

### **Program Overview**

The Next NJ Program- Al provides tax credits to eligible businesses to offset against their state tax liability and for companies to engage in building and fostering New Jersey's fast-growing Al ecosystem.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Meet minimum job creation requirements: 100 new full-time jobs in New Jersey
- Each job must be paid at least 120% of the county median salary
- Minimum Capital Investment: \$100 million at the qualified business facility (including multiple locations)
- Collaboration: the business will enter into a collaborative relationship, evidenced by the provision of price concessions, artificial intelligence support services, or other measures determined appropriate by the Authority, with a New Jersey-based public or private research university or technology startup company, incubator, accelerator or both.
- More than 50% of the business's or division's employees are engaged in Al-related activities, or
- More than 50% of the business's or division's revenue is generated from AI-related activities, or
- Both of the above.

#### **AWARD SIZE**

Tax credit award per business is based on the lesser of:

- 0.1% of the eligible business's total capital investment multiplied by the number of new full-time jobs; or
- 25% (Max Percentage) of the eligible business's total capital investment; or
- \$250 million (Max Award)

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https://programs.njeda.com/en-US/

### **Application Center Login**



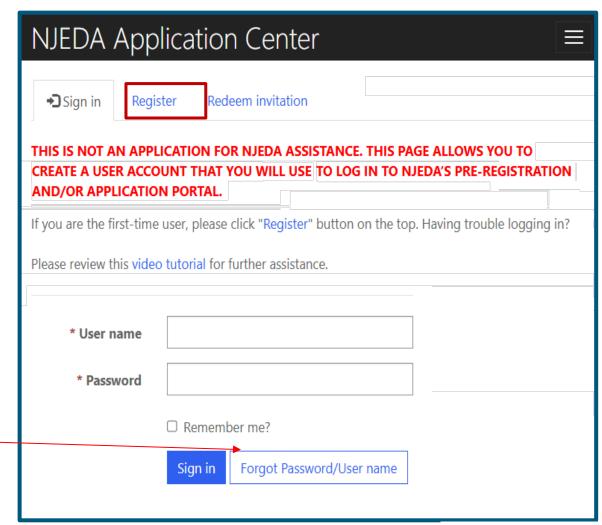
# **NJEDA Application Center Sign-In Page**

Visit the NJEDA Application Center through the webpage of the specific NJEDA program you are interested in or by going to the general log-in page at

https://programs.njeda.com/en-US/NJEDAPrograms/.

If this is the first time you are using this portal to apply for an NJEDA product, please click the *Register* tab, listed towards the top of the screen.

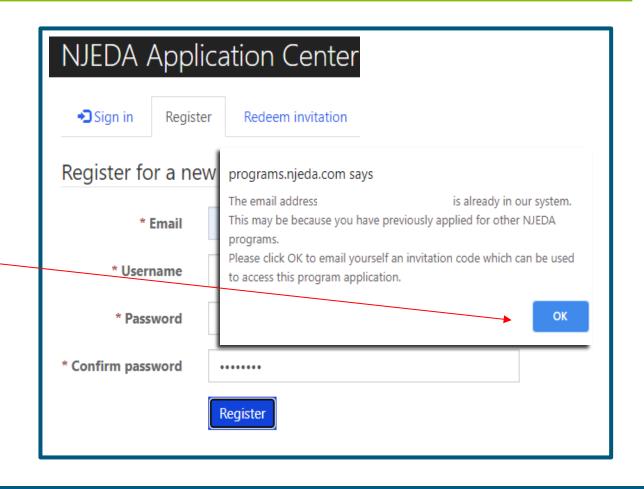
If you do not have your login information, click on the Forgot Password/Username button and follow the instructions. This will send you an email with reset information. Your Username will be included in the email you receive, so please be sure to use your correct username when you sign in.



# If Your Email is Recognized By the Application Portal

If you attempt to register with the Application Center, but your email address is already in the system, you will receive a pop-up notice stating that you will need to send yourself an invitation code to access your account.

Begin this process by clicking on the blue "OK" button within the pop-up box and follow the prompts.





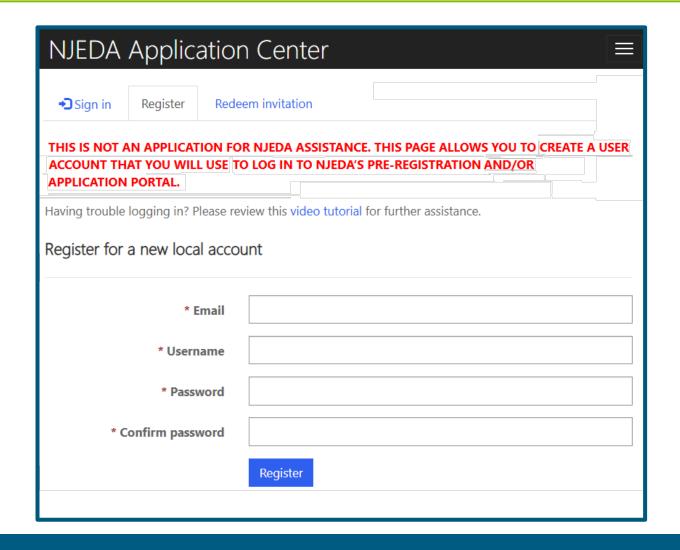
Remember to check your spam/junk folders if you can't locate an email from NJEDA. Emails are sent from <a href="mailto:crmnoreply@njeda.gov">crmnoreply@njeda.gov</a> (NJEDA NoReply).

### New Users: How to Register Your Email Address

Enter your email, username (which can be the same as your email) and your desired password.

Passwords must contain characters from at least three of the following four classes: uppercase, lowercase, number, and non-alphanumeric (special) characters.

Once information is filled in click *Register* to continue.

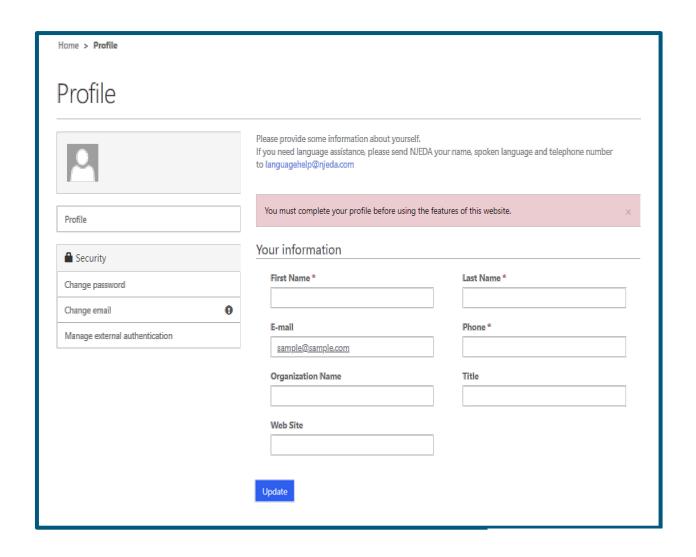


### New Users: How to Register Your Email Address (Cont'd)

After registering your email, you will be prompted to fill out your profile information.

Enter the information requested and confirm your email address is correct. This email address will be the primary way the NJEDA contacts your business.

Once complete, click "Update."



### New Users: Confirm Your Email Address

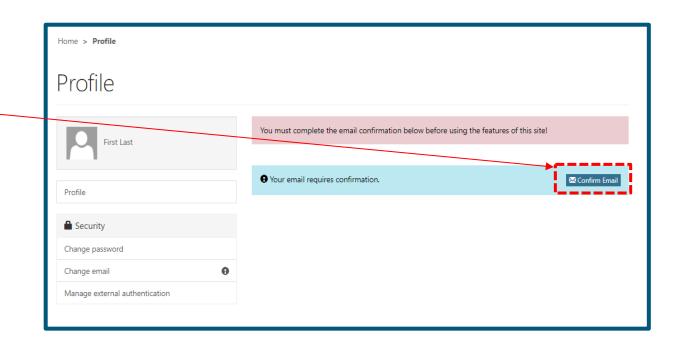
Once your profile information is complete, you need to confirm your email address.

