THE **SUN** IS FOR EVERYONE **2020** IMPACT REPORT





A year of innovation and resilience

During a year of so much uncertainty, one thing remained constant: our commitment to **providing clean energy savings, transportation, and jobs to economic and environmental justice communities.**

As we look back at a momentous year, we celebrate the stories that powered our work despite the pandemic and ongoing climate crises.

Reliable savings in uncertain times

Amid wildfires, power shutoffs, shelter-in-place orders, and historic unemployment, our solar installation programs were more in-demand than ever, generating critical energy savings for qualified families.

People out there are going through some tough times. I wish everybody could have solar, because **I know it's doing me well.**

- Wade W.

2,500 FAMILIES SERVED I feel blessed because I know my [energy] bill is not going to be a big bill. If I didn't have the solar panels, I know I would struggle. **But** with the solar panels, I'm able to save.

- Sylvia B.

Driving clean mobility access

We're working to increase equitable access to electric vehicles, chargers, and other clean mobility options.

400 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGERS INSTALLED



Innovations in training safety

The pandemic affected every aspect of our work, especially our hands-on training programs. GRID met the moment, retrofitting training labs to include socially distanced work spaces and cleaning stations, as well as partnering with local nonprofits to help trainees access laptops and wireless internet hotspots for remote learning.

21,174 JOB TRAINING HOURS COMPLETED





It's amazing how our staff have

found **creative avenues to continue our training** during the pandemic.

- Karina Gonzalez, Workforce Development Director

As renewable technology advances, we are committed to ensuring that **everyone gets to benefit.**

- Adewale OgunBadejo, Workforce Development Manager



167,000 TONS OF GHG PREVENTED

Expanding equitable clean energy

Our policy and program teams partner with local communities and national stakeholders. Together, we craft policies for an equitable transition to a world powered by renewable energy that benefits everyone. Policy breakthroughs in 2020 include:



In the Mid-Atlantic region, Virginia passed a bill mandating 100% clean energy by 2050, the first of its kind in a Southern state!

In Colorado we helped ensure that equity is prioritized in the state's expanded low-income community solar offerings, and shaped a new energy storage pilot program.

California is distributing \$20 million to organizations working on shared transportation, and GRID is helping administer a platform to connect families with clean mobility funding.



Deepening tribal impacts

Even though the pandemic disproportionately impacted Native American communities, our Tribal Program and partners made big strides towards their clean energy goals.

Our Tribal Program hosted its first online training with 15 trainees from Indigenous Nations. Trainees completed their OSHA 10 construction safety certifications, and learned solar installation basics via Google classroom before traveling to Boulder, Colorado to gain hands-on installation experience on a ground mount solar array benefitting local families.

Centering equity in our work and organization

Making clean energy equitable is critical for racial justice and racial justice is critical to building sustainable, resilient communities.

As we continue to advance our mission of clean energy for all, we are doing internal work as an organization and as individuals to be actively anti-racist.

We acknowledge that unconscious biases and prejudices have long guided our organization, and that internal acknowledgement and active conversations of these issues is only the beginning of a long, challenging, and imperative process towards fully embodying our value of equity.

Learn more at gridalternatives.org/equity

Photo by Wanda Lee-Stevens, taken in Oakland, California





Powering on in Nepal

Following strict COVID-19 safety protocols, GRID's International Program installed solar on the Pandu Gupha health clinic and birthing center in Jumla, Nepal. With solar, the clinic can power lights, an X-Ray machine and equipment used to deliver babies.

\$62 million LIFETIME ENERGY SAVINGS GENERATED

Extending gratitude to our supporters

Never have we been so grateful to our partners, supporters, members, and donors than during this challenging year. Thank you for all the ways you showed up for GRID and our communities in 2020!

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