

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

### **Grant Recipient Information**

**Name:** Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

## **EPA Information**

Region: EPA Region 8

### Highlights

- Develop an updated Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan.
- Educate communities on the plan's recommendations.
- Support residents in disadvantaged communities to better manage disaster debris and increase recycling.
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# **Overview of Colorado's Planned Activities**

Colorado will update its 2016 Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan to include guidance on recycling and disposal for waste streams generated from renewable energy sources and electric vehicle batteries. The plan will also include recommendations on improving waste diversion data collection and an overview of improvements to Colorado's disaster debris management efforts.

As part of its plan implementation, Colorado will raise public awareness on disaster debris management and guidance, provide information about waste diversion data collection and tools, and provide information on waste diversion needs to facilitate policy development. Colorado will also support residents in disadvantaged communities to better manage disaster debris and increase recycling.

#### **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 Colorado once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

# SWIFR Community Grant Fact Sheet

Chaffee County SWIFR Community Grant Fact Sheet

