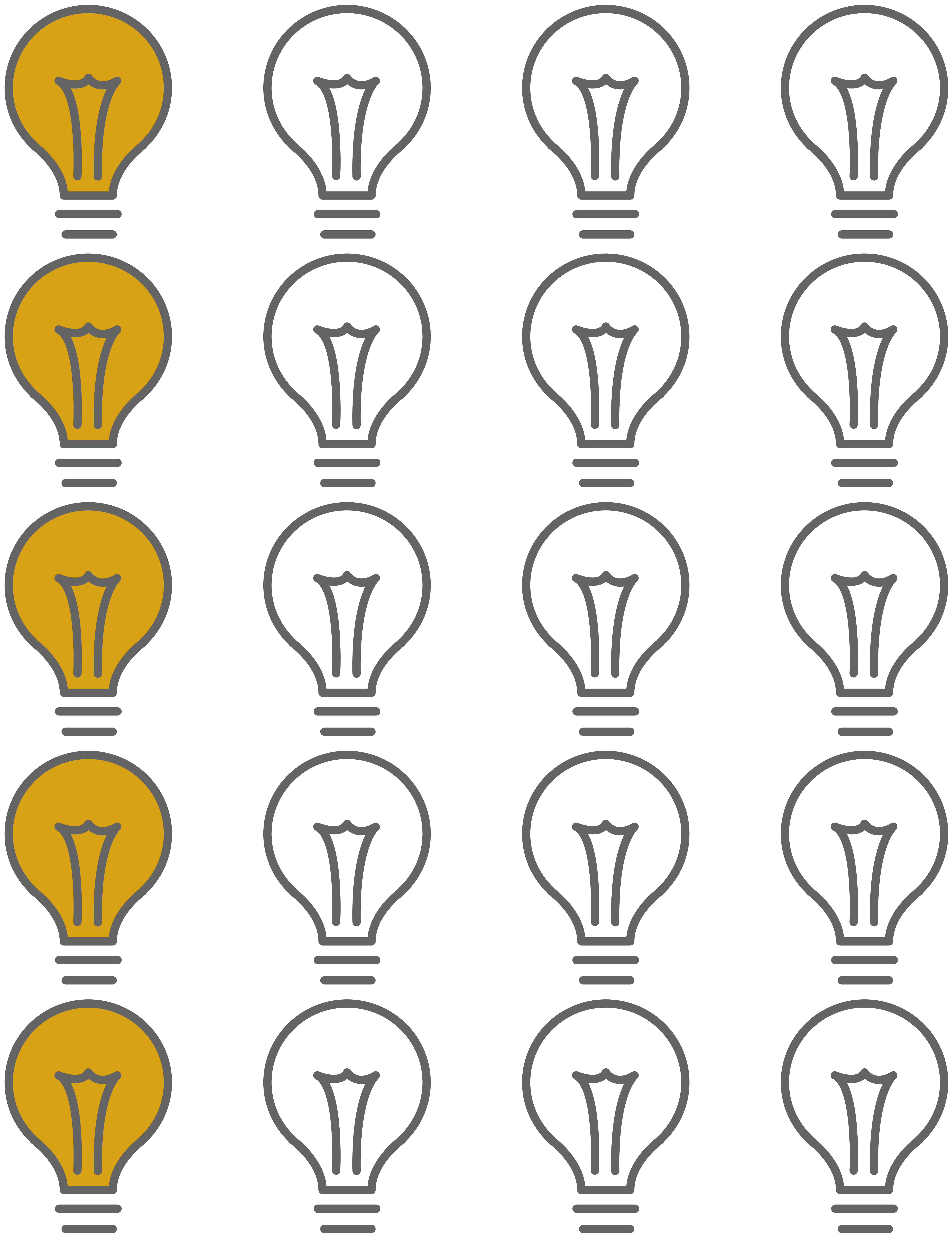
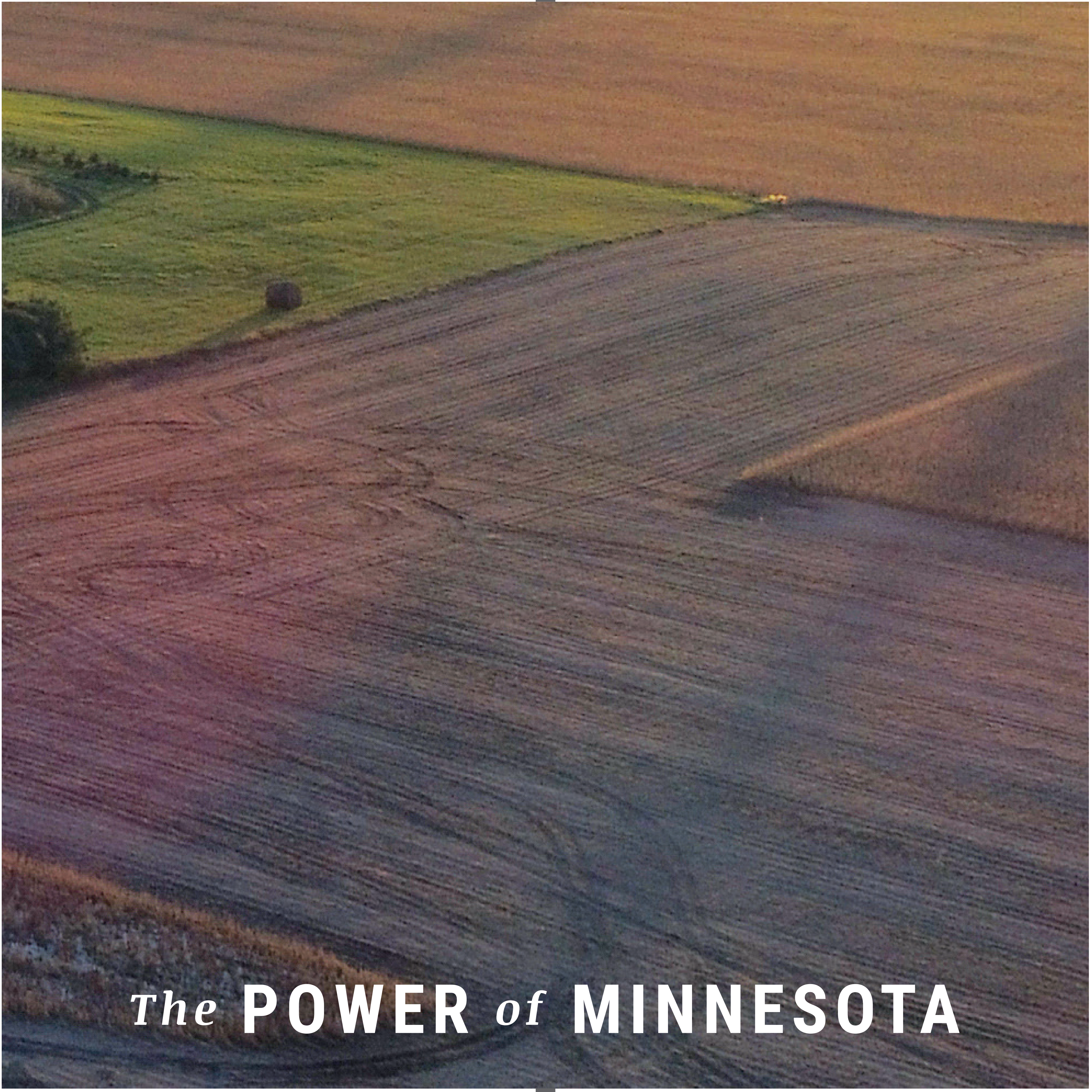
