



Low Income Participant Criteria

Qualified applicants must be able to demonstrate gross annual earnings in an amount equal to or less than 200% of the 2020 Federal Poverty Level. (We have included 2019's Federal Poverty Guidelines for reference until 2020 data is released.) Applicants must also have an **electric** account in good standing with Mason County PUD No. 1.

All low-income applicants will be prequalified and registered through an in-person appointment with the Community Solar Project Manager the week of February 3-7, 2020. Applicants should call Julie Gray at (360) 877-5249 x. 212 to schedule an appointment. Depending on the amount of interest, additional appointments may open up the following week. Applicants must have all relevant paperwork in hand for the appointment. Please verify with Julie which documents you are bringing to the appointment to ensure that they are sufficient.

The list of prequalified applicants will be randomized and selected on a first come, first served basis. 10 applicants will be chosen for the participation period. The participation period for the low-income grant-funded portion is four years. Prior to the expiration of the four-year period, a new prequalification process will ensue, and a new list of prequalified, low-income applicants will be registered and randomly selected to participate for an ensuing four-year period. This will continue for the life of the solar project, or 20 years, whichever occurs first. Applicants who were selected for a four-year period are permitted to prequalify again and register for another selection process, and thus have an opportunity to be chosen to participate more than once.

If the PUD does not have enough prequalified, low-income participants in the ensuing four-year subscription period, the unsubscribed units will be evenly distributed amongst the participating low-income subscribers for that four-year period. It will revert to the original number of subscribers for the next four-year period. The low-income portion of the project is approximately 500 units, or .028 kW per unit. Each of the 10 participants will receive 50 units. The criteria for allocating the low-income portion and number of participants was developed in partnership with Bonneville Environmental Foundation, who made the grant to the PUD to create this low-income program.

If a low-income subscriber moves out of PUD 1's electric service territory, or if their account goes into inactive status for more than 30 days, their units will be forfeited and offered to the next qualified participant on the randomized list until they are redistributed.



PROOF OF INCOME:

2019	FEDERAL POVERTY LEVELS					2019
Size of Household	138%	150%	200%	250%	300%	400%
1	\$16,753	\$18,210	\$24,280	\$30,350	\$36,420	\$48,560
2	\$22,715	\$24,690	\$32,920	\$41,150	\$49,380	\$65,840
3	\$28,676	\$31,170	\$41,560	\$51,950	\$62,340	\$83,120
4	\$34,638	\$37,650	\$50,200	\$62,750	\$75,300	\$100,400
5	\$40,600	\$44,130	\$58,840	\$73,550	\$88,260	\$117,680
6	\$46,561	\$50,610	\$67,480	\$84,350	\$101,220	\$134,960
7	\$52,523	\$57,090	\$76,120	\$95,150	\$114,180	\$152,240
8	\$58,484	\$63,570	\$84,760	\$105,950	\$127,140	\$169,520

- Copy of last year's federal tax return along with federal schedule E that accurately reflects current income (can be Federal or state).
- Wages and tax statement (W-2 and/ or 1099, including 1099 MISC, 1099G, 1099R, 1099SSA, 1099DIV, 1099SS, 1099INT).
- Pay stub (previous 3 months, for all income in household)
- Self-employment ledger documentation
- Social Security Benefits Letter
- Unemployment Benefits Letter
- Annuity Statement
- Statement of pension distribution from any government or private source

SELF-EMPLOYMENT

- 1040 SE with Schedule C, F, or SE (for self-employment income)
- 1065 Schedule K1 with Schedule E
- Tax return
- Most recent quarterly or year-to-date profit and loss statement



INCOME EXCLUSIONS:

- Earned Income Tax Credit.

In circumstances where the minor is, not a verifiably emancipated youth applying as head of household the following income exclusions apply:

- Earned or self-employment income received by a household member who is 17 years or younger will be excluded.
- Earned or self-employment income received by a household member who is 18 and is a student in high school or high school equivalent will be excluded.
- Earned or self-employment income received by verifiably emancipated youth will be counted.
- Benefits received through program under the Job Training and Partnership Act (JTPA) and AmeriCorps*USA (including AmeriCorps, VISTA, NCCC, Senior Corps, Youth Corps, Learn and Serve, University Year for Action, Urban Crime Prevention Program).
- Earnings from the Community Services Employment Program authorized under Title V of the Older Americans Act of 1987.