Justice40 Checklist for Project Proposals

How to use: Each question is a prompt for you to consider including in your grant proposal. These are not meant to be exhaustive, yet they include all identified areas for the Justice40 Initiative. The goal of this checklist is to ensure you have considered all possible Justice40 related burdens, benefits, and project possibilities.

1. **Is this a geographically defined community identified in CEJSTtool?**
   Click here to view CEJSTtool.

   Check all that apply.

   ☐ yes (explain in application)
   ☐ no

2. **Is this a community that is not confined by geographic limits (ethnic, racial, gender, tribal, disability, etc)?**

   Check all that apply.

   ☐ yes (explain in application)
   ☐ no

3. **Does this project area include a disadvantaged community (explain in application if any apply)?**

   Check all that apply.

   ☐ low income, high and/or persistent poverty
   ☐ high unemployment and underemployment
   ☐ racial and ethnic residential segregation
   ☐ linguistic isolation
   ☐ high housing cost burden and substandard housing
   ☐ distressed neighborhoods
   ☐ high transportation cost burden and/or low transportation access
   ☐ disproportionate environmental stressor burden and high cumulative impacts
   ☐ limited water and sanitation access and affordability
   ☐ disproportionate impacts from climate change
   ☐ high energy cost burden and low energy access
   ☐ jobs lost through energy transition
   ☐ access to healthcare
   ☐ no
   ☐ maybe

4. **Does this project affect a disadvantaged community NOT in the project area directly (explain in application if any apply)?**

Select only <u>one</u> option.

☐   low income, high and/or persistent poverty
☐   high unemployment and underemployment
☐   racial and ethnic residential segregation
☐   linguistic isolation
☐   high housing cost burden and substandard housing
☐   distressed neighborhoods
☐   high transportation cost burden and/or low transportation access
☐   disproportionate environmental stressor burden and high cumulative impacts
☐   limited water and sanitation access and affordability
☐   high energy cost burden and low energy access
☐   jobs lost through energy transition
☐   access to healthcare

5. **Does this proposal include any of the covered programs? Will it impact any of the following (explain in application if any apply)**

Check all that apply.

☐   climate change
☐   clean energy and energy efficiency
☐   clean transit
☐   affordable and sustainable housing
☐   training and workforce development
☐   remediation and reduction of legacy pollution
☐   development of critical clean water and wastewater infrastructure

6. **Who in the community was involved in planning and engagement leading to this proposal (explain in application if applicable)?**

Select only <u>one</u> option.

☐   community leaders
☐   community groups
☐   CBO partners
☐   advocacy groups
☐   general public meetings (meaningful input incorporated in)
☐   local business partners
☐   other

7. **Can this project be edited to incorporate DAC feedback/input (if yes, consider editing and explaining changes in application)?**

   Select only <u>one</u> option.

   ☐   yes, based on previous engagement and input
   ☐   yes, based on data and analysis
   ☐   no

8. **Does this project include workforce and/or economic development components(explain in application if any or many apply)?**

   Select only <u>one</u> option.

   ☐   yes, through number of jobs and/or training created
   ☐   yes, through partner organizations and programs
   ☐   yes, through research into needed skills and trainings
   ☐   no

9. **How will this proposal address past harms in DACs and/or positively impact DACs? The categories to consider are (explain in application if any apply):**

   Check all that apply.

   ☐   climate change (disproportionate impacts)
   ☐   clean energy and energy efficiency (reduced access)
   ☐   clean transit (reduced access)
   ☐   affordable and sustainable housing (reduced access)
   ☐   training and workforce development (lack of investment)
   ☐   remediation and reduction of legacy pollution (disproportionate impacts, lack of investment)
   ☐   development of critical clean water and wastewater infrastructure (disproportionate impacts, lack of investment)

10. **What are the past burdens and proposed benefits in the following areas (for DOT, but relevant to all)?**

    Check all that apply.

    ☐   safety
    ☐   jobs and economic competitiveness
    ☐   resilience
    ☐   access
    ☐   emissions

11. Have you used the Equitable Transportation Community Explorer Tool (ETC) to understand cumulative burden (for DOT, but relevant to all)?
Access the ETC here.

Select only one option.

☐ Yes
☐ No

12. Does the proposal include a community benefits plan (for DOE, but relevant to all)?
Learn more here.

Select only one option.

☐ Yes
☐ No

13. Does the proposal include any of the following benefits for DACs (DOE, but relevant to all)?

Check all that apply.

☐ decrease in energy burden
☐ decrease in environmental exposure and burden
☐ increase in access to low cost capital
☐ increase in quality job creation, the clean energy job pipeline, and job training for individuals
☐ increases in energy democracy, including community ownership of project assets
☐ increased parity in clean energy technology access and adoption
☐ increase in energy resilience

14. Did you use the Disadvantaged Communities Reporter to analyze project impacts (DOE only, but relevant to all)?
Access the Disadvantage Communities Reporter here.

Select only one option.

☐ Yes
☐ No

15. Can you incorporate community voices and stories into the narrative, to help tell the story beyond data? (if yes, include)

Select only <u>one</u> option.

☐   Yes
☐   No