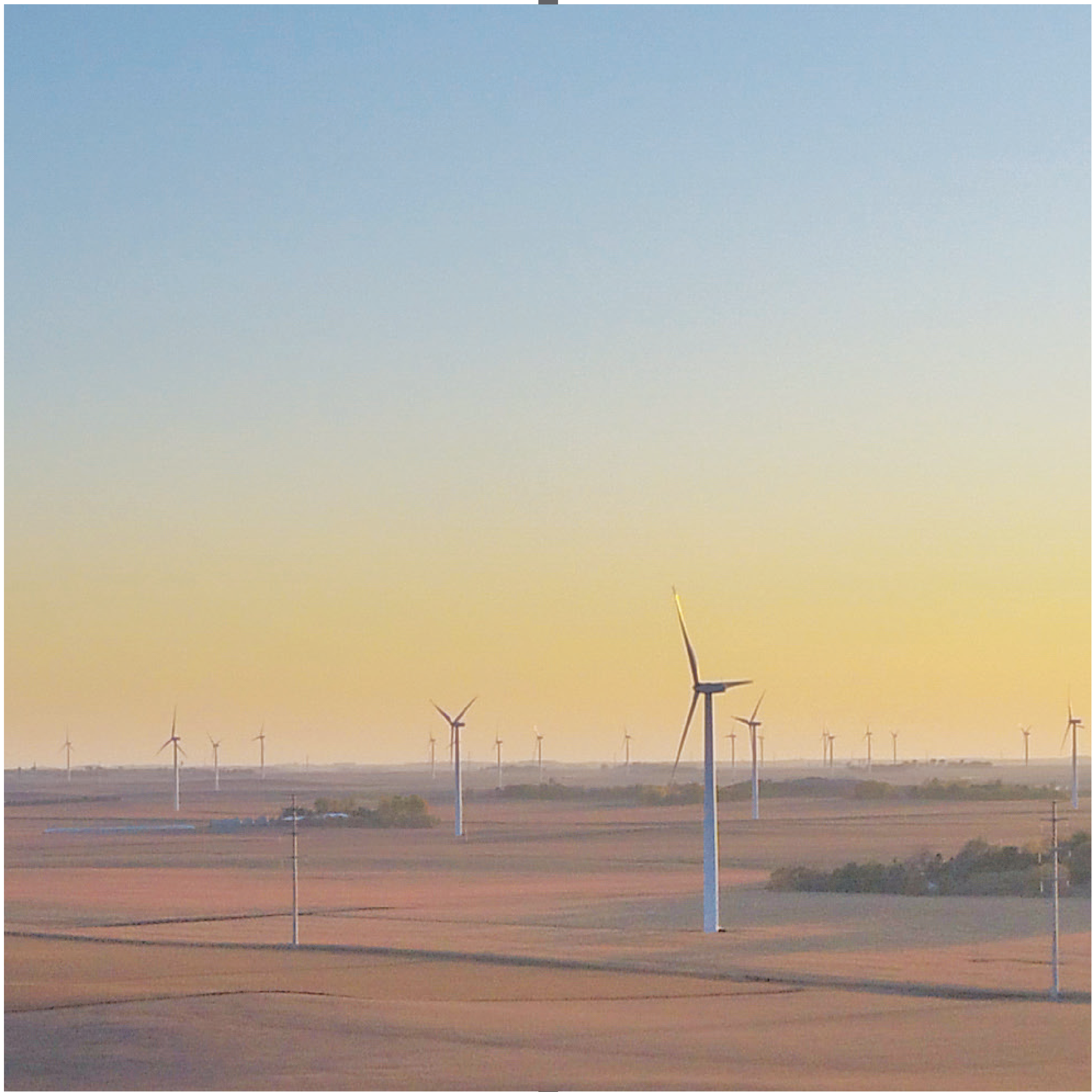


