

Dear EnergySmart IQ Grant Applicant,

On behalf of Boulder County, thank you for applying for the 2018 EnergySmart IQ (*income* qualified) solar grant. Taking the step to invest in clean, renewable energy for your home is to be applauded and will ensure future resiliency to increasing energy costs while reducing your family's impact on the environment. For 2018, in addition to filling out the grant application and submitting your prior year's tax information (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ), we are asking applicants to compose a brief letter stating why they believe they should be an award recipient. This information, submitted to the EnergySmart program manager by March 15, 2018 will be reviewed by a selection committee to determine who has demonstrated the strongest need and commitment to addressing their energy consumption. At this time, the total amount of EnergySmart IQ grant funds available for 2018 is \$50,000 from which the individual grant award maximum is \$3,000 (\$1/watt up to 3,000 watts of installed capacity).

Below are dates, deadlines, and details that you should keep in mind as your go through the EnergySmart IQ solar grant process. As always, reach out to your EnergySmart advisor for answers to questions, assistance with finding a qualified solar contractor, or pursuing additional energy related improvements. These advisors work for you, are free, and are happily there for you every step of the way!

Sincerely,

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Date and Deadlines

- March 15, 2018 – Last day to submit a completed EnergySmart Solar IQ grant package (see below for the list of required documents).
- April 15, 2018 – Grant awardees, as well as those not receiving a grant award, will be notified individually by this date.
- June 15, 2018 – Grant awardees must have a signed contract with an eligible solar contractor by this date.
- November 30, 2018 – Project, all required inspections, and utility agreements must be completed by this date to receive grant funding.

Details

1. Enrollment in EnergySmart is required to submit a Solar IQ grant application. To enroll in EnergySmart go to EnergySmartYES.com or call 303.544.1000.
2. Income qualifying thresholds are listed below.

3. At least one of the Applicants must be listed as the property owner of record based on a property search of the Boulder County Assessor Office publicly searchable records. The property/home must also be that person's principal residence.
4. A completed EnergySmart Solar IQ grant application packet will contain the following:
 - a. EnergySmart Solar IQ Grant Application
 - b. A copy of your 2017 Federal Tax Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ if submitted. If you have not submitted your 2017 taxes, include a copy of your 2016 Federal Taxes.
 - c. EnergySmart Solar IQ Statement of Need letter

Household adjusted gross income as reported on the Applicant's federal form 1040 for the most recent year must be no greater than the limits described in the chart below. You can find the adjusted gross income (AGI) on the following line on the 2016 or 2017 tax forms: Form 1040-line 38, Form 1040A- line 22, Form 1040EZ- line 4

2017 Boulder County: 100% per Household Area Median Income Limits*

Household #	1 Person	2 Persons	3 Persons	4 Persons	5 Persons	6 Persons	7 Persons	8 Persons
	\$68,800	\$78,6000	\$88,400	\$98,200	\$106,100	\$114,000	\$121,800	\$129,700

*Colo. Housing and Finance Authority https://www.chfainfo.com/arh/asset/Documents/2017_income_limits.pdf

Please provide a copy of the most recent Form 1040 federal tax document for all household members who had an income. If your financial situation has changed significantly since you filed the tax document, and you believe your current income will qualify for this program, please contact EnergySmart.