Within the blue box, click on "Confirm Email".

An email will be sent to the email address listed.

Go to your email and follow the instructions within the email.

In order to fully access the application portal, you MUST confirm your email address by clicking on the link that is sent to your email.





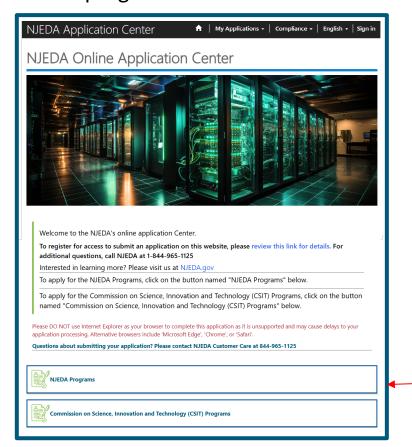
If you have any issues creating a username or password, redeeming an invitation code, or otherwise logging into the portal, please email us at <a href="mailto:CustomerCare@njeda.gov">CustomerCare@njeda.gov</a> or call our Customer Care line at (844) 965-1125.

### **Next NJ Program -AI Application**



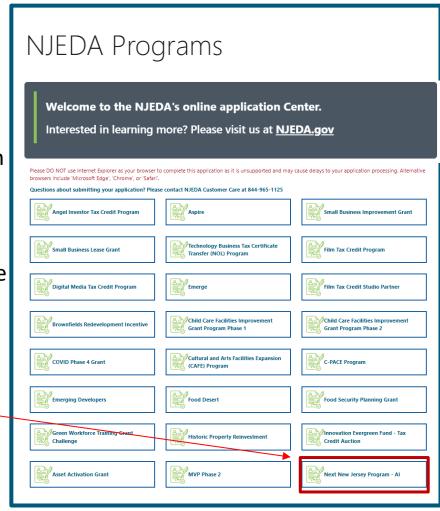
# **Select Your Program**

After you are fully logged in, the Application Center homepage will have two options at the bottom of the page. Select the *NJEDA Programs* button to see the full list of active NJEDA programs.



On the next page, find and select the program you wish to apply for.

Programs are not listed in alphabetical order, so please read through the entire list if you are having difficulty locating your desired program.



### **Start Your Application**

### Welcome

Before beginning the application read through the information provided on the welcome page.

Once ready click "Create New Application" to begin.

Create New Application

### Next NJ Program - Al

#### Next New Jersey Program- Al

Welcome to the application page for the Next New Jersey Program - AI (Next NJ Program-AI).

The Next NJ Program - AI is a tax credit program designed to attract significant investments in the AI industry, foster the creation of high-paying AI jobs, and position New Jersey as a leader in the AI industry.

By offering tax credits, the program encourages companies to invest in the state's growing Artificial Intelligence ("AI") sector. Qualifying investments may include establishing AI Data Centers and/or engaging in AI-related activities. Such activities include, but are not limited to:

- . Developing new Al algorithms and techniques (e.g., machine learning, natural language processing, computer vision)
- Creating Al-powered software and hardware products for various applications.
- Medical Al modeling or programming.
- Developing AI chatbots for customer service.
- Developing Al for vehicles.
- · Collecting, storing, and managing the vast amounts of data needed to train and use Al models

For additional information please visit our website at http://www.NJEDA.gov/nextnjai

#### Eligibility Information/Instructions:

To be eligible for the Next NJ Program - Al, a project must meet the following:

Minimum Job Creation: 100 new full-time jobs

Minimum Capital Investment: \$100 million.

Each Eligible New Job Must Be Paid: at least 120% of the county median salary.

Businesses must: offer Health Benefits.

50% of workforce: Applicant must have 50% of employees at the business or a division of the business involved in Al-related activities or 50% of the revenue of the business or a division of the business is generated from Al-related activities.

Companies must: maintain a record of good standing with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development (LWD) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

<u>Prevailing Wage Requirements</u>: The Authority's affirmative action requirements, N.J.S.A. 34:18-5.4, and prevailing wage requirements, N.J.S.A. 34:18-5.1, shall apply to construction contracts at the Qualified Business Facility undertaken in connection with or as a condition of tax credits received under the program.

Collaboration: The applicant will further be required to create a collaborative relationship and provide at a minimum, a Letter of Intent (LOI) at the time of application.



Your application will automatically be saved every time you click the "Next" button.

### **Language Access**

Provide a "Yes/No" response to indicate whether English is Language Access your primary language or select "Prefer Not to Answer". Is English your primary language? \* Select If English is not your primary language, free language assistance services are available. Please identify which of the following languages is your primary language: \* If you are interested in using an interpreter provided by EDA, please indicate your primary language. Select español (Spanish) (Arabic) للغة 粵語 (Cantonese Chinese) 普通语 (Mandarin Chinese) ગુજરાતી (Gujarati) हिंदी (Hindi) italiano (Italian) 한국어 (Korean) po polsku (Polish) português (Portuguese) Tagalog Other If the NJEDA needs to contact you regarding your application, would you be interested in having an EDA provided interpreter in your native language? \* Select Select Yes No

### **Primary Point of Contact**

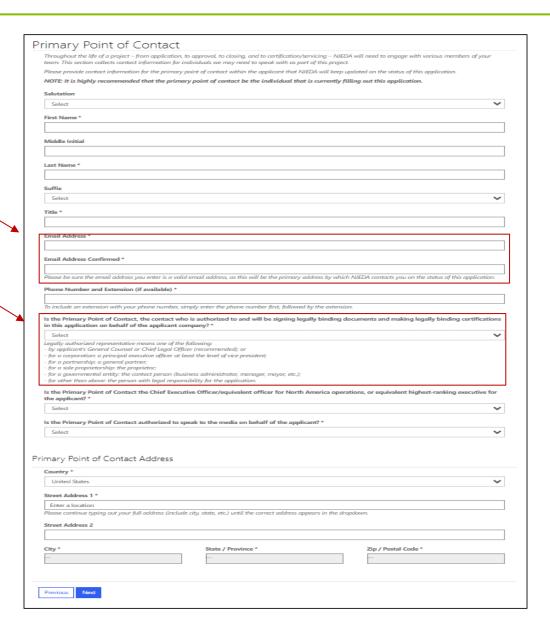
On this page we will collect contact information for the Primary Point of Contact for this application.

Please ensure that the email provided is the correct email for the primary point of contact on this application. This email will be used for the fee correspondence and any other communications to the applicant team.

Is the Primary Point of Contact, the contact who is authorized to and will be signing legally binding documents and making legally binding certifications in this application on behalf of the applicant company?

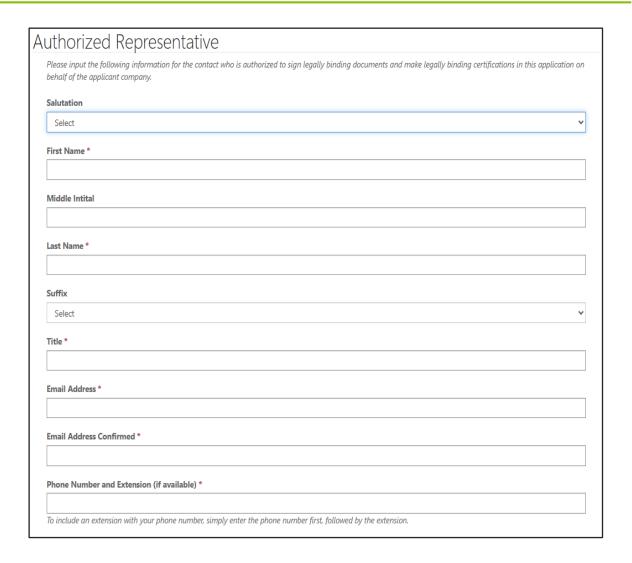
**Legally authorized representative** means one of the following:

- by applicant's General Counsel or Chief Legal Officer (recommended); or
- for a corporation: a principal executive officer at least the level of vice president;
- for a partnership: a general partner;
- for a sole proprietorship: the proprietor;
- for a governmental entity: the contact person (business administrator, manager, mayor, etc.);
- for other than above: the person with legal responsibility for the application.