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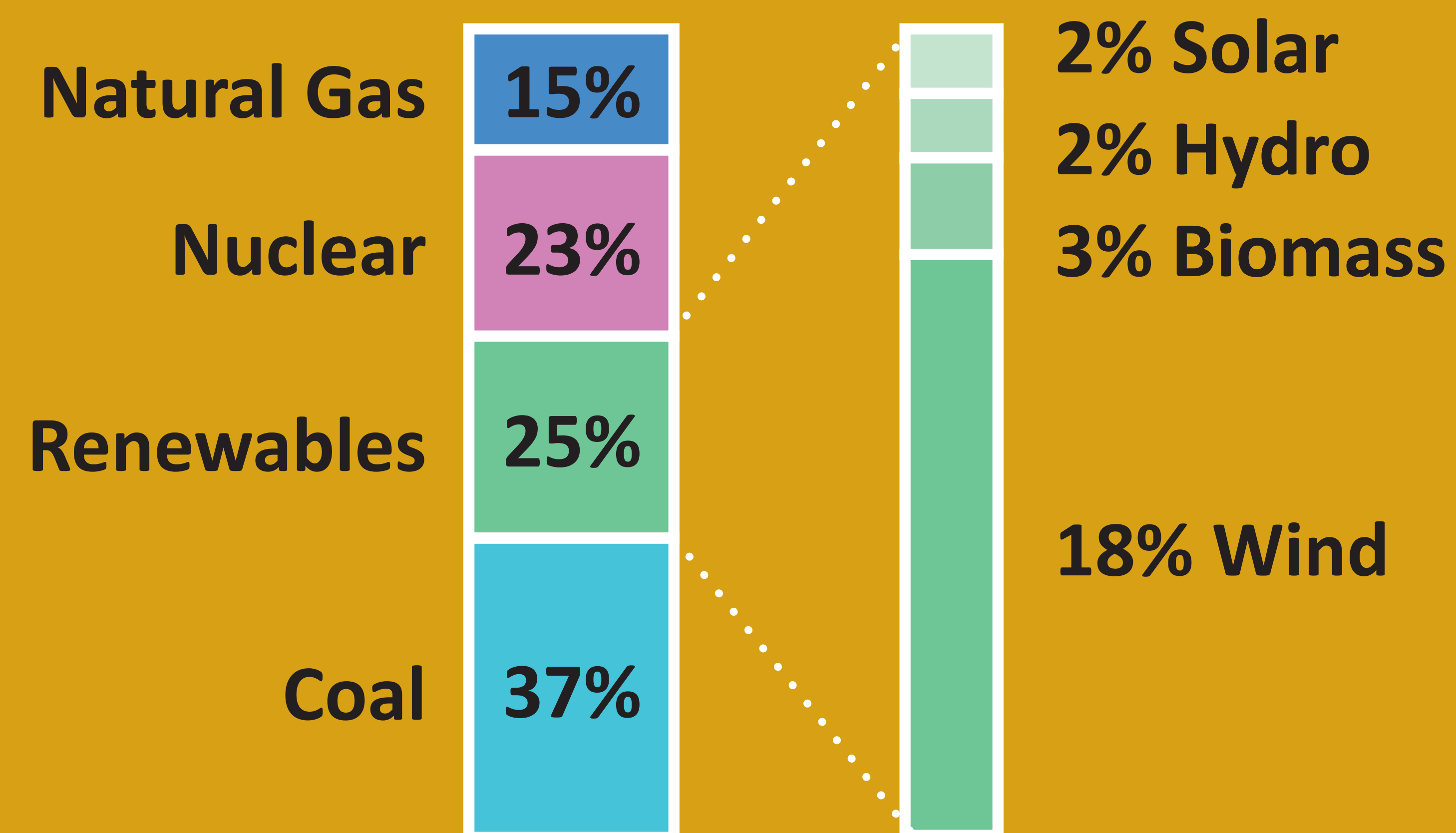
25 percent renewable energy

