

Anser Charter School in Garden City is the latest recipient of the Solar 4R Schools grant. Funded by Clean Energy Your Way (CEYW) program participants and administered by Idaho Power, Solar 4R Schools educates students about renewable energy by placing solar installations on school property, along with a data-monitoring system and corresponding curriculum package.

Science Teacher Nicole Pape found the grant online when searching for content for her fifth-grade class curriculum. She liked how practical the solar panels would be and thought the content would integrate nicely with the renewable energy unit the children learned about in fourth grade.

Pape also noted the installation and associated training would allow teachers to experience more in-depth training, rather than reading and learning on their own. She believes the solar panels and data monitoring system will help students directly connect energy use to energy production. The classroom kits and lessons will complement and deepen the newly developed energy unit.

"It's important kids learn with real-life examples — and not just read things from a textbook," Pape said. "The solar panels are a tangible item kids can see, monitor, and really learn from."

Anser Community Engagement Coordinator Amanda Neill said she loves that students have so much passion for renewable energy. "This generation understands we need renewable energy, and we are so lucky to have all different types of renewable energy in Idaho," she said.

To learn more and apply for Solar 4R Schools, visit idahopower.com/ solar4Rschools.

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EV Carshare Now Open in Two Boise Locations

A new electric vehicle (EV) carshare pilot program is making sustainable, affordable transportation more accessible for Boise residents. Celebrated with a ribbon-cutting at the Franklin Apartments, this initiative is a community collaboration with the City of Boise, St. Luke's, Forth, J. Fisher Companies, and Idaho Power. Community members can reserve an EV for as little as \$5 per hour at two locations: the Franklin Apartments and near St. Luke's Boise Medical Center (close to Ronald McDonald House). Idaho Power supported the infrastructure efforts and provided technical guidance for the project. Visit forthmobility.org/ **goforth** to learn more or to reserve through the MDO Carshare app.



2024 IMPACT Your participation is something to be proud of!

Total Participants: **4,845**

Total CEYW Kilowatt-hours (kwh): **37,832,399**

For questions about Clean Energy Your Way, contact:

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Source: U.S. EPA Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator and eGrid database release date 01/30/24.



The Snake River is a vital resource for Idaho Power and our more than 650,000 customers. A healthy river and waterways benefit wild and aquatic life, irrigators, and people who enjoy the river for recreational uses. Idaho Power's ongoing efforts through our Snake River Stewardship Program (SRSP) and other projects foster the health of this resource. Here are a few of Idaho Power's areas of focus:

- Restore river channels. Reducing water surface area and increasing its velocity and channel depths lessens the water exposed to heating, which decreases unwanted aquatic plants and improves fish and wildlife habitat.
- **Buildup native vegetation**. Planting native vegetation along key tributaries reduces water temperatures, provides

more diverse fish and wildlife habitat, and helps prevent sediment and pollutants from entering the water.

- **Promote efficient watering**. We work with farmers to convert traditional flood and furrow irrigation to sprinklers. This uses water more efficiently while reducing the amount of runoff entering the river.
- Partner to reduce fertilizer runoff. We partner with the Riverside Irrigation District in Boise to prevent at least 15,000 pounds of phosphorus from entering the Snake and Boise rivers each year. Reducing phosphorus helps limit algae and aquatic plant growth.

To learn more and see videos of restoration projects, visit idahopower.com/river.

Idaho Power's Clean Energy Your Way Flexible Option Product Content Label

This label is part of our Green-e[®] Energy certification and is provided to participants each year. The label shows the anticipated renewable energy sources for 2025.

The Clean Energy Your Way – Flexible Option is a Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) product and does not contain electricity. A REC represents the environmental benefits of 1,000 kilowatt-hour (kWh) of renewable energy that can be paired with the electricity you use. For more information, see www.green-e.org/rec.

100% Green-e Energy Certified New¹ Renewables

2025 Prospective² (Planned) Supply: 100% Wind RECs from North Dakota, South Dakota, or Nebraska facilities

- 1. New renewables come from generation facilities that began commercial operation within the past 15 years.
- 2. Prospective figures reflect the renewables that we plan to provide for the given year, but actuals may vary based on resource supply. The 2025 actual figures will be reported by August next year in the Historical Supply line.

How does Clean Energy Your Way — Flexible Option compare to the standard energy mix?

Idaho Power's 2024 mix of resources supplying Idaho Power customers included: Hydroelectric (35.4%), Natural Gas (19.2%), Coal (12.3%), and Other (33.1%).

How is Clean Energy Your Way — Flexible Option power sold?

It is sold in blocks of 100 kWh or matches 100% of your energy (kWh) use.

As of 2024, the average home in Idaho Power's service area uses 950 kWh per month. For the average home, the 100% Option would add an average \$9.50 to the monthly bill. As an example of the Block Option, the home could buy five blocks of renewable energy certificates to cover over half of the home's energy use for an extra \$5.00 each month.



V Clean Energy Your Way — Flexible Option is Green-e[®] Energy certified and meets the environmental and consumer-protection standards set forth by the nonprofit Center for Resource Solutions. Learn more at green-e.org.

For specific information about this program, contact Idaho Power at 1-800-632-6605, cleanenergyyourway@idahopower.com or idahopower.com/cleanenergyyourway.

Discover Swan Falls Park: A Scenic Spring Getaway

Ready to get outside and explore the beauty of Idaho this spring? Head to Swan Falls Park! Operated by Idaho Power, this scenic day-use park has a reservable picnic shelter and sits along the Snake River, just 20 miles south of Kuna. It's also right next to the historic Swan Falls Dam Powerhouse Museum and within the stunning Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area.



Mark your calendar — the Swan Falls Powerhouse Museum opens for the season April 19! It will be open every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for free, self-guided tours through Labor Day. While you are there, spend the day exploring other historic displays at the park. You will also find fishing docks, walking paths, and restrooms.



Get Online Before Heading Outdoors



Idaho Power's multiple parks and campgrounds are the perfect antidote for cabin fever. Most of the company's recreational facilities are open year-round, but some amenities aren't always available, due to weather or maintenance. Updated information on water turn-ons, facility closures, and restrictions is available at **idahopower.com/whatsopen**.

