worked with conservation partners and experience with partners.

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- Both communities have a population below 4K and high SVI
 - Tailored approaches but could use more detail on how

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RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SCEC

DATE: 9/20/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$5,000).
- Requesting: \$25,000

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SMPDC

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Regional Planning Organization
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - Great Works Regional Land Trust (Los)
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Wells	Yes	No	Low
1	Ogunquit	Yes	Yes	Medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Nonpartisan NPO. Community and economic development. Identified two key staff members for this initiative with support of two new staff members.
- Expertise
 - Sustainability, coastal resilience, land use, climate change, and related
 - NOTE: No energy work is referenced
 - NOTE: Front-of-the-meter work referenced in experience
- Previous Experience
 - Municipal action, community engagement, community resilience, prioritization, project identification, grant writing (projects listed under each category)

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- One community has a population below 4K with a high SVI
 - NOTE: Both communities are vulnerable to climate change impacts with elevated social vulnerability compared to neighboring communities. Could benefit from more detail as Wells has a low SVI.
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

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BIDDER NAME: SMPDC

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$3,475).
- Requesting: \$22,500

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Sunrise Ecological

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - For-profit enterprise
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by “(Los)”)
 - Rep. Holly B. Stover (LoS)
 - Boothbay Region Clean Drinking Water Initiative (LoS)
 - John Snell
 - Shadow Group
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Boothbay	Yes	Yes	Medium
1	Southport	Yes	Yes	Low
1	Boothbay Harbor	Yes	Yes	Medium
1	Wiscasset	Yes	Yes	Medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Sole member LLC with support from additional partners. Integrated into local and professional community. Noted that resources are available for additional help where expertise may fall short.
- Expertise
 - Community development, resilience, clean energy, emissions reduction, fundraising, grant writing, reporting, watershed, dams, wetlands, climate resiliency mapping, energy assessments, behind- and front-of-the-meter experience, grant identification.
- Previous Experience
 - Previous experience provided throughout expertise.

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- All communities are below a population of 4K with three communities having a medium SVI
 - NOTE: Specific task dedicated to diverse engagement and equitable outreach
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

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RFA #: 202206101

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BIDDER NAME: Sunrise Ecological

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.
- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$7,500).
- Requesting: \$50,000

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: YCSWCD

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Organization Type
 - Non-profit
- Partner/other letters of support (Partners who submitted a letter of support are noted by "(Los)")
 - N/A
- NOTE: Table consolidates notes from criteria 1 and 2 for simplicity

Region	Community	Letter of Support	Pop. Below 4,000	SVI
1	Sanford	Yes	No	High
1	Waterboro	Yes	No	Low

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Assisting a variety of public and private stakeholders for over 75 years. Staff trained in project management, planning, and facilitation.
- Expertise
 - Project management, grassroots approach, energy efficiency, erosion, habitat improvement, water quality, fish habitat, stormwater mitigation, forestry, conservation, and related.
- Previous Experience
 - Mentioned throughout expertise. Relevant and applicable. Some expertise is potentially outdated (i.e., 2011).

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Primary tasks (i.e., resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) are covered.
- One community has a high SVI
 - Task 1 specifically targets socially vulnerable populations
- Objectives under tasks are reasonable within timeline.

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Budget arithmetic aligns with proposal.

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: YCSWCD

DATE: 9/14/2022

EVALUATOR NAME: Ross Anthony (Buildings and Energy Efficiency Analyst, ME GEO)

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Budget narrative aligns with proposal.
- Cost share is provided (\$3,675).
- Requesting: \$20,000

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: 207permaculture, L3C

DATE: 9-12-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Low-profit Limited Liability Corporation
- Community Letters of Support
 - Durham, Gray, New Gloucester
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Royal River Conservation Trust, North-Star Planning, rbouvier consulting

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): Region 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: none
- # high SVI communities: none (all three are low-SVI communities)