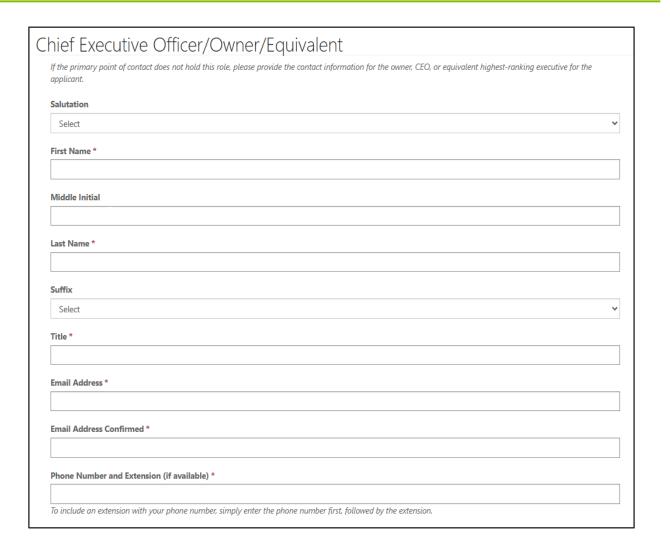
# **Authorized Representative**

If the primary point of contact is not an authorized representative for the applicant, you will be asked to fill out the contact information for the authorized representative.



### **Chief Executive Officer/Owner/Equivalent**

If the primary point of contact is not Chief Executive Officer/Owner/ Equivalent for the business, you will be asked to fill out the contact information for the Chief Executive Officer/Owner/Equivalent.



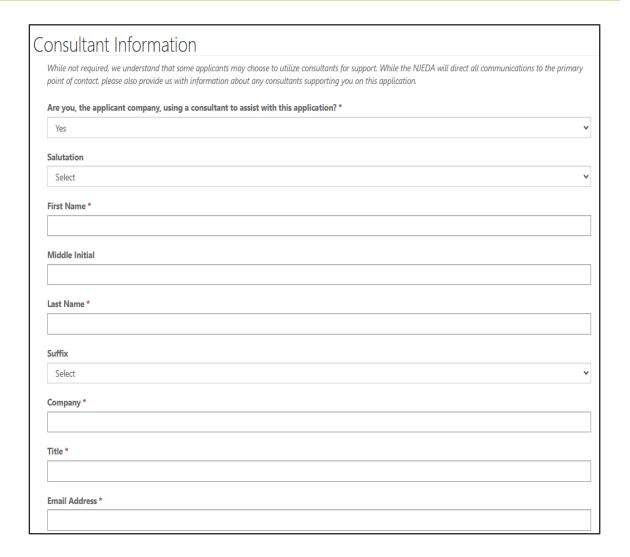
### **Consultant Information**

While not required, we understand that some applicants may choose to utilize consultants for support on grant applications.

Are you, the applicant company, using a consultant to assist with this application?

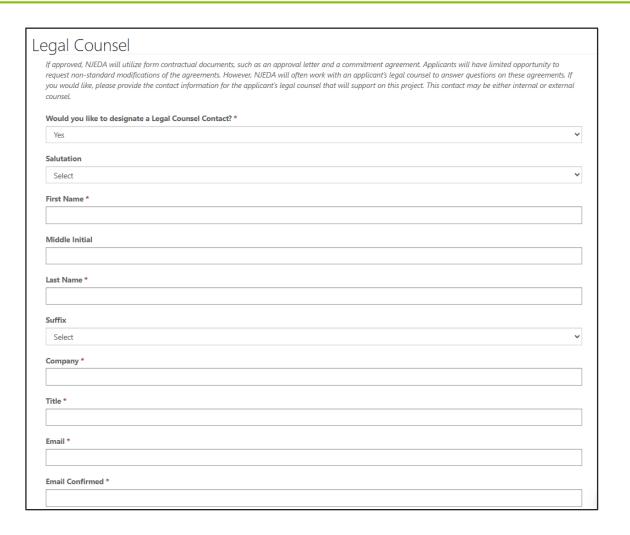
**IF YES,** you will be asked to fill out the contact information for the consultant, including the question asking if the consultant is a registered governmental affairs agent.





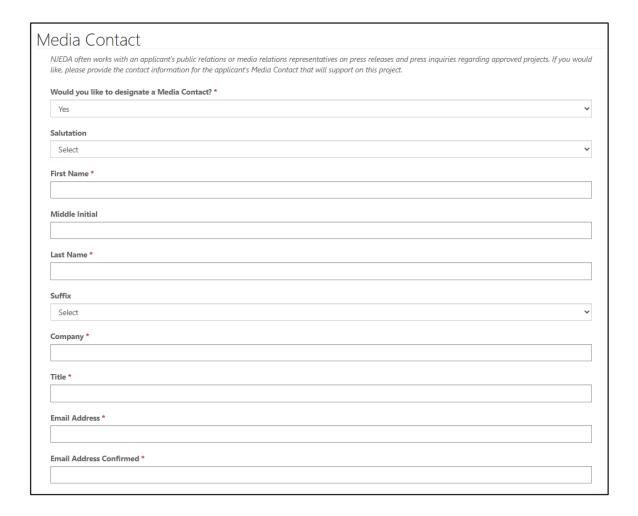
# **Legal Counsel**

Legal Counsel designation is not mandatory, however, it is helpful for application and award purposes for NJEDA to have the basic contact information for your legal counsel, if you have one designated at the time of application.



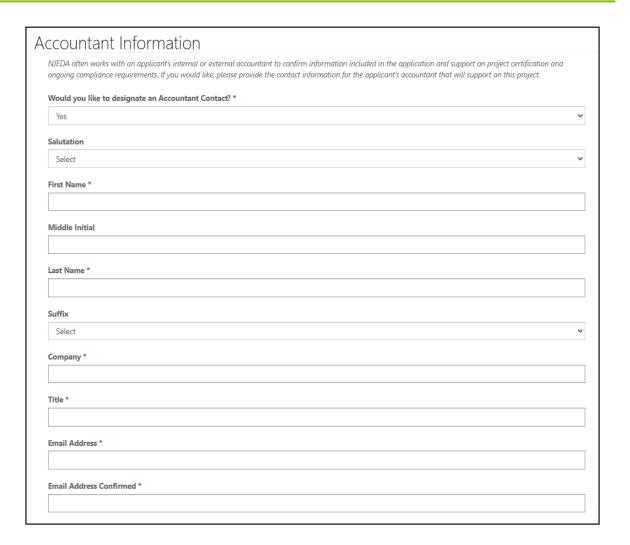
### **Media Contact**

If the primary point of contact is not authorized to speak to the media on behalf of the applicant, you will be asked to fill out the contact information for the authorized media contact.



### **Accountant Information**

Your accountant designation is not mandatory, however, it is helpful for application and award purposes for NJEDA to have the basic contact information for your accountant, if you have one designated at the time of application.

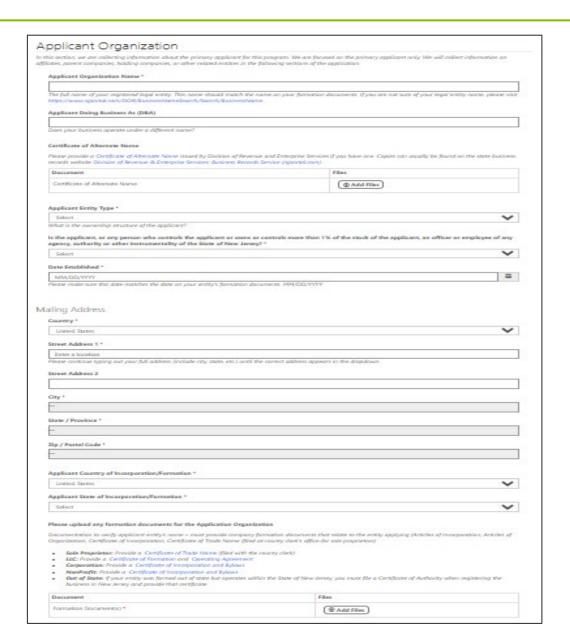


# **Applicant Organization**

In this section, we are collecting information about the registered business that is applying for this program.

