

### OVERVIEW

Energy Trust of Oregon seeks proposals from qualified individuals or organizations demonstrating excellence in the new commercial construction industry and an interest in advancing high-performance energy buildings in Oregon. Energy Trust may award individual grants ranging from \$5,000 - \$10,000 in 2017 to support research, technical tools, design guides or educational offerings that aim to address market barriers to net-zero buildings or high-performance construction practices in Oregon.

Energy Trust has identified several topic areas of interest:

- The business case for net zero
- Strategies addressing barriers to affordable housing developers considering net-zero design
- Streamlined building and energy use reporting

Applicants are also encouraged to propose other topics related to advancing high-performance and net-zero energy buildings.

Applicants must demonstrate how their proposed project addresses today's industry challenges and market barriers, and must agree to share the project's outcome with the larger Oregon new commercial construction industry to help advance collective industry knowledge.

All awarded projects must be delivered, or show substantial progress, by December 31, 2017. Grant funding may support new projects with a quick development timeline or help an in-progress tool or resource cross the finish line. If you are unsure if your project idea is relevant for this grant opportunity, or you have additional questions regarding the grant process, please contact [newbuildings@energytrust.org](mailto:newbuildings@energytrust.org).

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Building industry professionals, including architects, engineers, building science professionals, urban planners, policy professionals and academics, are encouraged to apply. Work must be relevant to Oregon; however, the applicant is not required to be an Oregon resident. Applicants must be eligible to work in the United States and Oregon.

### Application and Selection Process

To apply, interested individuals or organizations should complete and submit this Special Projects Grant Application to [newbuildings@energytrust.org](mailto:newbuildings@energytrust.org). Complete application submissions will be reviewed, evaluated, and awarded by a team of Energy Trust staff on a rolling basis beginning in August 2017. Submissions will be judged based on the strength and comprehensiveness of their application, including the relevance of the proposal to Oregon, the quality of the topic, the demonstrated capacity of the applicant to deliver the proposed outcome, and the contributions of the proposed topic to market advancement.

### Contracting and Allocation of Grant Funding

The selected applicant(s) will be required to execute a written grant agreement with Energy Trust that details the terms and conditions for the grant funding. Grant payments will be made to recipients based on the achievement of a milestone established in the grant agreement. No award will be considered a commitment, and no obligations or legal relations shall exist between Energy Trust and any selected applicant until a final and binding written contract has been executed by and between Energy Trust and such selected applicant. Prolonged contract negotiations will not be undertaken; if it appears that contracting negotiations are not proceeding in a timely manner, Energy Trust may opt to terminate the discussions and select another applicant. Any party involved in these contracting discussions can terminate negotiations at any time and for any reason.

# Grant Application

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### APPLICATION

PDF Applications must be submitted to [newbuildings@energytrust.org](mailto:newbuildings@energytrust.org) with "Special Projects Grant Application" in the subject line.

#### Applicant Contact Information

NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	
COMPANY OR SCHOOL	TITLE	PHONE	EMAIL

#### Basic Information

A resume will be accepted in place of completing the following section.

If you choose to submit a resume along with this application, please combine documents into a single PDF file.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (PLEASE LIST ALL RELEVANT DEGREES OR CERTIFICATIONS)
CAREER HISTORY (PLEASE LIST RECENT POSITIONS HELD AND OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE)
RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, VOLUNTEER POSITIONS, AND AWARDS

#### Project Proposal

Describe the project you are proposing in 300 words or less. Make sure to include answers to the following questions in your proposal:

- What is the scope of the project?
- What is the finished product?
- How will it address industry challenges or market barriers?
- What is significant or innovative about this project?
- What is the current state of development of your project?
- How do you foresee the finished product to be shared with and utilized by other industry professionals?

PROJECT PROPOSAL
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### Timeline

When will the project be complete, and how many hours do you expect to work on it?

TIMELINE

### Budget

What is the budget for this project and how much funding is requested?

BUDGET

### Relevance to Oregon

Provide a statement (approximately 100 words) describing the project's relevance to the Oregon commercial new construction or major renovation industry.

OREGON RELEVANCE

### Personal Impact

Provide a statement (approximately 100 words) describing why you wish to undertake this project and how you expect to benefit from it personally and/or professionally?

PERSONAL IMPACT

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### Professional References

Please list two to three professional references and contact information (must include name, company name, email and phone).

REFERENCES

To be considered complete for review and evaluation, the submitted application (combined PDF) must include all items listed above.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please visit <https://www.energytrust.org/programs/new-construction-major-renovations/> or call 1.877.467.0930.

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