Rep. Marcy Kaptur announced that the city of Toledo will receive approximately $3.1 million in stimulus funding for energy efficiency and conservation projects.

Congresswoman Kaptur said the federal award to Toledo is part of $84.2 million in grants for 33 cities and 10 counties in Ohio, including $25 million for the State Energy Office. The funding awards will be officially announced by Vice President Biden and Energy Secretary Stephen Chu as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan.

“This is a welcome example of stimulus money coming back to our area to create jobs,” said Congresswoman Kaptur.

“Our region is rapidly emerging as a national leader in alternative energy, which has long been one of my top priorities. I am hopeful that Northern Ohio will receive its fair share of funding from the state allocation as well.”

The grant awards were made according to formula and are aimed at reducing total energy use and fossil fuel emissions through increased efficiency.