

Using the CVI for Grant Funding

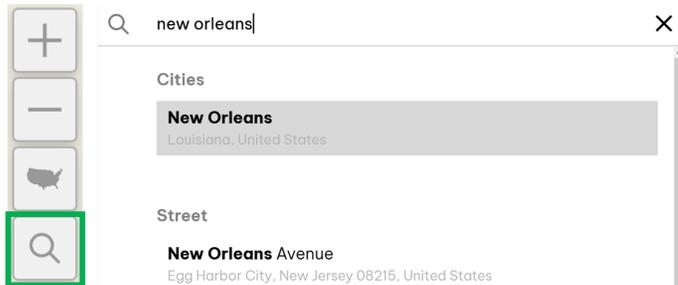
The CVI contains two pieces of information that makes it stand out from other ECJ screening and mapping tools.

- 1) How a community vulnerability ranks compared to other locations
- 2) What is driving vulnerability at a particular location.

Both pieces of information should be highlighted to make the strongest case for addressing vulnerabilities in a community, either in a grant application or to elected officials. The presence of a map translates lived reality into data and can be pivotal in securing grant funding. Include maps from this tool in grant applications.

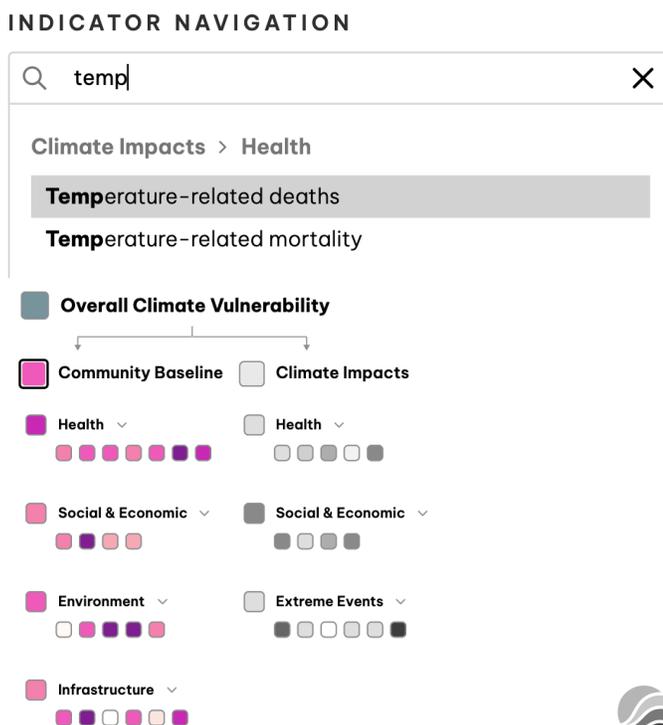
Steps to use the CVI dashboard for grants

Step 1: Pick a location



Enter an address, street, neighborhood, zip code, city, or county in the search bar to find your community. You can also locate your state or EPA Region in the Geographic Context. This location should correspond to the targeted location for your grant funding application at the census tract or county level.

Step 2: Select or search for an indicator



Find an indicator(s) that you would like to use in your grant funding application by identifying it in the [table](#) or by searching for it using the Indicator Navigation search box on the main page or summary page.

Step 3: Export Images for your grant application

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Find "Export Image" in the lower left corner. This will export the map image for use in grant applications.

Step 4: Generate a report



Click the "View Report" box on the bottom right to view a summary report of data at your location. You can view demographic information on the left and indicator score percentile and ranking on the right.

Step 5: Explore the data



Explore more information by clicking "Indicator Spotlight" on the left or scrolling down on the right. You can now see how your location compares to others by looking at the national percentile and ranking for that indicator.

You can click "Top Drivers" to see the rank and percentile of the distribution of vulnerabilities in the Community Baseline and Climate Impacts categories. This contains valuable information about what is driving vulnerability in your selected location.

Click "Composition" to see a summary of Community Baseline data, including its percentile, vulnerability rating, and ranking of other locations at that scale, as well as the percentiles for other data categories within the Community Baseline theme.

Note: Not all indicators have "Top Drivers" and "Composition" available.

Step 6: Export Report

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Export this information by selecting "Print" on the upper lefthand corner. Repeat the above steps for any indicators relevant to a grant funding application. You may now directly use this information in your grant funding application.