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Lead consultant, associate, graphic facilitator
 - Royal River Conservation Trust (in kind), rbouvier consulting (natural resource issues, trends in climate change and statistical and economic analysis), Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District, North Star Planning, Maine Solar Solutions is on call for solar system consultation (in kind)
 - Local committees
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Facilitation and engagement, planning and community development, plus subject matter expertise in environmental economics, low-impact development, ecology, soil science, permaculture, conservation, community agriculture, farming, fishing, forestry, land conservation, water ecology, community development, and youth engagement.
- Previous Experience
 - Helping groups make decisions and manifest their visions for change.
 - Local sustainability and education initiatives across New England and in the Seattle Area
 - Town of Gray: low-impact development for storm water retention, village walkability, biodiverse soils and edible vegetation; several school systems including Falmouth, Kittery, and Gray-New Gloucester on their greenhouse site designs, and with the City of Portland on the Health and Sustainable Food Initiative, and on cooperative development with New Americans in the region.
 - Planning Board and resiliency committee experience

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes, strong youth engagement component

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: 207permaculture, L3C

DATE: 9-12-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- The towns are ranked low in the SVI; however, they will learn about and engage with socially vulnerable populations as they progress with their enrollment period.
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: AVCOG

DATE: 9-12-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Council of Government
- Community Letters of Support
 - Wilton, Phillips, Eustis, Rangeley, Kingfield
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Representative Hall, NRCM

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): Region 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 5
- # high SVI communities: 3 medium, 2 high SVI

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Trusted relationships, relevant staff skills including grant writing and coordination, consultant selection and facilitation, project reporting and documentation, and program expertise
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes, including Economic and Community Development, Transportation Planning, Environmental Management, and Land Use Planning
- Previous Experience
 - Culverts, solar ordinances, renewable energy projects, hazard mitigation planning, broadband, EV charging and procurement, energy conservation
 - GOPIF service provider

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes, outreach campaign focused on reaching vulnerable communities for the workshops with town officials
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: CEBE

DATE: 9-12-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Non-profit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Casco, Hartford, Lovell, Oxford, Sumner
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): Regions 1 and 3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 4 out of 5
- # high SVI communities: 3 medium, 2 high SVI

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Four staff members (one currently dedicated primarily to the CRP), a 10 member working Board of Stewards which includes five youth members in their teens and twenties, and an expert advisory board.
 - Connections with numerous local and statewide organizations and coalitions
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes, including both demonstration projects and education opportunities
 - Food, shelter, energy, transportation
- Previous Experience
 - Extensive experience working with local communities to mitigate and adapt to the climate crisis, especially with small rural towns
 - GOPIF service provider grant

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes, with emphasis on socially and economically diverse participation for each town, fostering youth participation and including stakeholders from the health, housing, public safety, land conservation, transportation, and education sectors; as well as modest stipends to encourage participation by community members who are often excluded for financial reasons
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes

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EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: GPCOG

DATE: 9-12-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Council of Government
- Community Letters of Support
 - Westbrook, Gorham, Standish
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): Region 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: none
- # high SVI communities: 1 medium, 2 low SVI

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - GPCOG has a Director of Sustainability, a Coordinator, and an Associate working on climate action; for the next two years, will be hosting between 10-14 Resilience Corps members plus other staff including staff comprising transportation and land use planners, data analysts, GIS expertise, and outreach and communications professionals
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes, including GMRI expertise in sea level rise and coastal climate impacts
- Previous Experience
 - Sustainability assistance to municipalities and municipal-level climate action planning efforts; including reducing emissions from the transportation sector
 - GOPIF pilot project, service provider grant, regional coordinator contract, pilot project

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes, including adjustments based on experience
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes, proposal includes specific steps to ensure equity and inclusion within the public engagement process: identifying key stakeholders that represent vulnerable populations, GPCOG will collect and present town specific social vulnerability data, multiple types of outreach activities at different times, and assess the equity component for each project on the list of priority actions
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Island Institute

DATE: 9-12-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Non-profit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Cranberry Isles, Swans Island, Gouldsboro,
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI, Gouldsboro Shore

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? no
- Region(s): Region 2
- # communities with population below 4,000: 3
- # high SVI communities: 1 medium, 2 high SVI

