

HOST COMMUNITY FUND CRITERIA

EDF Renewables will contribute \$15,000 annually to a Host Community Fund to support local organizations and community initiatives, beginning 2023. A local committee will be established to oversee the application and selection process. EDF Renewables and the other local committee members will receive, review, and manage the process on behalf of the Ridge View Solar project.

Community Project Funding:

- EDF Renewables will allocate funds to assist community projects.
- Community organizations within Niagara County and the Town of Hartland will be considered.
- The Host Community Fund Committee will have 2-3 local representatives.

Projects Considered for Support:

- Community Services & Development
- Medical Research & Infrastructure
- Arts & Education
- Environmental
- Health & Social Services

Projects Not Considered for Support:

- Organizations without a W9
- Organizations discriminating based on race, religion, gender, or sexual orientation
- Individuals
- Political organizations or special interest groups
- Advocacy or lobby initiatives
- Trips & tours
- Foundations or third-party fundraisers
- Book/resource material purchases
- Equipment purchases
- Program development
- Technology upgrades
- Program expenses

Application Process:

Candidates will submit to newyorksolar@edf-re.com a completed Ridge View Solar Host Community Funding Application available at <https://www.ridgeviewsolar.com/>

Evaluation Criteria:

- Background of the applicant (how long it has been in operation & prior experience)
- The projects long-term impact to the community
- Quality of life & community enhancement
- Demographics served
- Community support for the project