

Memorandum of Understanding – Solar for Good

This Memorandum of Understanding is designed to establish a mutual understanding and detail the terms of participation for *(Grantee)* to participate in and receive a grant from RENEW Wisconsin and Couillard Solar Foundation's *Solar for Good* program.

RENEW Wisconsin is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization located at 214 N. Hamilton Street, Suite 300 Madison, WI whose mission is to lead and accelerate the transformation to Wisconsin's Renewable energy future through advocacy, education, and collaboration. The *Solar for Good* program is founded and funded by the Couillard Solar Foundation and fosters the expansion of solar power among mission-based nonprofits in Wisconsin, issuing grants and providing support for organizations to install solar arrays at their facilities.

(Grantee) is a _____ located at _____ whose mission is to _____

As part of receiving a *Solar for Good* grant, RENEW Wisconsin and *(Grantee)* will work together to publicly highlight the installation of the solar array and educate Wisconsin residents about the benefits of solar energy.

Commitment by RENEW Wisconsin

As part of this initiative, RENEW Wisconsin commits to...

1. Reserve and hold a grant of _____ for up to 12 months, until **May 31st, 2026**. (*NOTE: given supply chain constraints the exact number and type of donated panels are subject to change*)
2. Provide support and guidance to the Grantee throughout the fundraising and installation process.
3. Make a good faith effort to attend and help publicize any solar education sessions, dedication ceremonies, or other related events hosted by the Grantee.

Commitment by *(Grantee)*

By accepting this grant, as part of its outreach commitment (Grantee) commits to...

1. Host an open house, ribbon cutting, or dedication ceremony within 12 months of the system's installation and commissioning.
 - a. Promote the event among its supporters, leaders, other important community members, and members of the press.
 - b. Media materials including press releases and media advisories created by *(Grantee)* will acknowledge Solar for Good, the Couillard Solar Foundation, and RENEW Wisconsin.
 - c. Invite representatives from RENEW Wisconsin and the Couillard Solar Foundation to attend the event.
2. Share its solar story and educate its community about the benefits of solar energy through each of the following methods.
 - a. Document the solar installation with photos and/or videos of key milestones of system installation and commissioning. RENEW Wisconsin and the Couillard Solar Foundation will have access and permission to share and distribute photos and/or videos to include in *Solar for Good* promotional materials.
 - b. Make information about the size and performance of the solar array, as well as expected cost savings and return-on-investment information, available to share in promotional materials for RENEW Wisconsin and the Couillard Solar Foundation.
 - c. Work with RENEW Wisconsin to prepare a case study or other guiding documents to be shared publicly by RENEW Wisconsin and the Couillard Solar Foundation.

By accepting this grant, as part of its financial commitment (Grantee) commits to...

3. Provide all the time and resources needed to install a _____ (*system size*) solar array at its facility, including collaborating with and overseeing contractors, providing materials and documentation, and any other needed administration. (*NOTE: (Grantee) agrees to notify RENEW Wisconsin of any changes in system size to ensure panel donations do not exceed 50 percent of panels required for the solar system or maximum grant amount based on system size.*)
4. Raise all additional funds needed to complete the installation of the solar project within 12 months. Recognizing that this is a cost-sharing arrangement, Grantee will seek funding from additional sources including The Gerrard Companies and Focus on Energy. If Grantee does not install the solar array within 12 months, they understand that RENEW Wisconsin will cancel the grant reservation and make the materials available to other applicants, unless another mutually agreed solution is reached.
5. Meet with RENEW Wisconsin to provide a progress report on its solar project within 6 months from the date of this MOU, or no later than **December 31st, 2025**.
6. Notify RENEW Wisconsin of the commissioning date and interconnection of the solar system.
7. Complete the Solar Project Evaluation survey 6-7 months after the commissioning and interconnection of the solar system.

Mutual Understanding

8. By signing this MOU, (*Grantee*) certifies that it is eligible to participate in this program as a registered nonprofit organization in good financial standing to make this investment and with the authority to make this decision.
9. This MOU does not constitute a contract detailing delivery service and terms to be signed between the Grantee and its solar contractor. Any contract(s) signed between Grantee and its chosen installation contractor(s) will be exclusively between the two parties; RENEW Wisconsin is not responsible for those contract(s) and will not be a party to those contract(s).
10. No rights, responsibilities or liabilities will be assigned to RENEW Wisconsin through this program or the Grantee's pursuit of a solar array. Grantee will release and hold harmless RENEW Wisconsin and its affiliates, officers, agents and employees from any claims, damages, expenses and obligations arising from this program or any circumstances related to its facility or its pursuit of a solar array.

Signed,

For **RENEW Wisconsin**

_____ (Signature)
 _____ (Name)
 _____ (Title or Role)
 _____ (Date)

For **Grantee**

_____ (Signature)
 _____ (Name)
 _____ (Title or Role)
 _____ (Date)