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Cook County TAP wants to connect your community with technical assistance resources wherever they are found. Here are three resources to help your community access funding for lead service line replacement and other water infrastructure projects.

EPA Water Infrastructure Environmental Finance Centers (EFC)

Request technical assistance to apply for water infrastructure funding by contacting the [EPA's Water Infrastructure Environmental Finance Centers](#). EFCs help communities develop and submit project proposals, including State Revolving Fund (SRF) applications for Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding and greenhouse gas reduction projects through the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. EFCs will support underserved communities with technical assistance to identify sustainable infrastructure solutions. Technical assistance will be provided to states, Tribes, and local governments or water systems to advance equitable health and environmental protection.

Cook County EFC

Request technical assistance by filling out the EPA's [Technical Assistance Request Form](#). Your request will be vetted and matched with an EFC that best serves your needs. [The Delta Institute](#) manages most of Cook County's Regional EFC requests.

Get the Lead Out (GLO)

The [Get the Lead Out \(GLO\)](#) initiative is a technical assistance program managed by the EPA that seeks to expand the best practices learned from the Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Accelerators pilot program to approximately 200 additional underserved communities. GLO can help with lead service line inventories, community engagement planning, lead service line replacement planning, and State Revolving Fund (SRF) applications. Use the same [EFC Technical Assistance Request Form](#) to request assistance for the GLO program. The agency will review the request and determine which program is suitable for your community.

Environmental Policy Innovation Center (EPIC)

Through its work as a national Environmental Finance Center and philanthropic support, Environmental Policy Innovation Center (EPIC) assists utilities and municipalities across the country in developing and implementing lead service line replacement programs and other water infrastructure solutions. Organizations interested in receiving zero-cost assistance with inventory and replacement plan development, customer communication, and adoption of efficient, cost effective solutions can make a request through [EPIC's Funding Navigator program](#).

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