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Renewable Energy Grants

The purpose of this fact sheet is to provide consumers, producers, lawmakers, educators, and municipalities with current information on available grants and co-funding for Renewable Energy projects and related fields. Many of the funds available are for private businesses, individuals, and groups as well as non-profit organization.

Bonneville Environmental Foundation

Mission Statement: The Bonneville Environmental Foundation is a charitable and nonprofit public benefit corporation dedicated to encouraging and funding projects that develop and/or apply clean, environmentally preferred, renewable power and acquire, maintain, preserve, restore, protect and/or sustain fish and wildlife habitat within the Pacific Northwest.

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Turner Foundation

Mission Statement: The Turner Foundation is committed to preventing damage to the natural systems – water, air, and land – on which all life depends.

The Foundation makes grants in the areas of the environment and population. The main components of our program are:

- Protection of water and reduction of toxic impacts on the environment.
- Improved air quality through promotion of energy efficiency and renewables and improved transportation policies and practices.
- Protection of biodiversity through habitat preservation.
- Development and implementation of sound, equitable practices and policies designed to reduce population growth rates.

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Greenville Foundation

Environmental Funding Interests and Grants

Mission Statement: The Foundation is convinced that environment grant dollars can have the most far-reaching impact when directed toward keystone issues and those that have previously attracted less attention and support. Such issues, if left un-addressed, will continue to act as significant roadblocks to the broader societal goal of comprehensive environmental stewardship. Greenville is also concerned with how these strategic issues should best be approached. Lasting solutions are won through processes that address the concerns of all stakeholders.

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Energy Foundation

Mission Statement: Created in 1991 under the auspices of the MacArthur Foundation, The Pew Charitable Trusts, and the Rockefeller Foundation, the mission of the Energy Foundation is “to assist in the nation’s transition to a sustainable energy future by promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy.” Visitors to the Foundation’s Web site will find program descriptions, application guidelines, lists of recent grant recipients, and downloadable application forms for each of the Foundation’s five program areas: utilities, buildings, transportation, renewable energy, and integrated issues. Also available online are essays devoted to the realities surrounding the Foundation’s mission, a section for special Foundation reports, and a list of annotated links to energy-related Web sites. (9/15/97)

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Energy Foundation

The Energy Foundation is a partnership of major foundations interested in sustainable energy. It was launched in 1991 by The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, The Pew Charitable Trusts, and The Rockefeller Foundation. The Joyce Mertz-Gilmore Foundation joined as a funding partner in 1996, and The McKnight Foundation joined in 1998. In 1999, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation joined to support two programs: the U.S. Clean Energy Program

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DOE/UPVG TEAM UP PROGRAM

The US Department of Energy and Utility Photovoltaic Group have made cost shared grants available to develop sustainable markets for grid-connected and grid-independent photovoltaic applications. Applications are available in Autumn of each year.

Available to: **Teams of Utilities, independent power producers, industry, others.**

Eligible Technology: **Photovoltaics**

Additional Info: **Utility Photovoltaic Group, 1800 M St. N.W., Suite 300, Washington DC, 20036. Tel: 202-857-0898. Web:**

http://www.ucorp.com/upvg/team_mn.htm

DOE MUNICIPAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Grants of up to \$75,000 for applied energy research and demonstration projects and up to \$25,000 for technology transfer projects. Cost sharing and public/private partnerships are required.

Available to: **Local governments, municipals, and cities.**

Eligible Technology: **Photovoltaics and solar thermal systems.**

Additional Info: **US Department of Energy, Washington DC. Tel: 202-586-2242. Web: <http://www.eren.doe.gov/buildings>**

USDA RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The grant program provides up to \$400,000 to establish a revolving loan fund for infrastructure or community facilities in rural areas. Contact your local USDA office for more information.

Available to: **Rural utility service borrowers.**

Eligible Technology: **Photovoltaics and solar thermal systems.**

Additional Info: **Local USDA Rural Development Offices. Web: <http://www.usda.gov>**

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY UNIVERSAL SYSTEM BENEFITS (USB)

USB charge on your NorthWestern Energy electric billing statement, funds low-income energy assistance and weatherization, energy efficiency activities and development of renewable energy resources. Electric customers of Montana utilities support these activities as directed by the Montana Legislature.

Available to: **All NorthWestern Energy electric customers.**

Eligible Technology: **Solar, wind and geothermal projects.**

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