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Clean Energy Workforce Development Resources for States

Example State Programs / Activities

Iowa	
Workforce Training and Economic Development Fund (H.F. 927)	http://coolice.legis.state.ia.us/Cool-ICE/default.asp?Category=billinfo&Service=Billbook&frame=1&GA=82&hbill=HF927
New Jobs Training Program	http://iwcc.cc.ia.us/ewd/260e.asp
New Mexico	
Green Jobs Cabinet	http://www.governor.state.nm.us/press.php?id=1042
New York	
NYSERDA Workforce Training Initiative	http://www.powernaturally.org/
North Carolina	
Green Business Fund (H.B. 1473)	http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2007&BillID=H1473
	http://www.ncscienceandtechnology.com/gbf/index.htm
Oregon	
Sustainable Workforce Initiative	http://www.3estrategies.org/BASE/SustainableOregonWorkforce.asp
Vermont	
Sustainable Jobs Fund	http://www.vsjf.org/
Washington	
Renewable Energy Apprenticeship	http://www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/initiatives/text/I937.pdf
Multiple States	
State-reported activities, collected by NARUC (January 2009)	http://www.naruc.org/Publications/Energy%20Efficiency%20Training%20-%20NARUC%20Survey%20Results.pdf
Article providing examples of programs around the country (January 2009)	http://www.dallasnews.com/sharedcontent/dws/bus/stories/010409dnnatgreenjobs.2124064.html
Article providing a snapshot of initiatives to develop and train solar installers in the Northeast (Spring 2008)	http://www.nesea.org/uploads/textWidget/876.00010/documents/nesea-sun_sp08_Building_Workforce.pdf
<i>Greener Pathways: Jobs and Workforce Development in the Clean Energy Economy</i> (2008)	http://www.cows.org/pdf/rp-greenerpathways.pdf



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Example Local Government Programs/Activities

Boston	
“Green Collar” Jobs Program	http://www.cityofboston.gov/news/default.aspx?dept=55
Chicago	
Chicagoland Green-Collar Jobs Initiative	http://www.greencollarchicago.org/
Los Angeles	
The LA Infrastructure and Sustainable Jobs Collaborative	http://www.lattc.edu/dept/lattc/REDI/Utility.html
Green Jobs: Los Angeles Apollo Alliance	http://www.scopela.org/
Oakland	
Oakland Green Jobs Corps	http://www.ellabakercenter.org/index.php?p=gcjc_green_jobs_corps_gre_enlight
Richmond	
Richmond BUILD Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Skills & Solar Installation Training	http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/index.asp?NID=1243
Multiple Cities	
<i>Green-Collar Jobs in America's Cities: Building Pathways Out of Poverty and Careers in the Clean Energy Economy</i> (2008)	http://www.apolloalliance.org/downloads/greencollarjobs.pdf

Examples of Recent State Legislation

Colorado	
Green Jobs Legislation (HB 1025)	http://www.leg.state.co.us/CLICS/CLICS2008A/csl.nsf/fsbillcont3/7DCA9D63A44957D08725737F00732CD3?Open&file=1025_enr.pdf
Kentucky	
Energy Technology Career Track Program (H.B. 2)	http://www.lrc.ky.gov/RECORD/08RS/HB2.htm
Maryland	
Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund (H.B. 368)	http://mlis.state.md.us/2008rs/bills/hb/hb0368e.pdf
Massachusetts	
Green Jobs Act (H.B. 5018)	http://www.mass.gov/legis/bills/house/185/ht05pdf/ht05018.pdf
Michigan	
Centers of Energy Excellence Program (S.B. 1380)	http://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2007-2008/publicact/pdf/2008-PA-0175.pdf



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Minnesota	
Green Jobs Task Force (S.F. 3096)	https://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/bin/bldbill.php?bill=S3096.3.html&session=ls85
Ohio	
Edison Technology Centers (S.B. 221)	http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=127_SB_221
Vermont	
Green Job Legislation (H.B. 885)	http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/legdoc.cfm?URL=/docs/2008/acts/ACT182.HTM
Washington	
Green Job Legislation (S.B. 6516)	http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=6516&year=2007

State Assessments of Green Jobs Potential

Minnesota	
<i>MN Green Jobs Task Force Draft Action Plan</i> (January 2009)	http://www.mngreenjobs.com/
New York	
<i>Working Group VII – Workforce Training and Development Scope, Task, and Schedule</i> (August 2008)	http://www.dps.state.ny.us/07M0548_Working_groups_phase2.htm
Oregon	
<i>An Analysis of Clean Energy Workforce Needs and Programs in Oregon</i> (May 2008)	http://www.worksourceoregon.org/index.php/component/docman/doc_details/734-analysis-of-clean-energy-workforce-needs-and-programs-in-oregon
Tennessee	
<i>Growing Green: The Potential for Green Job Growth in Tennessee</i> (November 2008)	http://www.state.tn.us/labor-wfd/Publications/EmploymentSecurity/GrowingGreenInTN2008.pdf
Washington State	
<i>2008 Washington State Green Economy Jobs</i> (February 2009)	http://energy.wsu.edu/documents/Green_Jobs_Report_2008.pdf

