EPA announces \$2 billion in spending for towns and people hurt by pollution

The Biden administration on Tuesday announced the terms of a \$2 billion environmental and climate justice grant program, part of the Inflation Reduction Act's massive green spending allocation aimed at helping poorer towns and people harmed by pollution.

EPA officials said the grant program, authorized by the IRA's "Investing in America" program, is the largest single investment in environmental justice history.

The grants will fund activities that fall under multiple categories, including climate resiliency and adaptation projects; efforts to mitigate climate and health risks, including from extreme heat, wildfires, and wood heating emissions; and facilitating the engagement of disadvantaged communities through state and federal advisory groups, workshops, and rulemakings, among other things.

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