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Partner with and provide funding for Community-based Organizations
Comment on Community Benefits Plan, Section 1: Community and Labor Engagement
The DOE guidelines (4.1.4, item 1, p.55) says that: “States are strongly encouraged to establish partnerships with and provide funding to community-based organizations [and other types of organizations] that represent or work with underserved households to reach and engage with these communities effectively over the life of the program.”
Several types of organizations are listed as examples, and all deserve support.
RECOMMENDATION: We urge partnering with and provide funding for community-based organizations, especially those that have the strongest relationships with the households eligible for rebates, because they will be the most effective in connecting them with the rebate program.

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(“DOE” refers to: US Department of Energy, Office of State and Community Energy Programs, Home Energy Rebate Programs Requirements and Application Instructions - Updated October 13, 2023.)