This page will request applicant organization information including but not limited to:

- Entity Type
- Date Established
- Entity Formation Documents
- Federal Tax Identification Number (FEIN)
- NJ Tax Identification Number
- NAICS Code
- Short Organizational Description
- Organization Phone Number
- Organization Website
- NJ Tax Clearance Certificate

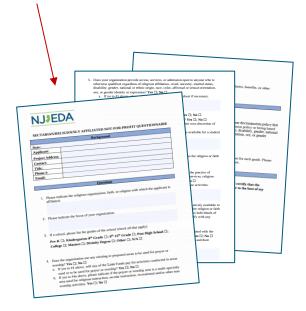


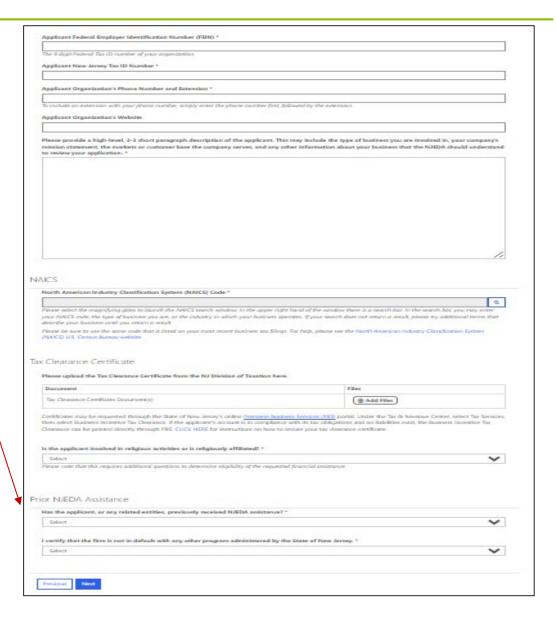
### **Applicant Organization (Cont'd)**

If the applicant organization (or any related entities) has previously received NJEDA, details of that funding is required to be included as part of the application.

Certification is also required that the applicant is not in default with any other State of New Jersey programs.

If the applicant is involved in religious activities or is religiously affiliated, an additional <u>Religious Activity</u> <u>Questionnaire</u> will be required.

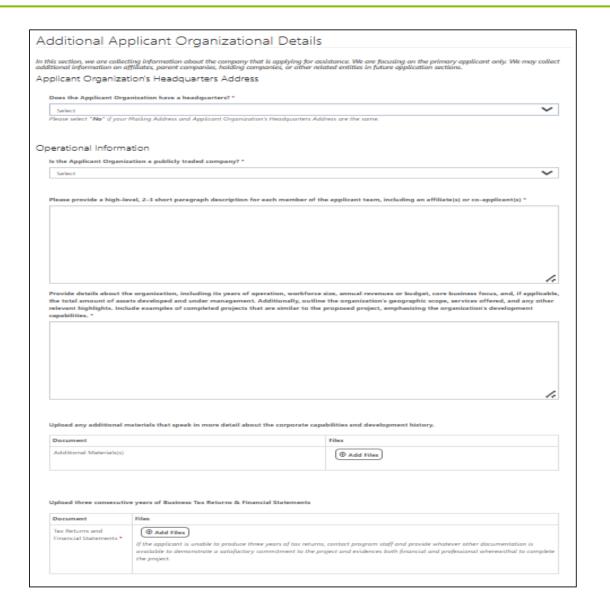




### **Additional Applicant Organizational Details**

This page will ask additional information on the applicant organization including but not limited to...

- Applicant Organizations Headquarter
- Short Description of the Applicant team, affiliates, and co-applicants
- Organization details such as years of operation, workforce size, annual revenue, geographic scope etc.
- 3 consecutive years of business tax returns & financial statements



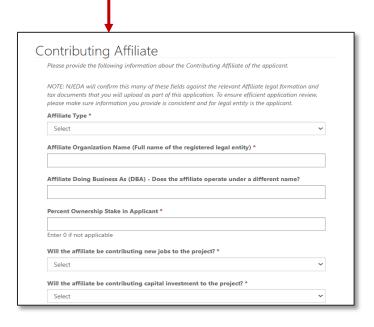
### **Contributing Affiliates**

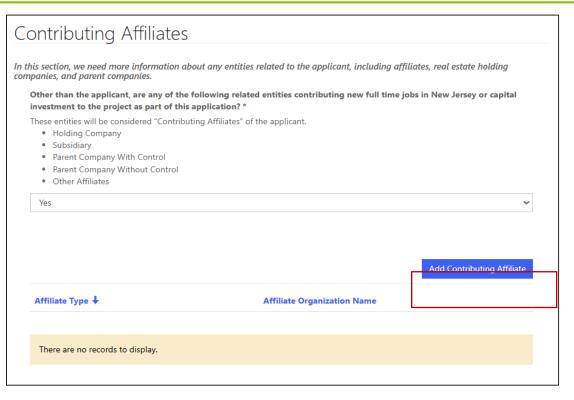
Other than the applicant are any of the following related entities contributing new full-time jobs in New Jersey or capital investment to the project as part of this application?

**NOTE:** The Contributing Affiliate must either be contributing new jobs or capital investment to the project.

#### IF YES...

A blue button will appear to "Add Contributing Affiliate". Upon clicking the button a pop-out box will appear asking for information on the Contributing Affiliate.



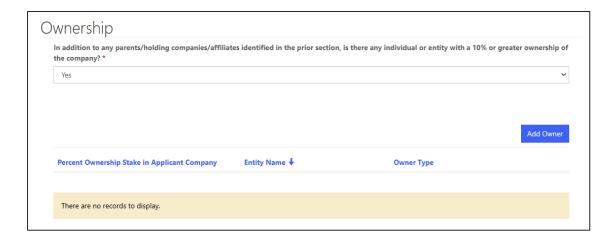


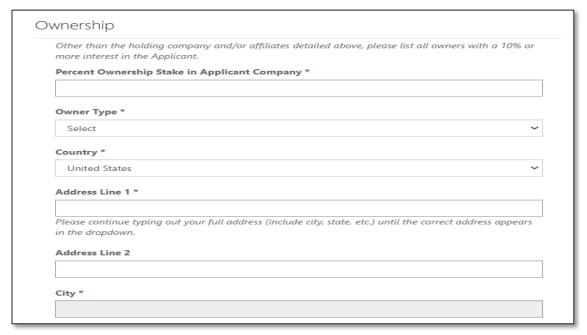
### Information collected on the Contributing Affiliate organization including but not limited to...

- Entity Type
- Date Established
- Entity Formation Documents
- Federal Tax Identification Number (FEIN)
- NI Tax Identification Number

- NAICS Code
- Short Organizational Description
- Organization Phone Number
- Organization Addresses
- Locations and Employees
- NJ Tax Clearance Certificate

### **Ownership**





In addition to any parents/holding companies/affiliates identified in the prior section, is there any individual or entity with a 10% or greater ownership of the company?

### IF YES...

A blue button will appear to "Add Owner". Upon clicking the button a pop-out box will appear asking for information on any owners.

Information requested withing the Ownership Pop-out box include:

- Percent Ownership Stake in Applicant Company
- Owner type
- Address

Documents requested in this section if applicable included:

- Schedule of debts
- Tax returns
- Trust agreement

# **Project Details: Project Information**

**Project Description**: Provide a 1-2 paragraph description of the scale and scope of the proposed project for which you are seeking Next NJ Program-Al Tax Credits.

