Clean Energy Resource Team (CERTs) appropriation: HF2032

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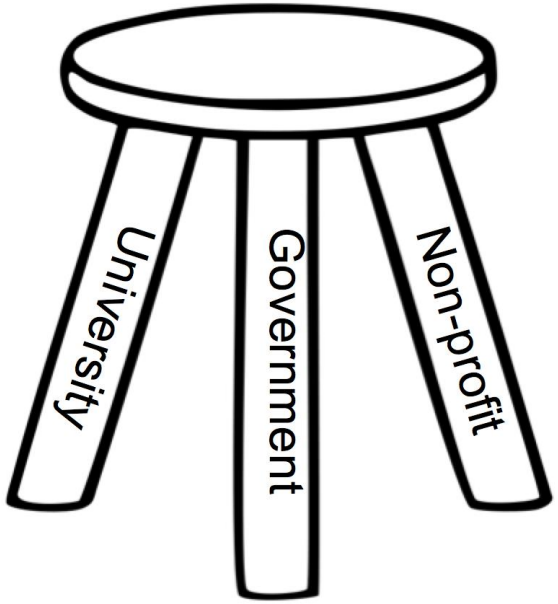
CERTs is a Statewide Partnership

Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships

University of Minnesota Extension



Great Plains Institute

Better Energy. Better World.

Commerce Department

SRDC

Helping Minnesotans build clean energy

MISSION

We connect individuals and their communities to the resources they need to identify and implement community-based clean energy projects

We work across Minnesota

STAFF

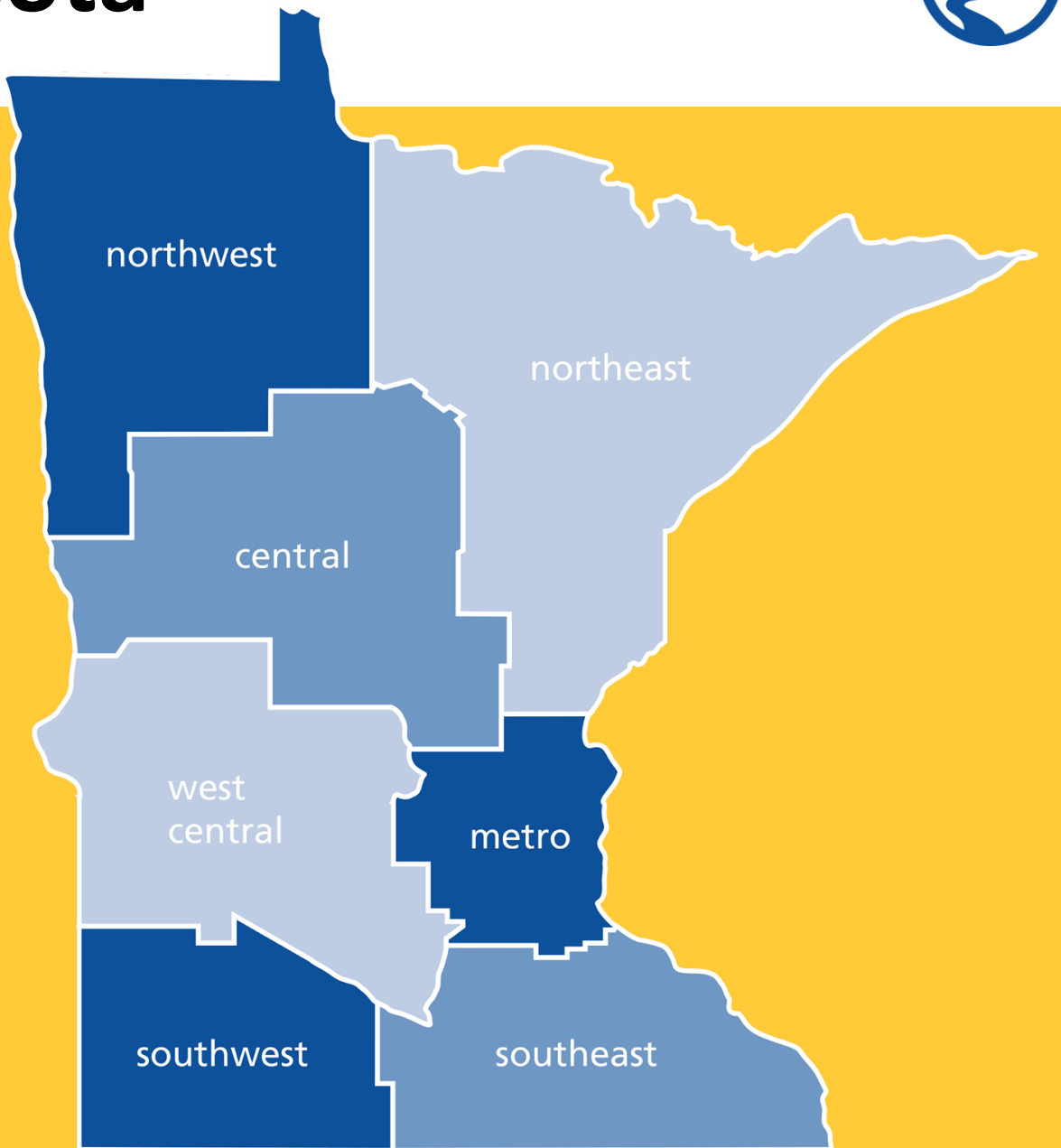
Regional coordinators and statewide support

