

**Financing Sustainable Water  
Infrastructure with the State Revolving  
Fund: 2-Part Virtual Training Series**



**Part 1: August 11, 11am MT**  
**Part 2: August 18, 2 pm MT**

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Q&A

**You ask:** 13:05  
How do I use these awesome tools?

**Joshua Jones answered:** 13:06  
You are already using one of the most awesome tools. We'll discuss the rest right away.

Please input your question

Send Anonymously Send

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# Agenda

## *Session 1: SRF 101 & Setting the Stage – Laying the Foundation for Success*

- Meet Today's Speakers
- Colorado SRF 101
- Case Study: Broomfield, CO
- Technical Assistance & Resources
- Q&A



# Today's Speakers



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Program Manager  
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City and County of  
Broomfield



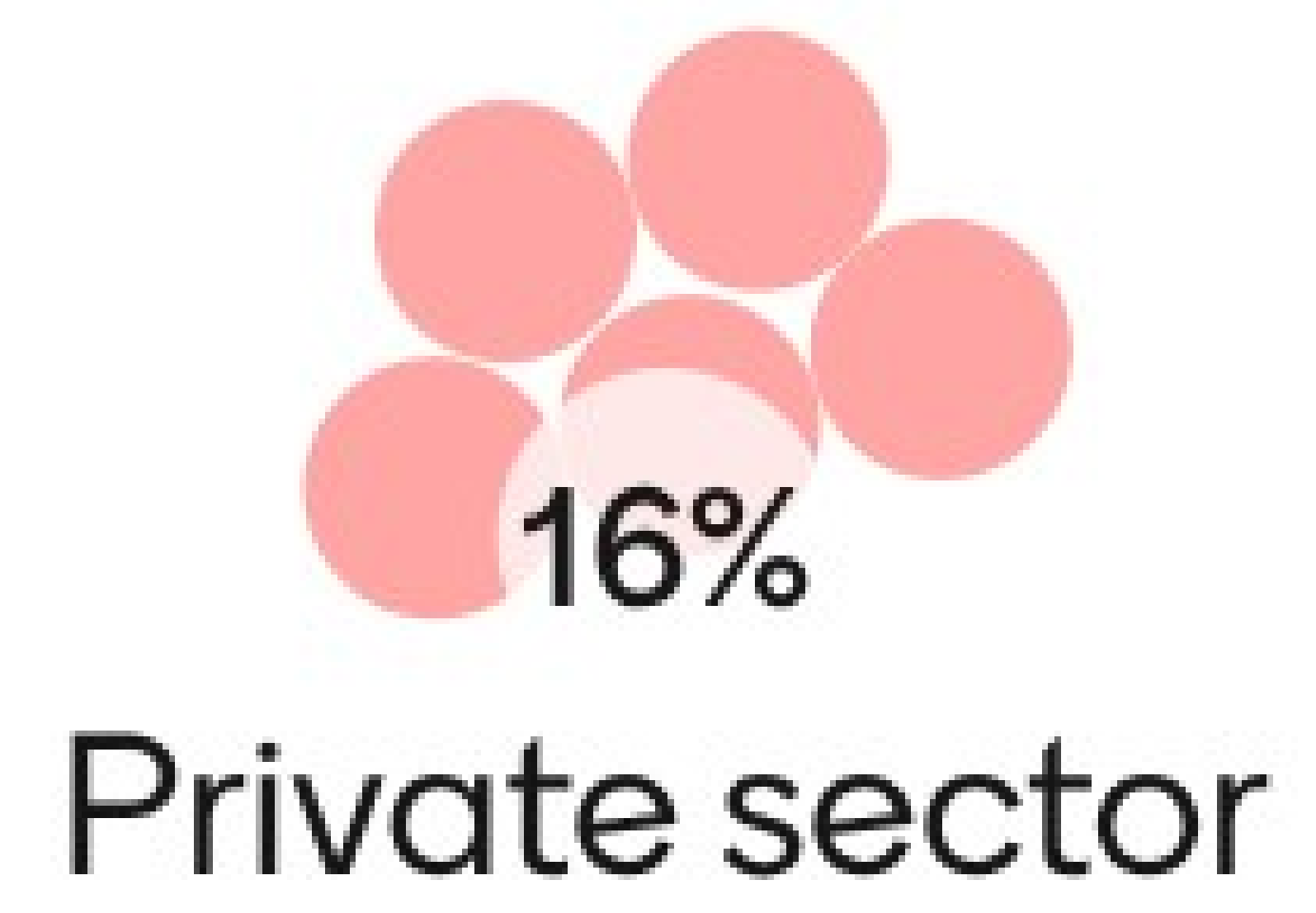
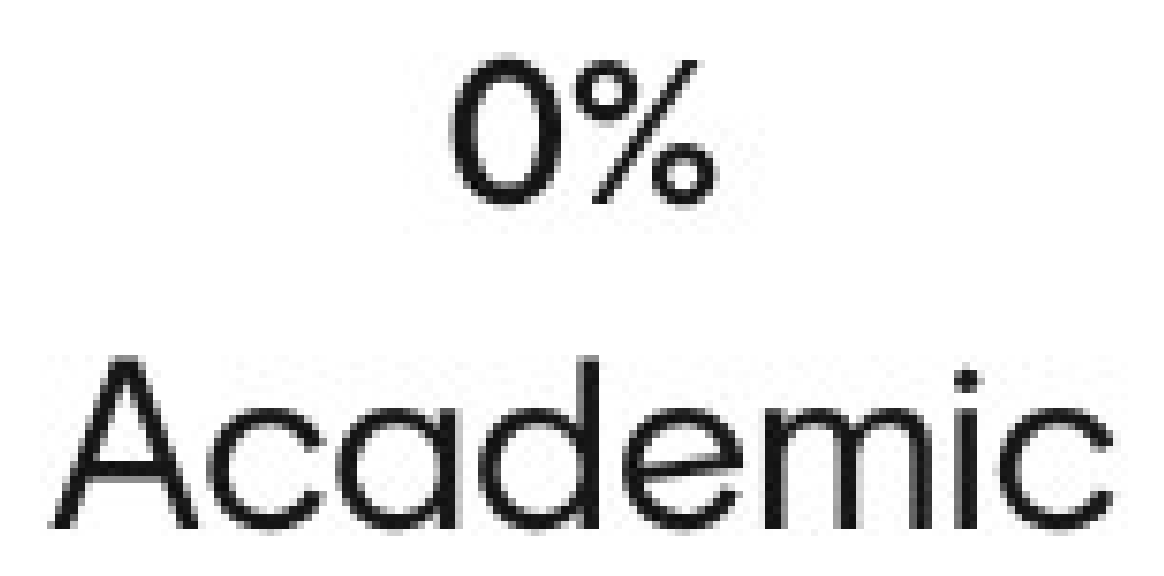
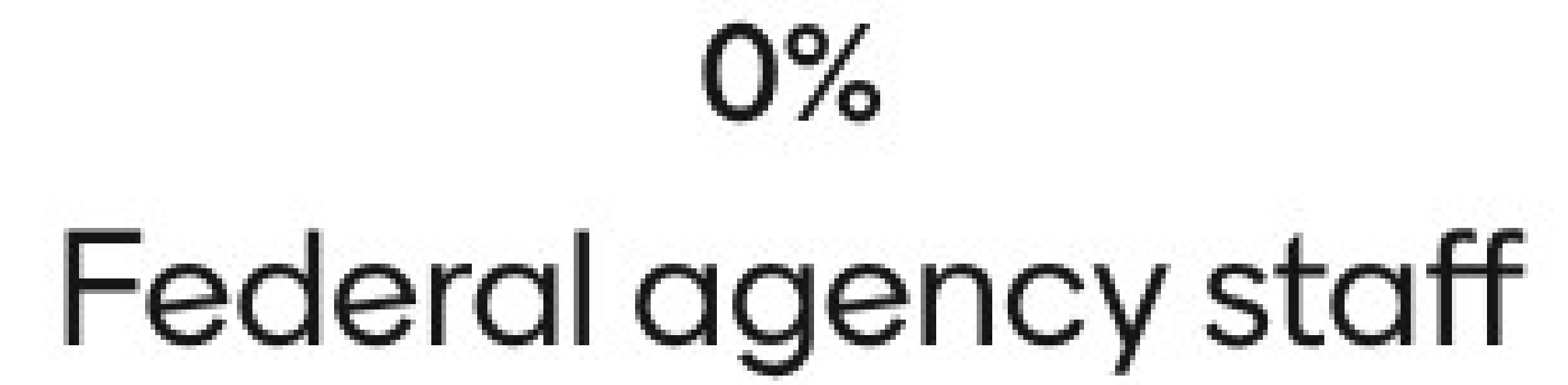
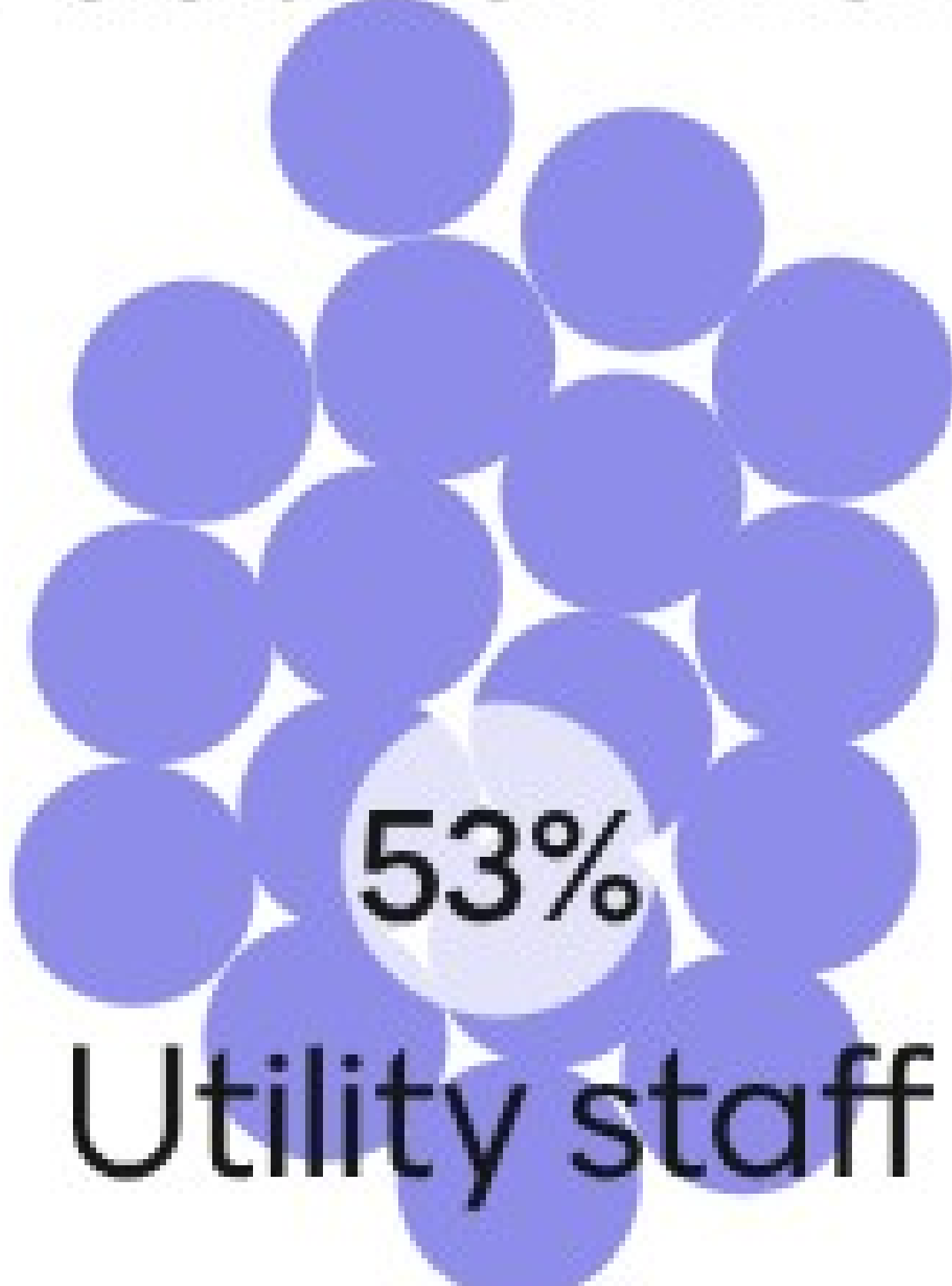
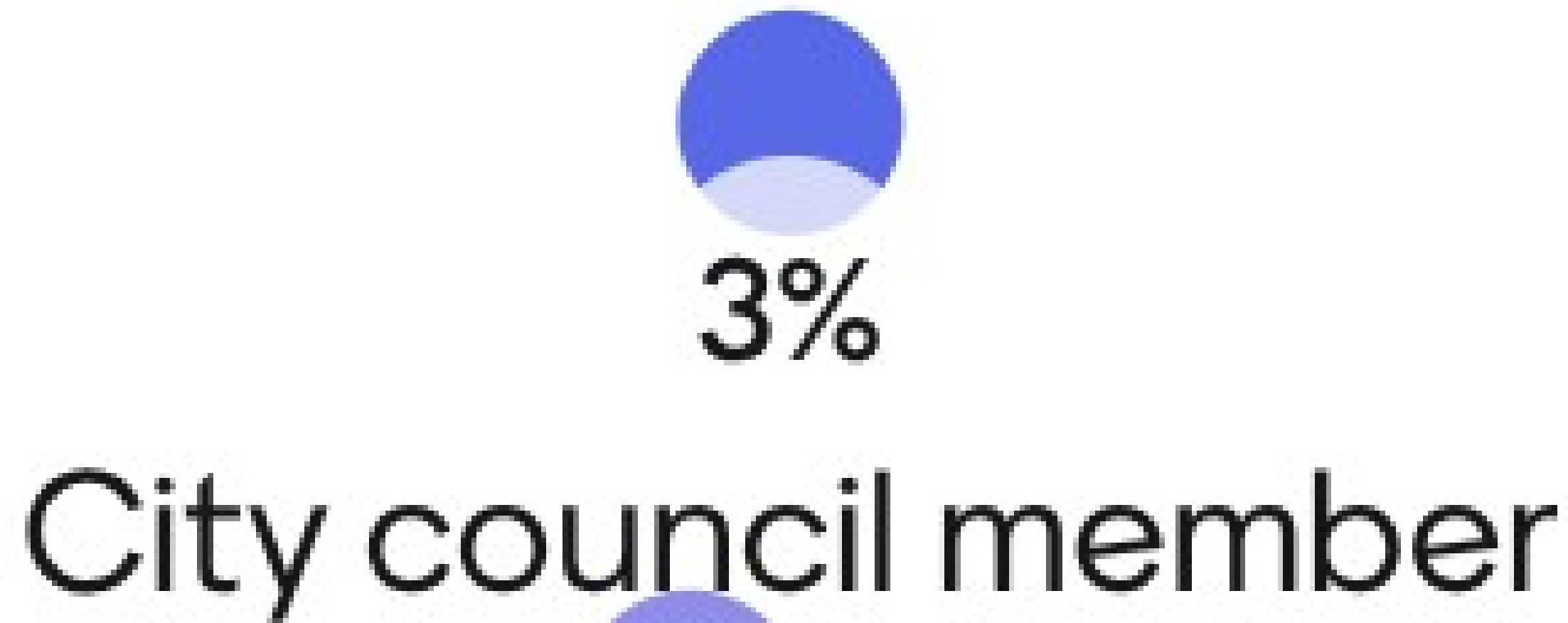
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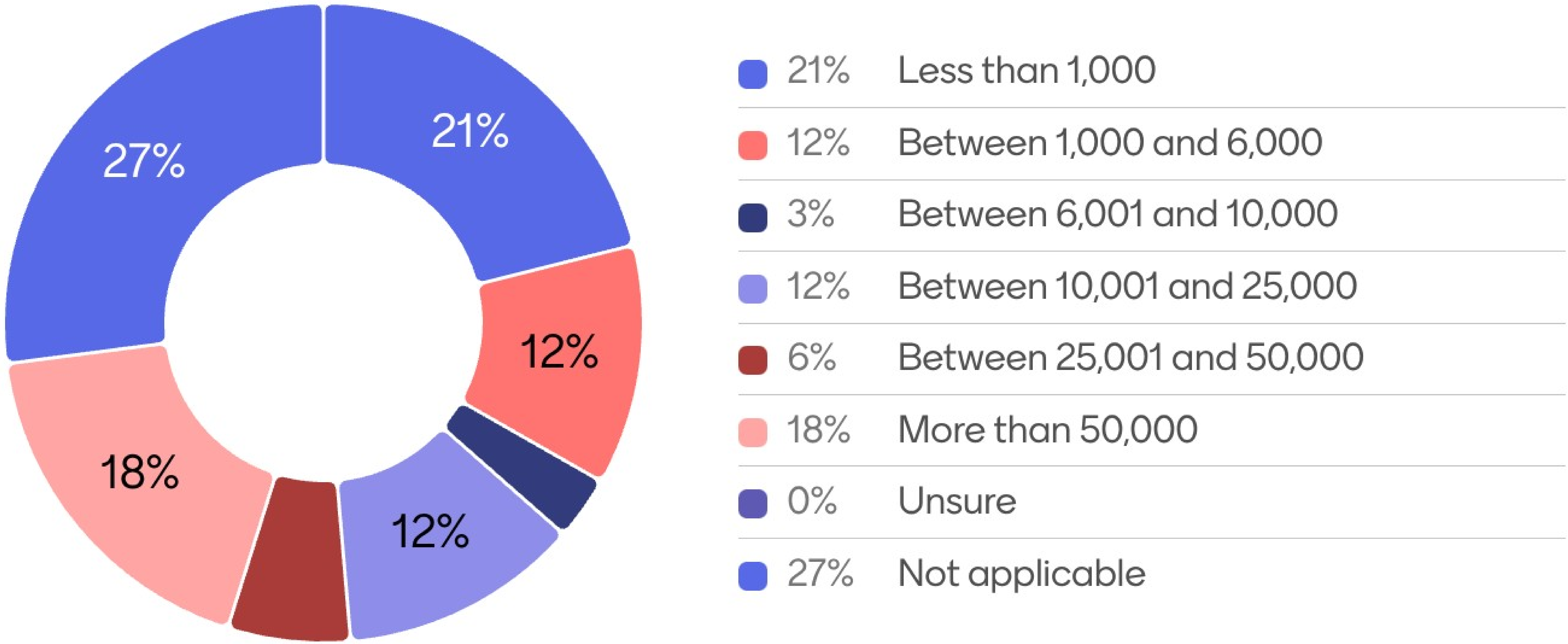
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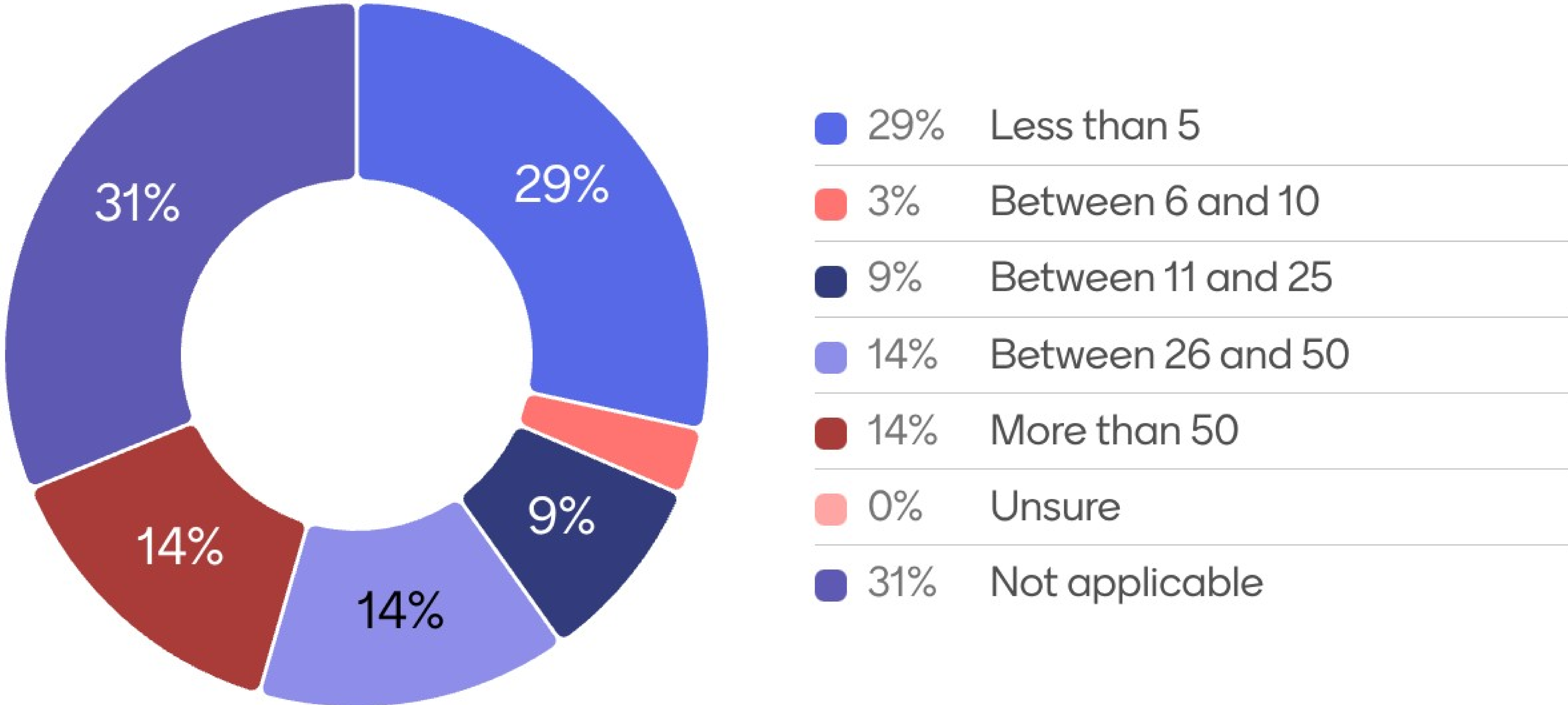
# Who's in the room?