**Activities and Job Functions**: Provide a 1-2 paragraph description of the types of activities and job functions included in the project.

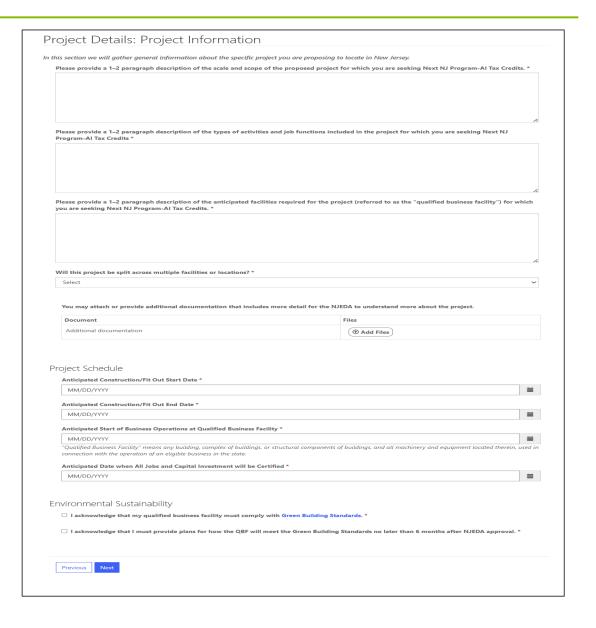
**Facilities Required**: Provide a 1-2 paragraph description of the anticipated facilities required for the project, referred to as the "qualified business facility".

**Multiple Locations**: Indicate whether the project will be split across multiple facilities or locations.

**Additional Documentation**: Attach or provide additional documentation for the NJEDA to understand more about the project.

**Project Schedule**: Include anticipated construction/fit-out start and end dates, and the anticipated start of business operations at the qualified business facility.

Environmental Sustainability: Acknowledge compliance with <u>Green Building</u> <u>Standards</u> and provide plans for how the qualified business facility will meet these standards within six months after NJEDA approval.



### **AI Business Operations**

Please provide 1 to 2 detailed paragraph description explaining how your business or division is primarily engaged in the artificial intelligence (AI) industry or the large-scale AI data center industry, addressing the following criteria:

- 1. More than 50 percent of employees at the business or a division of the business are engaged in Al-related activities; or
- 2. More than 50 percent of the business or a division of the business revenue is generated from Al-related activities; or
- 3. Both of the above.

Note: The use of AI applications solely for the purpose of supporting your internal business operations does <u>not</u> qualify as being "primarily engaged" in AI-related activities.

#### **DOCUMENT UPLOADS**

Based upon your previous response, please upload documents which support the applicant's Al-related activities. These can include documents such as company profile, organizational charts, or other documents that exemplify the Al business activities.

Upload a copy of your organizational chart, including all divisions and/or entities connected to the parent company.

### Al Business Operations ndustry. A business or its division shall be considered to be primarily engaged in an industry set forth herein if more than 50 percent of the business's employe are engaged in AI-related activities or more than 50 percent of the business's revenue is generated from AI-related activities, or both; provided, however, the use of I applications in the furtherance of a business's own operations shall not be considered in determining whether a business or division is primarily engaged in rtificial intelligence or large-scale artificial intelligence data centers. l-related activities include, but are not limited to: developing new Al algorithms and techniques, such as machine learning, natural language processing, and emputer vision; creating Al-powered software and hardware products for various applications; medical AI modelling or programing; development of AI chatbots r customer service; Al development for vehicles, and collecting, storing, and managing the vast amount of data needed to train and use Al models; Please provide 1 to 2 detailed paragraph description explaining how your business or division is primarily engaged in the artificial intelligence (AI) industry or the large-scale AI data center industry, addressing the following criteria: 1 1. More than 50 percent of employees at the business or a division of the business are engaged in Al-related activities: or 2. More than 50 percent of the business or a division of the business revenue is generated from AI-related activities: o Note: The use of AI applications solely for the purpose of supporting your internal business operations does not qualify as being "primarily engaged" in AI-related activities. narrative, include specific examples of Al-related activities, such as: Developing new AI algorithms and techniques (e.g., machine learning, natural language processing, computer vision); Creating Al powered software or hardware products; Medical AI modeling or programming; Developing Al chathots for customer service Al development for vehicles; Collecting, storing, and managing data required for AI training and usage This information will help us assess your engagement in the Al industry based on the provided criteria. Based upon your previous response, please upload documents which support the applicant's Al-related activities. These can include documents such a company profile, organizational charts, or other documents that exemplify the Al business activities. Al-Related Activity ① Add Files Upload a copy of your organizational chart, including all divisions and/or entities connected to the parent company Org Chart All Divisions ① Add Files

### **Collaborative Relationship**

**Collaboration**: The applicant will be required to create a collaborative relationship and provide at a minimum, a Letter of Intent ("LOI") at the time of application.

A "Collaborative Relationship" means a relationship over the term of the commitment period, which may be renewed annually, between an eligible business and a (1) New Jersey-based public or private research university or universities; (2) technology startup company or companies; and/or (3) incubator(s), accelerator(s), studio(s), or other similar entity or entities wherein a majority of the members of such entity or entities are technology startup companies which benefit from the collaborative relationship. This collaborative relationship is evidenced by measures such as price concessions, artificial intelligence support services, or other measures related to artificial intelligence as determined to be appropriate by the Authority. The net cost value of any collaborative relationship shall be at least 10 percent of the total awarded amount. A collaborative relationship shall not include trade groups, industry associations, venture funds, or similar entities.

Please provide 1 to 2 detailed paragraph description explaining how your business or division will meet the above Collaborative Relationship and provide any details regarding any preliminary conversations with an entity.

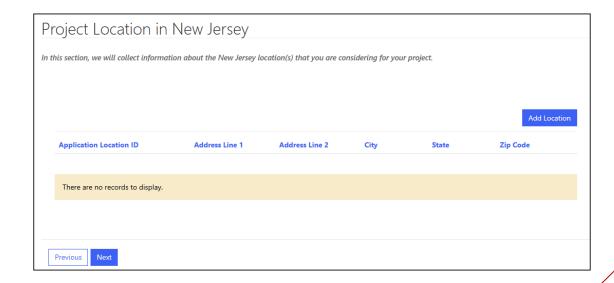
#### **DOCUMENT UPLOAD**

Upload a letter of intent evidencing a proposed collaborative relationship.

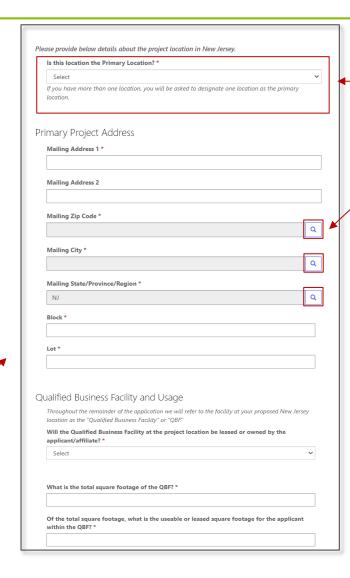
### Collaborative Relationship Collaboration: The applicant will be required to create a collaborative relationship and provide at a minimum, a LOI at the time of application. A "Collaborative Relationship" means a relationship over the term of the commitment period, which may be renewed annually, between an eligible business and a (1) New Jersey-based public or private research university or universities; (2) technology startup company or companies; and/or (3) incubator(s), accelerator(s), studio(s), or other similar entity or entities wherein a majority of the members of such entity or entities are technology startup companies which benefit from the collaborative relationship. This collaborative relationship is evidenced by measures such as price concessions, artificial intelligence support services, or other measures related to artificial intelligence as determined to be appropriate by the Authority. The net cost value of any collaborative relationship shall be at least 10 percent of the total awarded amount. A collaborative relationship shall not include trade groups, industry associations, venture funds, or similar entities. • 10-Year AI Collaboration: The business partners with a: (1) New Jersey-based public or private research university or universities; (2) technology startup company or companies; and/or (3) incubator(s), accelerator(s), studio(s), or other similar entity or entities wherein a majority of the members of such entity or entities are technology startup companies which benefit from the collaborative relationship. Support Services: The partnership includes benefits such as price discounts on research services, AI development assistance, and access to specialized AI Minimum Value Requirement: The total value of the collaboration must equal at least 10% of the total awarded amount Please provide 1 to 2 detailed paragraph description explaining how your business or division will meet the above Collaborative Relationship and provide any details regarding any preliminary conversations with an entity. \* Upload a letter of intent evidencing a proposed collaborative relationship **Document** Collaborative LOI \* Add Files Previous

### **Project Location in New Jersey**

Applicant must enter at least 1 project location to move forward with the application. Click on the blue button "Add Location" to enter in the project location.



