

Community Energy Ambassador Project

This project will give you space to explore what it's like being a Community Energy Ambassador. With opportunities to meet with CERTs staff and reflect on your experiences, the project will launch your community energy ambassadorship!

Project Steps:

- 1. Brainstorm ideas for a project and submit a brief project proposal. If your idea is still half-baked, that's okay!
- 2. Meet with CERTs staff to discuss your project idea.
- 3. Put your project into action.
- 4. Share the highlights and learnings in a (very) brief project report.
- **5. Become CERTified!** We'll reach out to you with your CERTification award!

If you have questions, please contact <u>ambassadors@cleanenergyresourceteams.org</u> at any time in the process.

Project Ideas

You may be wondering, "So what do I do?" Projects can vary – as long as they involve you engaging with your community about clean energy. Here are a few ideas to spark inspiration:

- Write an article for your neighborhood association or another community group newsletter.
- Share information about different clean energy rebates and programs at a community event.
- Talk to a friend or family member about clean energy and help them access funding for a project.
- Schedule an energy audit of your home and invite others to watch and learn about the process.
- Share your experience taking on an energy-savings project in a written story or short video.
- Present basic info about a clean energy topic to a community group.
- Host a discussion about clean energy incentives at a community center or public space.
- Put on a performance (puppet show, creative movement, short play) about clean energy.
- Create a handout about clean energy funding opportunities, and distribute it in your community.

Explore your idea on the next page.

NOTE: CERTs is a nonpartisan partnership and does not do policy or advocacy work. As a Community Energy Ambassador your focus is on the implementation of clean energy ideas and projects.

Project Prep

Here are some questions to ask yourself as you think about your project:

Clean energy topic: What aspect of clean energy am I most excited about?

Audience: In my community, who do I want to share that information with? Who might benefit the most from learning about it and moving forward on a project?

Strategy: What are some ways I might reach the audience I've identified about my clean energy topic?

Skills: What are the engagement skills that I already have? Are there engagement skills that I want to develop further?

Partners: Are there other individuals or organizations who would make good partners on my project?

Support: Is there any assistance I would need to complete my project?

Project Proposal

After you work out your project idea, use the Project Proposal Form (also available on the Ambassador Training Page) to submit your proposal to CERTs. A staff member will reach out to you to help you get started: https://forms.gle/WiniNtAzb47qsDPy7

Project Report

Once your project is complete use the Project Report Form (also available on the Training Page) to let us know: https://forms.gle/QSWn1h6rwj22xFwv9