*Up from 8% in 2008, the growth
of wind & solar is providing
benefits to Minnesotans*



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In 2018, 25% of MN's electricity generation came from renewables

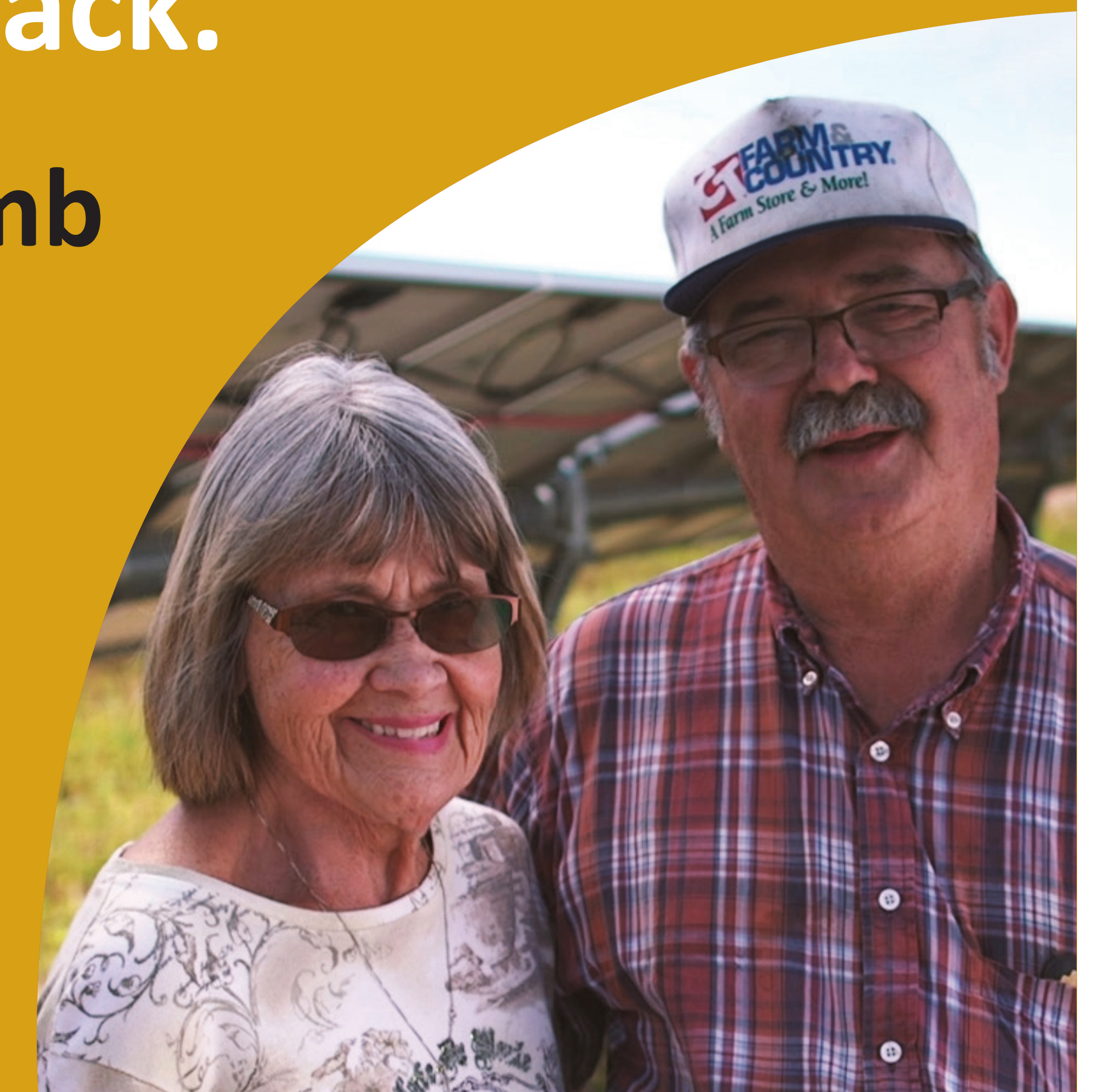


Source: Minnesota Department of Commerce

“ We were offered this opportunity to put solar on our land. We’ve noticed a lot more wildlife already with the solar panels. The monarch butterflies are back.”

Barb & Cliff Holcomb

Chisago County farmers hosting solar array with pollinator-friendly native plantings



“ I’ve traveled the country as well as here in Minnesota, and I’ve seen the benefits: new community centers, new computers for the schools, new fire trucks.”