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Relationships and community development, climate and energy experience with island and coastal communities
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes, including ETIPP (DOE) and partnership with GMRI
- Previous Experience
 - GOPIF service provider grant: Chebeague Island, Long Island, Monhegan

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes, proposal describes robust community engagement practices, including inclusive planning processes so that diverse community voices are heard. In practice, this will include individual recruitment of individuals through conversations and invitations (email and postcard), consideration of the time of the event and location, and offerings of alternative ways to participate (i.e., through individual conversations, offerings of a recording, and debrief opportunities).
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? yes
- Is the cost share provided? yes
- Other notes: the activities described in the grant application are embedded within and to be performed by Island Institute’s sea level rise/climate adaptation team.

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Klein

DATE: 9-16-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: For-profit enterprise
- Community Letters of Support
 - Penobscot Nation
 - Houlton Band of Maliseets
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? Yes, Tribal Governments
- Region(s): Region 4
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Consulting business to help communities identify climate and energy priorities
 - Dr. Sharon Klein with an assistant (likely her current Service Provider assistant, Jasmine Lamb, a Passamaquoddy citizen and graduate student at UMaine)
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Community-engaged, community-led climate and energy initiatives
 - Energy equity and justice including indigenous tribes, rural, low-income communities, and communities with higher percentages of people of color
- Previous Experience
 - Teaching, research and public service related to renewable energy, energy efficiency, sustainability, and climate change
 - Community window insert building workshops including with Penobscot Nation
 - GOPIF service provider grant through Windowdressers: Millinocket, Eastport, and the two Passamaquoddy communities of Pleasant Point and Indian Township

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - Community led. Proven process will be adapted/replaced by whatever is best for the unique culture and traditions of each new community
 - Stipends for community members
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes

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EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

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- Other notes
 - Includes Government staff/community members

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: KVCOG

DATE: 9-16-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional Planning Organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Freedom
 - Chelsea
 - Gardiner
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): Regions 2,3
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 1 high, 2 medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Community Resilience Planner + team (planning director, environmental planner, financial manager)
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Technical assistance to municipalities
 - Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, Brownfields Assessment, Solid Waste Diversion, Annual Joint Purchasing, and Community Resilience.
- Previous Experience
 - KVCOG has engaged in Service provider activities with Regions 1 and 2
 - Boston Federal Reserve Working Communities Challenge

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - Public Engagement strategies will be explored to maximize participation among all community groups and representing a variety of residents: impacted individuals, residents with disabilities, minority residents, and low-income people.
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: MCOG

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional Planning Organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Owl's Head
 - South Thomaston
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - GMRI

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): Region 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2 medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - MCOG executive director, sustainability planner, planner + GMRI
 - Land use planning, community and economic development, sustainability and resilience
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Community engagement, climate resilience and clean energy
- Previous Experience
 - GHG emissions inventory
 - SLR and water quality
 - GIS
 - Coastal flooding and resilience

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - Both groups will develop community engagement plans to gather input from diverse community voices including meetings and surveys
 - Planning Forward workshop: designed to help rural coastal communities plan for climate change
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
 - Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SCEC

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional Planning Organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Roque Bluffs
 - Whitneyville
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): Region 2
- # communities with population below 4,000: 2
- # high SVI communities: 2

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - New Downeast Fisheries Partnership Coordinator who worked previously as an Environmental Scientist, providing support for energy projects such as pipelines, solar, and transmission.
 - The new Downeast Maine Coastal Adaptation and Resilience Postdoctoral Outreach and Research Associate will work in collaboration with University of Maine Machias (UMM) and Sunrise County Economic Council (SCEC), and Maine Sea Grant under a Memorandum of Understanding to provide technical assistance to plan, design, fund, implement and evaluate regional resilience activities that center around the needs of socially vulnerable community members.
 - Economic development, education, workforce development, community development, and sustainable natural resource management
 - Recently taken on a more active planning role in Washington County. This includes a direct contract to provide Community Development Block Grant and Northern Border Regional Commission technical assistance as well as contracted assistance to towns for comprehensive planning
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Program partners:
 - Maine Sea Grant and the UMM GIS Service Center with expertise related to climate resiliency;
 - The Island Institute with expertise in emissions reduction (broadband access to reduce vmt) and clean energy.
 - Dr. Sharon Klein has agreed to assist with clean energy projects
 - A Climate to Thrive has agreed to act as a consultant for clean energy and emissions reduction projects as well.
- Previous Experience
 - GOPIF service provider and regional coordinator

