

USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) Investments – Montana

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Recipient: Owenhouse Hardware Company

Grant amount: \$132,964

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 100.35 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) system at the Owenhouse Hardware Company in **Bozeman, Montana**. The project is expected to save this company's hardware store and bike shop \$48,110 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 127,444 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power 12 homes.

Recipient: Arabella Leigh LLC

Grant amount: \$29,601

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 17.94 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic system for Arabella Leigh LLC in **Livingston, Montana**. The project is expected to save this short-term rental \$2,609 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 18,639 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power two homes.

Recipient: Northwest Drywall & Roofing Supply Inc.

Grant amount: \$99,805

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install 27.54 kilowatt (kW) and 58.32 kW solar systems at Northwest Drywall and Roofing Supply Inc. locations in **Helena and Belgrade, Montana**, respectively. The project will offset power use from its commercial operations, save \$9,257 in annual energy costs, and reduce energy use by 102,858 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power nine homes.

Recipient: Outback Wholesale Inc.

Grant amount: \$89,768

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to install a 15 kilowatt (kW) wind turbine at Outback Wholesale in **Yellowstone County, Montana**. The project is expected to save this small, wholesale garage door business, which supplies parts and service throughout Yellowstone County, \$4,137 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 23,943 kilowatt hours (kWh).

Recipient: Double Tee Properties LLC

Grant amount: \$24,128

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 10.95 kilowatt (kW) solar system for Double Tee Properties LLC in **Bozeman, Montana**. This project, which will offset power use for a vacation rental business, is expected to save \$1,146 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 13,336 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power one home.

Recipient: Bozeman Montessori LLC

Grant amount: \$85,691

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install energy efficiency improvements for boiler and heat pumps at Bozeman Montessori LLC, in **Bozeman, Montana**. The project is expected to save this childcare center \$1,306 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 33,928 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power three homes.

Recipient: Montucky Cold Snacks Co. LLC

Grant amount: \$80,420

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install an 80.6 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) system for Montucky Cold Snacks Co. LLC in **Bozeman, Montana**. The project is expected to save this brewery and beer company \$7,881 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 87,567 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power eight homes.

Recipient: Montana Valley Irrigation LLC

Grant amount: \$25,600

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 20.52 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic system at Montana Valley Irrigation LLC in **Great Falls, Montana**. The project is expected to save this water supply and irrigation system business \$1,900 in annual energy costs and replace 100 percent of its total energy consumption, enough to power nine homes.

Recipient: Heart S Livestock Marketing LLC

Grant amount: \$11,565

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 15.6 kilowatt (kW) roof mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) system at Heart S Livestock Marketing LLC, in **Grass Range, Montana**. The project is expected to save this ranching operation \$1,100 in annual energy costs and replace 100 percent of its energy consumption needs, enough electricity to power six homes.

Recipient: The Acoustic Shed LLC

Grant amount: \$17,491

Description: This Rural Development investment will be to purchase and install a 16.38 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) system at the Acoustic Shed LLC in **Big Timber, Montana**. The project is expected to save this music retreat, which sells and repairs instrument and provides music lessons, \$2,490 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 17,784 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power two homes.

Recipient: White Enterprises Inc.

Grant amount: \$99,977

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used purchase and install a 48 kilowatt (kW) solar system at White Enterprises Inc., in **Bigfork, Montana**. The project, which will offset power use from commercial operations at its convenience store, is expected to save \$3,384 in annual energy costs and reduce power use by 48,357 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power four homes.

Recipient: Babcock Ownership LLC

Grant amount: \$39,715

Description: This Rural Development investment will be to purchase and install a 24.5 kilowatt (kW) solar system by Babcock Ownership LLC in **Bozeman, Montana**. The project, which will offset power use from its commercial operations including a rooftop community garden, is expected to save \$3,809 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 29,305 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power almost three homes.

Recipient: Norris Hot Springs

Grant amount: \$35,913

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install an 18.64 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) system to offset energy needs for kitchen operations at Norris Hot Springs Co. LLC in **Norris, Montana**. The project is expected to save this rural small business \$2,863 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 21,079 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power two homes.

Recipient: Plant Land Inc.

Grant amount: \$86,378

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 69 kilowatt (kW) solar system at Plant Land Inc., a garden center in **Kalispell, Montana**. The project, which will offset power use from commercial operations, is expected to

save this rural small business \$6,387 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 79,847 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power seven homes.

