

# RENEWABLE ENERGY IN MICHIGAN

A Bioregional Perspective on Energy and the Environment

## Renewable Energy Resource Guide

### Internet:

[www.ucsusa.org/clean\\_energy/renewable\\_energy/page.cfm?pageID=175](http://www.ucsusa.org/clean_energy/renewable_energy/page.cfm?pageID=175)

Union of Concerned Scientists, Citizens and Scientists for Environmental Solutions

- Good reference site listing key renewable energy resources on the web.

[www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)

US Department Of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

- Good overview and directory of energy technologies and topics.

[www.eren.doe.gov/state\\_energy/mystate.cfm?state=mi](http://www.eren.doe.gov/state_energy/mystate.cfm?state=mi)

US Department of Energy, State of Michigan

- Specific information on renewable energy efforts in Michigan.

[www.eere.energy.gov/consumerinfo/](http://www.eere.energy.gov/consumerinfo/) Department of Energy

- To find, “Consumer Guide to Renewable Energy for Your Home or Business”

[www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov)

ENERGY STAR

- Government-backed program helping businesses and individuals protect the environment through superior energy efficiency

[www.urbanoptions.org](http://www.urbanoptions.org)

Urban Options

- Non-profit community agency which provides energy and environmental information and services

[www.glrea.org](http://www.glrea.org)

Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association

- Non-profit organization that educates, advocates, promotes, and publicly demonstrates renewable energy technologies.

[www.cgecwm.org](http://www.cgecwm.org)

Concorde Grove Education Center of West Michigan

- Hosts the West Michigan Center for Ecological Design and Renewable Energy Systems, which actively collaborates with local groups and national organizations to offer programs on appropriate technology, green building, and whole-systems design.

[www.ecomall.com/activism/renew.htm](http://www.ecomall.com/activism/renew.htm)

Ecomall,

- List of renewable energy companies and products. According to the site it is the “Earth’s largest environmental shopping center”. Has an “ask an energy expert” option.

[www.rredc.nrel.gov](http://www.rredc.nrel.gov)

Renewable Resource Data Center

- Site supported by the National Center for Photovoltaics and managed by the Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. Provides information on several types of renewable energy resources in the form of publications, data, and maps. Also has extensive dictionary of renewable energy terms.

<http://energy.sourceguides.com/businesses/byGeo/US/byS/MI/byP/byProd.shtml>

The Source for Renewable Energy

- Buyers guide and business directory to renewable energy businesses and organizations. Can search specifically for Michigan businesses.

## **Magazines:**

*Solar Today*

[www.solartoday.org](http://www.solartoday.org)

Published bimonthly by the American Solar Energy Society ([www.ases.org](http://www.ases.org))

"SOLAR TODAY is an award-winning bi-monthly magazine that covers all solar technologies, from photovoltaics to climate-responsive buildings to wind power. Regular topics include building case studies, energy policy and community-scale projects. "

*Home Power*

[www.homepower.com](http://www.homepower.com)

"HOME POWER is "The Hands-On Journal of Home-Made Power." It is published every other month and is available on newsstands in the U.S., Canada, and internationally."

## **Books/Publications:**

*The Solar Greenhouse Book*, edited by James C. McCullagh and published by Rodale Press

*The Passive Solar House: Using Solar Design to Heat & Cool Your House*, by James Kachadorian

*Permaculture: A Designers' Manual*, by B. C. Mollison. A University of Permaculture textbook

*"Opportunities for Renewable Energy Deployment in Michigan,"* by John Richter and produced by Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association

- A good and current primer on renewable energy opportunities in Michigan

*The First Catalog for Solar Energy In Michigan*, by Cynthia Fridgen, Tim Mrozowski and Jim Zarka

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