## Greening Untapped Zip-codes Incubator (GUZi)

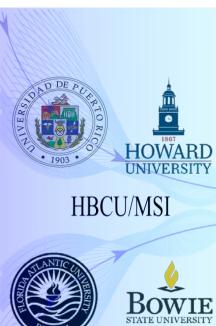
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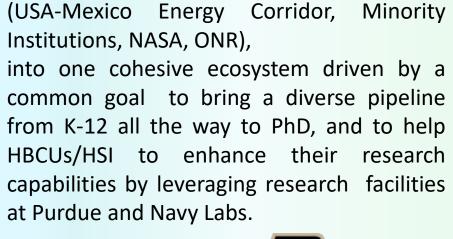
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**VISION:** To attract, mentor and support the untapped talent of the 21<sup>st</sup> century workforce, stimulate and support innovation in sustainability and clean energy technology, and reduce the impact of climate change on disadvantaged communities through the **Greening Untapped Zip Codes Incubator** (**GUZi**), which nurtures innovation, creates intellectual property and launches minority-owned businesses and that is built on the foundation of a robust education and workforce-development consortium of HBCU (Howard University, Clark Atlanta University, Bowie State University), HSI (University of Puerto Rico system-11 campus, Florida Atlantic University, University of Texas- San Antonio, University of Texas-El Paso) and Purdue University, formed in 2021 and funded by ONR.



**ONR-BIP brings several consortiums** 







Combined with BIP resources, in Phase 1 of this DOE Prize--- A Green Incubator called GUZi to help accelerate economic prosperity for minorities--- primarily those located at HBCUs/MSIs/HSI which typically are in regions of disadvantaged communities. Summer Institute: K12-Graduate Students

- Annual Conference:
  "Building Economic Prosperity at Minority Institutions & the 2050 Workforce.
- Quarter Workshops: IPs, SBIR, Federal Contracts, NSF-ICORPS

**Inclusive Clean Energy** 

Innovation

disadvantaged

communities

- Mentoring Program & Minority owned startups
  Pairing Ecosystem.
- Career Fair Event
- Funds to create startups
- Annual Fundraising Event Economic growth of
- Connect Funding Program
- Partnership with Puerto Rico Economic Development & Incubators in Puerto Rico.

Greening Untapped Zip-codes Incubator [GUZi], an accelerator pipeline of diverse talent for Clean Energy Innovation