Brandon Denne

Manager of Procurement with Blattner Energy

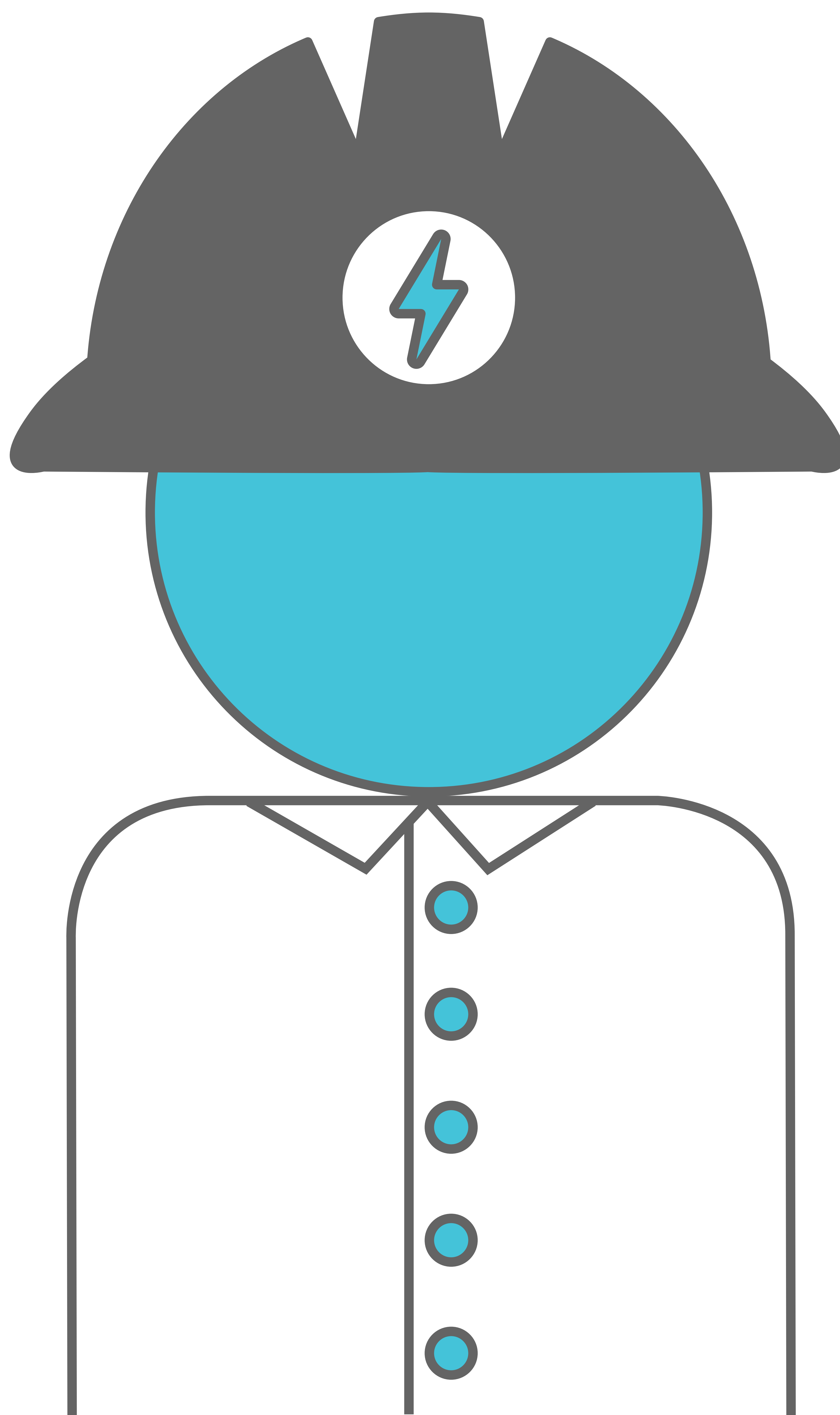


“ Clean energy isn’t just something for a few people who have engineering degrees or thousands of dollars sitting around. This is something you can be a part of. This is something for everybody.”

