

2021 Solar Project Application

Please review, fill out, and submit all pages of this application for consideration. The City of Minneapolis reserves the right to revoke the grant money if the customer or contractor violates program rules and procedures. The City of Minneapolis is not liable for grants promised to customers because of a contractor misrepresenting this grant program.

Overview:

The City of Minneapolis is offering an incentive to qualifying buildings based on a solar array's first year estimated kilowatt hour (kWh) production up to **\$50,000**. 2021 Incentives are as follows;

Incentive Category:	Production based Incentive Rate:	Qualification
Base Rate	\$0.20 per estimated annual kWh production	Any property in the city of Minneapolis that fulfills the program eligibility criteria
Environmental Justice Rate	\$0.35 per estimated annual kWh production	Any qualifying property; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In a Minneapolis Green Zone 2. In a Minneapolis Great Street Eligible Priority Area 3. Participating in the 4d Affordable Housing Incentive Program, or other income qualified housing program approved by the Health Department
Minneapolis Forward	\$0.40 per estimated annual kWh production	View an incomplete list of properties affected by civil unrest. Qualifying properties are those significantly (>25%) impacted by the civil unrest. Use the space provided in the application questions to explain the damage to your property if your property does not appear on this list.

While we try to fund all projects, funds are limited. Use this application to demonstrate the competitiveness of your project. After each deadline, applications are reviewed and ranked by a third-party panel of experts in the energy field. Priority will be given to projects that qualify for the Environmental Justice or Minneapolis Forward rate.

Deadlines: January 1, March 1, May 3, and July 2 (2021)

(Deadlines are Funding Dependent and Open Until Funding is exhausted)

Solar Cost Share Program Rules and Process:

Eligibility Requirements:

- Projects applying for a grant must;
 - Be an existing commercial, multifamily (+4 Units), or industrial property located within the City of Minneapolis. Or be enrolled in the City's 4d Affordable Housing Incentive Program.
 - Be a new project that has not already started construction
- Applications limited to one project per master (tax) parcel. If you are applying for multiple projects on different master (tax) parcels, please fill out a separate application for each project.
- Applicant must be building owner, property manager, or Community Solar Developer leasing or purchasing the solar array

How to Apply:

- Fill out Green Cost Share Application.
- Attach to Application: A PVWatts calculator report. Visit pvwatts.nrel.gov to find the online calculator.
- Email Cost Share Application and PVWatts report to GreenCostShare@minneapolismn.gov.

When Awarded a Cost Share:

- Sign up as a [supplier](#) with the City of Minneapolis.
- Take a before picture for the property and send them to GreenCostShare@minneapolismn.gov.
- Begin the Cost Share contracting process at most 90 days after receiving a program acceptance email. If you do not communicate to the city that the project is moving forward within 90 days of acceptance the city will reallocate the funding to another project.

After Projects are Completed:

- All installations must be completed by December 31st, 2021
- Email the Items listed below to the city contract manager by December 31st, 2021. If more than one contractor is used, there must be complete sets of these documents for each contractor.
 - Before and after photographs highlighting the project(s).
 - Proof of final inspection by the City of Minneapolis for any work requiring a City permit.
 - Final paid invoice from the contractor or vendor showing the total project cost.
- Email just the city reimbursement invoice to submitinvoices@minneapolismn.gov
- City may take drone pictures of the completed solar installation as part of project verification.

Other Rules & Procedures:

- Funds are allocated based on what’s approved in the application. In the event system size increases or decreases, applicant is responsible for working with their developer to submit updated documents to the city. Additional Cost Share funds must be approved by the program administrator.
- Applicant is responsible for arranging all the upfront project financing.
- Cost share funds can only be used to compensate for the estimated annual kWh production of the system.
- All work must meet City of Minneapolis, state, regional, and national zoning, building, and fire codes.
- The applicant is responsible for ensuring that product purchases, equipment purchase and installation, or other work proposed have been completed satisfactorily before paying the contractor(s).

Application Procedure:



For reasonable accommodations or alternative formats, please contact the Minneapolis Health Department at (612) 673-2301 or health@minneapolismn.gov. People who are deaf or hard of hearing can use a relay service to call 311 at (612) 673-3000. TTY users call (612) 673-2626.
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