STEERING COMMITTEES

One per region; governing body for regional team

REGIONAL TEAMS

Anyone can join; broad range of skills, interests, and backgrounds



What does CERTs do?

- Meet people where they are
- Connect people to tools, guides, & templates
- Provide direct technical assistance
- Convene peer networks & workshops for shared learning
- Provide seed funding
- Document stories

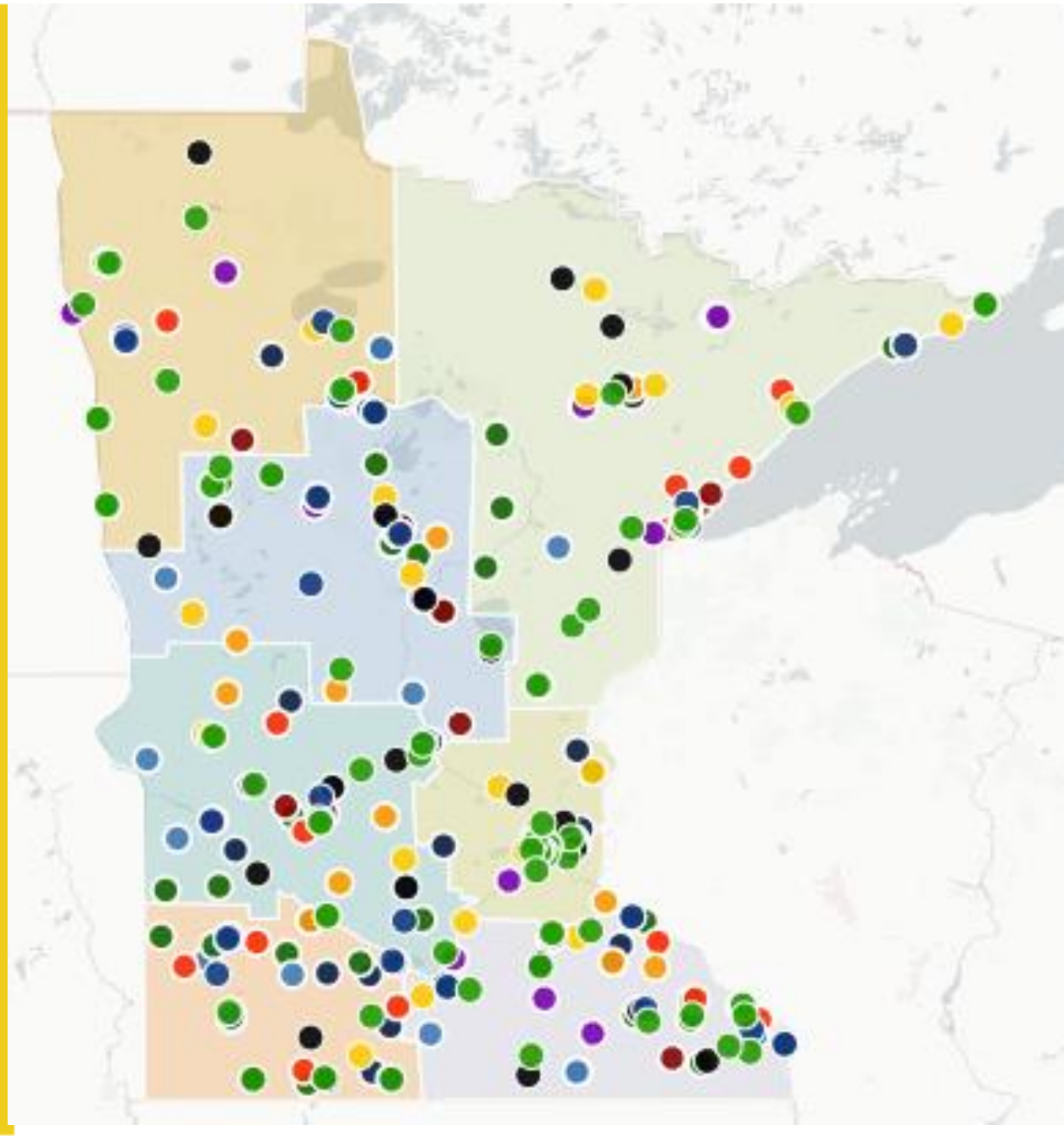
Inflation Reduction Act: Resident Energy Resources

