

#### INTRODUCTION

On September 21, 2004, the Naperville City Council approved the Naperville Renewable Energy Program. The Program enables Naperville DPU-Electric utility customers (both residential and businesses) to make voluntarily monthly donations through their electric bill to support the City's investment in renewable energy. The Program has enjoyed an excellent response rate among its residents, and is among the top renewable energy community programs in the United States on a percentage participation basis. Effective May 3, 2012, the City began management of the Program in-house. Funds are made available through grants to directly fund local community-based renewable energy projects within Naperville. The funding sources for this program are the Naperville DPU-Electric customers who invest in renewable energy through monthly bill payments.

#### **GOALS OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM**

- 1. To increase or create opportunities for our community to learn about renewable solutions;
- 2. To support grant projects that measurably increase renewable energy usage and displace fossil fuels; and,
- 3. To have grant projects that can be replicated.

#### **ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE TECHNOLOGIES:**

- Passive Solar Space Heat
- Thermal Process Heat
- Solar, Photovoltaic, Wind, Biomass, Fuel Cells
- Solar Water Heat
- Geothermal Heat Pumps
- Fuel Cells Using Renewable Fuels
- Solar Space Heat
- Other Distributed Generation Technologies

#### **GRANT AWARD AMOUNT**

Grant awards can range up to \$15,000, but not to exceed 50% of the total project cost. In no event shall the receipt of grant and rebate funds from all sources exceed the total project cost.

The City reserves the right to change the funding levels based on the number of qualified projects submitted.

#### TIME OF FUNDING

Reimbursement occurs after project is completed in accordance with any permit requirements and after inspection for conformance with City requirements.



#### APPLICANT CRITERIA

- 1. The City of Naperville, as the overall administrator of this program, is not eligible to be an applicant.
- 2. Applicants can submit one grant application per annual grant cycle.
- 3. Applicant must be a non-residential customer. Preference will be given to those applicants having a mission that serves the larger community and have a community education component about renewable energy solutions to their project (e.g. public or private schools, parks, museums, institutions, universities, service clubs, events, gathering spots, and places of worship, etc.).
- 4. Applicants may enter into public/private partnerships in order to complete a project proposed for partial funding under the Grant Program (e.g. naming rights in exchange for funding), provided that the renewable energy project serves Naperville. However, only Eligible Applicants may submit grant applications and receive awards under this Program.

- 5. The Applicant must be a customer of the Naperville DPU-Electric utility.
- Applicants must be a contributor to the Renewable Energy Program at the time the grant application is submitted, and for at least 24 consecutive months thereafter. Applicant must be a contributor at time of application at \$20/month.
- Projects must be located and installed in Naperville and owned by the Electric customer.

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION- Attach With Application, Word Document is acceptable

- Copy of Federal Internal Revenue Service Tax Determination Letter, if applicable.
- Summary Project Description. Photos, drawings that can be electronically submitted.
- Attach 3 competing bids. Three competing bids must be attached to each grant application. Contractor bids must demonstrate that the proposed project is replicable. Each bid must include engineering calculations that (1) estimate annual renewable energy produced in kWh and kW, and (2) annual Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reductions (CO2).
- Organization's Appropriation of funds. Evidence of organization's financial commitment to fund project (e.g. Board resolution, letter of credit, contractual commitment, etc.)



## **SCORING**

Applications will be evaluated based on the priorities listed below.

Overall Aesthetics	-Overall aesthetics and inspiration value of project -Three contractor bids -Can project be replicated?
Financial Implications	<ul> <li>-How much funding is requested and has applicant applied for other grants?</li> <li>-What is the return on investment? (e.g. estimated reduction in consumption and bill energy costs)</li> </ul>
Environmental Implications	-Is applicant already committed to energy efficiency? -How will this project reduce emissions? -Will this project generate excess energy and sell it back to the grid?
Fairness	-How long has applicant been contributing to the Renewable Energy Program? At what level?

APPLICATION DUE BY: 5 p.m. Friday December 6, 2024 or until all funds are awarded.

### **ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS ONLY:**

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### FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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GENERAL INFORMATION	
Name of Applicant and additional partner it applic	Phone Number:
Contact Person:	EIN-or attach 1099:
Email: Address:	
Website:	
Social Media -e.g. handle, or URL:	



PROJECT ADDRESS, INFORMATION & FUNDING – Include Annual kWh and kW Production

MMARY PROJECT DESC	RIPTION- Attach photos/drawings electi	ronically:
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OJECT TIMELINE- Indica	te how long the proposed project will ta	ake to install, changes to landscaping, what
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## **LINE ITEM BUDGETING**

For Photovoltaic Installation, Wind Turbine Installation  $\leq$  100kW, Biomass, Advancing Renewable Energy, and Emerging Technologies Grants

1. PROJECT BUDGET								
Provide a line item project budget. Use "Comments" for explanations.								
EXPENSE	AMOUNT	COMMENTS						
TOTAL:								
2. PROJECT FUNDING								
	n-he requested sources i	of funding						
List all confirmed, pending and yet-to-be requested sources of funding.								
SOURCE	AMOUNT	STATUS OF REQUEST						
TOTAL:								



## **DISCLOSURE OF BENEFICIARIES**

Any grant awards, contracts, permits, licenses, or agreements entered into shall be voidable at the option of the City of Naperville if the person, firm, corporation or other entity fails to provide a full and complete disclosure.

1.	Applicant:					
2	Address:					
		ought: RENEWABLE EN	IERGY G	RANT		
3.	Nature of A	Applicant (Please check	one):			
		a. Natural Person	•	d. Trust/Trustee	0	
		b. Corporation	0	e. Partnership	О	
		c. Land Trust/ Trustee	90	f. Joint Venture	0	
4.	If applicant applicant:	is an entity other thar	n describ	oed in Section3,	briefly state the nature and character	istics of
5.	entity which trust, a join	h is a 5% shareholder i	n the ca of case o	se of a corpora of a joint ventur	or f, identify by name and address each tion, a beneficiary in the case of a trus e, or who otherwise has a proprietary ty:	t or land
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6.	Name, add	ress and capacity of pe	erson ma	aking this disclo	sure on behalf of the applicant:	
	IMPORTAN	T NOTE: In the event y	our ans	wer to Section 5	identifies entities other than a natura	al person,

additional disclosures are required for each entity.



Before submitting the application, please review your information and make sure you have attached the following:

- ✓ Copy of Federal IRS Tax Determination Letter (if applicable)
- ✓ Photos/Drawings of Project
- √ 3 Competing Bids
- ✓ Organization's appropriation of funds
- ✓ Copy of Naperville Utility Bill showing applicant is a Renewable Energy Program <u>contributor</u> at \$20/month.

## **Required Inspections**

After receiving notice to proceed, but prior to commencing work, the applicant must notify the City's Inspection Dispatch at (630) 420-6100, Opt 1 and schedule a pre-project inspection. After all work is completed, the applicant must notify the City and schedule a post-project inspection. Failure to schedule required inspections may cause the applicant to forfeit their grant money.