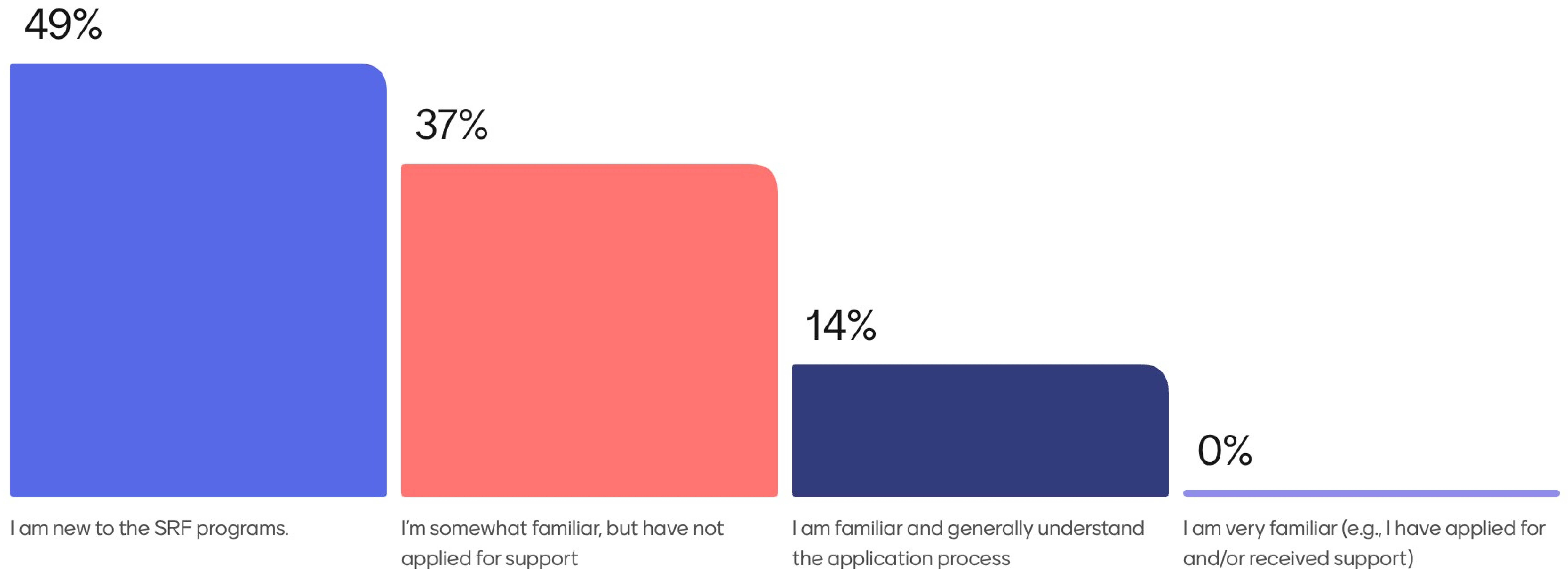
# How many customers does your utility serve?



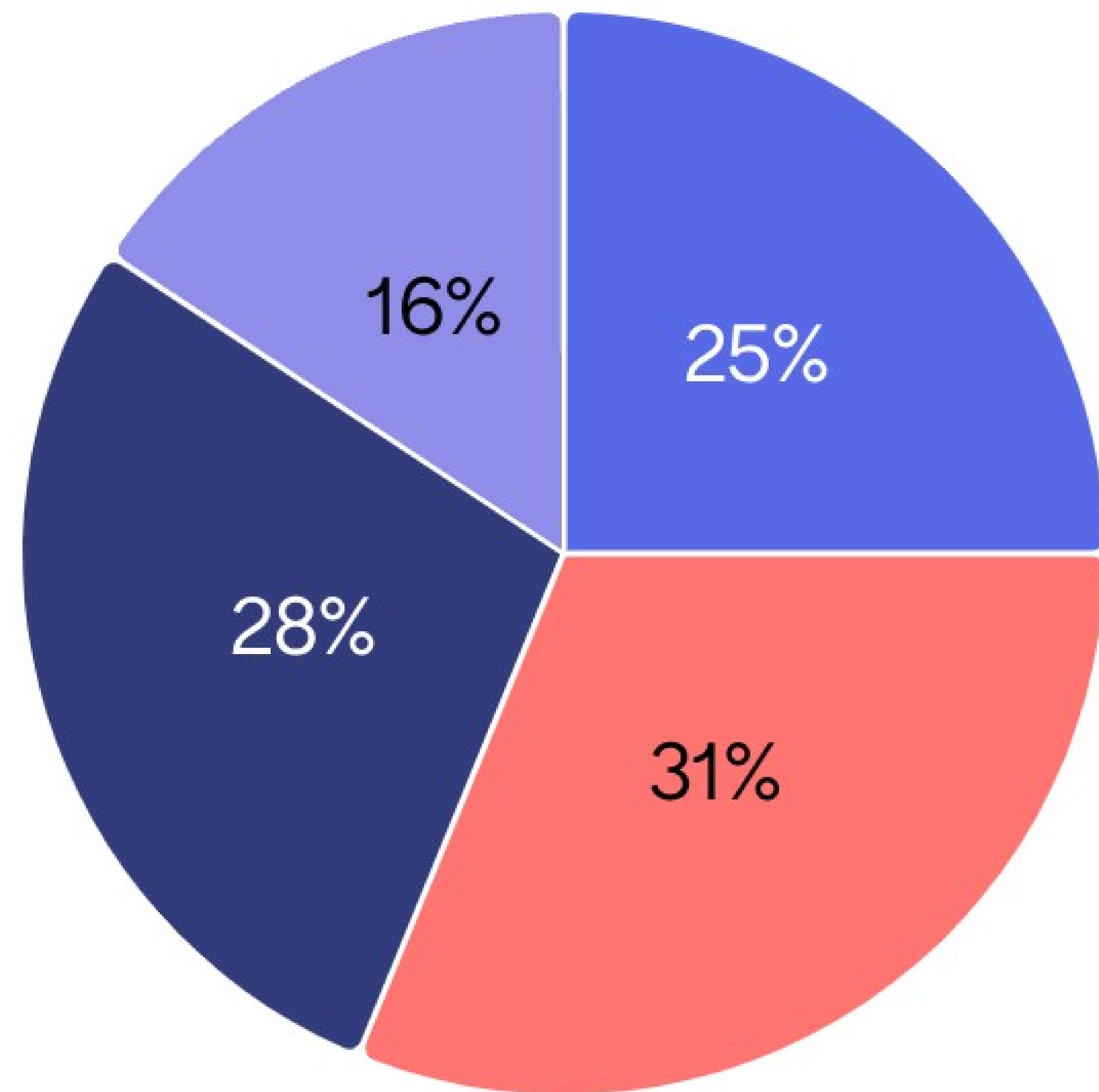
# How many FTEs does your utility employ?



# How familiar are you with the Colorado SRF programs?

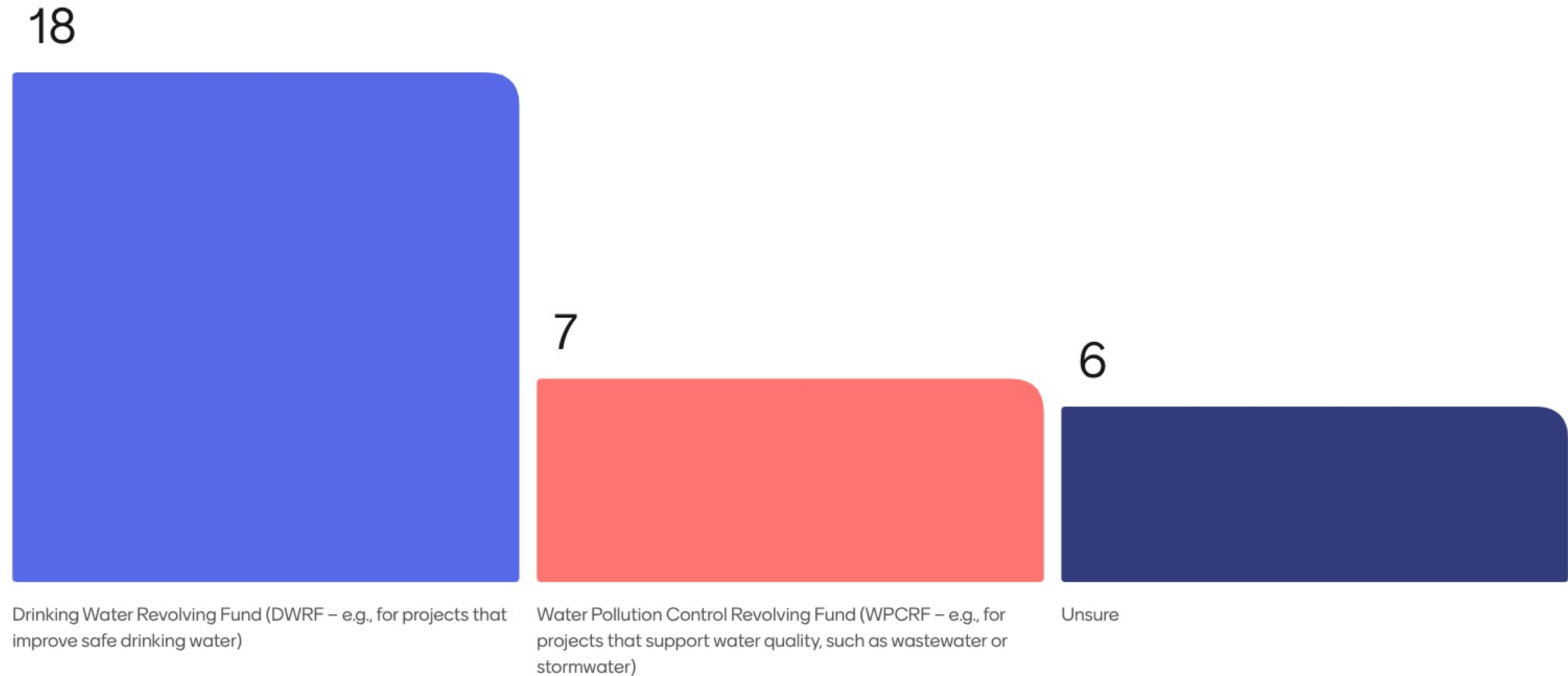


# How ready is your project?



- 25% I don't have a specific project in mind
- 31% I have a few project ideas
- 28% I have a specific project in mind, but I haven't submitted the annual eligibility survey
- 16% I have a project and am working through the application process
- 0% I have applied for and received a loan, and have started construction on my project

