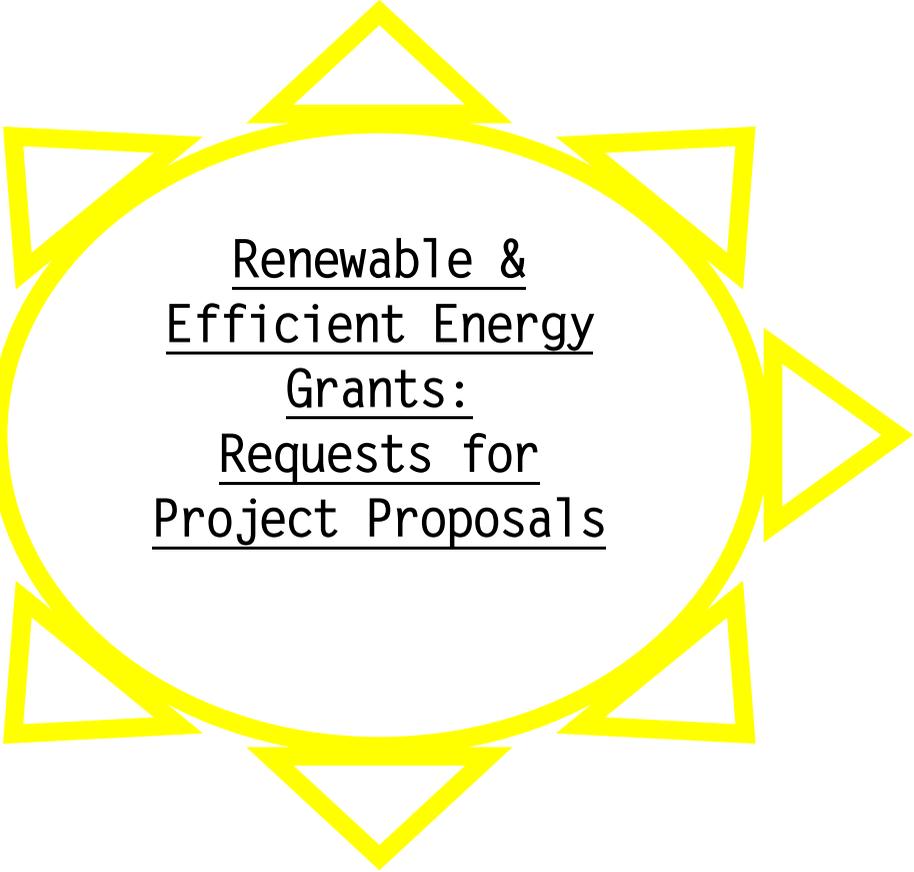


Lebanon Residents,
Students, Businesses and
Community Organizations



Renewable &
Efficient Energy
Grants:
Requests for
Project Proposals

The Town of Lebanon was awarded a \$4,000 Community Innovations Grant from the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund in April 2009. The Energy Task Force Advisory Committee is accepting applications for this grant program.

Background: In July 2007, the Lebanon Board of Selectmen passed a resolution committing to CT Clean Energy Fund's 20% by 2010 campaign.* In January 2009, the Board took the EPA's Community Energy Challenge pledge to a 10% reduction in the town's total energy usage by 2013. The grant funds are to be used to further these goals of increased energy efficiency and reduced energy cost at Lebanon's public facilities, residences and businesses.

* See Lebanon's 20% by 2010 resolution at <http://www.ctcleanenergy.com/communities/files/Lebanon-Resolution.pdf>

Project Guidelines: The Task Force has established general guidelines to evaluate grant proposals. Criteria to be considered include:

1. Ability to generate Clean Energy Signups (<http://www.ctcleanenergyoptions.com/index.htm>)
2. Promotion of energy efficiency in residences, town buildings, businesses
3. Potential of project to initiate larger projects and/or savings (e.g., a feasibility study, seed money)
4. Education of and outreach to local residents, businesses and community groups on practical ways to reduce energy consumption or improve energy efficiency.
5. Project cost of \$250 - \$1,000.
6. Media outreach and publicity. Let everyone know that Lebanon supports agriculture and an energy resource innovation!

**LEBANON 'LEEDS' IN
CLEAN ENERGY!**

Possible projects could include:

- ❖ Providing **energy saving products** as incentive to sign up for Clean Energy Option.
- ❖ Providing energy saving products or services to **target groups** (e.g., seniors, 1st time homebuyers, developmentally disabled, et cetera).
- ❖ **Alternative energy demonstration project** at community event or as high school senior project (solar cooking at town fair? A solar powered haunted house? LED light for outdoor street/field light?)
- ❖ **Writing a grant** for an energy efficiency program funded under the Stimulus Act (see <http://tinyurl.com/CTEnergyOffice> and <http://tinyurl.com/EPAEnergy>).
- ❖ **Showcasing town businesses** energy efficiency projects and initiatives in local media (e.g., cable programming, Lebanon Life, town mailing, educational poster at town library)
- ❖ **Educational activity** on small wind demonstration turbine to be installed at Lyman HSl
- ❖ **Seminar or community** activity on energy efficiency, renewable energy, green industry or alternative fuels

NEED OTHER IDEAS???

Go to <http://tinyurl.com/grant-ideas>

Application: The application, provided by the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund is on the following pages.

Applications should be dropped off in the 1st Selectman's office during business hours or sent to:

Lebanon Energy Task Force
Advisory Committee
Lebanon Town Hall
579 Exeter Road
Lebanon, CT 06249

Community Innovations Grants Program - Grant Application

City / Town: _____ Date: _____

Name of the organization: _____

Name of the organization contact: _____

Address: _____

Day phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

Project Title: _____

Project proposal summary (no more than 3 sentences):

Amount of this request: \$

If total project budget is larger than request, please note additional funding resources you plan to access:

Which of the following best describes your project?

- Raising community awareness
- Increasing the number of sign-ups to the CT Clean Energy Options program
- Educating school students
- Other: _____

Background Information

Why is it important for you to advocate for clean energy?

How did you hear about the Community Innovations Grants Program?

Number of volunteers (please include a list of contact information if readily available):

What other relevant activities have volunteers been active in?

Describe any specific skills your group possesses that would help in pursuing this project?



Project Description

Give a brief description of your proposed project, including target audience.

If your project is successful, how will it help the goals of 'local press coverage' and 'increased sign-ups for the CT Clean Energy Options Program' (see Grant Guidelines)? Please include project steps/timeline.

How do you plan to deliver the reporting objectives: including the ongoing collection of information and completion of the Grant Report Form (see Grant Report Form)?



Project Budget

Indicate anticipated expenses for this Project Proposal (be as specific as possible). Also note in-kind services (number of volunteer-hours available and/or materials donated).

Expenses

In-kind Services

For Office Use Only

Grant # _____ Round # _____

Date received: _____ Processed by: _____