National Assessments of Green Jobs Potential

EESI Summary of Green Jobs Potential Studies	
<i>Jobs from Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency</i> (October 2008)	Factsheet that catalogs numerous studies of the number of jobs that could be created through energy efficiency and renewable energy policies by location, scope, and technology: http://www.eesi.org/files/green_jobs_factsheet_102208.pdf



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American Solar Energy Society (ASES)	
<i>Green Collar Jobs Report</i> (January 2009)	Report that describes results from a study that attempted to comprehensively estimate the size and scope of the renewable energy and energy efficiency industries and their potential for growth: www.ases.org/greenjobs
Center for American Progress	
<i>Green Recovery</i> (September 2008)	Report demonstrates how a green recovery program that spends \$100 billion over two years would create 2 million new jobs. <i>Includes state-by-state fact sheets and tables</i> listing types of jobs that would be needed in each sector: http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2008/09/green_recovery.html

Federal Resources for States

Basic Workforce Development Information and Resources	
U.S. DOL Workforce Professionals Home Page	First stop for numerous resources, tools, updates, and links intended to assist the nation's workforce professionals in serving the needs of workers and business: http://www.doleta.gov/USWORKFORCE/
U.S. DOL Industry/Employers Workforce Home Page	First stop for understanding the public workforce system; how it can help meet business/economic development objectives; how to get involved in one's own region: http://www.doleta.gov/business/
National Registered Apprenticeship Program	http://www.doleta.gov/OA/
Select Department of Labor Grant Programs	
Community-Based Job Training Grants	The primary purpose of Community-Based Job Training Grants is to build the capacity of community colleges to train workers in the skills required to succeed in high growth, high demand industries. This competitive grant program builds on the High Growth Job Training Initiative, a national model for demand-driven workforce development implemented by strategic partnerships among the workforce investment system, employers, and community colleges: http://www.doleta.gov/Business/Community-BasedJobTrainingGrants.cfm
WIRED Grants	WIRED goes beyond traditional strategies for worker preparation by bringing together state, local and federal entities; academic institutions (including K-12, community colleges and universities); investment groups; foundations; and business and industry to address the challenges associated with building a globally competitive and prepared workforce: http://www.doleta.gov/wired/
Technical Resources	
Industry and Labor Market Statistics	www.doleta.gov/programs/sources.cfm
Occupational competency models	Competency models (industry-verified knowledge, skills, and experience) for various sectors/skills by occupation: http://www.careeronestop.org/competencymodel/



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Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system codes	SOC is used by federal and state agencies to classify workers into occupational categories for the purpose of collecting, calculating, or disseminating data: http://www.bls.gov/SOC/
Home Performance with ENERGY STAR	Home Performance with ENERGY STAR, a national program from the U.S. EPA and U.S. DOE, offers a comprehensive, whole-house approach to improving energy efficiency and comfort at home, while helping to protect the environment: http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=home_improvement.hm_improvement_hpwes
The Green Jobs Act of 2007	
See Title X	http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=110_cong_bills&docid=f:h6enr.txt.pdf
The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009	
See Title VIII	http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/z?c111:H.R.1.enr :

Non-Governmental Resources for States

Technical Resources	
<i>Inspector Guidelines for PV Systems</i> (March 2006)	Renewable Energy Technology Analysis Project of the Pace University Law School Energy Project: http://www.irecusa.org/fileadmin/user_upload/NationalOutreachPubs/InspectorGuidelines-Version2.1.pdf
Building Performance Institute (BPI)	Certifies building contractors: http://www.bpi.org
Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET®)	Certifies building raters: http://www.natresnet.org
North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP)	Certifies renewable energy professionals: http://www.nabcep.org
Education / Training Resources	
<i>Going Green: The Vital Role of Community Colleges in Building a Sustainable Future and Green Workforce</i> (February 2009)	http://www.aed.org/News/Releases/going_green.cfm
Interstate Renewable Energy Council's (IREC's) <i>Renewable Energy Training Best Practices & Recommended Guidelines</i> (September 2008)	http://www.irecusa.org/fileadmin/user_upload/WorkforceDevelopmentDocs/Training-BestPractices_Sept_2008_FINAL.pdf
Conference: <i>New Ideas in Educating a Workforce in Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency</i> (March 2008)	Sessions dealt with market trends, economic drivers, instructional strategies, curricula development, and best practices for training in the renewable energy and energy efficiency fields. Conference presentations: http://www.irecusa.org/index.php?id=117



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American National Standards Institute (ANSI) / International Organization of Standardization (ISO)	Accredits training providers: http://www.ansi.org/conformity_assessment/personnel_certification/overview.aspx
Institute for Sustainable Power Quality (ISPQ)	Accredits training providers: http://www.ispqusa.org