# Which SRF program are you interested in or have applied to?



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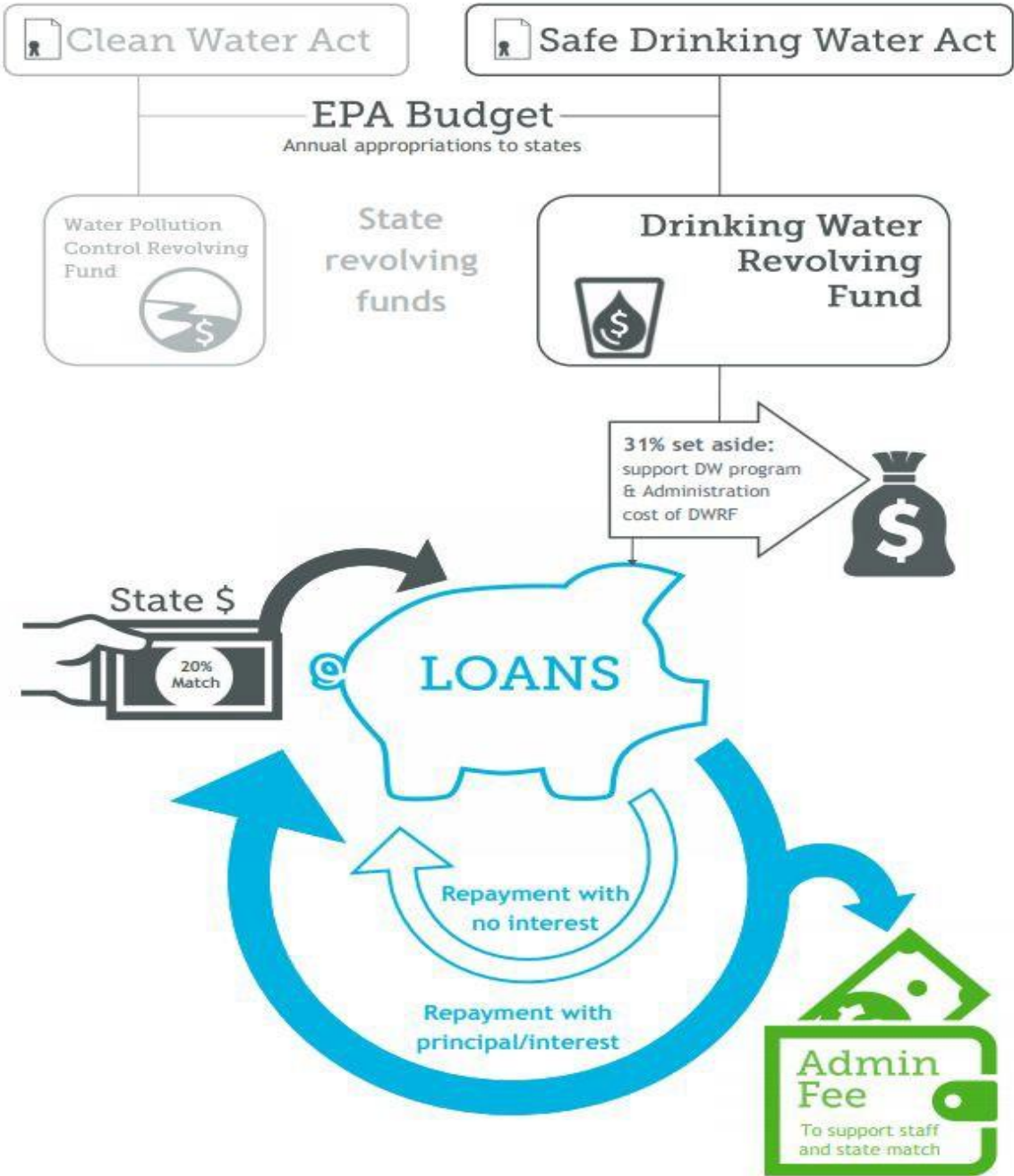
# Colorado's State Revolving Fund

**Desi Santerre**

Program Manager

Department of Local Affairs

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# Colorado's State Revolving Fund

low-interest loans for drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater projects

# Who are we? Partner agencies and roles

## Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (WQCD)

- Primacy agency.
- Program administration.
- Technical review and advisory role.
- Federal reporting.

## Colorado Water Resources & Power Development Authority (CWRPDA or “the Authority”)

- Financial structure.
- Manages budgets and investments.
- Disburses funds.
- Federal reporting.
- Provides state match.
- Loan portfolio monitoring.

## Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA)

- Conducts financial capacity assessments.
- Financial and managerial assistance to systems.
- Coordinates funding collaboration.
- SRF outreach.



# State Revolving Fund Base Programs

- Drinking water (DWRF)
- Wastewater (WPCRF)

## Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/ Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Funding

- Drinking water supplemental
- Wastewater supplemental
- Lead service line removal
- Drinking water emerging contaminants
- Wastewater emerging contaminants

# State Revolving Fund Program: Base & IIJA/BIL

- Direct loans or leveraged loans
- Loan terms: Up to 30 years
- Below-market interest rates
- Eligible entities:
  - DWRF: Colorado local governments or private non-profits. Drinking water systems must be public water systems-**NOTE: Private non-profits are not eligible for IIJA/BIL funding**
  - WPCRF: Colorado local governments



# Funding Limits

## Loan limits

- Drinking water: \$30 million per borrower
- Wastewater: \$18 million per borrower

## Principal forgiveness limits

- Drinking water projects: \$1 - \$2 million
- Wastewater projects: \$500,000 - \$1.5 million (disadvantaged communities only)
- Lead service line identification/removal: \$10 million
- Emerging contaminants: \$30 million





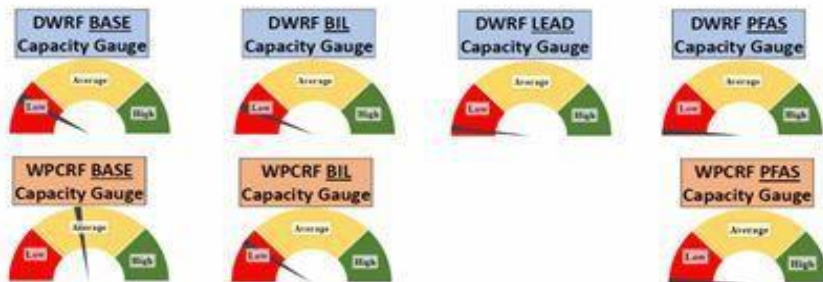
## State Revolving Fund Newsletter

May-June, 2025

### Updates regarding the State Revolving Fund (SRF):

- We understand that the past several weeks have been challenging and uncertain regarding the potential impacts on programs that utilize federal funding. We continue working closely with our federal and state partners to monitor federal policy decisions that may impact the SRF program.
- On March 17, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a class exemption related to Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements. This exemption suspends reporting requirements for states that are federal grant recipients. Per the SRF contract agreements, the six good faith efforts are still required. SRF funding recipients are still required to submit quarterly reports for DBE monitoring.
- The Eligibility Survey opened on May 1, 2025, and will remain open through June 30, 2025. Systems must complete the survey annually to be eligible for SRF funding. Please visit the [Colorado Environmental Online Services \(CEOS\)](#) portal to complete the survey.
- The upcoming loan application deadlines are June 5 and August 5, 2025.
- As a reminder, the SRF program continues to experience a high demand for funding. Loan application funding requests are subject to funding availability, prioritization, caps, maxes, and approval by the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority Board of Directors.

### Availability of funds



Click [here](#) to sign up for the SRF newsletter

Get updates on:

- upcoming application cycles
- funding availability
- program news



# Additional Benefits

## Green Project Reserve

Reduced interest rates for the first \$3 million of a loan request

## Disadvantaged Communities Program

Reduced interest rates, grants, and potential loan forgiveness



# Green Project Reserve (GPR)

- Clean water projects only (Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund)
- Qualify as one of the following categories or through a business case:
  - Green infrastructure
  - Water efficiency
  - Energy efficiency
  - Environmentally innovative activities

Green components cost:

Interest rates (for first \$3 million of loan request):



Between 15 to 20% of project cost

2.50-2.75%



Equal to or greater than 20% of project cost

1.50-1.75%



# Disadvantaged Communities

Reduced interest rates, grants, and potential loan forgiveness

## Eligibility

- Population of 10,000 or less
- Primary factors
  - Median Household Income (MHI)
  - Median Home Value (MHV)
  - County unemployment rate or job loss
- Secondary factors
  - County MHI, population change, assessed value, system debt and cost compared to MHI/MHV



# SRF Grant Assistance

## Planning Grants (up to \$10,000 for non-conversion, 20% match required)

- Eligible projects: governmental entities; private non-profits (drinking water only)
- Requirements:
  - Meet Planning Grant criteria
  - Completed pre-qualification form and meeting

## Design and Engineering Grants (D&E) (up to \$300,000)

- Eligible projects: governmental entities
- Requirements:
  - Meet Disadvantaged Community criteria
  - Approved Project Needs Assessment



# SRF Grant Assistance

## Conversion Planning Grants (up to \$25,000, 20% match required)

- Eligible projects: private non-profits (drinking water or wastewater) that wish to form a governmental entity
- Requirements:
  - Meet Planning Grant criteria
  - Completed pre-qualification form and meeting
- Eligible expenses:
  - Legal and accounting fees that may be associated with forming a governmental entity
  - Project Needs Assessment, Environmental Assessment, energy audits



# Base Program: Loan Forgiveness

- Availability varies
- Eligibility and amount of loan forgiveness determined at loan application
- Amount of forgiveness ranges from 20%-80% of loan request, current maximum of \$1,000,000



# Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/ Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Funding

- Drinking water supplemental
- Wastewater supplemental
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# IIJA/BIL Funding: Loan Forgiveness Distribution

Category	Loan Forgiveness (approximate)	Eligibility
DWRF supplemental	50% loan forgiveness \$1M cap for non-DACs \$2M cap for DACs	Disadvantaged communities and expanded eligibility criteria  Non-DAC Borrowers can only access pot once DAC Borrowers can access more than once
WPCRF supplemental	50% loan forgiveness \$1.5M cap	Disadvantaged communities only DAC Borrowers can access more than once
DWRF Lead Service Line	50% loan forgiveness \$10M cap	Disadvantaged communities and expanded eligibility criteria  Non-DAC Borrowers can only access pot once DAC Borrowers can access more than once

