

OUR PROGRAMS



CALIFORNIA YOUTH ENERGY SERVICES (CYES)

CYES is a youth employment program that prepares local young adults for the world of work by giving them their first green job. CYES hires between 160 and 180 young people (ages 15-24) each year, and trains them to become Energy Specialists, serving thousands of residents of their communities with energy efficiency and water conservation assessments, installations, and education. These Green House Calls are offered to any resident at no cost, with a focus on hard-to-reach communities. In addition to a week of paid job training and direct work experience, Energy Specialists participate in weekly professional development workshops to help them build workplace skills. CYES Energy Specialists can also return to the program via a leadership pathway, Leaders-in-Field Training (LIFT). CYES provides local young adults with a meaningful, positive work experience where they can make a difference in their community, help the environment, and shape their future success.

CYES operates in six counties throughout the greater San Francisco Bay Area and Central Valley.



1,537

young people trained and employed



38,196

households served with Green House Calls



\$18.8 M

savings over lifetime of efficiency measures



GREEN ENERGY TRAINING SERVICES (GETS)

GETS provides low-income adults experiencing barriers to employment with the training and support needed to succeed in the construction and solar industries. The GETS Core pre-apprenticeship class prepares participants for careers in the Building Trades through intensive hands-on workshop experience, classroom training, industry exposure, case management, and job placement support. GETS Solar provides those interested in careers in the solar industry with the knowledge and experience they need to become residential installers. The GETS program is focused on providing family-sustaining career opportunities for those with the least access to high-quality employment. That includes a special emphasis on training women for careers in the Building Trades, where women are dramatically under-represented.



525

low-income adults trained



93%

graduation rate



\$19.26

average starting wage

OUR MISSION



Rising Sun Energy Center's mission is to empower individuals to achieve environmental and economic sustainability for themselves and their communities.



PEOPLE
Rising Sun provides Samantha with meaningful work experience and professional skills, while enabling her to positively impact her community.



PLANET
Rising Sun provides Ruth with no-cost energy and water saving upgrades for her home, helping her save money and reduce her carbon footprint.



PROSPERITY
Rising Sun provides Demetrius with the training and support necessary to build long-term economic stability for himself and his family.



Rising Sun stretches every dollar of support. Here are some examples of what we can do with the generosity of donors like you:

- \$35** One ladder for a CYES field office
- \$50** One GETS Core training manual
- \$100** One set of steel-toe boots or other mandatory work equipment for a GETS trainee
- \$250** Transportation costs for one GETS cohort field day
- \$500** One computer for the GETS classroom
- \$1,000** Pre-apprenticeship certification for a cohort of 20 GETS Core participants
- \$2,500** One Energy Specialist salary
- \$5,000** GETS training for one person