



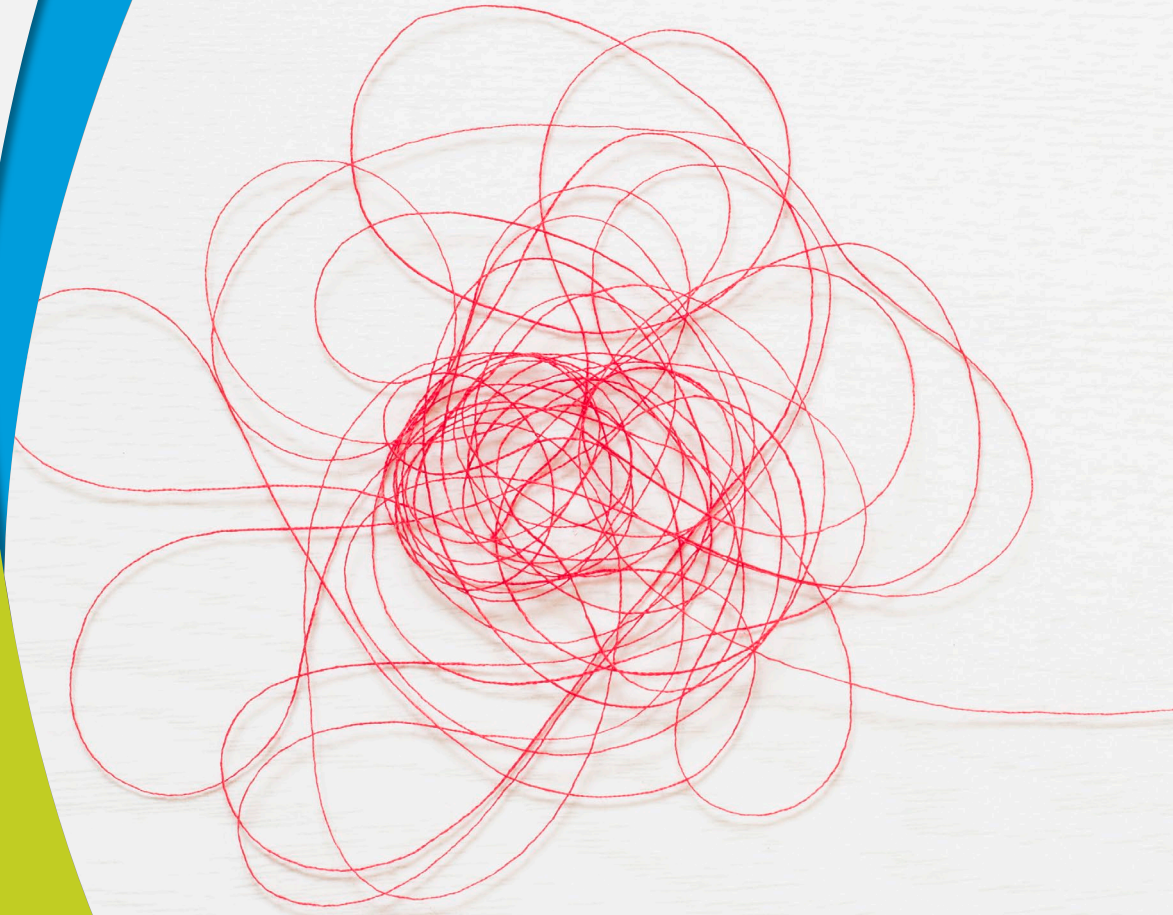
The Building Policy Collaborative (BPC)

Regional Building Decarbonization Oversight Committee - March 14, 2025



The problem

- Inconsistent patchwork of local building codes, regulations, and processes.
- Costs and challenges for local governments of new code implementation and enforcement.
- Uncertainty regarding policy impacts and an evolving regulatory and legal landscape.





How we are going to solve the problem

- DRCOG and peer support for consistent policy adoption and implementation.
- Financial support for participating jurisdictions.
- Research to address information gaps and misinformation.



Building Policy Collaborative

Purpose of the BPC

- Drive healthy, efficient, and pollution-free new and existing buildings through ambitious and consistent building policies.
- Develop collaborative solutions to common implementation challenges.
- Lower energy cost burden for occupants over lifetime of buildings and equipment.
- Transform the Metro Denver market in combination with other grant elements.



