



Small Business Vouchers Pilot

A project of the U.S. Department of Energy, the Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy and participating national labs.

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SMALL BUSINESS FACTS

Driving the spirit of innovation, entrepreneurship and individual initiative.

23 million
small businesses representing

99%
of all employers

account for more than **1/2**
of all private sector jobs

Source: Council on Small Businesses



ELIGIBILITY

- » Must be a for-profit business with no more than 500 full-time-equivalent employees worldwide.
- » Must be U.S.-based and U.S.-owned.

ENERGIZING THE CLEAN ECONOMY

Vouchers are limited to specific R&D areas:



Advanced Manufacturing



Bio-Energy



Buildings



Fuel Cells



Geothermal



Solar



Water



Wind



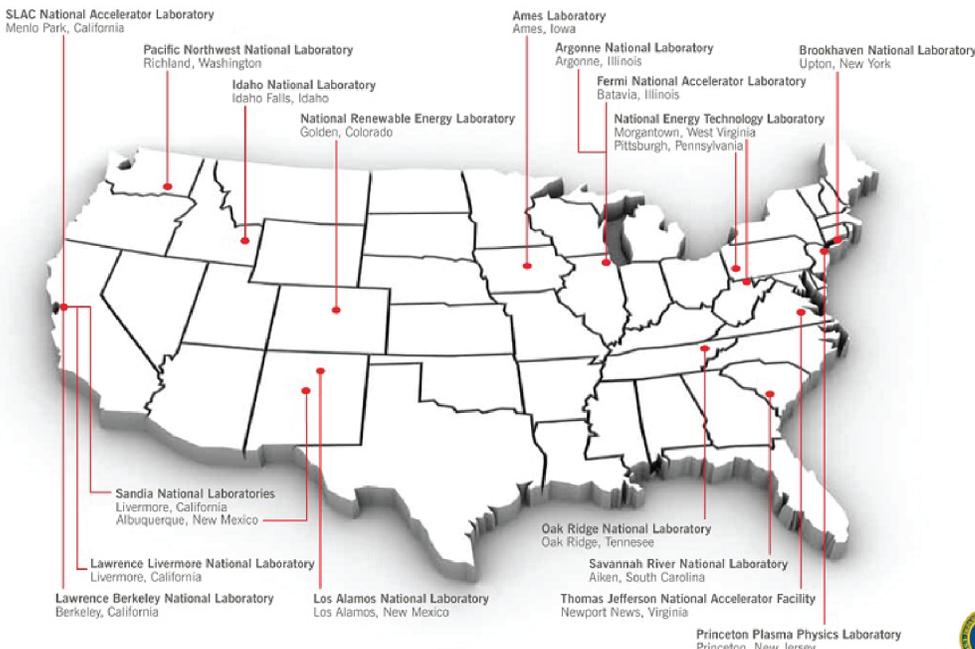
Vehicles

STEPS FOR SUCCESS



NATIONAL LABORATORIES

SBV connects private sector needs with corresponding laboratory science and technology capabilities.



\$20 million
in technical vouchers from the national labs

Ranging from **\$50-300K** per small business
Each must provide 20% matching funds or in-kind services



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National Laboratory Impact Initiative