Pop-out box will appear, and you will be asked questions about the project location.



Only 1 address may be \_designated as the primary location.

Note: The grey box is not a text box, please use the magnifying glass to the right of the box to select the correct Zip Code and City.

# **Eligible New Full-Time Jobs in New Jersey**

#### **Eligible New Full-time Jobs Requirements**

Each eligible new Full-Time position must offer an annual salary that is at least 120% of the county median income where the QBF is located. If a qualified business facility consists of a complex of buildings spanning multiple counties, the county with the highest median salary among those counties shall be used as the reference for determining salary requirements.

#### AI-Related Job Function:

A minimum of 50% of the job's responsibilities must be directly related to artificial intelligence (AI) activities, including but not limited to development, deployment, management, research, or support of AI systems and technologies.

#### **Health Benefits:**

Health benefits must be offered within 90 days of the employee's start date.

#### **Income Tax Withholding:**

At least 80% of the employee's gross income tax must be withheld and remitted to the State of New Jersey.

#### **Work Location Requirement:**

Employees must perform at least 80% of their work hours physically within the State of New Jersey.

### **DOCUMENT UPLOAD**

Upload a copy of the Employee Information Worksheet for New Full-Time Jobs. Enter the applicable data for each New Full-Time job in New Jersey.

Click here to download a copy of the Employee Information Worksheet for New Full-Time

### Eligible New Full-Time Jobs in New Jersey Eligible New Full-time Jobs Requirements Each eligible new Full-Time position must offer an annual salary that is at least 120% of the county median income where the QBF is located. If a qualified business facility consists of a complex of buildings spanning multiple counties, the county with the highest median salary among those counties shall be used as the reference for determining salary requirements. AI-Related Job Function: A minimum of 50% of the job's responsibilities must be directly related to artificial intelligence (AI) activities, including but not limited to development, deployment, management, research, or support of AI systems and technologies. Health Benefits: Health benefits must be offered within 90 days of the employee's start date. Income Tax Withholding: At least 80% of the employee's gross income tax must be withheld and remitted to the State of New Jersey. Work Location Requirement: Employees must perform at least 80% of their work hours physically within the State of New Jersey. Upload a copy of the Employee Information Worksheet for New Full-Time Jobs. Enter the applicable data for each New Full-Time job in New Jersey. Document Employee Worksheet \* ① Add Files Click here to download a copy of the Employee Information Worksheet for New Full Time Jobs Will all the eligible New Full-Time jobs receive wages that are equal to or greater than 120% of the county median wage in which the project is located in? (For projects with multiple QBF locations, the Authority will apply the higher county median wage to determine eligible positions.) \* ☐ I acknowledge that any incented jobs associated with this application must spend 80% of their time in New Jersey and are subject to "New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act." N.J.S.A. 54A:1-1 et seg. \* □ I acknowledge that any jobs associated with this application must be offered health benefits under a health plan no later than 90 days after the date of hire. \* What is the total number of eligible New Full- Time Jobs being created by the applicant and contributing affiliates in New Jersey(Provide an aggregated number, details of all these jobs should be mentioned in the document asked to be attached above)? \* Previous

# **Current Existing NJ Operations**

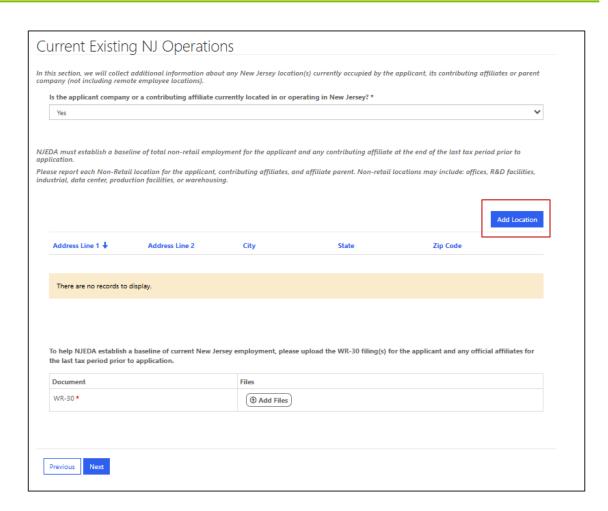
In this section, we will collect additional information about any New Jersey location(s) currently occupied by the applicant, its contributing affiliates or parent company (not including remote employee locations).

Is the applicant company or a contributing affiliate currently located in or operating in New Jersey?

#### **IF YES**

Click on the blue button "Add Location" to enter in the current existing NJ operations including doc WR-30 Filings for the baseline of current New Jersey employment.





### **Project Costs**

To be eligible for the Next NJ Program-AI, the minimum capital investment **must be equal** to or greater than \$100,000,000.

The NJEDA will use the below information for several different calculations, so please read these instructions carefully and be as thorough as possible in your answers to this section.

As part of our evaluation process, NJEDA will first review all cost **estimates** for the proposed New Jersey location. This evaluation will include looking at the applicant's justification and supporting documents. Please include relevant information on assumptions or how estimates were derived in the justification field for each category cost estimate.

Please provide any supporting documentation that will help NJEDA staff validate these assumptions. It is not necessary to upload the same supporting document multiple times. If you are using the same supporting document to support more than one cost, you may upload the document a single time.

NJEDA will also utilize the validated cost categories to determine the New Jersey project's estimated Eligible Capital Investment. Eligible Capital Investment will be calculated using the following categories:

- Hard Construction Costs for new construction – Site Preparation and Construction
- Hard Construction Costs for renovation, repairs, or improvements
- Security Systems
- Site-related utilities
- Transportation Infrastructure
- Environmental Components
- Furnishings and Equipment

- Furnishings and Equipment Capital Lease
- Furnishings and Equipment Exclusions
- Connectivity and Telecommunications
- Energy Systems
- Cooling Technologies
- Soft Costs and Software (not exceed 20 percent of the total eligible capital investment)
- Landlord Contributions

#### **Project Costs**

In this section, we will collect information relating to project costs at the QBF.

Please upload a completed "Project Cost Analysis Worksheet" for the entire Project. The Total Eligible Project Cost in this worksheet should match the Total Eligible Project Cost (or uses) reflected in supporting documents for this application. The "Project Cost Analysis Worksheet" will also allow you to identify soft costs incurred prior to application.

Click here to download a copy of the "Project Cost Analysis Worksheet" to be used in this section. Once completed, please upload the worksheet below

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Based upon the Project Cost Analysis worksheet provided, your lotal Eligible Project Cost at New Jersey Project Location(s)

Please ensure this total amount matches the 'Total" provided on the "Project Cost Analysis Worksheet

Based upon the "Project Cost Analysis Worksheet" provided, what is the Total Eligible Soft Costs? Soft Costs are capped at 20% of the Total Eligible Capital Investment at New Jersey Project Location(s)? \*

Please provide any supporting documentation that will help NJEDA staff validate the project cost assumptions including detailed project budgets, invoices for soft costs previously incurred, cost estimates provided by prospective general contractors, and any other available 3rd party cost estimates.