- Manufactured Homes + Energy Star
- Residents + Electric Vehicles (updated)
- Residents + Energy Assessments
- Residents + Energy Efficiency Rebates (Coming in 2023)
- Residents + Energy Efficiency Tax Credits
- Residents + Heat Pumps
- Residents + Solar

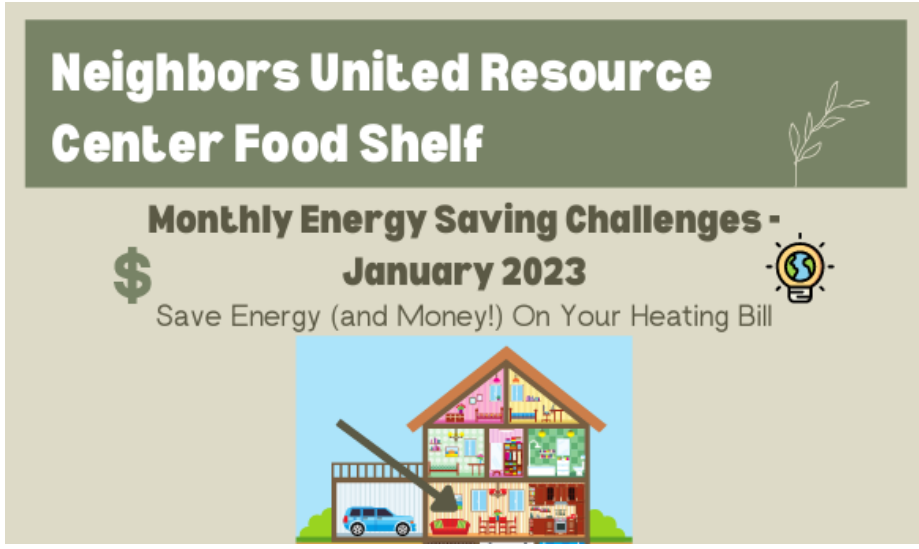
Visit the guide: on.mncerts.org/IRA

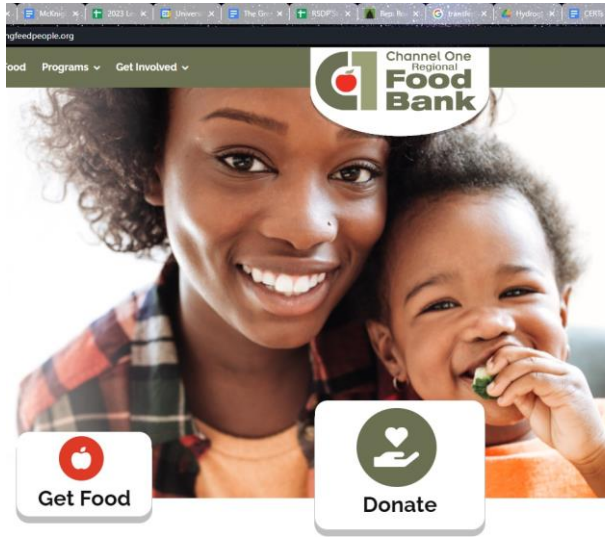
CERTs
CLEAN ENERGY RESOURCE TEAMS

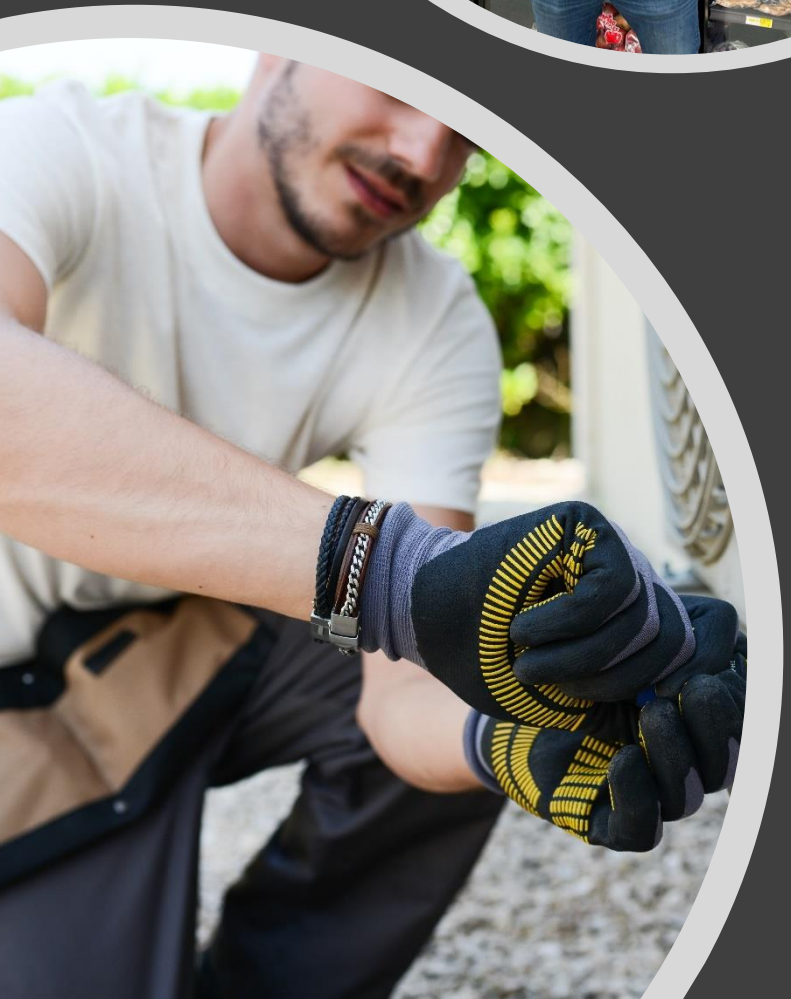
get ready for a clean energy ribbon cutting in your community



Example: Channel One Food Bank & Hometown Resource Center







A sampling of programs & community partnerships

Focus on Manufactured Housing Park Residents

Home Energy Guides

- Single Family Homes
- Manufactured homes
- Renters
- Landlords
- Multiple languages

Air Source Heat Pump Resources

1. Things I learned about heat pumps: a homeowner's perspective
2. Finding success with air source heat pumps in cold climates
3. A family's journey to decarbonize their home

Heat pump advice: FEBRUARY 2023 PROPANE HEAT + DUAL FUEL ELECTRIC RATES

Renewable Energy for Greater Minnesota

Rural businesses and farms can get assistance from CERTs:

- Solar site assessments and financial models
- Application support for grants like USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP)
- Information on federal tax credits, depreciation
- Financing opportunities like Property-Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)

Electric Vehicles: Greater Minnesota focus

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CERTs CLEAN ENERGY RESOURCE TEAMS

Northern Municipal POWER AGENCY

Roseau

GREAT PLAINS INSTITUTE

Minnkota Power COOPERATIVE

ROSEAU COUNTY Ford ROSEAU, MINNESOTA

Roseau Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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