Briana Baker

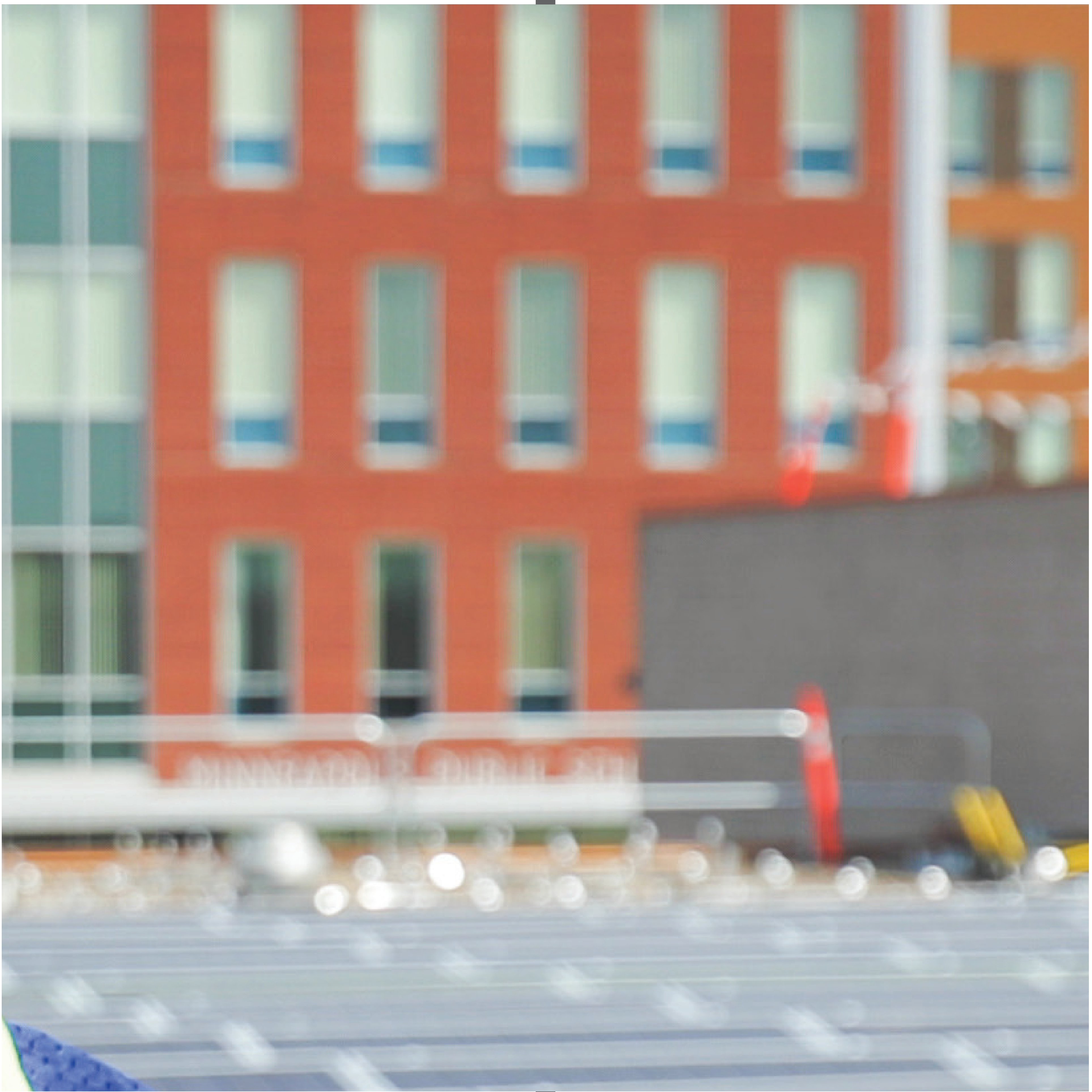
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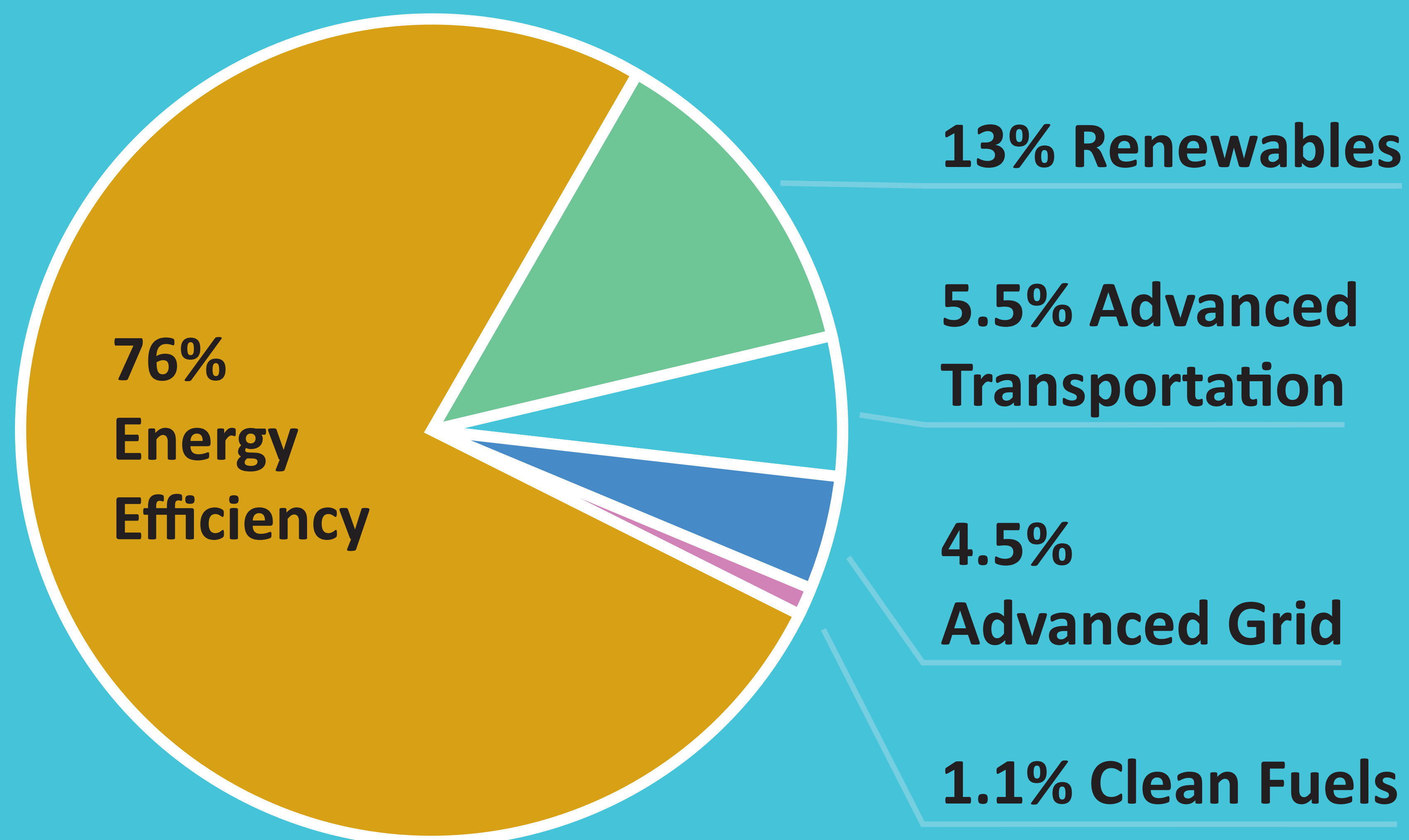
61,000+
clean energy jobs

*Minnesota now has 61,047 total
clean energy jobs, from energy
efficiency to wind & solar*



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Clean energy employs 61,047 Minnesotans

