



## LCV PRIORITIES IN THE BUILD BACK BETTER ACT

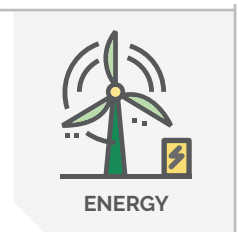
It's clear that we are living in our now or never moment; the climate crisis is exacerbating extreme weather and wildfires in our country like never before. **We need solutions now.**

With the Build Back Better Act, Congress has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to invest in transformational change that will help cut planet-warming pollution in half by 2030 and protect our communities from future devastation. LCV worked with partners to identify the investments critical to tackle climate change at the scale that science and justice demand.

**The Build Back Better Act is the climate legislation we need, with over \$555 billion in climate and environmental justice investments that will cut more than a gigaton of emissions by 2030—here is how it measures up to LCV's priorities:**

### ENERGY

- ✓ **10-year extensions of tax incentives** for clean renewable energy, energy storage and transmission
- ✓ **Additional incentives for new renewable energy** and energy storage projects in low-income communities
- ✓ **A Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund** that will catalyze private investment in clean energy and energy efficiency projects, among others, particularly in communities of color, low-wealth communities and communities whose workforce will need support transitioning from the fossil fuel industry to renewable energy jobs
- ✓ **Methane emissions reduction program** to incentivize swift action in the oil and gas industry and charge for further leaks and waste
- ✓ **Grant and loan programs to reduce power plant emissions** and encourage transition to clean renewable energy
- **Support for communities and workers** dislocated in the transition from dirty to clean energy
- **The elimination of fossil fuel tax subsidies** and credits for trash incinerators
- ✗ **A robust Clean Energy Performance Program** supporting utilities more rapidly transitioning to non-combustion clean energy choices



## TRANSPORTATION

- ✓ **More accessible electric vehicle tax credits** that make used vehicles and zero-emission heavy duty vehicles eligible for credits, encourage the purchase of domestically sourced and union-made vehicles, and extend the availability of the credit
- ✓ **Extended and improved incentives for alternative fuel infrastructure**
- ✓ **Investments in electric vehicle charging infrastructure** in disadvantaged communities
- ✓ **Investments in clean ports**
- ✓ **An Advanced Vehicle Technology Manufacturing program** to ensure growth of clean vehicle domestic manufacturing and associated jobs
- ✓ **Support for transit** that will connect communities of persistent poverty with jobs and affordable housing
- ✓ **Funding for high speed rail**
- ✓ **Support for sustainable aviation fuels**
- ✓ **Investments in states' work** to reduce climate pollution from their transportation system
- ✓ **Grants to convert manufacturing facilities** to produce electric vehicles
- **Investments in clean heavy duty vehicles**, including electric school buses
- ✗ **Additional support for replacing dirty transit buses** with electric zero emissions buses and associated charging infrastructure



TRANSPORTATION

## HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

- ✓ **Funding for sewage and wastewater infrastructure** for Tribal communities, low-income communities, and communities of color, and funding to make our clean water systems more resilient to climate change
- ✓ **Funding for air quality monitoring** in environmental justice and fenceline communities
- ✓ **A new Environmental and Climate Justice Block Grants program** to reduce pollution and climate threats in communities on the frontlines of legacy environmental and health hazards
- ✓ **Funding for a low-income household drinking water** and wastewater emergency assistance program
- ✓ **Reinstatement of a tax on oil companies to fund cleanup** of Superfund sites as well as funding to support emergency response and removal, and the Superfund Job Training Initiative
- ✓ **Funding to revitalize communities** damaged by federal highway projects, improve transportation access, and reduce pollution
- ✓ **Funding to reduce lead in school drinking water** through the installation and maintenance of lead filtration stations, lead testing and replacement of drinking water fountains
- ✓ **Funding across agencies to ensure effective and efficient review and public input** on proposed major public works projects
- **\$10 billion for replacing lead service lines**



HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

## MANUFACTURING

- ✓ **Tax incentives for clean energy manufacturing**, including specific investments in wind and solar, that will be directed to low-income communities, de-industrialized communities, or those transitioning from the fossil fuel industry to renewable energy jobs
- ✓ **Investments in the Environmental Product Declaration** assistance grant program
- ✓ **Investments in clean federal fleets, product labeling, and a federal Buy Clean program**, which incentivizes the federal government to procure building materials whose manufacture released less climate pollution
- ✓ **Investments in transformative industrial programs** that will help energy intensive manufacturing facilities and industries make upgrades to reduce their pollution
- **Tax incentives that will help industries**, like steel and cement manufacturing, cut or eliminate their climate pollution



MANUFACTURING

## BUILDINGS

- ✓ **Modernization and expansion of the tax incentives** for commercial and residential energy efficiency improvements and funding for public building upgrades
- ✓ **Support for disadvantaged communities**, formerly industrial communities, and those transitioning away from fossil fuel mining, drilling and energy production facilities
- ✓ **Funding for the Community Development** Block Grant program, which supports low-income housing improvements that promote energy efficiency and conservation projects that prioritize low-income communities and communities of color
- **Funding for energy efficiency job training**, residential projects and consumer rebates for building and appliance electrification



BUILDINGS

## AGRICULTURE

- ✓ **Investments in conservation programs**, such as those that sequester carbon, and climate-smart agriculture practices that aim to cover as much as 130 million acres of croplands
- ✓ **Investments in sustainable infrastructure** based in rural communities, including clean energy and rural electric cooperatives
- ✓ **Funding for programs to protect and restore forests**
- ✓ **Funding for research** in agricultural climate solutions
- ✓ **Funding to help tribal nations and producers of color** who have been historically left out of farm aid programs, including debt relief and funds for scholarship programs at the 1890 historically Black land-grant universities



AGRICULTURE



## PUBLIC LANDS AND WATERS

- ✓ **Funding to restore protections** for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge
- ✓ **Boosting fees and royalties** that will require oil and gas companies pay their fair share to extract resources on our public lands and waters
- ✓ **A permanent ban on new oil and gas leasing** in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico and off the Pacific and Atlantic coasts, which will protect coastal economies
- ✓ **A rollback of Trump's ban on offshore wind power** off the southeast coast, which will create jobs
- ✓ **Funding for a Civilian Climate Corps**, which will put a new, diverse generation to work restoring our public lands, boosting clean energy, and promoting climate resiliency
- ✓ **Investments in coastal restoration projects**
- **Funding for urban parks** and the Every Kid Outdoors program, which provides free access to fourth graders to national parks and other public lands



PUBLIC LANDS  
AND WATERS

BUILD BACK BETTER ACT: ✓ LCV priorities **included** ● LCV priorities **partially included** ✗ LCV priorities **not included**



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