# IIJA/BIL Funding: Loan Forgiveness Distribution

Category	Loan Forgiveness	Eligibility
DWRF Emerging Contaminants	100% \$30M cap	Any applicant, but 25% of the pot must go to disadvantaged communities or communities with populations less than 25K
WPCRF Emerging Contaminants	100%	Any applicant, but disadvantaged communities must be prioritized

# IIJA/BIL Grant/Loan Forgiveness Eligibility

- Meet base program disadvantaged community criteria
- Project addresses lead or emerging contaminants
- Demographic criteria
  - % minority
  - % population above 65 years old
  - Population growth/loss
- Socioeconomic factors
  - % under 200% of poverty level
  - % housing burdened
  - Median household income (state MHI: \$92,470)
  - County-level job loss OR unemployment rate



# Base Program & IIJA/BIL Supplemental Funding: Eligible Projects



# Base Program & Supplemental Funding: Eligible Project Categories

## Drinking Water Eligibility

1. Treatment
2. Transmission and Distribution
3. Source
4. Storage
5. Consolidation
6. Creation of a new system
7. Security
8. Energy efficiency

## Wastewater Eligibility

1. Treatment
2. Conservation and management plan
3. Decentralized wastewater treatment systems
4. Stormwater
5. Water conservation, efficiency, or reuse
6. Watershed projects
7. Energy efficiency
8. Water reclamation
9. Security

EPA Drinking Water Revolving Fund Eligibility Handbook:

[https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2019-10/documents/dwsrf\\_eligibility\\_handbook\\_june\\_13\\_2017\\_updated\\_508\\_version1.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2019-10/documents/dwsrf_eligibility_handbook_june_13_2017_updated_508_version1.pdf)

EPA Overview of Clean Water Revolving Fund Eligibilities:

[https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2016-07/documents/overview\\_of\\_cwsrf\\_eligibilities\\_may\\_2016.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2016-07/documents/overview_of_cwsrf_eligibilities_may_2016.pdf)



# IIJA/BIL Funding

## DWRF Lead Service Lines: Eligible Projects



### Eligible Projects

- Identification of lead service lines
- Planning & design for a lead removal project
- Complete removal of lead service lines
- Any other activity *directly connected* with the identification, project development, or removal of lead service lines

Department Lead Website:

<https://cdphe.colorado.gov/lead>



# IIJA/BIL Funding

## DWRF & WPCRF Emerging Contaminants: Eligible Projects

### Eligible Projects

- Primary project focus addresses emerging contaminants like:
  - Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)
  - DWRF: Any contaminant in any of EPA's Contaminant Candidate Lists.
  - WPCRF: Substances and microorganisms that pose risks to human or environmental health, including manufactured or naturally occurring physical, chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear materials

### Ineligible Projects

- DWRF
  - Any contaminant regulated under the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations
- WPCRF
  - Contaminants with water quality criteria established under the CWA section 304(a)



# Base Program & Supplemental Funding:

## Process

### Program Requirements



# Major Program Milestones

“Get on the list!”



Eligibility Survey



“Process kickoff”



Pre-Qualification



“The team evaluates the proposed project.”



Project Needs Assessment (PNA)



“Let’s apply for and secure funding.”



Loan Application



“Let’s build it!”



Loan Execution

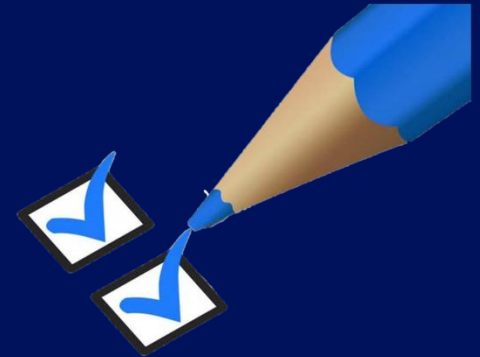


Construction



# The first step: “Get on the list!”

## Annual Eligibility Survey



**Who:** Municipalities, counties, special districts -  
All publicly owned water and sewer systems, private nonprofit water systems, publicly owned stormwater systems.

**What:** Identify all 20-year capital improvement needs.

**When:** Survey submittal deadline: June 30, 2025

**Where:** <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/state-revolving-fund-information>

**Why:** *Required annually*

- First step to securing SRF funding.
- Not an application for funding; just the first step.
- Does not obligate an entity to apply.



# Major Program Milestones

Eligibility Survey



Pre-Qualification



Project Needs  
Assessment (PNA)



Loan Application



Loan Execution



Construction

## Environmental Review

- Preliminary Environmental Determination
- Final Environmental Determination
- Environmental Clearance

## Design Review

- Design Submittal
- Design Review/ RFI
- Design Approval



# Application Process

New Application Process Started January 1, 2025

- Based on a scoring analysis, a Priority Point Threshold score will be determined and included in the IUP.
- Projects are provided a preliminary score at Pre-Qual, and finalized score at PNA. Finalized scores are good for 12-months.

Priority Point Thresholds

- DWRF 110 points
- WPCRF 100 points
- DACs automatically meet the threshold



# Application Process

## 7 loan application deadlines:

- Jan. 5 (Spring Issue)- Open. Direct & leveraged loans
- Feb. 5- Open. Direct loans
- April 5- Limited. Direct loans
- June 5 (Fall Issue)- Limited. Direct & leveraged loans
- Aug. 5- Limited. Direct loans
- Oct. 5- Limited. Direct loans
- Nov. 5.- Limited. Direct loans



# When can projects apply?

## Projects that can apply at ANY loan cycle

Projects at or above the priority point threshold (DACs automatically score at least the threshold score)

Projects that request **only** Lead Service Line (LSL) Funds.\*

Projects that request **only** Emerging Contaminant (EC) Funds.\*

Projects that request **only** a GPR Loan.\*

\*Projects that request Base/BIL funding + LSL, EC, or GPR funds must meet the threshold score.

## Projects that wait until the “OPEN” cycle

Projects below the priority point threshold.

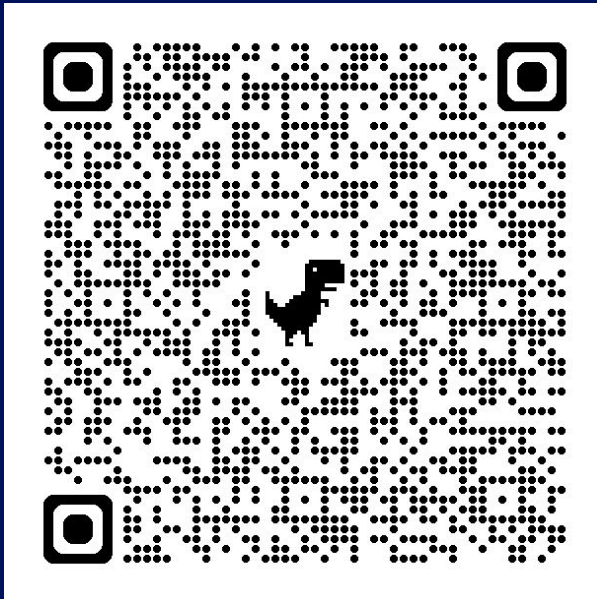


Think you have a project?  
Need help figuring out a project?  
Other assistance needed?

For General Inquiries and Questions  
Please Contact:

[cdphe\\_grantsandloans@state.co.us](mailto:cdphe_grantsandloans@state.co.us)

Stay Informed



## Websites

WQCD - <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/glu>

CWRPDA - <https://www.cwrpda.com/>

DOLA - <https://cdola.colorado.gov/>

Colorado Environmental Online  
Services System (CEOS) -  
<http://ceos.colorado.gov/CO/CEOS/Public>





# Case Study: Broomfield, CO

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City and County of Broomfield

**David Yates**

Deputy Director of Finance  
City and County of Broomfield



# Case Study for Water Tank Loan Project

State Drinking Water Revolving Fund

Broomfield Finance Team

David-Acevedo-Yates and Romy Bhattacharjee

August 11, 2025





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# Early Stage Planning

to meet Major Milestones



# Alignment with Broad Community Goals

**Goal 2 - Growing Greener**

Performance Indicator 2.C

Quality and Sustainable  
Water Utility Operations



# Alignment with Broad Community Goals

## Goal 4 -Thriving, Diverse, Safe And Welcoming Community

Performance Indicator 4.A -  
Community satisfaction with  
quality of customer Service of the  
City and County of Broomfield

Performance Indicator 4.B -  
Housing Opportunity and  
Development



# Early Stage Planning


## Discussion Points:

**Where and Why:** Meet water storage needs of our current Broomfield residents at the elevated locations on the North East

**Total Cost:** Determining total cost of building the Water Storage Tanks

**Loan period:** How long do we need the loans for and interest rate?





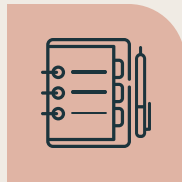
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# Eligibility Survey

First Step: Get on the List!




# Eligibility Survey



Review Instructions on CEO website and complete eligibility survey



Updates due by June 30th to stay on that eligibility list



03

# Pre-Qualification Phase

Process Kick-off



# Considerations



## Population

How it will meet additional water storage needs? What is our population growth in recent years?



## Location

Considerations?