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Project Cost Supporting documents *	① Add Files

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#### **DOCUMENT UPLOADS**

Project Cost Analysis
<a href="Click here">Click here</a> to download the Project cost Analysis Worksheet

### **Sources of Funding**

In this section, we will need more information about the sources of funding the applicant intends to utilize to support the total eligible capital investment.

All funding sources must equal or exceed the total eligible capital investment amount for the New Jersey project location.

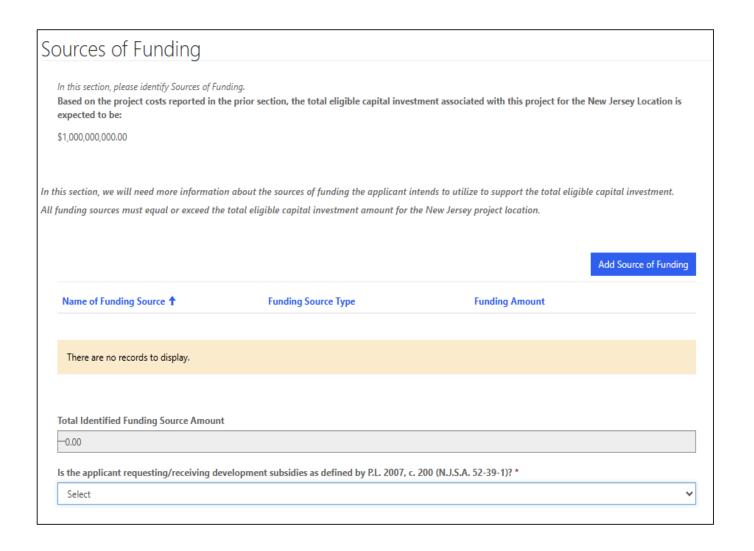
Click on the blue button "Sources of Funding" to enter each individual Funding Source.

### **DOCUMENT UPLOADS**

Supporting documentation is required for each funding source.

#### **IF YES**

Additional information will be requested around the development subsidies.



### **Prevailing Wage Requirements**

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Prevailing Wage Requirements The Authority's affirmative action requirements, N.J.S.A. 34:1B-5.4, and prevailing wage requirements, N.J.S.A. 34:1B-5.1, shall apply to construction contracts at the Qualified Business Facility undertaken in connection with or as a condition of tax credits received under the program. This subsection does not mandate affirmative action or prevailing wage requirements for construction that begins more than three years after the start of the tax credit distribution period.

In addition to the requirements in above the Authority's affirmative action requirements, N.J.S.A. 34:1B-5.4, and prevailing wage requirements, N.J.S.A. 34:1B-5.1, shall apply to productions undertaken with financial assistance received under the Next NJ Program - Al. All contractors and subcontractors must be registered with the Public Works Contractor Registration Act. Effective April 1, 2020, contractors and subcontractors for construction contracts that require payment of prevailing wage must provide proof of registration under the Public Works Contractor Registration Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq.) The Act does not require proof of registration for such contracts that were awarded prior to April 1, 2020. Information regarding this Act can be found on the NJ Department of Labor's Website.

If you have any questions about these requirements, please contact your NJEDA representative before submitting this application.

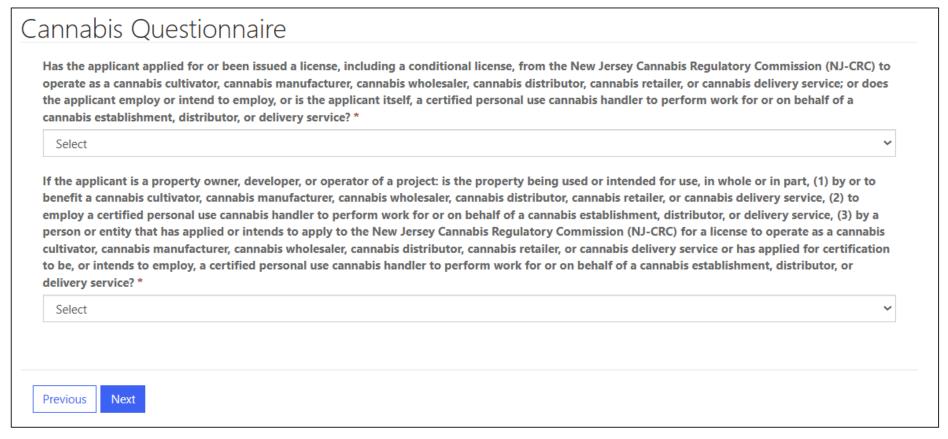
- □ I acknowledge any construction on this project, undertaken either by the applicant or as a result of this application, is subject to prevailing wage and affirmative action requirements. \*
- ☐ I acknowledge that any building services on this project is subject to Prevailing Wage. \*
- ☐ I acknowledge that any contractor working on this project must be registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor (DOL) prior to the start of construction. \*

#### Notice Form

Please submit a completed Notice Regarding Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage, Green Buildings and Business Services Requirements.

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Notice Form *	Add Files  Click here to please access the Notice Regarding Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage, Green Buildings and Business Services Requirements form.

### **Cannabis Questionnaire**



New Jersey State law prohibits certain cannabis licensees and certified personal use cannabis handlers' employers from receiving or continuing to receive most financial incentive awards. New Jersey State law prohibits certain property owners, developers, and operators of projects from receiving or continuing to receive an economic incentive.

### **Diversity Equity and Inclusion**

In this section, we would like more information about the diversity of your organization.

Answers have no impact on eligibility for assistance and providing information is optional, to be used for tracking purposes only.

Within each of these questions, "Prefer not to answer" can be selected if that is the case OR if the question is not applicable to your organization.

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With which of the following does the majority owner of the applicant organization self-identify (if applicable)? *	
☐ Minority	
_ <del></del>	
□ Women	
□ Veteran	
□ LGBTQ	
□ Disabled	
□ None of the above	
Notice of the above	
Prefer not to answer	
Please select which of the following State of New Jersey certifications the applicant organization currently holds: *	
☐ Small Business Enterprise (SBE)	
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)	
☐ Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE)	
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□ Woman-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE)	
□ Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise (VOB)	
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Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise (DVOB)	
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□ None of the above	
☐ Prefer not to answer	
Additional DE&I Information	
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In this section, we would like more information about any actions your organization has taken or is taking with respect to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.	
Please describe whether your organization's leadership team is made up of a diverse group of individuals. Please provide as much detail as possible about	
the composition of your leadership team as it relates to groups that have been historically underrepresented (minority, woman, veteran, LGBTQ,	

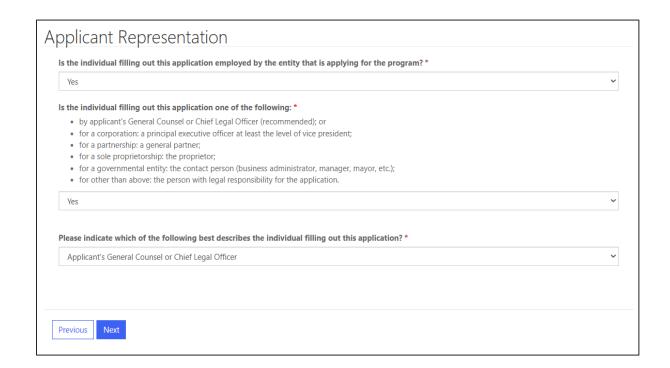
### **Applicant Representative for Certifications**

The New Jersey Economic Development Authority requires that the Legal Questionnaire, Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus Pursuant to P.L. 2022, C. and Certification of Applicant, are to be completed and signed by one of the following:

- · by applicant's General Counsel or Chief Legal Officer (recommended); or
- for a corporation: a principal executive officer at least the level of vice president;
- for a partnership: a general partner;
- for a sole proprietorship: the proprietor;
- for a governmental entity: the contact person (business administrator, manager, mayor, etc.);
- for other than above: the person with legal responsibility for the application.

