

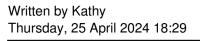
President Joe Biden and U.S. Rep. Shontel Brown (OH-11)

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Washington, D.C. – Ohio Congresswoman Shontel Brown (OH-11) and the <u>Biden-Harris</u> Administration have announced

that Ohio will receive over \$312 million in federal funding to create or expand solar energy programs in low-income and disadvantaged communities through the Solar for All

grant program.



The State of Ohio and Growth Opportunity Partners, a Cleveland-based non-profit, each received Solar for All grants of \$156 million, Brown said in a statement on Tuesday. The program is funded by the Inflation Reduction Act.

"The Solar for All grants are game changers for Ohio, these are climate change, and economic, and environmental justice wins," said Congresswoman Brown, a Warrensville Hts Democrat whose 11th congressional district includes Cleveland, a largely Black city where most residents live below the poverty line. "This is part of why I voted for the Inflation Reduction Act, because all Ohioans deserve a clean energy future. These grants are going to have a tangible impact – helping more everyday Ohioans enjoy the benefits of solar power, including lower costs and cleaner air."

Solar energy for power is becoming more of a trend, including for powering homes as a substitute for electricity. It is used for various purposes like heating, charging gadgets and appliances, cooling, cooking, and lighting up the environment. It performs virtually all the functions that a regular electricity supply performs.

The State of Ohio Office of Budget and Management State Accounting will receive a Solar for All grant of \$156,210,000, Brown said. The state's program will create opportunities for Ohio's residential customers in low and moderate-income households and disadvantaged communities to achieve meaningful energy savings, relieve high levels of energy burden, and improve air quality and economic prosperity in traditionally under-served areas of Ohio.



Growth Opportunity Partners, headquartered in Ohio, will also receive a Solar for All grant of \$156,210,000. Growth Opportunity Partners, located in Cleveland, will lead a multi-state effort to catalyze a just, clean energy transition in industrial heartland communities, helping low and moderate income-households install rooftop solar and more.

Ohio's state grant award was among 60 selections announced this week to states, territories, tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits across the country. For a full list of grant recipients, <u>click here</u>.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that the 60 Solar for All recipients will enable over 900,000 households in low-income and disadvantaged communities to deploy and benefit from distributed solar energy.

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