THE JUSTICE40 FACT SHEET

The Justice40 Initiative is the Biden administration's whole-of-government response to the grassroots demands for environmental, social, and economic justice. Justice40 emerged in Executive Order 14008. The order calls for 40% of J40 investments go to communities with the most burden and disadvantage. Grassroots communities across the U.S. are organizing with their local government to make sure of it.

SUMMARY OF J40 INTERIM GUIDANCE FOR DEPARTMENTS

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DATA & METRICS

- Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) was released to help agencies identify disadvantaged communities.
- EJ Scorecard will be released in 2022 to help measure the success of J40

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Climate Change Adaptation
- Clean Public Transit
- Sustainable Housing
- Clean Water
- Workforce Development
- Reduce Legacy Pollution
- Clean Energy

APPROPRIATIONS

- Federal Financing
- Direct Payment
- Federal Procurement Benefits
- Federal Grants and Loans
- Pay for Federal Staff Technical Assistance
- Other asOMB allows

DETERMINANTS

- Poverty / Low-Income
- Food Insecurity
- Chronic Illness Rate
- Food Insecurity
- Proximity to Toxics
- Access to Health Care
- Environmental Degradation

REQUIREMENTS

- Stakeholder Engagement Plan
- Justice40 Implementation Plan
- J40 Recommended Modifications
- Overhaul application requirement and process
- Calculate and Report Benefits

# of inaugural J40 programs by dept.

DOT 146
EPA 73
USDA 65
DOE 65
HUD 24

10 Agencies + 445 inaugural programs totaling to billions $ in investment

Dept. of Interior = DOI | Env. Protection Agency = EPA | US Dept. of Ag. = USDA | Health & Human Services = HHS

Housing & Urban Development = HUD | Dept. of Transportation = DOT | Dept. of Energy = DOE | Dept. of Labor = DOL

RELEVANT JUSTICE40 RESOURCES

What is Justice40?

This is an overview from the Environmental Justice Health Alliance for Chemical Policy Reform. They broke down Justice40 into common language to educate EJ communities on Justice40 to actively engage in the implementation.

Justice40 Interim Guidance, M-21-28

This document provides the initial recommendations from Office of Management and Budget, the Council on Environmental Quality and the Nat’l Climate Advisor for the US on the most equitable approach for the US Gov’t to implement EO14008 and Justice40

J40 Covered Program Investment List

This is the August 2022 recent list of program investments covered under the Justice40 Initiative. This list will likely evolve over time with agencies and programs being added or closed.

Grassroots J40 Recommendations

EJ advocates, academic experts and national environmental groups gathered in January 2021 to identify actions that the Biden administration should take to effectively implement Justice40 and benefit those most impacted.

Delaware State J40 Oversight Committee

The Justice Forty oversight committee is the first official committee to oversee Justice40 investments at a state-level. This is a strategy that allows for disadvantaged communities and their elected officials can ensure just implementation of J40.

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CABQ Executive Order
This is a draft Municipal Executive Order for ensuring just and equitable implementation of Justice40 at a local level. It calls for government and community partnership in developing an administration plan for J40 and forming a Justice40 Oversight Committee made of city department and grassroots leadership.

EPA EJ Screen Map
IEPA has developed a new environmental justice (EJ) mapping and screening tool called EJScreen. It includes pollution sources, health disparities, socio-economic indicators and more. This is a useful tool for environmental justice communities wanting data for their Justice40 work.

Justice40 Accelerator Funding Map
Visit the funding finder to select a Justice40 category from the dropdown menu below to filter funding opportunities and explore funding amounts, eligibility, deadlines, and other important information.

Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool
The Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) works to help identify communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution through an algorithm it is working with communities across the nation on. Provide your own feedback and utilize for Justice 40 work.

Harvard Federal EJ Tracker
Sign-up to a tracker designed to provide up-to-date information on the Biden administration’s environmental justice commitments, and progress made on those commitments. Use for regular updates on Justice40, IRA, CEJST & more.

Equitable and Just Climate Guide
The purpose of this resource guide is to help share information with communities, environmental justice and climate advocates, state and local governments, and others who would like to learn more about Justice 40, it’s programs, how to access funding, and direct advocacy efforts.

CEQ Extends EJ ScoreCard Process
The White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) have extended the public comment period on the first version of the Environmental Justice Scorecard, it’s extended for 30 days from October 3, 2022 until November 3, 2022.

ArcGIS Justice40 Tracts Map
This map attempts to assess and identify communities that are disadvantaged according to Justice40 Initiative criteria. Census tracts in the U.S. and its territories that meet the criteria are shaded in dark blue. Suitable for dashboards, apps, stories, and grant applications.

60 Law Makers Urge Strengthening of J40
The Biden-Harris Administration received a letter from 60 lawmakers in September 2022 to strengthen the Justice40 Initiative and how implementation is even more critical with the Inflation Reduction Act, which will provide $60 billion to remediate environmental injustice and $350 billion in infrastructure act

Climate Mapping for Resilience Portal
Climate Mapping for Resilience and Adaptation (CMRA) integrates information from across the federal government to help people consider their local exposure to climate-related hazards. Use the site to help develop equitable climate resilience plans to protect people, property, and infrastructure.