Solar for Good Application Questions

Name of Organization
Street Address
City
Zip Code

Primary Point of Contact’s Name
Contact’s Email Address
Contact’s Phone Number
Contact’s Title or Role

About your Organization
Provide a brief overview of your organization's mission and core programs, including your annual budget, the size of your staff and how long you've been operating. (Limit 200 words)

About your Solar for Good Application
Tell us about why you want to install solar and how this aligns with the mission and operations of your organization. (Limit 200 words)

About your Facility and Solar Array
Describe the project you plan to install. Please include (1) a description of your facility and where the solar array will be located (2) the size (kilowatts) of the solar array you’d like to install and (3) what proportion of your electric needs will be offset by the system annually. (Limit 200 words)

Size of solar array proposed (kW DC)

Size of grant request ($)  
The grant request should be no more than 20% of total project cost. The maximum grant size is $10,000 for solar arrays of 5 - 75 kW (DC). The maximum grant size is $20,000 for solar arrays larger than 75 kW (DC).

Total cost of solar project ($)  

About your Solar Installers
Please list the firm(s) you are working with on your installation, including any engineers, consultants, solar contractors, etc. You do not need to list all subcontractors, but please list the primary firms. Please list a point-of-contact at each firm, including a name, email address and phone number. (Limit 200 words)
Timeline and Path to Success
Describe your project's timeline. How do you plan to ensure that the solar project is completed and installed within 12 months? What obstacles or challenges do you anticipate that could get in the way of completing this project in that time frame? How will you overcome them? (Limit 200 words)

Project Budget and Fundraising Plan
The Solar for Good program is designed to help fund projects, not to fund them entirely. If you are awarded a grant, there are several ways to leverage a Solar for Good grant to fund the remaining cost: Will you use (1) funds from an existing budget or capital campaign (2) a public fundraising campaign (3) a bank loan or other financing or (4) some other arrangement? Describe your plan for funding the balance of the system cost. Note: organizations who are awarded Solar for Good grant reservations will be required to demonstrate progress toward their fundraising plan 6 months from the date of their award. (Limit 200 words)

Focus on Energy funds
Have you applied for or received funding from Focus on Energy for this project? If so, indicate the amount of funding and the status of the request. (Limit 100 words)

Project Impact
Solar for Good intends to issue grants to organizations and projects that will demonstrate how solar can impact communities for good, especially communities who have not traditionally benefitted from solar energy. We want our grantees to demonstrate impact in one or more the following areas: (1) Social Justice (2) Serving Low-Income Communities (3) Serving People of Color (4) Serving Kids or Seniors (5) Working in Rural Wisconsin, especially Northern or Central Wisconsin (6) Community Education and (7) Solar Innovation and New Technology. Please check each category in which your project or organization will have an impact.

- Social Justice
- Low-Income Communities
- People of Color
- Kids or Seniors
- Rural Wisconsin
- Education
- Innovation or New Technology
- Other:
Project Impact - Explain
Using the categories above, please describe in detail how your organization or this solar project will have an impact in one or more of these areas. (Limit 200 words)

Publicity and Education
One goal of Solar for Good is to use organizations that receive grants as models to educate and inspire more people to pursue solar energy. There are several potential ways your organization could use the visibility of your project to educate your community or the public about the benefits of solar, including hosting a dedication ceremony, leading a solar workshop, inviting local officials for a tour, creating case studies or educational materials, and more. Describe your plan for educating your community about solar energy. (Limit 200 words)

Anything else?
Please use this space to explain anything else you think we should know about your organization or your project. (Limit 200 words)

Please make sure to review the MOU that grantees would sign upon accepting an award. Please email a copy of both your solar site assessment and/or proposal AND a copy of the organization’s proof of tax-exempt status, either an IRS letter or current certificate from Wisconsin's Department of Financial Institutions to SolarforGood@renewwisconsin.org.

Check the boxes below to confirm that you have completed these steps.
☐ We reviewed the Solar for Good Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to be signed if awarded.
☐ We sent Solar for Good a copy of the solar site assessment and/or proposal from our solar company.
☐ We sent Solar for Good a copy of the organization’s proof of tax-exempt status, either an IRS letter or current certificate from Wisconsin's Department of Financial Institutions.
☐ We are authorized by an officer of the organization to apply for and receive this grant.