



Solar & Energy Efficiency Loan (SEEL) Program for Bloomington Nonprofits and Community Institutions

This loan program is a collaboration between the City of Bloomington, CDFI Friendly Bloomington, and IFF. IFF is a CDFI (Community Development Financial Institution) and a mission driven lender whose goal is to create opportunities for nonprofits and other community institutions such as schools, libraries, medical facilities, and grocery stores. The 2021 loan program will provide support for organizations to improve building efficiency through projects such as solar installation, appliance and lighting upgrades, and weatherization; with the goals of reducing utility costs and saving energy. Support is available through low-interest loans financed by IFF, grants from the City of Bloomington, and City-sponsored commercial energy audits:

- Project costs may be covered through a combination of low-interest loans, grants, and the organization's own capital:
 - The minimum loan amount which may be financed through IFF is \$10,000.
 - Grants from the City of Bloomington are available to help meet the equity requirements of IFF loans and to help cover project costs. These grants may range from \$2,500- \$10,000 per organization and will not exceed 50% of the total project costs.
 - The City of Bloomington will cover the costs associated with commercial energy audits, in addition to any direct grants.
- Next steps:
 - Submit this intake form by email to sustain@bloomington.in.gov or by mail to *City of Bloomington, Department of Economic & Sustainable Development, 401 N. Morton St., Suite 150, Bloomington, IN 47404.*
 - The City will reach out to discuss your project and will ask you to sign a commitment letter indicating your intention to complete a SEEL project, provided your application is approved.
 - A qualified contractor will provide a commercial energy audit of the facility to verify a specific list of potential modifications to improve building performance and energy savings.
 - Your organization will submit a loan and/or grant application to IFF and/or the City of Bloomington (1 application total).
 - If approved, a grant and/ or loan agreement will be executed by your organization with CDFI Friendly Bloomington and, if applicable, IFF.
- The location of the solar and/or energy efficiency investments must be within the Bloomington city limits to qualify for this program. Organizations outside of the city limits may qualify independently for an IFF loan: contact Andre Gibson, IFF Director of Lending, at agibson@iff.org for information about how to apply directly to IFF.

SEEL Program Contact Information:

- For more information about eligibility and program requirements, contact Brian Payne, Executive Director of CDFI Friendly Bloomington, at CDFIfriendly@cfbmc.org or 651-500-9968.
- For general questions about qualified solar and energy efficiency projects, contact the City of Bloomington at sustain@bloomington.in.gov or 812-349-3418

Please note that completion of this intake form is not confirmation that your organization will receive a grant, nor is it the application form for a loan or a grant. Completing this form will help program administrators to determine eligibility and recommend next steps. Applications will be reviewed as they are received.

Contact Information

Organization Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Name/Role: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Eligibility Information

What is the organization type?	Nonprofit	School or Early Childhood Center
Library	Medical Facility	Grocery Store Other _____

For which addresses(s) are you interested in doing an energy efficiency or solar project? (or write "same" if same as mailing address) _____

Years organization has been in operation: _____ Do you own or lease the property? Own Lease

If you lease the property:

What is the name, phone number, and email address of the property owner? _____

Did the property owner grant permission for this project?

Yes No

How long is your lease term? _____ Do you plan to renew your lease? Yes No

Energy Efficiency Information

Who are your electricity and/or gas providers? _____

What is your average monthly electric bill? _____ What is your average monthly gas bill? _____

Have you completed an energy audit in the last five years? (attach, if completed) Yes No
If so, what were the main findings? _____

Has your organization participated in Duke Energy or Vectren energy efficiency rebate programs?
Yes No If so, which rebates did you receive? _____

Project Information

How did you hear about this program? _____

Why do you want to apply for this program? _____

Is there anything unique about your property or project that you would like us to know about?

What type of project(s) is your organization interested in funding through this loan and grant program? *Select all that apply*

- Solar panel installation
- HVAC replacement
- EnergyStar appliance upgrades (refrigerators, washers, dryers, etc.)
- Lighting upgrades
- Water heater upgrades
- Air/duct sealing
- Insulation/weatherization
- Window replacement
- Other: _____

Additional information needed:

Please note this additional information that your organization will need to provide in the loan application. If your organization is unable to provide some of this information, let us know and we can discuss whether there are alternative documents which may be supplied to verify financial eligibility. Applicants must demonstrate that their organization has been in operation for a minimum of three years to qualify for participation. *This is not an exhaustive list of the information which will need to be provided in the loan application.*

- EIN
- List of board of directors and a short biography for the top 3-4 board members
- Articles of Incorporation
- Three years of audits or 990 tax returns
- Three years of financial statements
- Interim financial information
- Funding sources which have been identified for this project

Confidentiality of information:

By your submission of your personal information and submission of your personal information on our website, you acknowledge that CDFI Friendly Bloomington, the City of Bloomington, and IFF have the right to use this information for internal purposes only. Your information will not be shared or sold to third parties for any purpose. CDFI Friendly Bloomington, the City of Bloomington, and IFF may add your information to their communication database for outreach and education purposes only: your contact information will be used only to contact you regarding the requests you make on this application.

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