



# Department of Energy

## Recovery Act State Memos

### Mariana Islands



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*All numbers and projects listed as of June 1, 2010*



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# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act



## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY • NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS RECOVERY ACT SNAPSHOT

Funding for selected DOE projects: \$29.2 million

DOE Recovery Act projects in Northern Mariana Islands: 4

For total Recovery Act jobs numbers in Northern Mariana Islands go to [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

The **American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA)** is making a meaningful down payment on the nation’s energy and environmental future. Through these investments, Northern Mariana businesses, non-profits, and local governments are creating quality jobs today and positioning the Northern Mariana Islands to play an important role in the new energy economy of the future.

### EXAMPLES OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS FORMULA GRANTS

| Program | State Energy Program  | Weatherization Assistance Program   | Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grants   | Energy Efficiency Appliance Rebate Program   |
|---------|---|---|---|--|
| Award   | <p><b>\$18.7 million</b></p> <p>The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands has received \$18.7 million in State Energy Program funds to invest in state- and territory-level energy efficiency and renewable energy priorities.</p> | <p><b>\$29.4 million</b></p> <p>The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands has received over \$29.4 million in Weatherization Assistance Program funds to scale-up existing weatherization efforts in the islands, creating jobs, reducing carbon emissions, and saving money for Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands’ low-income families. Over the course of the Recovery Act, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands expects to weatherize nearly 200 homes. The program also includes workforce training and education as part of the islands’ efforts to develop a green workforce.</p> | <p><b>\$9.6 million</b></p> <p>The Northern Mariana Islands has received \$9.6 million for Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) to develop, promote, implement, and manage local energy efficiency programs.</p> | <p><b>\$0.1 million</b></p> <p>The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands has received \$100,000 for the Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program, which offers consumer rebates for purchasing certain ENERGY STAR® appliances. These energy efficient appliances reduce energy use and save money for families, while helping the environment and supporting the local economy.</p> |

## Funding Allocation Table (Figure 1)

Total dollar amounts in this document are accurate as of June 1, 2010. Please note that Recovery Act Programs are ongoing and the dollar amounts are subject to change. Recipient locations are based on project sites rather than recipients' headquarters locations.

| Recovery Act Pillar  | Flagship Program Names & Funding Type <sup>1</sup>        | Number of Selections | Selected Amount (in millions) <sup>2</sup> |
|--|---|----------------------|--|
| Energy Efficiency  | <i>Weatherization Assistance Program (F)</i>              | 1                    | \$29.4                                     |
|  | <i>State Energy Program (F)</i>                           | 1                    | \$18.7                                     |
|  | <i>Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (F)</i> | 1                    | \$9.6                                      |
|  | <i>Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate (F)</i>              | 1                    | \$0.1                                      |
|  | <b>TOTAL Energy Efficiency</b>                            | <b>4</b>             | <b>\$57.7</b>                              |
| <b>TOTAL - DOE Programs<sup>3</sup></b>  |   | <b>4</b>             | <b>\$57.7</b>                              |
| <sup>1</sup> F=Formula Grant, CM=Competitive Grant, C=Contract   |   |                      |  |
| <sup>2</sup> " Selected" indicates DOE has selected a potential funding recipient, which begins the process of negotiating an agreement. This does not necessarily indicate that a final agreement has been reached. |   |                      |  |
| <sup>3</sup> Total does not include administrative funds.  |   |                      |  |

## **ENERGY EFFICIENCY – 4 projects totaling \$57.7 million**

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*Helping millions of American families cut utility bills by making homes and appliances more energy efficient, expanding the home efficiency industry in sales and manufacturing. For more information, visit <http://www.energy.gov/recovery/energyefficiency.htm>.*

### **Award(s): \$29.4 million, Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)**

#### **Location: Statewide**

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands received over \$29.4 million in Weatherization Assistance Program funds to increase existing weatherization efforts on the islands, create jobs, reduce carbon emissions and save money for Commonwealth's low-income families. Over the course of the Recovery Act, the Commonwealth has a goal to weatherize nearly 200 homes. The program also includes workforce training and education as part of the islands' efforts to develop a green workforce. The Commonwealth's funds are being administered by the Department of Public Works, Energy Division. Due to the fact that this is the first time the Northern Mariana Islands have been included in the Weatherization Assistance Program, the territory will emphasize training and technical assistance. Weatherization workers and administrators are being trained to maximize energy savings in homes, minimize production costs, protect the health and safety of the clients and workers and ensure transparency and accountability in the program. The Energy Division also performs inspections on 100 percent of all weatherized homes to ensure the effectiveness of the Commonwealth's weatherization program.

### **Award(s): \$18.7 million, State Energy Program (SEP)**

#### **Location: Statewide**

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands received \$18.7 million in State Energy Program funds to invest in territory-level energy efficiency and renewable energy priorities. The Northern Mariana Islands is distributing this funding to several initiatives to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy. These initiatives include incorporating energy efficiency technologies and practices in buildings, installing energy efficiency retrofits in school buildings and providing for the development, implementation and enforcement of energy policies throughout the government of the Northern Mariana Islands. The Commonwealth is also using Recovery Act SEP funds to establish an energy education program, providing schools and the general public with information about energy efficiency concepts, applications and scientific studies. Consistent with Recovery Act goals, each of these initiatives helps reduce energy consumption and emissions of greenhouse gases, while creating or maintaining jobs.

### **Award(s): \$9.6 million, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG)**

#### **Location: Statewide**

The Northern Mariana Islands received \$9.6 million for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants Program (EECBG) to develop, promote, implement and manage local energy efficiency programs.

This project assists states, U.S. territories, Indian tribes, counties and cities to develop, promote, implement and manage localized energy efficiency programs through individual program grants. The project funds programs which reduce fossil fuel emissions in a manner that is environmentally sustainable, maximizes cost savings, reduces the total energy use of eligible entities and improves energy efficiency in the transportation, building and other appropriate sectors.

**Award(s): \$100,000, Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Programs**

**Location: Statewide**

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands received \$100,000 for the Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program, which offers consumer rebates for purchasing certain ENERGY STAR® appliances. These energy efficient appliances reduce energy use and save money for families, while supporting the local economy. The Commonwealth is implementing this program to help residents replace older, inefficient appliances with new ENERGY STAR qualified appliances. Residents must apply in-person for rebate vouchers at the Energy Division Office before making a purchase from a participating retailer. Eligible products include refrigerators, clothes washers and Room air conditioners. Consumers are required to provide proof of the proper recycling of replaced appliances.