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PGE's Drive Change Fund supports projects that help electrify Oregon's transportation sector, from transit buses to passenger vehicles to micromobility solutions such as electric bikes and scooters. Successful projects will advance transportation electrification and provide a community benefit. Projects that address the needs of underserved communities are preferred. Communities that have been historically underserved include, but are not limited to: low-income individuals; communities of color; immigrants; non-English speakers, the long-term unemployed; communities that have been displaced from the urban core; communities with limited access to transportation options; tribal communities; women and girls; veterans; senior citizens; residents of multi-family housing; areas with a low density of public charging; people with disabilities; and members of the LGBTQ+ community. Organizations that primarily serve communities of color are strongly encouraged to apply and are a higher priority to Portland General Electric.

PGE acknowledges that preparing and submitting an application to the Drive Change Fund requires significant time and effort on the part of the applicant and the contractor. In order to better support smaller organizations that would be disproportionately impacted by the time and energy required to complete a competitive application, PGE is offering financial assistance grants of up to \$2,000 for these applicants.

The application for, approval of, or denial of a financial assistance grant will have no bearing on the evaluation of the applicant's Drive Change Fund application. Approval of a financial assistance grant does not guarantee that the applicant will be awarded a Drive Change Fund grant; likewise, approved financial assistance grants will be issued regardless of whether the applicant's Drive Change Fund application is successful.



2020 Timeline

- July 1: Application period opens
- September 1: Application submission deadline
- By end of 2020: Awards announced and agreements signed

If you require a different application format or have any questions regarding the Drive Change fund, please contact us at <u>PGEDriveChangeFund@pgn.com</u> or 503-464-7826.

Financial Assistance Guidelines

- Financial Assistance Applications are due by Tuesday September 1st at 5:00pm PST to the Drive Change Fund inbox: <u>PGEDriveChangeFund@pgn.com</u>.
- 2. Financial Assistance Applications MUST be connected to a complete and eligible Drive Change Fund grant application benefitting the same organization.
- 3. PGE will review the Financial Assistance Applications on a first come first served basis, limited to the first 25 applicants for a maximum annual expenditure of \$50,000.
- 4. The total financial assistance available is the total of all costs incurred as required for submission of a complete application to the Drive Change Fund OR \$2,000, whichever is less.
- 5. Please note that it is expected and encouraged that information included in the Drive Change Fund grant application can be used to complete the Financial Assistance Application and vice versa.

Financial Assistance Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Applicants must be incorporated as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization.
- 2. Applicants have an annual operating budget of less than \$2,000,000.
- 3. Applicants are still eligible for financial assistance even if they've worked with third parties on developing their Drive Change Fund application.
- 4. Applicants are eligible for financial assistance grants for up to 3 distinct applications submitted to the Drive Change Fund.



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- 1. Organization name.
 - 2. Organization address.
 - 3. Main point of contact for organization.
 - 4. Employer Identification Number (EIN).
 - 5. Proof of 501 (c)(3) status (Please attach).
 - 6. Prior year's financial statements demonstrating an annual operating budget of less than \$2,000,000.00. (Please attach).
 - 7. Staff names, hours, hourly rate, and other relevant budget line items representing eligible costs incurred for financial assistance. Can attach or include below.



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8. Total financial assistance requested.

9. Brief (1-2 paragraphs) description of the full project and its scope.