



## AEC Pro Bono Fund: Guidelines for Allocating Funds

For any proposals received, please rank its applicability to the assessment categories using the following scale:

Category	Description/Questions	Grading Scale	Score (1-4)
<b>Applicability to AEC's areas of expertise</b>	Does the proposed project fall within AEC's wheelhouse of services? (Energy economics, climate and environmental impacts, equity analysis)	1 = does not relate to AEC expertise 2 = slightly relates to AEC expertise 3 = relates to several areas of AEC expertise 4 = comprehensively relates to areas of AEC expertise	
<b>Role in community and relationship with EJ Communities</b>	Is the applicant a community-based organization? To what extent do they interact with Environmental Justice Communities? How will the proposed project benefit EJ communities?	1 = does not include or serve EJ communities 2 = somewhat includes and benefits EJ communities 3 = includes, benefits, and collaborates with EJ communities 4 = provides tangible benefits for, includes, and collaborates with EJ communities	
<b>Access to other resources</b>	Has the applicant received other sources of funding, such as grants or awards, for this type of work?	1 = applicant is able to provide funding to other organizations or individuals 2 = applicant has adequate funding from grants, donors, or other sources 3 = applicant has some funding from grants or other sources 4 = applicant has never received grant funding	
<b>Outcome/purpose</b>	How will AEC's work be put to use? How will the project's result benefit EJ communities?	1 = does not put AEC's expertise to abstract or concrete use 2 = puts AEC's expertise to abstract use 3 = puts AEC's expertise to concrete use (or abstract use in EJ communities) 4 = puts AEC's expertise to concrete use in EJ communities	
<b>Other (Tie-breaker)</b>	Is the applicant based locally?		
<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>			<b>/20</b>