

“This is a win-win for everyone. This is good for the environment and good for the schools. It shows how partnerships between government and business can save Oregon’s greatest resources, schools and the environment.”

— Jim Petsche
Nike
Director of Corporate Facilities
Pass-through Partner

“These have been great projects for our district and our students. The difference in lighting and the ability to control the heat, air movement, and coolness of buildings has really added to the environment for students and staff.”

— B.J. Hollensteiner
North Santiam School District
Superintendent
Pass-through Recipient

“The Business Energy Tax Credit Pass-through Program helps fund school energy efficiency projects that lead to lower energy bills. The bottom line is that schools have more operating funds thanks to this program.”

— Michael W. Graine
Oregon Department of Energy
Director



Business Energy Tax Credit *Pass-through Option*

“From our perspective, the financial risk was minimal if any.”

— Kirk Schueler
Brooks Resources
President
Pass-through Partner

“It’s extremely simple. And, it makes a difference.”

— Andy Laird
Laird Lighting
Owner
Pass-through Partner

“It’s a way to keep tax dollars in the community and to do something of value...”

— Charlene Clevenger
Bank of the Cascades
Marketing Officer
Pass-through Partner

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HELP YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

*...without impacting
your bottom line*

Children are our future

Yet school districts throughout the state are balancing their budgets by:

- Laying off teachers and staff
- Increasing class sizes
- Eliminating activities
- Shortening the school year

It's a difficult time for kids — and all Oregonians.

Now there is something you as a business owner can do that will help your local school and ensure a brighter future.



How you can help using Oregon's Business Energy Tax Credit Program ...

Energy costs are mounting. Schools throughout the state are looking at energy conservation projects to lower their utility bills. As a business owner, you can help them use the Oregon Business Energy Tax Credit Program to stretch their energy conservation dollars, and you'll get something in return.

Here's how: The schools have no tax liability, but their projects qualify for the Business Energy Tax Credit. A school with an eligible project can partner with a business owner like you. You make a cash payment to the school for 25.5 percent* of the project costs and recoup your investment by accepting the full tax credit equal to 35 percent of the project costs. (*30.5 percent if the project costs are \$20,000 or less).

The bottom line...

The energy projects will decrease the schools' utility bills. This means more operating funds for your school each and every month — to pay for more teachers, to reduce class sizes, and to offer enrichment activities.

The kids will have an enhanced learning environment — better lighting and indoor air quality and classrooms that aren't too hot or cold.

You obtain a tax credit for your investment. And, more importantly, the satisfaction of helping your local school.

What next?

1. Visit the Oregon Department of Energy Web site at www.energy.state.or.us
2. Call the **Oregon Department of Energy** at **1-800-221-8035** or **503-378-4040** for more information.