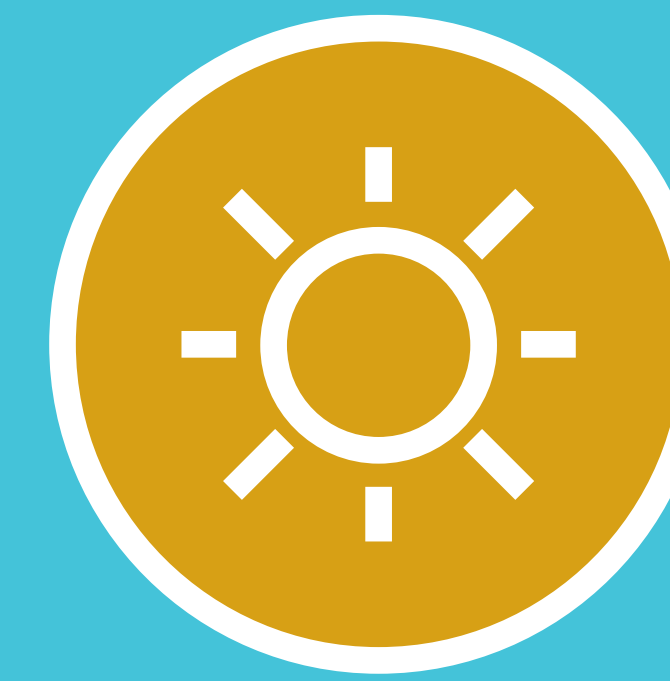


Source: 2019 Clean Jobs Midwest Report

Renewable energy jobs support families



Median pay for a wind technician was \$26.14/hour & \$54,370/year in 2018



Median pay for a solar installer was \$20.52/hour & \$42,680/year in 2018

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

“We can’t get enough students in for the job prospects out there. Chances are, they will climb the ladder and get to a top pay scale in a short amount of time.”

Gary Olsen

Wind Instructor with Minnesota West Community & Technical College



“This is a very viable career to get into. It’s not going to fall through anytime soon. It’s a big market, and I’d like to see more diversity in the market as well.”

Leon “Tron” Mallett

Crew Leader with IPS Solar





\$14 million
in tax revenue

*In 2019, Minnesota counties &
townships earned \$14 million
total in clean energy tax revenue*



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Wind & solar energy produce tax revenue



In 2019, wind companies paid \$12.6+ million in production taxes to counties & townships



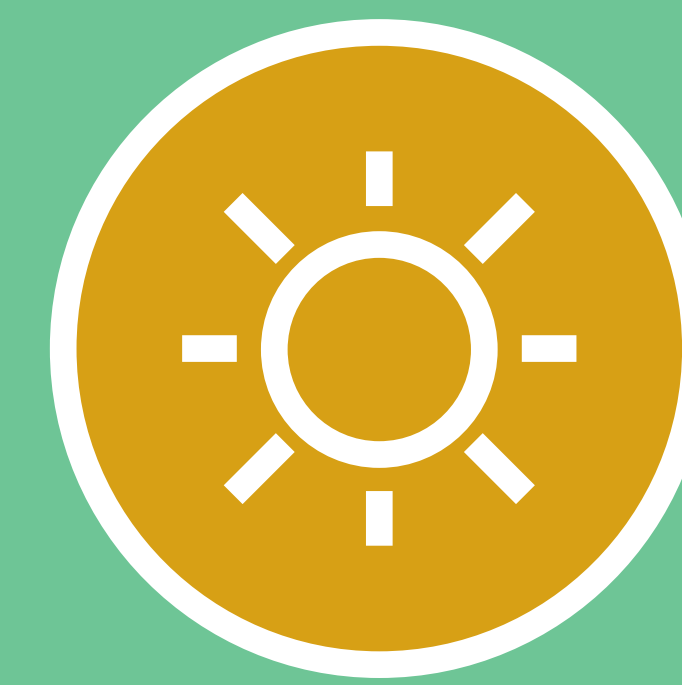
In 2019, solar companies paid \$1.4+ million in production taxes to counties & townships

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue

Landowners benefit directly every year



Wind turbine hosts receive approximately \$10,000/year for each 2 MW wind turbine



Solar project hosts receive approximately \$1,000/acre in annual lease payments

Source: Clean Energy Resource Teams

“When solar is produced, the company pays a solar production credit that becomes a tax benefit to the county, cities, schools, and townships. For us that means \$250,000 a year in property tax relief from solar.”

Bruce Messelt
*Chisago County
Administrator*



“There are upticks and downturns in business and you have to adapt and correct with the market. Wind turbines are great to try to keep as many dollars coming into the farm as you can.”

Andrew Hamilton
*Fifth generation
Mower County
farmer*