## Project Justification

Storage, Irrigation, Public Health, Environmental and Public Emergency needs

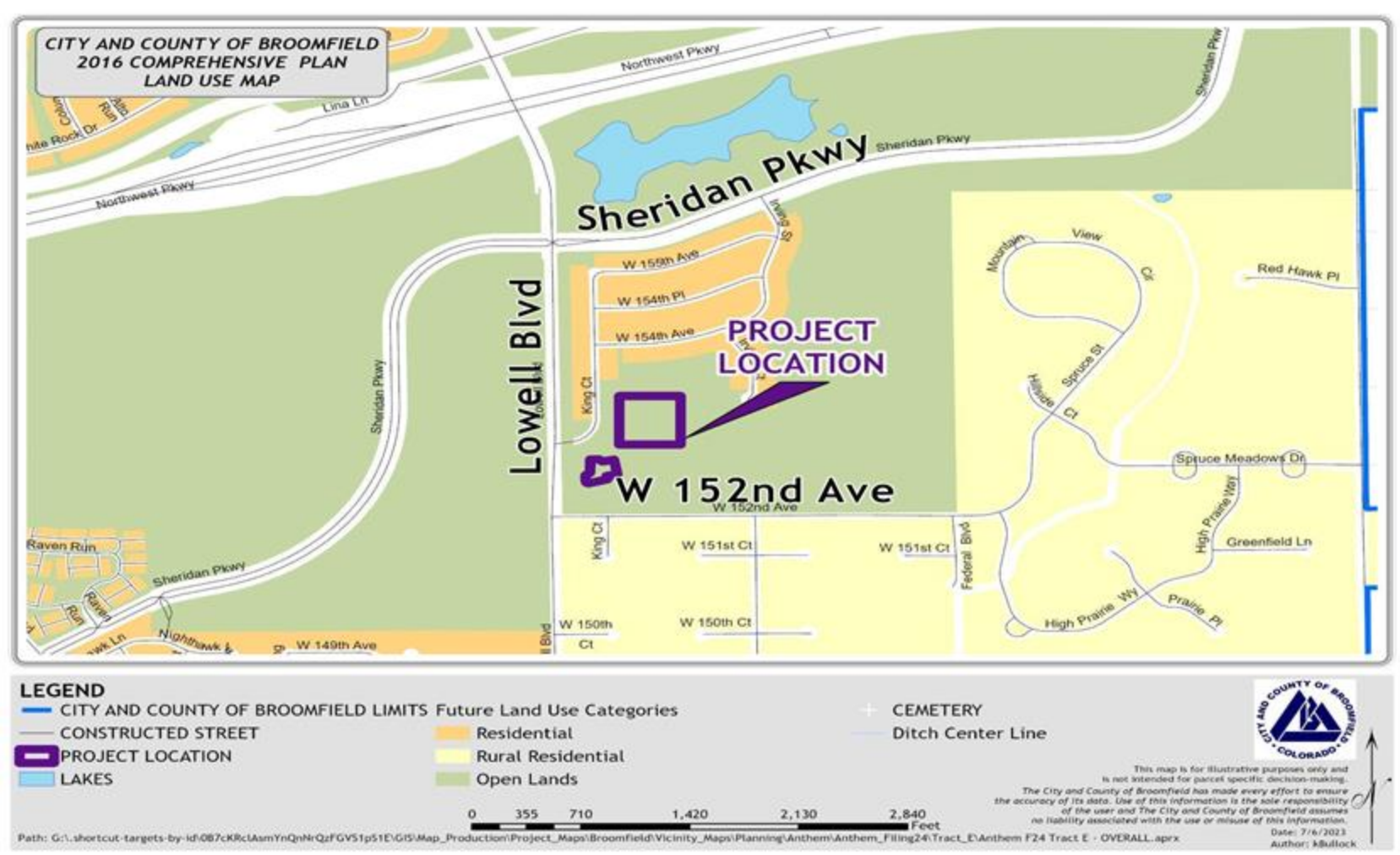
# Current Population Distribution

Broomfield Areas	Broomfield's Population	Percentage
West	26,007	34.7%
East	<u>48,960</u>	65.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,967</b>	<b>100%</b>

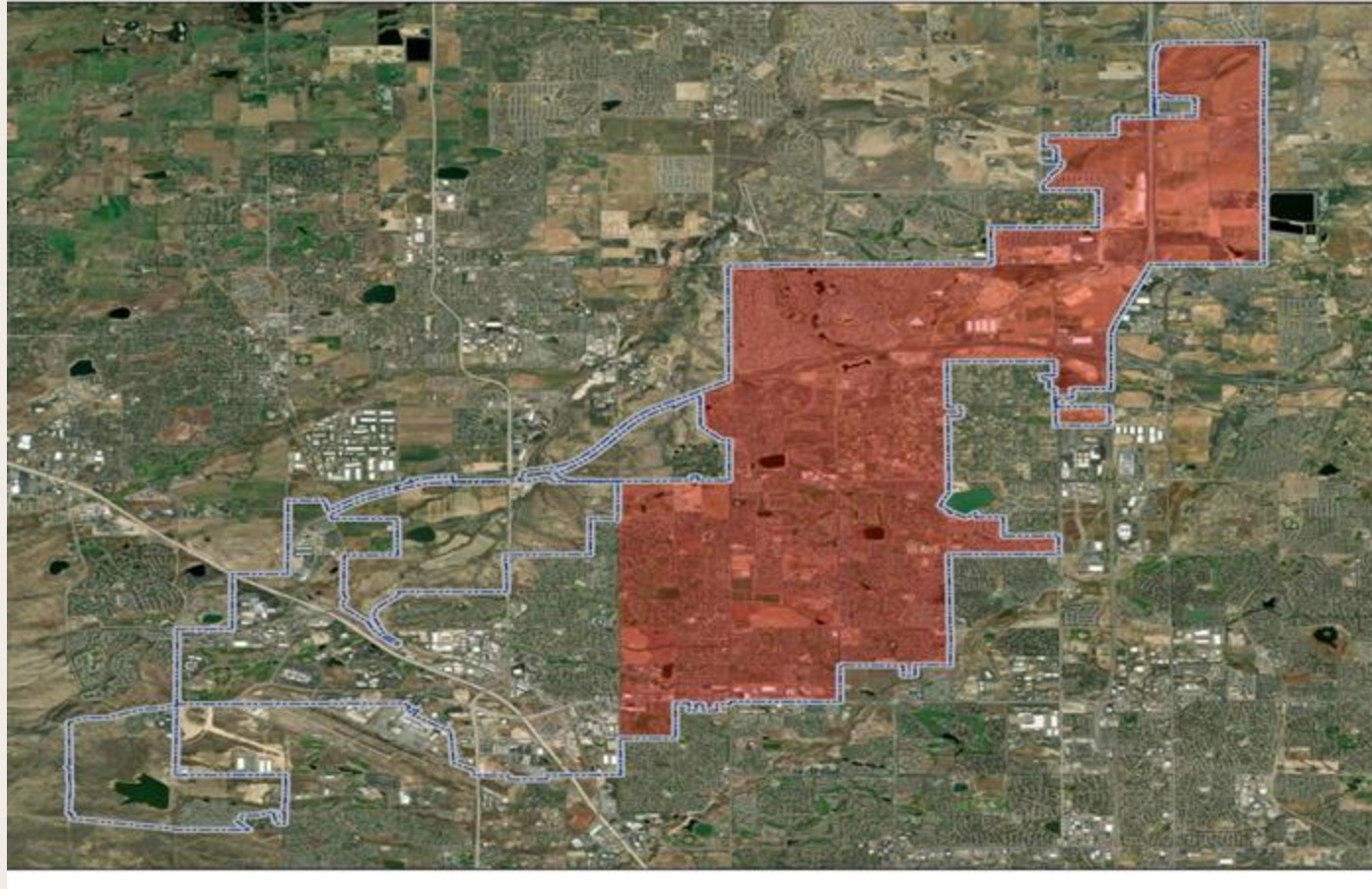
Source American Community Survey Census Data

# Location

Intersection of Lowell Boulevard and 152nd Avenue



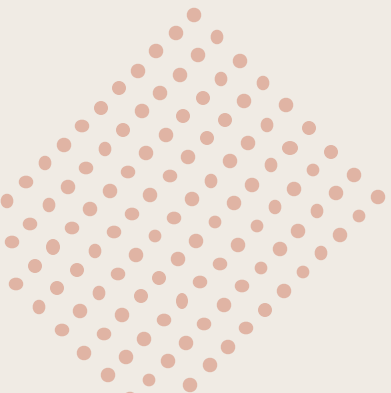
# Population Served: 57,787 (77%)



Source: Estimate provided by Broomfield's Planning Team

# Project Justification

- 1) To address current water supply challenges for regular peak-hour usage
- 2) Add Required operational water storage (30% of ADD)
- 3) Ease load on the current tanks concentrated in West
- 4) Emergency Storage (100% of ADD), or Fire Flow Storage for the East



# Team Evaluation by SRF Agencies (CDPHE, DOLA, CWPRD)




Pre-Qualification meeting



Recommendations



Revised Scope of work Submitted in  
February /Acceptance letter



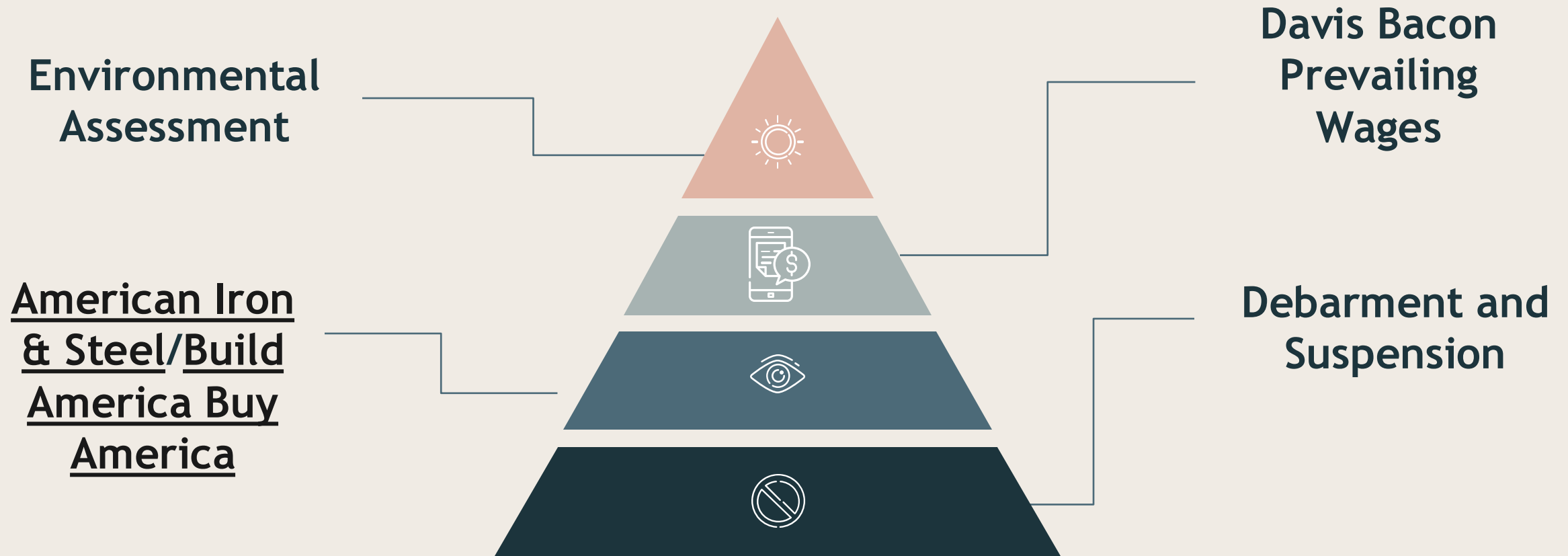
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# Project Needs Assessment

Second Big Milestone



# Review Federal Grant Requirements



# SRF Loan vs Bonds



**Loans**



**Bonds**



**Savings**

# Project Needs Assessment



System Structure & Operation



Project Purpose & Need



Existing Facility And Planning Analysis



Cost Categories for our CIP Projects: Planning & Design (10%);  
Construction(90%)

