

Business Energy Retrofit (BER) Grant Program

Program Description

Business Energy Retrofit (BER) grants assist business owners with energy-efficient improvements and code compliance upgrades to their buildings.

Results

Documented results for FY24 as of **January 1, 2025**.

Projects

Table one below provides an overview of project funding across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27), including the number of grants awarded, total agency investment, total project investment and leverage calculation.

Table 1.

Project Funding	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget	\$1,500,000			
Number of Grants Awarded	88			
Total Agency Investment Amount	\$1,500,000			
Total Project Investment Amount	\$7,397,196			
Leverage	3.9:1			

Key Impact Measures

Table two below provides an overview of key impact measures across fiscal years 2024 (FY24), 2025 (FY25), 2026 (FY26) and 2027 (FY27) projects, including the number of main street projects, all businesses, first time participation businesses and communities.

Table 2.

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Main Street Projects	41			
Businesses: All	88			
Businesses: First Time Participation	61			

Key Impact Measures	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Communities	21			

Fiscal Year 2024 Grants

Table three below provides an overview of the fiscal year 2024 grant recipients, listing the business name and their impacted cities.

Table 3.

Business	City	Business	City
Growth Innovations	Aitkin	Fraboni Wholesale Distributing	Hibbing
RD Experience -The Red Door Resort	Aitkin	Freebs Properties	Hibbing
Rosallini's	Aitkin	Hibbing Elks Lodge	Hibbing
SHP, LLC	Aitkin	Hibbing Shelter	Hibbing
Red Top Construction	Aurora	Iron Range Management	Hibbing
Rudy's Bar & Grill	Aurora	L&S Plumbing and Heating	Hibbing
Edge Center	Bigfork	Laci's Salon	Hibbing
Spring Lake Management	Bigfork	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Lodge at Giants Ridge	Biwabik	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Range Leisure Corp.	Biwabik	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Calumet Saloon	Calumet	Lees Rental Co.	Hibbing
Chisholm Laundry	Chisholm	Lietz Enterprises	Hibbing
Iron Range Property Rentals	Chisholm	Midwest Partners	Hibbing
J&D Companies	Chisholm	Mike's Pub	Hibbing
M J Richards - Snickers	Chisholm	Mirror Mirror Salon	Hibbing
Precious Paws	Chisholm	O'Toole & McGough	Hibbing
Sertich Plumbing & Heating	Chisholm	Paulucci Space Theatre	Hibbing
Van Baak Agency, Inc.	Chisholm	Radotich, Inc.	Hibbing
Wise Elephant Consulting	Chisholm	The Iron House	Hibbing
Croft Pub & Grub	Crosby	TRM - Sammy's Pizza	Hibbing

Business	City
Una Rakki	Crosby
Ely Stock Exchange / The Meadow	Ely
Lodge of Whispering Pines	Ely
Project 29 / Blue Wing	Ely
Emily Resort	Emily
Red Pine Cookhouse	Emily
JM Auto Service	Eveleth
47N 90W	Grand Marais
Northern Wilds Properties	Grand Marais
Sivertson Gallery	Grand Marais
Arrowhead Promotion	Grand Rapids
Blake & Lind CPAs	Grand Rapids
Joe Tome	Grand Rapids
Judy Garland Children's Museum	Grand Rapids
Kreklow Dental	Grand Rapids
MN Diversified Industries	Grand Rapids
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MRM Management	Grand Rapids
RS Legacy	Grand Rapids
2012 1st Ave	Hibbing
Bender Shoes Hibbing	Hibbing
Chisholm/Hibbing Youth Hockey	Hibbing
DC Dwellings	Hibbing
Ford of Hibbing	Hibbing

Business	City
TRM - Sammy's Pizza	Hibbing
Pro Blast Technologies	Keewatin
Devin Ceglar & Lora Ceglar	Mountain Iron
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Central Ave Design Co.	Nashwauk
Birch Forest Lodge & Resort	Orr
Edwards Oil	Swan River
Sawbill Canoe Outfitters	Tofte
Tower Food Shelf	Tower
Vermilion Country School	Tower
Ascendance Truck / Mid-State Truck	Virginia
Canelakes Rental, Inc.	Virginia
Cleaning Specialists	Virginia
Dave's Pizza	Virginia
Fifth Degree Coffee Co.	Virginia
Haugen Rosandich	Virginia
Heisel Bros., Inc.	Virginia
Jackie's Attic	Virginia
Magic Coffee Bar & Bike Shop	Virginia
Mesabi Recreation	Virginia
Rainy Lake Saloon	Virginia
RockStep Capital	Virginia
Virginia Plastics	Virginia
WGZ Holdings F&D Meats	Virginia