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SCEC

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Both are small, high SVI communities
 - workshops can be tailored to meet the needs of individual communities instead of using a “one size fits all” approach.
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: SMPDC

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Regional Planning Organization
- Community Letters of Support
 - Ogunquit
 - Wells
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Great Works Regional Land Trust

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): Region 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 1 of 2
- # high SVI communities: 1 low, 1 medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - SMPDC Sustainability Coordinator and Coastal Resilience Coordinator
 - two new staff members, Land Use and Sustainability Planner, and Sustainability and Resilience Specialist, to support the organization’s expanding climate change and sustainability work
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Through its Regional Sustainability and Resilience Program, SMPDC provides technical assistance, training, and planning services to municipalities to enhance their sustainability, climate preparedness, and community resilience.
- Previous Experience
 - GOPIF service provider and regional coordinator
 - Experience supporting municipal action and resolutions: climate goals, solar collaborative, GHG inventory
 - Experience designing and conducting workshops and engaging community members on climate change and community resilience: workshops, presentations and listening sessions, community engagement
 - Efforts to help communities identify community resilience needs and priorities: : facilitated workshops, Regional Sustainability and Coastal Resilience Assessment framework, Tides, Taxes and New Tactics
 - Projects identifying and implementing regional/group projects: Solar collaborative, Regional Sustainability and Resilience Pilot, Climate Ready Coast regional plan
 - Efforts to apply for and secure funding for community resilience projects: Coastal Community grants, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant for regional coastal resilience plan, Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

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BIDDER NAME: SMPDC

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - Stakeholder mapping including social vulnerability
 - Identify underserved populations and determine effective ways to engage
 - Meet communities where they are, prioritize accessibility, inclusive workshop schedule, opportunities for feedback
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: Sunrise Ecologic, LLC

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: For-profit enterprise
- Community Letters of Support
 - Boothbay
 - Southport
 - Boothbay Harbor
 - Wiscasset
- Partner/other Letters of support
 - Boothbay Region Clean Drinking Water Initiative
 - Representative Holly Stover

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): Region 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 4
- # high SVI communities: 1 low, 3 medium

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Climate resilience expert and primary service provider
 - John Snell, LLC will be available to provide services as a subcontractor in the area of clean energy/emissions reductions and Strategy Areas A-D.
 - Wendy Betts, Owner of The Shadow Group, LLC will be available to provide assistance with fundraising, grant writing program compliance and reporting for Strategy Areas A-H.
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Climate resilience & capacity
 - Clean Energy & Emissions Reduction
 - Funding research and identification
- Previous Experience
 - Has worked with municipalities, regional planning commissions, NGOs, volunteer groups, and state and federal agencies for the last 5 years as a watershed restoration and habitat project manager in Downeast, Midcoast, and Southern Maine on a variety of projects encompassing Strategy Areas E, F, G, & H
 - Forty years of experience providing comprehensive energy performance services for public and private buildings; municipal decarbonization technical support for communities
 - Thirty years' experience with funding research and identification (federal, state, and local), grant writing program implementation and program evaluation

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes

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EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - Community members without access to computers and or transportation; who may be hearing or visually impaired; at home sick and wanting to participate; or in need of childcare to attend will be ensured of the opportunity to participate by utilization of equitable outreach strategies
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes

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RFA #: 202206101

RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grants

BIDDER NAME: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

Individual Evaluator Comments:

Criteria 1 – General Information / Service Provider and Group Eligibility

- Organization type: Non-profit
- Community Letters of Support
 - Sanford
 - Waterboro
- Partner/other Letters of support

Criteria 2 – Community Group Composition

- Has non-municipal communities? No
- Region(s): Region 1
- # communities with population below 4,000: 0
- # high SVI communities: 1 low, 1 high

