

## Community Renewable Energy Grant Program

The following programs and funds may be useful when considering planning or financing a community renewable energy project.

<u>Oregon Heat Pump Purchase Program</u>: The Oregon Department of Energy has incentives of up to \$2,000 available to support the purchase of heat pumps in Oregon homes, including single-family homes, new construction, and rental properties. Funding comes from the federal Inflation Reduction Act.

<u>Oregon Rural & Agricultural Energy Assistance Program</u>: Provides funding for energy audits of rural small businesses and agricultural producers. ODOE is now accepting interest forms.

<u>Portland Clean Energy Community Benefits Fund (PCEF)</u>: Creating green jobs, funding improvements to homes through renewable energy and energy efficiency investments, and supporting local businesses. (note that Community Renewable Energy Grant Program funds are not eligible within the City of Portland).

<u>Energy Trust of Oregon</u>: Energy Trust information, cash incentives, and contractor connections help customers use less energy, generate renewable power, and protect the environment.

Eligibility for these incentives are within the service territories of Portland General Electric, Pacific Power, NW Natural, Cascade Natural Gas, and Avista (see <u>service area map</u>).

**Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)** energy efficiency programs in collaboration with Consumer-Owned Utilities:

- <u>BPA Comfort Ready Homes</u>: Residential weatherization, HVAC, and high-efficiency waterheating.
- <u>BPA HVAC</u>: Efficient heating equipment can reduce electric energy use by 25-40 percent compared to electric resistance heat. Incentives for ductless heat pumps, air source heat pumps, duct sealing, and thermostats.
- <u>BPA Weatherization</u>: Residential measures that include insulation, prime window and patio door replacements, Low-E storm windows, exterior insulated doors, and air sealing. Aimed at reducing unintended air leakage to improve the overall energy performance of a home.
- <u>BPA Water Heating</u>: Water heating accounts for 15-20 percent of all energy use in homes with
  electric water heating. Water-saving devices, such as aerators, efficient showerheads, and
  thermostatic shut-off valves, reduce the energy required to heat water as less water is
  consumed. BPA supports water heating energy reductions by offering heat pump water heater,
  aerator, showerhead, and thermostatic shut-off valve measures.
- <u>BPA Appliances and Consumer Products</u>: Energy-efficient residential appliances, consumer products, and lighting.
- <u>BPA New Construction</u>: Supports energy efficient new home construction for single-family, multifamily, and manufactured homes, and replacement of older manufactured homes with new energy-efficient manufactured homes.

Business Oregon: Oregon Business Development Department provides access to economic development

and financial resources to promote business development, such as tax breaks or incentives.

**Oregon Housing and Community Services Energy and Weatherization Assistance** 

<u>Oregon Office of Emergency Management</u>: The Oregon Office of Emergency Management (OEM) provides several grant opportunities to local and tribal governments to assist in preparedness and mitigation activities.

<u>Oregon Community Solar Program</u>: The Oregon Community Solar Program makes it easy for customers of Portland General Electric, Pacific Power, and Idaho Power to access the benefits of solar power. By connecting individuals, businesses, organizations, communities and developers, Community Solar provides the tools and support to develop solar projects and expand access to clean energy to more communities across Oregon.

<u>FEMA</u>: Grant funds are available for pre- and post-emergency or disaster-related projects. These funds support critical recovery initiatives, innovative research, and many other programs.

Grants are the principal funding mechanism FEMA uses to commit and award federal funding to eligible state, local, tribal, territorial, certain private non-profits, individuals, and institutions of higher learning.

<u>USDA Rural Development Programs</u>: Funding to complete energy audits, provide renewable energy development assistance, make energy efficiency improvements, and install renewable energy systems.

<u>USDA federal funding opportunities U.S. Department of Energy</u>: The U.S. Department of Energy Loan Programs Office (LPO) has more than \$40 billion in loans and loan guarantees available to help deploy innovative clean energy, advanced transportation, and tribal energy projects in the United States.