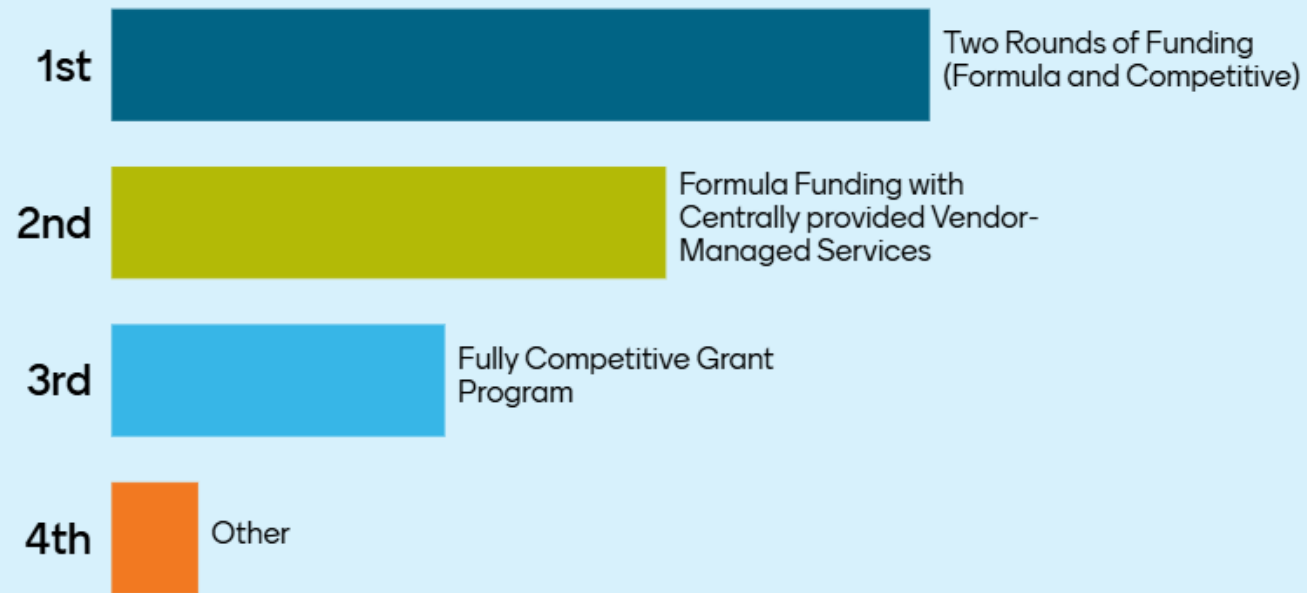
Jurisdictional Support Program

- **\$34.8 million in subawards to DRCOG's member governments.**
 - Enable local government to implement, enforce, and collaborate on building decarbonization policies.
 - Direct staff capacity (internal or contracted) and other process and system support.
 - Avg \$600,000 over the next 4 years for all communities.
 - 2025 Goal – applications open this summer & first round of jurisdictional awards granted by fall.
- **Recommended award format being developed by BPC working group**
 - 3 community workshops held to date.
 - Questions being discussed - funding distribution & eligible uses.



Local government feedback so far...

