



Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG)

Draft Priority Measures

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Sector: Transportation

Electrify Transportation

Medium and Heavy-Duty vehicle rebates

Provide incentives based on percentage of incremental costs of electric medium and heavy-duty trucks.



EV rebates

Add funds to the DRIVE EV program, including higher low-income incentives and used vehicles. Add commercial van incentives that would support small business using a revenue cap, number of employees, or M/WBE certification.

Transition to low and no-carbon fuels in state and municipal vehicles and maintenance equipment

Provides incentives based on incremental costs for public fleet vehicles, and maintenance equipment with two-stroke engines. Training for maintenance staff.



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Charging Infrastructure

Medium and Heavy-Duty charging infrastructure rebates

Along with medium and heavy-duty truck rebates, the program would offer incentives for charging infrastructure.

Re-establish the Electrify RI program to incentivize charging infrastructure in communities

The Electrify RI program offers incentives for charging infrastructure to municipalities, businesses, multi-unit apartments, non-profits, and other agencies. Could also include make-ready incentives for electrical upgrades.



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Mobility, Transit, and Mode Shift

E-mobility pilot projects in communities

Pilot projects for shared mobility that include on-demand and fixed-route rideshare services. Uses neighborhood electric vehicles for short-range trips.

Bus stop improvements and amenities

Support RIPTA to upgrade high-ridership bus stops in key locations with new shelters, seating, lighting, signage, and accessibility.

Transit Fare subsidies

Additional funding to RIPTA for the Wave to Work, Low-Income Partnership Program, and Residential Partnership Program. Would provide free and discounted passes for workplaces, transit-oriented developments, and social service agencies.



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Sector: Buildings

Incentivize electric space and water heating technologies including air and ground source heat pumps

Support adoption of residential heat pumps and weatherization services through the Clean Heat RI program.

Additional incentives would increase the low-income pre-weatherization cap for electrical upgrades to make more homes qualified for both weatherization services and heat-pump upgrades.

Promote electric air or ground-sourced heat pumps for state and municipal buildings

This project could include state park facilities, BHDDH facilities and group homes, state office buildings, town halls, schools, libraries, and other buildings.



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Sector: Buildings

Support efficiency improvements and building electrification at state and municipal facilities

Support solar, batteries, and energy efficiency measures

This project would support the addition of renewables + storage for increased resilience, solar carports, LED streetlights and other efficiency measures, and vehicle-to-grid and other technologies. It could also fund shared municipal energy managers.

Sector: Waste and Sustainable Materials Management

Support Food Waste Diversion Strategies

Sector: Natural and Working lands

Support Urban Tree Canopy Strategies



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