



## April 2024 USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) Wisconsin Grant Recipients

*The Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) helps agricultural producers and rural small business owners make energy efficiency improvements and renewable energy investments to lower energy costs, generate new income, and strengthen the resiliency of their operations.*

### **Western Wisconsin**

**Poeschel Hidden Valley in Durand:** \$97,350 to help Poeschel Hidden Valley LLC purchase and install a more energy-efficient grain dryer. Poeschel Hidden Valley LLC is an agricultural producer in Durand, Wisconsin. The new system is expected to save the company \$5,422 per year in electrical costs

**David Bauer in Durand:** \$46,937 to help David Bauer install a small solar electric array. This farming operation is based in Durand, Wisconsin and the project is expected to save \$5,669 per year. It will replace 46,528 kilowatt hours (kWh) (100 percent of the farm's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power four homes.

**Fanetti Farms in Bloomer:** \$60,525 to help dairy and grain farm Fanetti Farms LLC install a grain drying system in Bloomer, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the farm \$5,900 in electrical costs per year and replace 85,900 kilowatt hours (kWh) (46 percent of the company's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power seven homes.

**Peter Hanson in Bloomer:** \$339,701 to help farmer Peter Hanson install an energy efficient grain dryer in Bloomer, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the farm \$13,000 in electrical costs per year and save 196,222 kilowatt hours (kWh) (48 percent of the farm's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power 18 homes.

**Hilger Farms in Bloomer:** \$181,527 to help Hilger Farms Inc. install a more energy efficient grain dryer. The farming operation is based in Bloomer, Wisconsin and this project is expected to save \$8,987 per year. It will save 143,469 kilowatt hours (kWh) (50 percent of the farm's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power 13 homes.

**Home Again Adult Family Home in New Auburn:** \$15,310 to help adult care facility Home Again Adult Family Home Inc. install a roof mount solar electric array in New Auburn, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the business \$1,419 in electrical costs per year and replace 12,667 kilowatt hours (kWh) (40 percent of the company's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power one home.

**Wisconsin Truss in Cornell:** \$132,770 to help Wisconsin Truss Inc. install a solar electric array. This rural small business operates in Cornell, Wisconsin and the project is expected to save



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\$14,328 per year. It will replace 179,556 kilowatt-hours (kWh) (100 percent of the business's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power 16 homes.

**Richard Loos in Loyal:** \$17,801 to help farmer Richard Loos install a small solar electric array in Loyal, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the farm \$722 in electrical costs per year. It will replace 23,036 kilowatt hours (kWh) (100 percent of the company's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power two homes.

**Rella's Way Century Farm in Granton:** \$97,500 to help Rella's Way Century Farm LP install an energy efficient grain dryer in Granton, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the farm nearly \$7,500 per year in electrical costs and replace nearly 515,400 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year, which is enough energy to power 49 homes.

**Eau Claire Sawyer & Lumber Company in Eau Claire:** \$57,129 to help Eau Claire Sawyer & Lumber Company purchase and install a small solar electric array in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the business \$2,400 per year in electrical costs.

**Kory Peterson dba West Creek Event Center in Eau Claire:** \$17,131 to help to help Kory Peterson dba West Creek Event Center, install a solar electric array. The rural small business operates in Eau Claire, Wisconsin and this project is expected to save \$1,116 per year. It will replace 9,300 kilowatt hours (kWh) (100 percent of the business' energy use) per year, which is enough to power one home.

**James Rundquist in Stockholm:** \$53,860 to help cattle farmer James Rundquist install a 41 kilowatt (kW) roof mount solar array in Stockholm, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the farm \$4,481 in electrical costs per year. It will replace 56,258 kilowatt hours (kWh) (114 percent of the company's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power five homes.

**Vicki Berger in Strum:** \$14,716 to help Vicki Berger install a small solar electric array. This rural small business operates in Strum, Wisconsin and the project is expected to save the company \$1,426 per year in electrical costs. It will replace 24,646 kilowatt hours (kWh) (100 percent of the business's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power two homes.

**Genstart in Trempealeau:** \$32,689 to help Genstart LLC replace a diesel irrigation pump motor with a more efficient electric pump motor. This rural small business operates in Trempealeau, Wisconsin and the project is expected to save \$11,458 per year. It will save 110,519 kilowatt hours (kWh) (82 percent of the business' energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power 10 homes.



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**Reedy Concrete Construction in Galesville:** \$28,314 to help Reedy Concrete Construction install a solar electric array system. The rural small business operates in Galesville, Wisconsin and this project is expected to save \$4,091 per year. It will replace 31,421 kilowatt hours (kWh) (100 percent of the business' energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power two homes.

**Scotch Prairie Farms in Galesville:** \$58,342 to help Scotch Prairie Farms Inc., a corn farming operation in Galesville, Wisconsin, install a 40 kilowatt (kW) roof mount solar array. This project is expected to save \$5,378 in electrical costs per year. It will replace 65,275 kilowatt hours (kWh) (132 percent of the company's energy use) per year, which is enough energy to power six homes.

### **Northern Wisconsin**

**Northwoods Dentistry in Phillips:** \$28,101 to help Northwoods Dentistry install a solar electric array in Phillips, Wisconsin. This project is expected to save the business more than \$5,000 per year in electrical costs and replace 35,000 kilowatt hours (kWh) (87 percent of the business' energy use) per year, which is enough to power three homes.