Recipient: Cherry Creek Village LLC

Grant amount: \$33,972

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system by Cherry Creek LLC in **Kalispell, Montana**. This project, which will offset power use at a complex supporting three local businesses, is expected to save \$3,038 per year in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 50,598 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power four homes.

Recipient: Moss Mountain Inn

Grant amount: \$15,470

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 4.0 kilowatt (kW) solar system and backup battery at Moss Mountain Inn, doing business as Trail Creek Retreat in **Polebridge, Montana**. The project, which will supply electricity for this rural vacation retreat, is expected to save \$1,974 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 4,937 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to support their business operations.

Recipient: Phoenix Pharms LLC

Grant amount: \$68,010

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 50.02 kilowatt (kW) solar system at Phoenix Pharms LLC, in **Whitefish, Montana**. The project is expected to save this rural organic farm \$2,674 in annual energy costs and reduce its energy use by 51,764 kilowatt hours (kWh), enough electricity to power five homes.

Recipient: Construction Analysis - Stephen Sullivan

Grant amount: \$12,450

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 4.8 kilowatt (kW) system at Construction Analysis in **Whitefish, Montana**. The project is expected to save this construction claims consulting business \$570 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 8,158 kilowatt hours (kWh), or approximately 77 percent of its total energy use. This is enough electricity to power one home.

Recipient: SRI River Holdings LLC

Grant amount: \$343,254

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to install 197.2 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) system at three locations on the Hamilton Ranch in **Twin Bridges, Montana**. This project is expected to save the owners - SRI River Holdings LLC - \$26,847 in annual energy costs and will replace 282,749 kilowatt hours (kWh) in energy use, enough electricity to power 26 homes.

Recipient: Graze & Roam LLC

Grant amount: \$39,750

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used, to purchase and install a 25.01-kilowatt (kW) photovoltaic (PV) system at Graze and Roam LLC, a small cattle ranch in **Victor, Montana**. Power generated by this system will be used for grazing pasture irrigation, lights, power for daily use, and heat lamps for seasonal use in the barn. This project is expected to save the ranch \$3,398 in annual energy costs and replace 100 percent of its current energy use, approximately 22,650 kilowatt hours (kWh) annually.

Recipient: KBF LLC

Grant amount: \$16,287

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a new boiler and make window upgrades at KBF LLC, in **Scobey, Montana**. The project is expected to save this small law office \$982 in annual energy costs and replace 5,913 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity use.

Recipient: Terminus Distillery

Grant amount: \$81,899

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install energy efficiency improvements including new insulation, windows, doors, and LED lighting at the Terminus Distilling Company in **Dillon, Montana**. The project is expected to save \$9,614 in annual energy costs and reduce energy use by 627,227 kilowatt hours (kWh) which is nearly 80 percent of its historical utility bills or enough electricity to power 58 homes.

Recipient: MARIC Properties Bozeman LLC

Grant amount: \$199,142

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install an 87.3 kilowatt (kW) solar carport system for MARIC Properties Bozeman LLC, in **Ennis, Montana**. The project is expected to save \$13,696 in annual energy costs and generate 114,135 kilowatts (kW) of electricity each year, replacing 58 percent of its annual energy consumption or enough electricity to power 10 homes.

Recipient: Grapevine Ranch Inc.

Grant amount: \$52,054

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 45.9-kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) system at the Grapevine Ranch in **Yellowtail, Montana**. The project is expected to save this small ranch approximately \$3,800 in annual energy costs and replace or save 41,507-kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity use each year.

Recipient: Knick Machining Inc.

Grant amount: \$52,943

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 74.69-kilowatt (kW) roof mounted photovoltaic (PV) solar system at Knick Machining Inc., in **Bozeman, Montana**. Designed to offset utility costs for its machining shop operations, this project is expected to save \$14,828 annually and will generate 113,454 kilowatts (kW) of electricity, which is enough to power 10 homes and replace nearly 94 percent of its annual energy consumption.

Recipient: Sleeping Giant Beverage Company Inc.

Grant amount: \$181,206

Description: This Rural Development investment will be used to purchase and install a 145-kilowatt roof-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) system at Sleeping Giant Beverage Company Inc., dba Lewis and Clark Brewing Co., in **Helena, Montana**. The project is expected to save \$16,125 in annual energy costs and generate 179,172 kilowatts (kW) of electricity. This will replace 23 percent of its annual energy consumption or enough electricity to power 16 homes.