

Calpine Community Benefits Grant Program



Who is Sonoma Clean Power?

- » *Not-for-profit public agency*
- » *Self-funded through revenues – no tax dollars*
- » *Run by a Board of Directors and Community Advisory Committee*

SCP's Mission

- » *Sonoma Clean Power is turning the tide on the climate crisis, through bold ideas and practical programs.*
- » *Provide higher percentages of renewable energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions*
- » *Help solve the climate crisis at a local level*
- » *Deliver customer programs that make a difference*



SCP Service Territory

- » Sonoma County (excluding Healdsburg)
 - » Cloverdale, Cotati, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor
 - » Unincorporated Sonoma County
- » Mendocino County (excluding Ukiah)
 - » Willits, Point Arena, Fort Bragg
 - » Unincorporated Mendocino County





Who is Calpine Energy Solutions?

- » Calpine Energy Solutions is a San Diego based organization, founded to support customer choice in energy.
- » Has helped launch 22 of California's Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) programs
- » Committed to re-investing into the communities and partners that we support



Community Benefits Grant Program

The Calpine Energy Solutions' program provides grant funding to organizations in the communities that SCP serves to help advance clean energy, green jobs, environmental education and stewardship, and equity and diversity.

- » Calpine awards funding and collaborates with SCP on the grant guidelines and to promote the program. Both work together to assess applications
- » Eligible organizations must be an IRS-designated 501c3 nonprofit.

Qualifying projects must fall within the outlined priority focus areas:

- Advancement of renewable energy research and planning
- Energy and environmental education
- Clean energy in disadvantaged communities
- Green workforce development



Community Benefits Grant Application

- » Only 501c3 organizations are eligible. Those not permitted to apply include political action committees, trade associations, government entities, or political candidates.
- » All applications must include the following:
 - » Organization's description and mission (500-word max)
 - » Communities the organization serves
 - » Proposed use of funds (1000-word max)
 - » Estimated budget



Community Benefits Grant Application

Attachment A. Sample Budget

<i>ITEM(S)</i>	<i>BUDGETED (\$)</i>	<i>ACTUAL (TO BE COMPLETED ONE-YEAR POST AWARD)</i>
<i>DIRECT COSTS</i> (HARD COSTS SUCH AS SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, PRINTING, ETC.)		
<i>STAFF LABOR COSTS</i> (NUMBER OF HOURS, JOB TITLES, AND HOURLY RATE OF ALL STAFF THAT WILL WORK ON THE PROJECT)		
<i>OTHER</i> (ANY COSTS THAT DO NOT FIT INTO THE ABOVE CATEGORIES)		



Program Timeline

April 3,
2023

- The application period opens. Interested organizations can access the application LINK. All applications must be submitted to CommunityBenefits@calpinesolutions.com to be considered.

April 18,
2023

- Community Benefits Grant Program webinar. Learn more about the process to apply and grant requirements.
- A recording will be made available to applicants.

May 12,
2023

- The application period closes. All applications and relevant attachments must be submitted to CommunityBenefits@calpinesolutions.com

May 15 –
June 5,
2023

- Application evaluation period.

June 9,
2023

- Grant awardees contacted by Calpine.



Questions?

For additional questions on the program and to submit your application, please contact communitybenefits@calpinesolutions.com