

Community Lender

Under the CCIA program and pursuant to Section 134(b)(2) of the Clean Air Act, a community lender must meet the following three requirements:

Must be either a public, quasi-public, not-for-profit, or nonprofit entity

A public entity must be a state, municipal, territorial, or Tribal government, including any department, agency, or instrumentality of one of those governments.

A quasi-public entity must either (1) have a close association with a public entity but not be a public entity, (2) be created by a public entity but be exempt from certain legal and administrative requirements, or (3) not have been created by a public entity but perform a public purpose and be significantly supported financially by a public entity.

A not-for-profit entity must meet the definition of or be considered a “not-for-profit” under a federal, state, territorial, or Tribal law of a federally recognized tribe

A nonprofit entity must meet the definition of nonprofit organization set forth in 2 CFR § 200.1*

Must have the legal authority to provide financial assistance to qualified projects at the state, local, territorial, or Tribal level or in the District of Columbia

Must be eligible to receive a sub award under the EPA Subaward Policy

*2 CFR § 200.1 states that a nonprofit organization “means any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization, not including Institutes of Higher Education, that: (1) is operated primarily for scientific, educational, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest; (2) is not organized primarily for profit; and (3) uses net proceeds to maintain, improve, or expand the operations of the organization.”