



Mission Development Certificates Northwest

Providing low cost loans to churches throughout Alaska, Washington, and Idaho for 60 years

Does your church want to do more for the environment while saving money on energy bills? Investing in energy-efficient upgrades now will pay off down the road. Not only is it good financial “cents” in the cost savings benefit, but it is part of being good stewards of our environment.

The Mission Development Certificate program can help your church with the financial resources to make energy-efficient improvements. We offer loans that are perfect for this!

And remember, “green” doesn’t just mean light bulbs! Energy efficiency can mean making improvements to insulation, roofing, appliances, heating and cooling systems, ductwork, windows, and more.



“Thinking Green” is good stewardship

We offer low interest rates and flexibility in loan terms with no loan fees. We encourage your congregation to save on energy costs while reducing your carbon footprint. Take advantage of our small loans; do a little bit at a time; invest now and save!

Green Loans
can pay for themselves.



Why Go Green?

- Save money in the long run. Many energy investments pay for themselves in 10 years. The money you save can be redirected to other mission and ministry.
- Be good stewards of our environment.
- Our buildings reflect who we are as a community of faith and communicates our concern for the environment.
- Reduce energy related pollution that threatens our health.
- "Focusing on reducing the church's energy use is one of the most significant ways to be a good steward of creation. How we light, heat, and cool our churches has a profound impact on creation." From the Building Toolkit at Creation Justice Ministries, one of many great resources.



Need Some Green Ideas?

- Purchase Energy Star appliances and recycle the old ones.
- Install storm windows over existing stained glass windows.
- Purchase low-flow toilets. Water systems use energy, too!
- Explore green design and re-modeling options if your church is renovating or remodeling.
- Consider solar panels: you might produce more energy than you need and be able to sell excess energy to pay your loan.



Did You Know?

- The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that if over 300,000 religious worship buildings cut their energy use by 25 percent, over 5 million tons of carbon dioxide emissions would not be expended into the air -- the equivalent of taking a million cars off the road.
- According to a report released by the National Council of Churches, an average congregation can save \$8,000 - \$17,500 per year by employing energy efficient products.
- Upgrading your church's windows to double paned windows can reduce your heating bill by up to 25 percent.
- Heating and cooling account for at least 40 percent of a building's entire energy cost.
- Even on cloudy days, solar panels generate power. Solar panels can be used as a supplemental or primary source of energy.

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