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DTI Grant funding - The Low Carbon Buildings Programme

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) re-launched its latest funding scheme for renewables, the [Low Carbon Buildings Programme](#) (LCBP), from the 29th May 2007. The following information should help applicants understand how to apply for a grant for a solar energy system.

LCBP funding is available in two streams:

Stream 1:

For householders and community organisations

- Rolling first-come-first-served basis
- Energy efficiency measures before you are eligible to apply
- Levels of grants staggered depending on technology

Maximum of £2,000 per kW of installed capacity, subject to an overall maximum of £2,500 or 50% of the relevant eligible costs, whichever is the lower.

[Apply now for a grant for your home.](#)

Stream 2:

For the public sector, not for profit and commercial organisations.

The stream 2 fund comprises 2 categories:

Stream 2A:

- £2.9m to be allocated over 7 funding rounds (and one reserve round)
- Maximum grant of £100k or 40-50% of total costs (excl. VAT)
- One-stage application process through competitive bidding rounds
- Quarterly deadlines (Contact us for the next deadline date)

Stream 2B:

- £11m to be allocated over 3 funding rounds (and one reserve round)
- Maximum grant of £1m or 40-50% of total costs (excl. VAT)
- Two-stage application process - a building assessment followed by competitive bidding rounds
- Biannual deadlines (Final deadline June 2007)

Apply for a grant for a Public Sector or School project by following the link to the application form on the [Public Sector page](#) .

Apply for a grant for a Commercial project by following the link to the application form on the [Commercial Projects page](#).

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are now qualifying applications for the next stream 2A and 2B funding round.

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t is important that projects apply for funding as early as possible as competition is likely to increase with each round.

The [DTI LCBP website](#) has a FAQ section to help explain the grants available and eligibility criteria:

[FAQs for householders](#)

[FAQs for community organisations](#)