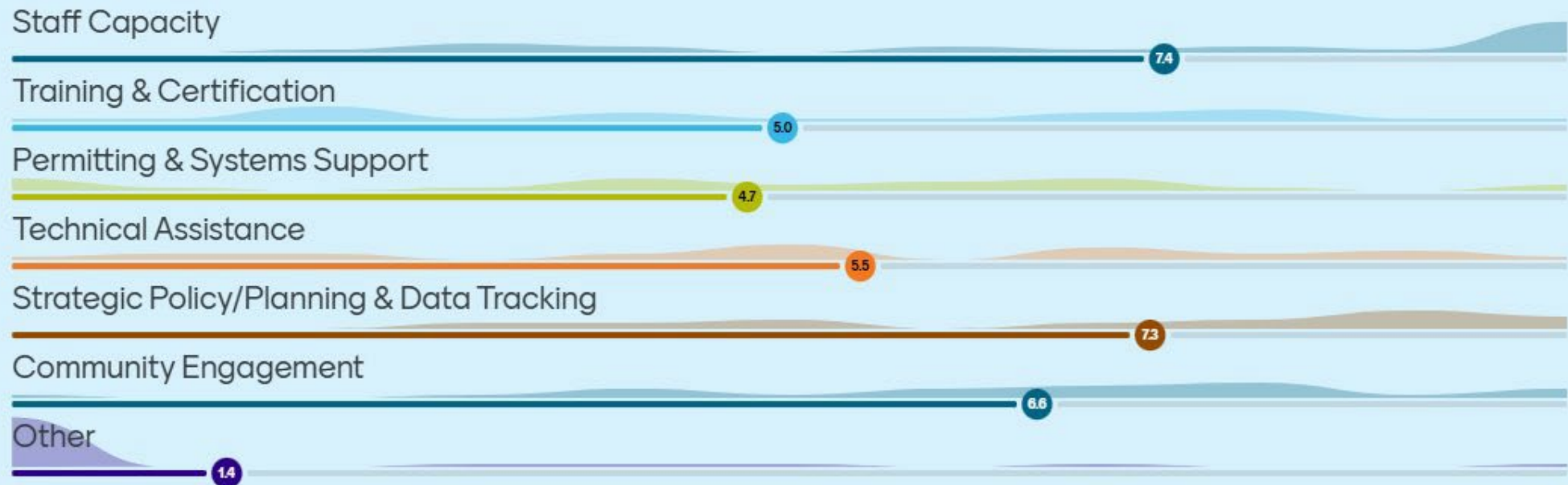
Rank your preference on funding allocation proposals. If "other", please submit written comments about your proposed alternative





Local government feedback so far...

Indicate your community's interest in the following funding categories. If "other", please submit written comments about your proposed addition.





Jurisdictional Support Program next steps

- **March 17** - BPC workshop to review of formula metrics, discussion of application process, reporting requirements, etc.
- **March 24** - Publish jurisdictional allocation packet for public comment.
- **May** - Final jurisdictional allocation, requirements, and eligible uses draft review to oversight committee for review.
- **June** - Oversight/Board approval of jurisdictional support program structure.
- **July → September** - Applications open and contracting begins.
- **October** – local government begin using awards / hiring new staff.



Building Policy Collaborative Peer Network

- **\$2.5 million contract for regional policy network facilitation.**
 - Coordination, stakeholder engagement, attending community councils, preparing materials, maintaining databases, and composing proposals.
 - 2025 Goals - Jurisdictions endorse Policy Roadmap towards zero emissions buildings and identify policy priorities through 2030.
- **Currently in vendor selection process for peer network facilitator.**
 - Anticipated contracting this month.
 - BPC Peer Network planning with vendor starting April.
- **Future BPC community workshops.**
 - Focus on policy collaborative work April – June.
 - Peer network launch fall 2025.



Policy goals



- Potential Policies:
 - Building Codes;
 - Building Performance Standards;
 - Emissions & Equipment Standards;
 - Rental & Contractor Licensing;
 - Permitting.



Research

- **\$1 million budget for localized research.**
 - Data gathering and analysis to support collaborative needs.
 - Initial research areas:
 - Costs, benefits, and equity impacts of strengthening local energy/emissions policies.
 - Building stock analysis.
 - Electrification baseline & grid capacity.
 - Electric-preferred policy effectiveness & unintended consequences.
- 2025 Goal - hire vendor, identify research questions, and initial research completed.



Oversight committee's role

Support, feedback, and dissemination

- Support and feedback on jurisdictional awards.
- Feedback and insight on research questions and challenges identified by the peer network.
- Getting the word out about the support available to local jurisdictions and encouraging participation in the BPC.

Questions and Comments?

- Any feedback regarding the initial jurisdictional awards design? Grant structure, timeline, eligible uses?
- Suggestions regarding BPC Peer Network design?
- What research questions do we need to answer for our program to succeed?
- Ideas to pass on to our consultants or partners?
- What would you like to hear from us in future meetings?

Thank you!

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