

**Facilitating local benefits from the Victorian renewable energy boom:**

**Expression of interest for a regional prospectus**

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**Local Community & Economic Shared Value Project Prospectus**

## **Invitation for Expression of interest**

Around Central and North West Victoria renewable energy developers are looking to invest in local projects and programs that have positive social, community economic and environmental impact. These companies are creating ‘shared value’ by addressing community needs in ways that improve their bottom line results.

Shared value is defined as policies and practices that enhance the competitiveness of companies while improving local economic, social and environmental conditions in the regions where they operate.

Through the [Victorian Renewable Energy Auction Scheme](https://www.energy.vic.gov.au/renewable-energy/victorian-renewable-energy-auction-scheme), the State has made a compulsory requirement that all participants in the Auction Scheme must demonstrate shared value. The State Government has also released a guide to assist developers titled “Community Engagement and Benefit Sharing in Renewable Energy Development”.

To assist the State and developers identify and connect to local projects, the Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance and partnering local governments have prepared this Expression of Interest to capture local projects as investment opportunities to be communicated through a regional prospectus.

Note that the CVGA will not have a role in selecting projects but simply gathering a prospectus of potential projects that developers can then use to select from. The CVGA is not being funded by the developers or the State to deliver this, but is doing it for community benefit alone to ensure local communities can be public and on the front foot about local opportunities. The CVGA hopes that this process enables greater equity for community groups, organisations and individuals to participate in the region’s low carbon future.

Please fill out the following form as much as you can and return to [comms@cvga.org.au](mailto:comms@cvga.org.au) by **December 31st 2017**. Unless otherwise stated in your email all submissions will be publicly available through our website.

# 1. REGISTRATION DETAILS

## 1.1 Contact person name:

## 1.2 Applicant contact details:

## 1.3 Applicant organisation/business/proposed partners:

# 2. ELIGIBILITY

## 2.1 Are you an organisation that can receive money or partnered with an organisation that can receive money? Yes/No

## 2.2 Does your project idea offer localised benefits, and if so to what area of Victoria?

# 3 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

## 3.1 Provide a brief description of your project or project idea (Elevator Pitch)- (keep to max 200 words)

## 3.2 What is the type of community challenge the project addresses?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ⃝Social | ⃝Economic |  |

## 3.3 Details of the local problem/challenge you what to address through this project (max 200 words)

# 4. DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION

## 4.1 Cash contribution (how much is your project likely to require cash funding from the developer?)

## 4.2 In-kind contribution

(If the project requires inkind contributions from the developer, please specify what this will look like (eg. capacity building/training, access to land etc.) )

## 4.3 Area of contribution

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ⃝ Education | ⃝ Health | ⃝ Economic Development |
| ⃝ Environment | ⃝ Art & Culture | ⃝ Social Welfare |
| ⃝ Emergency relief | ⃝ Other Specify: |  |

# 5. PROJECT OUTCOMES/BENEFITS

#### Only fill the section that fits the ‘challenge type’ selected under 3.2

## 5.1 Social outcomes/benefits

### 5.1.1 Number of people reached or supported by project

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ⃝ <25 people | ⃝ 50-75 people | ⃝ >75 people |

### 5.1.2 Who are the likely beneficiaries of the project?

### 5.1.3 What organisations will be supported if any?

### 5.1.4 What is the value of the project for community members (keep all that apply)

#### Behaviour or attitude change:

#### Skills or personal effectiveness:

#### Quality of life/ well being:

#### Other

### 5.1.5 Value for community organisations (keep all that apply)

#### Improved or new services

#### Reached more or more time with clients

#### Improved management process

#### Increased profile

#### Taken on more staff or volunteers

#### Other

* + 1. Will the project deliver any benefit to existing or new community assets (built or natural)?

## 5.2 Economic outcomes/benefits

### 5.2.1 Number of employees/jobs supported by activity

⃝ <10 ⃝ 10-50 ⃝ >50

5.2.2 What sort of value does the project provide for employees/volunteers?

* Job skills
* Personal wellbeing
* Behavior change
* Other:

### 5.2.3 Is there any value for community organisations?

#### Human resource benefit

#### Stakeholder relations/ perceptions

#### Business generated

#### Operational improvement delivered

#### Uplift in brand awareness

#### Positive media coverage

#### Other:

### 5.2.4 Are there other likely economic benefits of the project (direct and indirect?)

# 6. CAPABILITY

## 6.1 Will your organisation lead the project, and if partners are needed who they might be?

6.2 If yes to 6.1, does your organisation have the skills and capacity to deliver the project? Include a short outline of your organisational capacity and any history of related projects/programs.

## 6.3 If no, who do you propose leads the project?

## 6.4 Is there anything else you would like to mention regarding your project?