

REAP Job Announcement Feb 21, 2025 Community Energy Educator

Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP) is seeking a full time **Community Energy Educator** to support K-12, career and technical, and public energy education across the state. The Community Energy Educator will work with other REAP staff to advance renewable energy and energy efficiency throughout Alaska through education, community outreach, and collaboration with REAP's staff and partners. The Community Energy Educator will interface regularly with teachers, school administrators, utilities, agency personnel, developers, nonprofits, civic and business leaders, and tribal organizations.

Location: Anchorage (preferred) or Fairbanks, Alaska, with travel across the state. REAP works in a hybrid environment, with an office at the Boardroom's Denali location, a co-working space in Midtown Anchorage.

Responsible to: The Community Energy Educator will report to REAP's Energy Education Director and work closely with REAP's Community Programs Director.

Background: Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP): REAP is the only non-profit in Alaska with a statewide focus on renewable energy and energy efficiency education and advocacy. Headquartered in Anchorage, REAP is a coalition of over 60 electric utilities, businesses, clean energy developers, conservation groups, Alaska Native organizations, educational institutions and local governments. Since its founding in 2004, REAP has worked to educate policy makers and the public through collaborative outreach, presentations, conferences, public forums, earned media, in-person meetings and other events. Visit http://alaskarenewableenergy.org to learn more.

REAP is a leader in energy education, workforce development, and community capacity support and works to holistically apply these focus areas when engaging with communities across the state. REAP works closely with national laboratories, the U.S. Department of Energy and other partners to offer specific programs that coordinate utility trainings; connect communities with technical assistance; provide community energy planning support; act as the Energy Catalyst for the SSP and; build and promote clean energy career pathways through workforce partnerships. The Community Energy Educator combines K-12 education delivery with community wide engagement, adult education, energy planning, and resource navigation.

Key Responsibilities Include:

- Delivering and promoting REAP's K-12, career and technical, and adult energy education curricula
- Planning and executing up to six outreach trips across the state annually
- Assisting with educator trainings (may include occasional evening and weekend work)
- Tabling at STEM nights (occasional evening work)
- Reviewing and updating select lessons in the <u>AK EnergySmart</u> curriculum
- Engaging with pre-selected communities to develop workplans according to community needs



- Attending regular meetings with REAP Education and Community Programs staff, the Community Programs Director, and the Energy Education Director
- Developing blog updates, quarterly reports, year-end reports, and other written and web materials
- Collecting photos, videos, interviews, etc. for use in outreach efforts
- Supporting the energy literacy and outreach efforts of community capacity programs at REAP
- Supporting grant writing and reporting
- Other related responsibilities as delegated

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or five years of experience in a relevant field
- Experience working with, or knowledge of, Indigenous and/or rural communities in Alaska
- Experience teaching science and/or energy concepts or an educational background in science and energy
- Proficiency communicating with the public both in writing and verbally
- Strong interpersonal communications and relationship-building skills
- A high degree of self-motivation and the ability to work effectively as part of a team
- A willingness to travel and work across Alaska up to six times per year
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office, Google Workspace, Mac, and other standard office technology
- Well-organized and able to meet multiple deadlines

Additional Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience developing or editing K-12 or career and technical education curriculum
- Experience leading workshops, facilitating meetings, and making presentations
- Experience with cultivating funding and technical assistance opportunities
- Experience managing complex or multiple projects including budgets, and coordinating the work of other professionals and partners across multiple disciplines
- Capacity for catalyzing engagement and collaboration with diverse entities, individuals, or groups
- Knowledge of Alaskan energy institutions and infrastructure
- Experience working with nonprofits
- Experience in social media, storytelling, graphic design, photography, video production, and marketing
- Experience using meeting platforms such as Zoom, Go To Webinar, Google Meet, et cetera

Working Conditions: At times, the Community Energy Educator may work at remote locations in variable weather conditions on difficult terrain, and under physically demanding circumstances. This position may require travel by jet, seaplane, and ferry to rural communities. Occasional evening and weekend work will be required for some outreach events.

Compensation: This is a permanent full-time position. Salary is \$60,000-\$75,000, depending on experience and qualifications. The position receives paid personal leave and holidays, a no-match required 15% retirement contribution and optional access to a wellness benefit as well as personal communication expense reimbursements and a continuing education budget.



Application Deadline: Applications for this position will be accepted until 11:59 pm on March 13, 2025, with initial interviews scheduled shortly thereafter.

Start Date: The ideal start date is April 15th but could be flexible for an ideal candidate.

Application Process: Incomplete applications will <u>not</u> be considered. Please email the following <u>four items</u> to Sarah Brey at <u>sbrey@realaska.org</u>

- 1) cover letter
- 2) résumé
- 3) 3 to 4 professional references
- 4) Example of an original educational resource you authored