# Next Steps

- Environmental Planning (EA) due in August
- Design & Engineering: Process Design Report/Basis of Design Report
- Plans & Specifications



# Major Resources

DWRF 2024 Intended Use Plan

How the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Works

<https://cdphe.colorado.gov/state-revolving-fund-information>

Contact WaterNow Alliance

Contact CDPHE Project Manager



# Thank You!

**Questions?**

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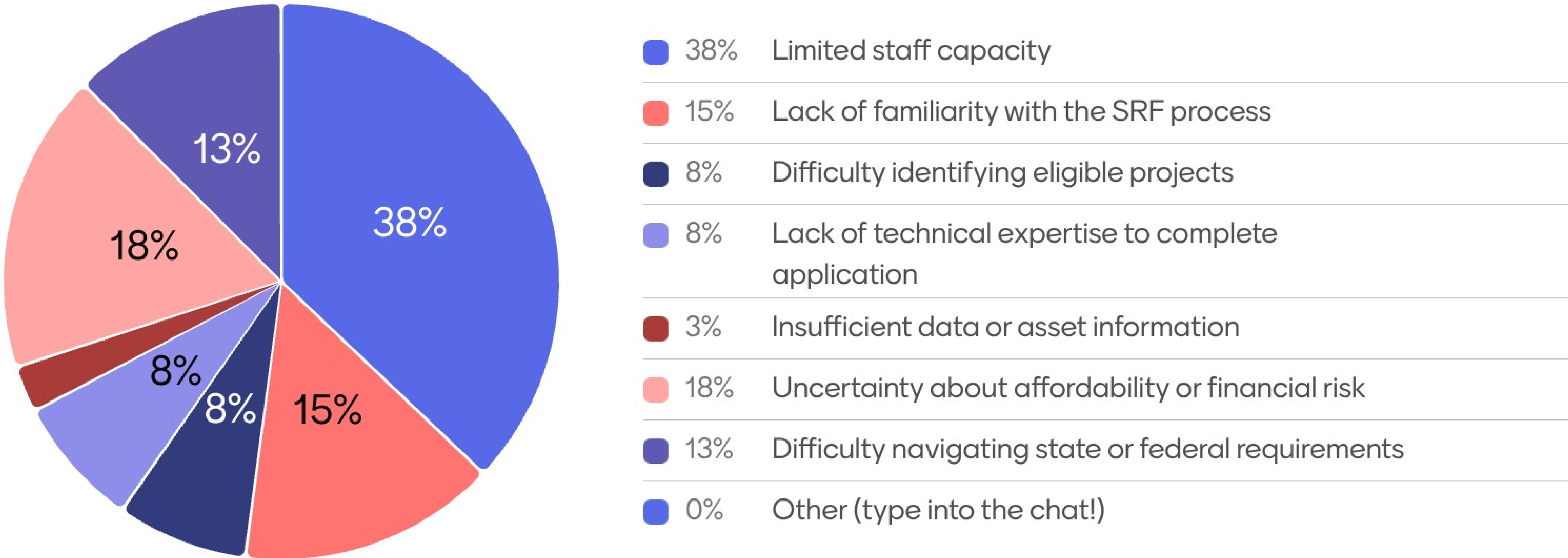
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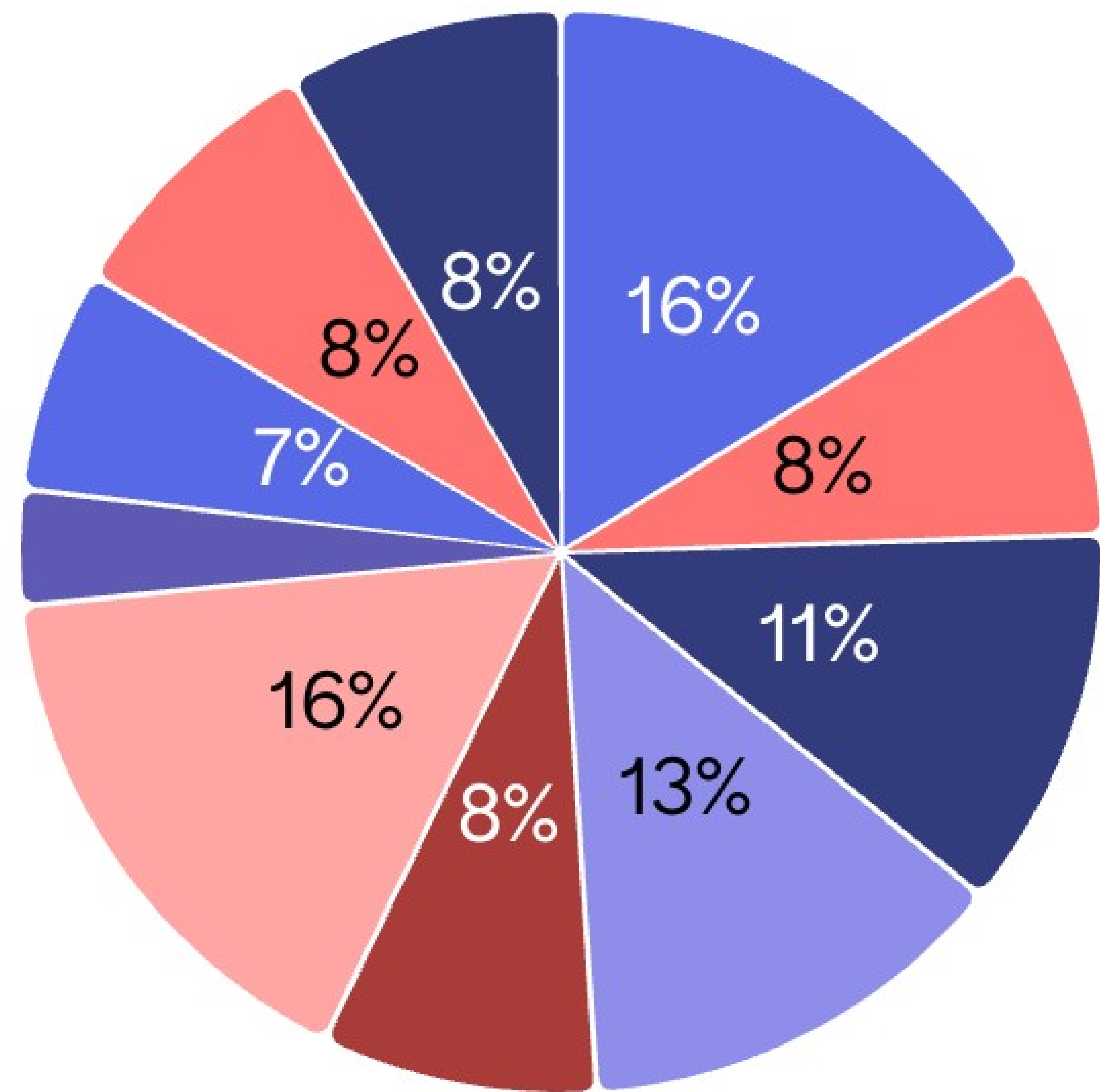
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What are the biggest barriers your community faces in applying to the CO SRF program? (select all that apply)



# What types of assistance would be most helpful to your community? (select all that apply)



- 16% One on one calls
- 8% Help identifying eligible projects
- 11% Financial planning or rate analysis
- 13% Help with the environmental review process
- 8% Help completing the eligibility survey and pre-application steps
- 16% Grant / loan writing support
- 3% Community engagement tools
- 7% Trainings for staff and/or decision makers
- 8% Guides, fact sheets, and reports
- 8% Webinars and workshops

# Colorado State Revolving Fund Technical Assistance

New  
WaterNow  
Program!

- **Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF)**
  - **Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund (WPCRF)**
- GSI, indoor and outdoor water efficiency, water reuse, source watershed protection, lead service line replacement, and more!
- WaterNow helps Colorado communities secure financing for sustainable and innovative water infrastructure projects

Sustainable Water  
Projects

Application  
Process


Support for  
DACs

Technical  
Assistance

Resources &  
Tools



# Using The Dashboard



**Step 4 - Technical Assistance for Loan Application**

Click on the form below to access WaterNow's pre- and post-loan technical assistance support services.

[Request Support](#)

Technical Assistance to Support Your Loan Application

We provide one-on-one consulting, step-by-step guidance on the application process, stakeholder identification and community engagement support, community-specific financial analysis, and more.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a67bMpDWtRw>

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# Colorado State Revolving Fund Technical Assistance

New Program!

WaterNow's **pro-bono** technical assistance includes:

- ✓ Personalized one-on-one sessions to address SRF-related questions
- ✓ Guidance on the pre-qualification and application process
- ✓ Community-specific financial analysis and stakeholder identification

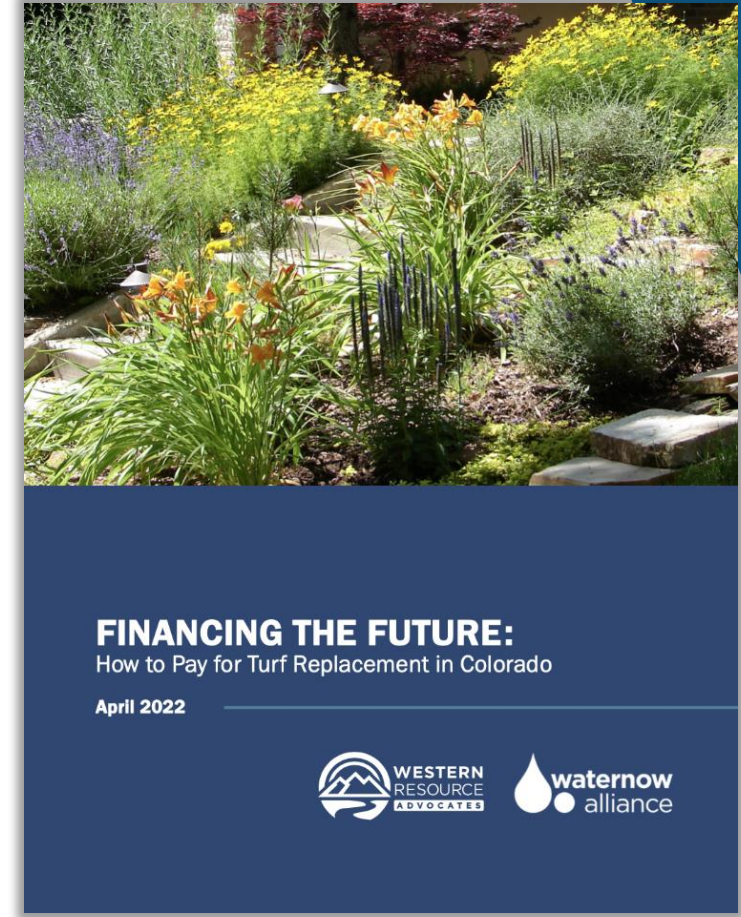
**Fill out this inquiry form to learn more and receive free WaterNow support:**  
<https://tapin.waternow.org/technical-assistance-for-loan-application/>



