2010 Minneapolis Climate Change Grants Overview

Note: All grants focus on taking immediate action to reduce energy use including promoting the Minnesota Energy Challenge (www.mnenergychallenge.org). Grants are from $7,950 - $10,000 and will be completed by September 1, 2011.

Aeon (www.aeonmn.org)
Target: Residents of affordable housing complexes at the intersection of Franklin and Portland Avenues
Funding for energy audits and outreach efforts to residents and staff to teach them about the buildings' energy retrofits and actions they can take.

City of Lakes Waldorf School (www.clws.org)
Target: Families in the school community and residents in the surrounding area
Funding for promoting energy efficiency and transportation alternatives in the classroom, with additional outreach via school newsletters, website and other social media.

Green Institute (www.greeninstitute.org)
Target: Minneapolis restaurants, grocery stores, and convenience stores
Funding for training on utility rebates and best practices for energy efficiency upgrades.

Kingfield Neighborhood Association (www.kingfield.org)
Target: Kingfield Neighborhood businesses
Funding for outreach, commercial energy audits, and solar site assessments to encourage businesses to install up to 40kw of solar PV.

Linden Hills Power and Light (www.lhpowerandlight.org)
Target: Linden Hills Neighborhood residents
Funding for a creative marketing campaign aimed at getting the area to utilize public transit.

Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce (www.minneapolischamber.org)
Target: Minneapolis business tenants and property owners
Funding for outreach and two workshops focused on energy during their 3rd annual, highly successful Greening Your Business Expo (April 2011).

Minnesota Renewable Energy Society (www.mnrenewables.org)
Target: Businesses and residents in select neighborhoods
New pilot program for public outreach and coordination of a bulk purchase solar thermal installation, including information on energy efficiency.

Northeast Chamber of Commerce (www.northeastminneapolischamber.org)
Target: Northeast Minneapolis businesses
Funding for energy resources outreach activities and an energy efficiency outreach event.