Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling State and Territory Grant Fact Sheet American Samoa



Grant Recipient Information

EPA Information

Name: American Samoa Power Authority

Region: EPA Region 9

Highlights

- Establish, expand, and optimize collection and materials management infrastructure.
- Update work plan for American Samoa Waste Management.
- Implement American Samoa waste management strategies for processing waste streams.
- Purchase and install equipment for a new transfer station.
- Engage in public awareness strategies for processed materials.

Overview of American Samoa's Planned Activities

American Samoa will establish a plan to improve collection strategies for processing municipal solid waste. Local and Federal partners will help create working documents on materials management that will serve the entire territory, which will result in an updated workplan. American Samoa also will build six new transfer stations, resulting in better collection, improvements to the waste streams, and more engagement in public awareness strategies. Additionally, American Samoa will focus on enhanced data collection and measurement, which will make it possible to identify and develop strategies to improve collection. The territory also will engage in public awareness strategies surrounding the collection of tires, glass, plastics, and additional processed materials.

SWIFR Grants for States and Territories

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding can be used to develop or update plans to advance post-consumer materials management, implement those plans, and to improve data collection efforts. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to American Samoa once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.