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Sustainable energy news

Our investments are making a difference

Funding Available for Sustainable Energy Projects

The WPPSEF is anticipating providing support to clean energy projects in the West Penn Power service region through the Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Funding is focused in three areas:

1. Clean heat and power technologies
2. Smart energy use
3. Clean energy manufacturing in Pennsylvania

WPPSEF financing terms are flexible and developed to meet the project needs while assessing project risk. In addition, a limited number of grants will be considered for non-profits.

Applying is easy. All of the proposal guidelines are included in the funding application available online.

The deadline for receipt of the proposals is 4:00 p.m. (EST) on January 29, 2015.



[Download the application.](#)

Stories

Elk Country Visitors Center located in Benezette, PA received a grant from WPPSEF to support a new outdoor classroom heated with a high efficiency biomass boiler. "Last year, more than 350,000 guests mostly from the eastern seaboard visited the Elk Center to observe elk and to learn more about one of Pennsylvania's most watchable wildlife," stated Rawley Cogan, CEO of the Keystone Elk Country Alliance. [Read Story.](#)



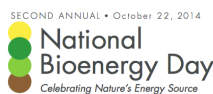
PA Treasury launched an innovative financing program to help public, non-profit organizations make advanced energy improvements. The WPPSEF was an instrumental funding partner providing a seed grant necessary to launch the program. Municipalities, universities, schools and hospitals that want to reduce energy consumption or use alternative energy sources will have a new option for financing. [Read Story.](#)



WindStax Wind Power Systems located in Pittsburgh, PA received an economic development grant from WPPSEF to expand operations and increase production of their innovative wind turbines. The grant provides financial support for equipment, inventory and working capital to assist the company with its growth strategy. [Read Story.](#)



Northern Bedford County School District is planning an open house and a tour of their biomass heating system to celebrate National Bioenergy Day on October 22, 2014. This annual event encourages participating organizations to open their doors to their communities to demonstrate the many benefits that bioenergy provides on the local level.



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Kudos

WPPSEF received the Keystone Guardian Partner Award from the Keystone Elk Country Alliance (KECA) and the Elk Country Visitors Center in sincere appreciation for their generous contribution in helping to build KECA's new conservation education center, The ECCO Building. WPPSEF provided funding for the energy saving components of the building.

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Who are we?

The West Penn Power Sustainable Energy Fund (WPPSEF) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that invests in the deployment of sustainable energy technologies throughout the West Penn Power (WPP) service region in Pennsylvania.

~ We are seeking a diversified portfolio of clean energy investments ~



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What do we do?

- Deployment of sustainable and clean energy technologies;
- Deployment of energy efficiency and conservation technologies; and
- Facilitating economic development, environmental betterment, and public education as they relate to sustainable energy deployment in the WPP service region.



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