Criteria 3 – Capacity, Expertise, and Previous Experience

- Capacity
 - Extensive project management experience and grassroots approach to connecting programs and resources to our communities
 - Staff is trained in project management, planning, and facilitation
 - A large network of partnerships to draw information about opportunities to these communities to meet the goals of improved climate resiliency, reduced emissions, and increased energy efficiency
- Expertise
 - Does applicant (and any partners) bring both clean energy and climate resilience expertise? Yes
 - Strongest in the climate change category, and will work with partners to identify opportunities for clean energy and ways to reduce emissions for these communities we are proposing to work with – but does not specifically describe how the partners will be involved
- Previous Experience
 - Worked with farmers, municipalities, and landowners to connect to cost share and planning programs that increase energy efficiency, decrease erosion, improve habitat, improve water quality, improve infrastructure of stream crossings for fish habitat and stormwater mitigation, demonstrate working forest practices, train contractors, and provide guidance for municipal ordinances related to conservation issues
 - Managed 31 single and multi-year grants for our local communities.
 - Watershed plans address the effects of rising sea level and impacts of climate change in in each of our major river systems; worked to build steering committees, education and outreach, provide engineering and cost share to reduce nonpoint source pollution
 - With the City of Sanford on 9 grant projects to improve water quality, reduce flooding from stormwater, and to identify ash trees that are susceptible to infestation.
 - Connect landowners to cost share programs through our Federal and State partners and provide technical assistance where needed.

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BIDDER NAME: York County Soil & Water Conservation District

DATE: 9-20-22

EVALUATOR NAME: Sarah Curran

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT: GOPIF

- Hosted and alternative energy workshop on solar, geothermal, biofuel, and wind energy options for farmers and landowners

Criteria 4 – Scope of Work

- Are the primary tasks covered? (resolution/letter, self-assessments, community workshop(s), enrollment, grant application) Yes
- Are vulnerable or disadvantaged groups engaged? Yes
 - YCSWCD will facilitate a process to map out the stakeholders for each community. This will help to identify which stakeholders should complete the self-evaluation and who should be involved in the workshops. YCSWCD will work to identify underserved populations, have been historically marginalized, and/or are socially vulnerable.
- Are objectives and timeline provided and reasonable? Yes

Criteria 5 – Budget Proposal

- Is the budget math correct? Yes
- Does the budget worksheet match the budget narrative? Yes
- Is the cost share provided? Yes
- Other notes



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AGREEMENT AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
RFA# 202206101

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Ambrette'.

9/6/2022

Signature

Date



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RFA TITLE: Community Resilience Partnership Service Provider Grant

I, Sarah Curran, accept the offer to become a member of the Request for Applications (RFA) Evaluation Team for the State of Maine Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future. I do hereby accept the terms set forth in this agreement AND hereby disclose any affiliation or relationship I may have in connection with a bidder who has submitted a proposal to this RFA.

Neither I nor any member of my immediate family have a personal or financial interest, direct or indirect, in the bidders whose proposals I will be reviewing. "Interest" may include, but is not limited to: current or former ownership in the bidder's company; current or former Board membership; current or former employment with the bidder; current or former personal contractual relationship with the bidder (example: paid consultant); and/or current or former relationship to a bidder's official which could reasonably be construed to constitute a conflict of interest (personal relationships may be perceived by the public as a potential conflict of interest).

I have not advised, consulted with or assisted any bidder in the preparation of any proposal submitted in response to this RFA nor have I submitted a letter of support or similar endorsement.

I understand and agree that the evaluation process is to be conducted in an impartial manner without bias or prejudice. In this regard, I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, there are no circumstances that would reasonably support a good faith charge of bias. I further understand that in the event a good faith charge of bias is made, it will rest with me to decide whether I should be disqualified from participation in the evaluation process.

I agree to hold confidential all information related to the contents of Requests for Proposals presented during the review process until such time as the Department formally releases the award decision notices for public distribution.

Sarah Curran

9/6/22

Signature

Date