



## EFAB's Advancing Water Affordability Nationwide: A Framework for Action

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EPA estimates that between 12.1 million and 19.2 million households throughout the U.S. lack access to affordable water services. The cost of providing clean, safe, and reliable water services is escalating, and for many people, paying for water services is a struggle. As part of the ongoing water affordability work, EPA charged the Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB) with developing recommendations for addressing water affordability.

In response to this charge, EFAB prepared its deliverable, [Advancing Water Affordability Nationwide: A Framework for Action](#). The report provides a high-level framework of considerations, reflecting the various points at which utilities can address water affordability issues in their decision making and financing processes.

The report also provides 26 recommendations for EPA to consider to enhance affordability across the framework's five key focus areas:

- Capital Investments
- Operational Efficiencies
- Federal Financial Support
- Rate Structure & Design
- Customer Assistance Programs

**You are invited to learn about EFAB's holistic framework for addressing water affordability challenges.** During this webinar, you will hear about EFAB's deliverable. This will be the first webinar in a series focused on ongoing work in the water affordability space.

### PRESENTERS

#### Janet Clements

*President and Founder One Water Econ, and Co-Chair of the EFAB Water Affordability Workgroup*

#### Cynthia Koehler

*Executive Director WaterNow Alliance, and Co-Chair of the EFAB Water Affordability Workgroup*

To learn more about EPA's work to address water affordability challenges across the country, visit the EPA Water Affordability website: [Water Affordability | US EPA](#)

To learn more about EFAB, visit the EFAB website: [Environmental Financial Advisory Board \(EFAB\) | US EPA](#)



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