If you are an Authorized Representative, you will be prompted to fill out these pages throughout the application.

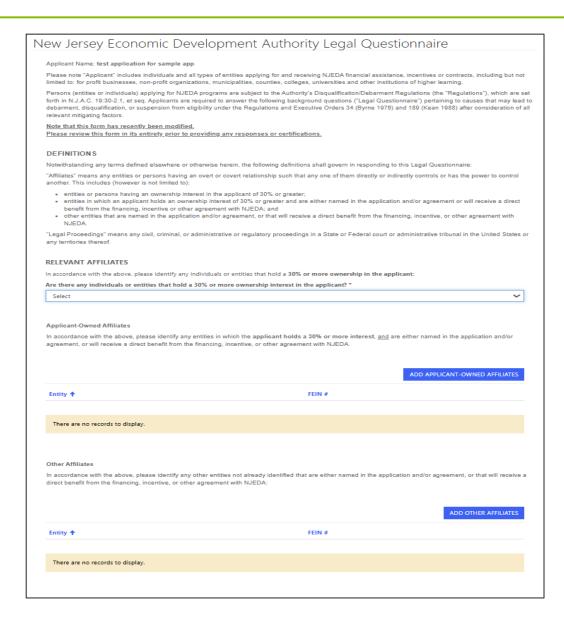
If you are NOT an Authorized Representative you will be prompted to Upload Certifications page, which will require you to download and then upload signed copies of the acknowledgments and certifications listed above.



### **Legal Questionnaire**

If you are an Authorized Representative, you will be prompted to fill out these pages throughout the application.

<u>Click here</u> to read the full legal questionnaire.



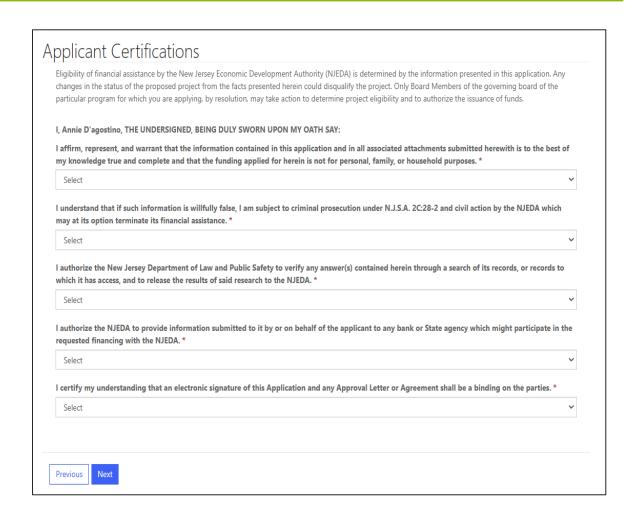
# **Certification of Non-Involvement in Activities in Russia** or Belarus

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### **Applicant Certifications**

If you are an Authorized Representative, you will be prompted to fill out these pages throughout the application.



### **Upload Certifications**

If you are NOT an Authorized Representative you will be prompted to Upload Certifications page, which will require you to download and then upload signed copies of the acknowledgments and certifications listed above.

### **Legal Questionnaire**

<u>Certification of Non-Involvement in</u>
<u>Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus</u>
<u>Pursuant to P.L. 2022, C. 3</u>

**Certification of Application** 

### **Upload Certifications**

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- for a corporation, by a principal executive officer at least the level of vice president;
- for a partnership, by a general partner;
- for a sole proprietorship, by the proprietor;
- for a governmental entity, by the contact person (business administrator, manager, mayor, etc.);
- for other than above, by the person with legal responsibility for the application.

Because you have identified that you are not one of the individuals listed above, it is required that you download each of the following forms listed below and have someone who meets this definition for the applicant company fill out and sign each of the forms. Once the forms have been completed and signed, please attach them at the end of this application, along with any other necessary application attachments.

Your application for assistance will not be reviewed until the NJEDA has each of the signed forms from someone who is legally authorized to make these representations on behalf of the applicant.

Legal Questionnaire

Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus Pursuant to P.L. 2022, C. 3

Certification of Application

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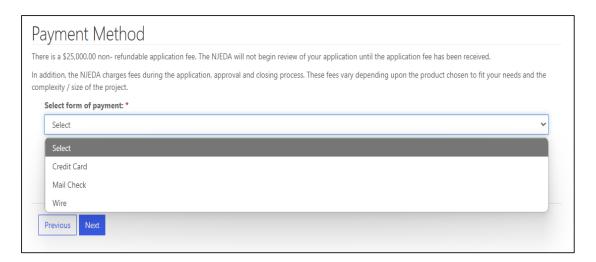
# **Application Fee & Payment Method**

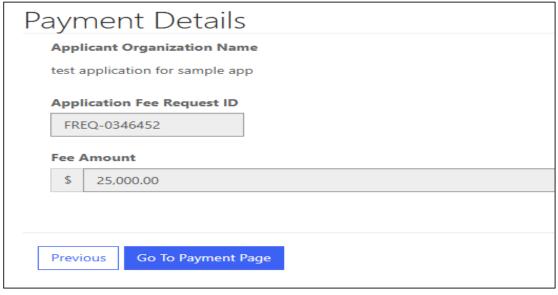
The application fee is based on the total number of eligible new full-time jobs:

100-149 new full-time jobs = \$10,000 150-199 new full-time jobs = \$25,000 200+ new full-time jobs = \$50,000

You can pay the fee via Credit Card, Mail Check or Wire.

If you select Credit Card, you will continue through to the payment portal upon hitting the "Go to Payment Page" on the next page.





# **Application Fee & Payment Method (cont'd)**

If you are paying via Check or Wire, the instructions will be provided below.

Please be advised that the NJEDA must confirm receipt of check or wire before any review of the application may begin.

Please include the program name of NEXT NJ Program-AI, Applicant Name and Application # on all payments.

Mail Check

#### Pay by Check Instructions:

Please be advised that NJEDA must confirm receipt of check before any review of the application may begin.

Application ID#: CAPP-00030060

Amount Due: \$25,000.00

Make check payable to: New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Reference: Please include program name of Next NJ-Al, Applicant ID#: CAPP-00030060

Mailing Address:

New Jersey Economic Development Authority

36 West State St PO Box 990

Trenton, NJ 08625-0990

Wire

#### Pay by Wire Instructions:

Application ID#: CAPP-00030060

Amount Due: \$25,000.00

Bank Name: Wells Fargo

Bank Address: 50 East State St / Trenton, NJ 08625

**ABA Number:** 121 000 248

Account Number: 2100 00910 0456

Account Name: NJEDA Operating

Reference: Please include program name of Next NJ-AI, Applicant Name and Applicant ID#: CAPP-00030060

If these wire instructions need to be confirmed by phone call, please contact Elaine Harder, NJEDA Director of Accounting Services, at 609-940-9429

# **Electronic Signature**

### Electronic Signature Pursuant to written policy, the New Jersey Economic Development Authority allows documents to be signed electronically and hereby agrees to be bound by such electronic signatures. Please confirm that you, as a signatory to this document, also agree to be bound by electronic signatures. ■ I agree to be bound by electronic signatures \* ☐ I am an Authorized Signer for this organization and I accept the above terms and conditions \* Full Name \* Generate a new image Play the audio code Enter the code from the image Submit Application Previous

### Confirmation

#### Confirmation

RE: CAPP-00030060

Dear Annie D'agostino,

Thank you for your submission. This email serves as confirmation that the NJEDA has received your application for the Next NJ Program-Al.

Our team will now begin a completeness review of your application. During this process, we may reach out to request clarification or additional information as needed. Please allow the Next NJ Program-Al team up to two (2) weeks to contact you.

Once the NJEDA determines that your application is complete, we will email a CEO certification to your CEO. This certification will confirm that all information provided is accurate and must be signed under penalty of perjury in order to proceed with the formal approval review process.

Should you have any questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to reach out at nextnjai@njeda.gov.

Best regards,

Next NJ Program-Al Team New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA)

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