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## **Governor Brewer Announces Release of Funds for Non-Profit Organizations through State Energy Program**

### *More Than \$637,000 Disbursed to 14 Non-Profits for Renewable Energy Projects*

PHOENIX – Governor Jan Brewer today announced that 14 Arizona non-profit organizations will receive American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds for renewable energy projects at their facilities throughout the state. The funding is part of the \$55.4 million awarded to the Arizona Department of Commerce Energy Office through the State Energy Program (SEP).

“We’re moving swiftly to invest Arizona’s stimulus dollars into projects that should help boost the State’s economy and provide significant long-term energy savings,” said Governor Brewer. “The impact of these projects should result in more money applied to critical services rather than the utility bill.”

The 14 awards are a result of a competitive grant cycle held by the Arizona Department of Commerce Energy Office. Seventy-seven applications were received. The awarded projects total \$637,328. Awards were capped at \$50,000 per applicant. Awards were given for the installation of solar water heating systems, photovoltaic electric systems and solar daylighting systems. Once installed, the systems will reduce the non-profit entities operating costs, and will give each organization a chance to use the savings to provide more services for Arizonans.

The Central Arizona Shelter Services’ Vista Colina Emergency Family Shelter in Sunnyslope will receive solar water heating systems and photovoltaic systems on a 30-unit family shelter apartment complex. More than 200 families sought shelter in the facility last year. The solar hot water systems will serve the facilities laundry and the childcare facility. The photovoltaic system will help offset electricity usage throughout the campus. The energy dollar savings are estimated at \$5,000 per year.

BOTHANDS ([Building Opportunity Through Housing and Neighborhood Development Services](#)) in Flagstaff will install a solar water heating system through the grant program. The system will be installed at Sharon Manor, a transitional housing facility which provides housing for homeless women and children who are survivors of domestic violence. The energy dollar savings is estimated at \$1,600 a year, representing 26 percent of its utility costs.

A full list of recipients and awards is shown below.

To learn more about the programs in the SEP, please visit <http://www.azcommerce.com/Energy/SEP>. Governor Brewer's Office of Economic Recovery provides updates on Arizona's ARRA applications and programs at [www.azrecovery.gov](http://www.azrecovery.gov).

### Renewable Energy Program for Non-Profit Organizations

<b>Awardee</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>	<b>Project Location</b>
American Red Cross	\$50,000	Tucson
BOTHANDS	\$32,693	Flagstaff
Beatitudes Campus	\$48,907	Phoenix
Central Arizona Shelter Services	\$50,000	Phoenix
Challenger Space Center	\$50,000	Peoria
Chandler Christian Community Center	\$50,000	Chandler
House of Refuge, Sunnyslope	\$50,000	Phoenix
Labor's Community Service Agency	\$50,000	Phoenix
Lowell Observatory	\$34,924	Flagstaff
National Audubon Society	\$45,560	Elgin
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	\$48,533	Phoenix
Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation	\$26,711	Tucson
St. Anthony's Greek Orthodox Monastery	\$50,000	Florence
Valley Life	\$50,000	Phoenix
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$637,328</b>	

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