

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



Grant Recipient Information

Name: Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 4

Highlights

- Conduct a study of recycling infrastructure and best practices in recycling.
- Evaluate study results and recommendations, engage with interested parties, and identify the best ways to implement study recommendations.
- Implement plans to advance post-consumer materials management based on study results.
- Improve messaging through a statewide recycling campaign.

Overview of Mississippi's Planned Activities

Mississippi will gather data and information concerning key elements of material recovery and recycling, including recycling infrastructure, cost analysis, economic impact from recycling, and materials management best practices. To implement recommendations based on the study results, Mississippi will organize and conduct meetings with staff, local government program leaders, and recycling business and industry professionals to receive input. Participants will collaborate to determine which recommendations are most needed and have the best potential for success. To implement these best practices, Mississippi will improve messaging through a statewide recycling campaign, update websites to include recycling information, and develop state-specific hub and spoke models for different regions of the state.

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 Mississippi once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