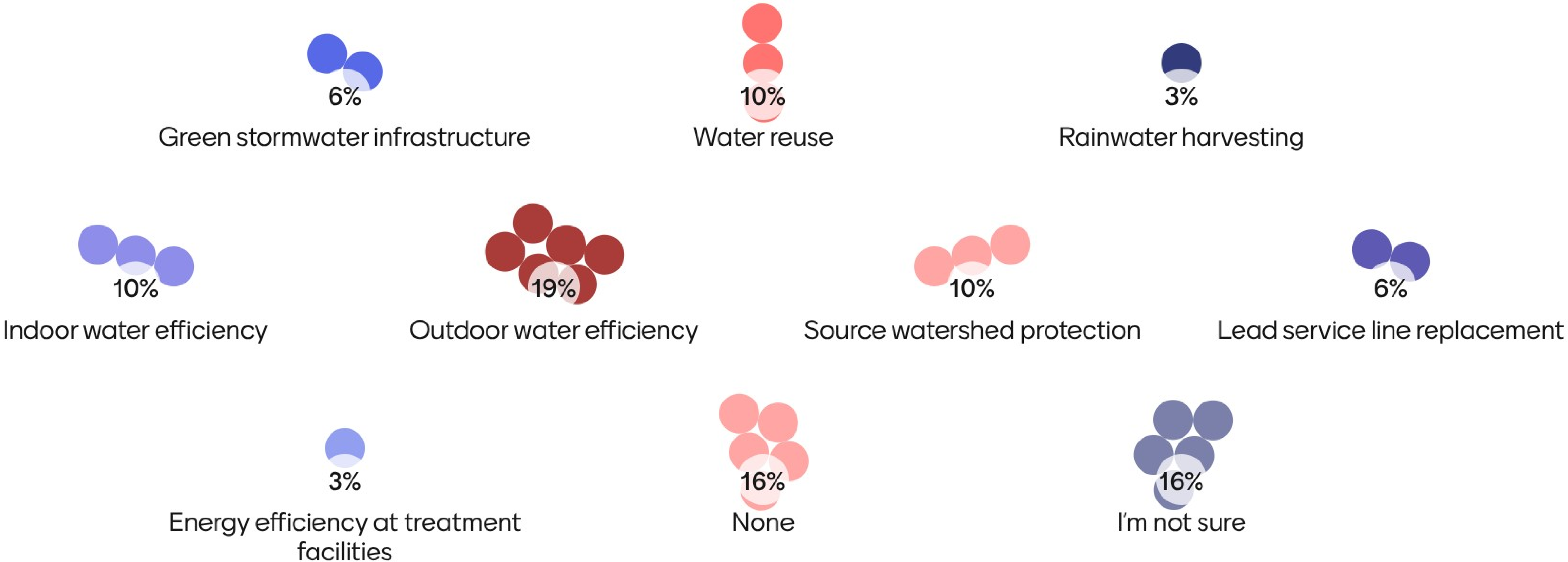
# Colorado State Revolving Fund Technical Assistance

## WaterNow Reports, Resources, & Tools

- [Tap Into Resilience Toolkit](#)
- [Getting Started Guide](#) and [project factsheets](#)
- [Colorado Wildfire Resilience Financing Dashboard](#)
- [How to Pay for Turf Replacement in Colorado](#)
- [Webinar Recordings](#)



Does your project include any of the following sustainability or efficiency components? (select all that apply)



# Environmental Finance Center Network Supporting Rural, Small & Tribal Wastewater Systems' Access to Infrastructure Financing



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## Get Help

### Tackle Your Technical, Managerial, and Financial Challenges: Services from the EFCN

We offer free, customized support services to water and wastewater systems, decentralized systems, local governments, and others seeking technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) solutions to environmental infrastructure challenges. Our team of experts work hand-in-hand with operators, elected officials, utility directors, and other utility staff to identify barriers and address challenges head-on.

Request Help Now

<https://efcnetwork.org/get-help/>

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Most systems  
meet this  
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## Eligible Entities

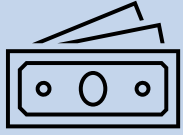
- City
- Town
- Borough
- County
- Parish
- District
- Association
- Indian tribe
- An authorized Indian tribal organization
- Other public agencies

**“Small, Rural” Systems:** Wastewater systems that treat  $\leq 1$  million gallons per day of wastewater

**or**

Systems that serve a population of  $< 10,000$  persons

**“Tribal Systems”:** Systems that serve populations of federally recognized tribes, Alaska Native Villages, and tribes on former reservations in Oklahoma



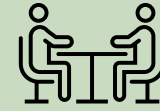
## Funding & Financial Management

- Funding application services
- Accessing infrastructure funding
- Assessing your system's financial position
- Affordability and/or customer assistance programs
- Rates and fiscal planning
- Capital improvement planning and financing
- Fund management
- Effective budgeting



## Asset & Utility Management

- Creating an asset management plan
- Assessing options to lower energy bills
- Equipment repair and replacement
- Effective utility management
- Assessing vulnerability to hazards and planning for climate-related threats



## Public Engagement & Partnerships

- Public engagement communication strategies
- Training for boards and elected officials
- Public-involvement in decision-making
- Group facilitation and visioning
- Collaboration, regionalization strategies, and partnerships

# Types of Technical Assistance Available

# What to expect?

- Dedicated team of **subject matter experts** to help answer your questions
- **Step-by-step assistance** to help rural, small, and tribal water systems address storm and wastewater challenges
- **Resources & guidance** to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations
- The **technical assistance process** includes:



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## Technical Assistance Request Form

The EFCN offers no cost assistance to drinking water systems serving 10,000 or fewer people and wastewater systems that treat 1 million gallons per day or less. Areas of assistance we can provide include:

- Funding & Financial Management
- Asset & Utility Management
- Regulatory Compliance
- Public Engagement & Communication
- Workforce Development & Leadership
- Resilience Planning & System Collaboration
- Technical Support (math, I/I, chlorine disinfection, etc.)

For a full list of services, [click here](#).



# EPA Water Technical Assistance (TA)

## Receive Technical Assistance for:

- Identifying water infrastructure or water quality improvement needs
- Planning for capital improvements
- Building technical, managerial, and financial capacity
- Preparing for and developing CWSRF applications materials

## Eligible Entities:

- Local governments / communities
- Drinking, stormwater, and wastewater utilities and systems
- States, tribes, and territories
- NGOs

## Connect with EPA

- Join the EPA's [Water Finance Center email list](#)
- Email questions to [WaterTA@epa.gov](mailto:WaterTA@epa.gov)
- [Request Water TA](#) for Your Community

# Environmental Finance Centers

***EPA Environmental Finance Centers - Support underserved communities with technical assistance to identify sustainable infrastructure solutions***

## Regional Water Infrastructure EFCs with Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Funding

1. University of Maine System
2. Syracuse University
3. University of Maryland
4. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill & Southeast Rural Community Assistance
5. WSOS Community Action Commission Inc. & Delta Institute
6. University of New Mexico
7. Wichita State University
8. National Rural Water Association
9. Rural Community Assistance Corporation & Hawaii Community Foundation
10. Rural Community Assistance Corporation

Colorado  
is in EPA  
Region 8!

Find the EFC Serving Your Area: <https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter/efcn>

# National Rural Water Association

- Finance related training
- Technical assistance
- Finance studies
- Analytical support



## Technical Assistance Request

<https://region8efc.nrwa.org/contact-us>

System Name

Name (required)

First Name Last Name

Email (required)

System Phone Number

System Address

Country

United States

Address Line 1 (required)

Address Line 2

City (required) State (required) ZIP Code (required)

Technical Assistance Needed (required)

Select an option

How are you affiliated with the community or utility? (required)

Select an option

Message (required)

Send



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# Rural Community Assistance Corporation

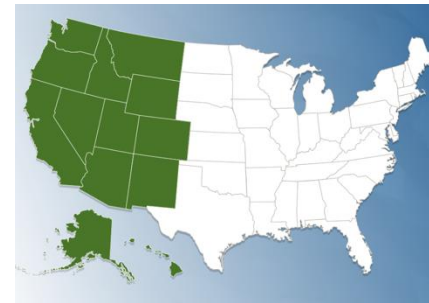
*Helps rural communities plan, finance, construct, manage and operate drinking water, wastewater and solid waste systems*

## Technical Assistance

- Rate studies and financial sustainability
- Compliance violations
- Grant and loan application assistance
- Income surveys
- Asset management planning
- GIS mapping
- Lead service line inventories
- Small system management
- Community engagement support
- Risk and resilience assessment and emergency response planning

## Training

- Free training units for Colorado operators
- Board member roles and responsibilities
- Financial management
- Regulatory compliance
- Leadership development



# Colorado Rural Water Association

- Provides **professional training and certification support** for water and wastewater operators in rural and small systems
- Offers onsite **technical assistance** to help systems comply with regulations and maintain operations
- Administers **programs and services** related to source water protection, energy efficiency, lead in drinking water, and more
- Provides **political and regulatory advocacy** on behalf of rural utilities at state and federal levels



# Free CDPHE Training Opportunities

- Customized coaching and assistance
- Monitoring and operation for regulatory compliance
- Sanitary survey preparation
- ORC hiring and contracting guide
- ORC's delegation of tasks and activities
- Pursuing Excellence Program
- Assistance Grants Program
- Resources
- And more!

## WQCD Request for Coaching Assistance

Colorado Department  
of Public Health  
and Environment

Request coaching assistance!

<https://fs8.formsite.com/cohealth/form353/index.html>



**COLORADO**  
Department of Public  
Health & Environment

# National League of Cities Local Infrastructure Hub



<https://localinfrastructure.org/application-bootcamp/dwsrf/>



<https://localinfrastructure.org/application-bootcamp/phase-8-cwsrf/>

- **8 modules**
  - Project planning, community engagement, data, and application preparation, long-term capacity building, and more!
- Watch webinar recordings & download past bootcamp slides

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# Q&A

# JOIN WATERNOW

LEARN MORE AND SIGN UP



[www.waternow.org/join-the-leaders](http://www.waternow.org/join-the-leaders)





Please Complete the Post-Training Survey!

# THANK YOU!



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## Resources:

[waternow.org](http://waternow.org)

[tapin.waternow.org/toolkit](http://tapin.waternow.org/toolkit)

[efcnetwork.org/get-help/](http://efcnetwork.org/get-help/)

<https://tapin.waternow.org/colorado-state-revolving-fund-technical-assistance/>