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WPPSEF debuts new Quiet Ones video series and website

Everyone likes a good story and we like sharing them. Two new WPPSEF videos were released as part of The Quiet Ones series. This series was designed to show the essence of who we are and what we do and also to let you hear what our project partners have to say about us. Take a few moments and watch The Quiet Ones.

- [The Quiet Ones](#): WPPSEF - Who we are and what we do
- [The Quiet Ones](#): Geisinger and Al Neuner - Good Health and Positive Energy

And our [website](#) is new too. Explore our Project Gallery and see how we have invested in your community. If you have a project that needs financing, ask yourself, "How will my project change my community?" and then give us a call.



Project Showcase

Geisinger Children's Hospital solar dedication with WPPSEF

Geisinger and WPPSEF dedicated the new 38 kW solar PV system on the Janet Weis Children's Hospital in Danville, PA on April 22. WPPSEF provided \$100,000 in co-funding to support the solar PV installation and educational kiosk to display how the solar PV is providing clean, emission free electricity to power the Children's Hospital. The Fund applauds Geisinger's nationally recognized commitment to environmental stewardship and sustainability.

This project also earned the Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence in 2016. These award winners represent the best in using innovation, collaboration, and public service to improve and protect Pennsylvania's environment.



Projects in Motion

Pennsylvania Wilds is a 12 ½ county area that encompasses over 2 million acres in Pennsylvania. It is comparable to Yellowstone National Park in size. WPPSEF is working with the PA Wilds Center for Entrepreneurship, Inc., a regional non-profit, to develop, package and promote a tour of LEED-certified buildings along the PA Wilds Artisan Trail. This tour will help the traveling public better understand sustainable energy practices at these new facilities (Elk County Visitors Center, Wildlife Watching Center at Sinnemahoning, Tiadaghton Forest Resource Management Center, Bald Eagle Nature Center and the Kinzua Bridge State Park). WPPSEF is providing \$23,800 to support this program.



The Energy Innovation Center a Pittsburgh based, not-for-profit organization with a mission focused on sustainability and workforce development will install a natural gas fueled micro turbine combined heat and power system. The EIC provides a foundation for research and development for clean and



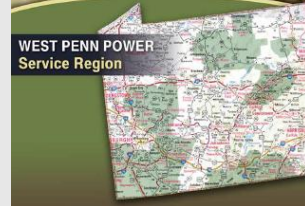
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Who We Are

- Mission Driven
- 501(c)(3) Non-profit
- Since 2001, \$24 Million Committed to Support Sustainable Energy Development



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What We Do

We are here to help
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change *your* community?



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renewable energy technologies.

WPPSEF provided a \$996,000 loan for the purpose of acquiring and installing this system.

Elk County Community Recycling Center will assess the biomass system at its new Community Recycling Center. The biomass furnace in the building was used as a test furnace, and redesign is necessary to convert it to the primary heating source for the facility. The county purchased the former Advanced Recycling Equipment building in St. Marys, PA earlier this year to provide residents and businesses with a larger, more efficient location for the recycling program. The center is expected to be relocated by late spring, and upgrades to the biomass system are planned before the 2016-17 heating season. Elk County's recycling program received a \$15,000 grant from WPPSEF for this biomass system assessment.



Kudos

Green Building Alliance received the Power & Foresight award from WPPSEF at the Pittsburgh 2030 District Progress Report at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center on April 28. Power & Foresight awards put a spotlight on the leaders who are making a difference in sustainable energy. WPPSEF recognizes that Green Building Alliance demonstrates Power & Foresight in their steadfast leadership in the green building industry. They have been a national leader in healthy and high-performing buildings and places and have continued moving beyond just buildings to expand their work's impact on a community scale.



Phipps Center for Sustainable Landscapes (CSL) was selected by the American Institute of Architects (AIA) as one of the Top 10 Green Projects for 2016. As an integral part of the Phipps visitor experience, the CSL focuses attention on the important intersection between the built and natural environments, demonstrating that human and environmental health are inextricably connected. The CSL was designed by a Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania design team to be the greenest building in the world and it is one more example of the innovative thinking, talent, and vitality of our region.



Events

Energypath 2016 the region's largest sustainable energy event attracting industry professionals, policymakers and academia throughout the region and across the United States will be held July 25-29 at The Pennsylvania State University. Attend conference tracks, an Energy Fair and Science Camps. Hear Jack Uldrich, a leading futurist, help you get prepared with "Foresight 20/20 the Ten Trends Transforming Tomorrow and How They Will Impact Energy", emerging tech talks and the finalists of the Energy Sprout Big Ideas in Sustainable Energy contest. Plan to attend, exhibit or sponsor. [Learn More.](#)



Energy Sprout finalists will be presenting their new, big ideas at Energypath 2016 at The Pennsylvania State University on July 29.



A collaboration between Sustainable Energy Fund and WPPSEF announced the creation of Energy Sprout, a competition open to all Pennsylvania residents, businesses, and communities with the goal of developing new technology and business models that lead to improved sustainable energy solutions.

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