

# The Pipeline

Connecting to Green Jobs Resources in Colorado

~ A Newsletter of the *Green Jobs Pipeline for Women* Project ~

A Project of the Alliance for Sustainable Colorado

## Welcome to *The Pipeline* Newsletter

Innovations and investments in today's Clean Energy Economy are leading to an array of new employment opportunities. This newsletter provides community organizations and individuals with information and resources to help promote women into Green Jobs. [Learn More](#)

### Our Mission

Promote the education, training and placement of women throughout the state into the green jobs market

## Coalition Partners Mark Your Calendars for April 28

A coalition gathering is planned for **Wednesday, April 28 from 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Red Rocks Community College, Lakewood**

The coalition gathering is designed to:

- Look at gaps and explore promising practices that have helped women obtain green job training and job opportunities
- Share information on current and upcoming green job initiatives
- Identify and create a plan of action around one or more success strategies

A meeting to plan for the larger April 28 meeting is happening this **Thursday, April 1, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at the Alliance Center** (1536 Wynkoop St., Denver). All Coalition organizations are welcome to **both** meetings. [RSVP to both/either meeting](#)



**We are still looking for organizations to join our coalition that are committed to promoting green job employment opportunities for women.** To become a member, or for more information, please contact [Green Jobs Pipeline for Women](#). To see our Coalition Partners click [HERE](#)

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*Green Jobs Pipeline for Women* is a project of the [Alliance for Sustainable Colorado](#) and is under contract from the [Department of Labor Women's Bureau](#). The Alliance is a nonprofit organization that advances sustainability by fostering collaboration among nonprofit, business, government and education throughout the state.



**Green Jobs Resources**

## Green Jobs Event a Success!

On February 24, the Green Jobs Pipeline for Women and its Coalition partners hosted a 2-hour *Green Jobs: What Women Need to Know* event at Mi Casa Resource Center in Denver. Over 180 people came to find out about the green industry, available training and apprenticeship opportunities, and strategies to obtain a green job. To watch a video of the event highlights, click [HERE](#). To request a copy of the meeting notes, click [HERE](#).



Jerri Williams of RES Americas addresses participants

A big thank you to organizations who made this event possible: **Department of Labor-Women's Bureau, Mi Casa, FRESC, CWEE, IBEW, iCAST, Red Rocks Community College, RES Americas, GJOBS, Women of Wind Energy, Alliance for Sustainable Colorado, and Environmental Defense Fund.**

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## Did You Know?...

Colorado Workforce Centers have many programs to help both **employers** and employees? For information visit one of Colorado workforce centers today. [Learn More](#)

**FOR DENVER EMPLOYERS** - Denver's *Wage Subsidy Program* is a *financial incentive* for employers to hire new employees. The Denver Office of Economic Development pays a portion of the new employee's wages. Employers click [HERE](#) for more information on how to participate.

**FOR JOB SEEKERS** - *Funding Opportunity for Qualified Individuals*  
*Individuals may qualify for funds that can be applied to Green Jobs training!*

- **Dislocated Worker/Displaced Homemaker Program** provides training dollars to those who have been laid off; homemakers who are no longer receiving monetary support; the self-employed whose work ended due to the economic conditions of their area, etc. (Individuals should visit a workforce center to see if they qualify.)
- **Hire Colorado** – Training funds are also available to people who have children under the age of 18 AND whose household income was less than \$75,000 in last 12 months. Spread the word!

[Download our handy list of resources](#)

## Help Us Grow

### *Suggest a Green Jobs Resource for Women*

We are looking for organizations throughout the state that provide job or educational services; green jobs training opportunities; funding opportunities; outreach or special services to women...

[Please email us suggestions](#)

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## Network...Learn...Promote!

Check out the latest green events in Colorado and post an event of your own. The Alliance for Sustainable Colorado's Sustainability Calendar is one of the most comprehensive list of green events in Colorado.

[Link To Calendar](#)

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## Job Announcement

Green Building Facilities  
Technician

For more information about Denver's **Dislocated Worker/Displaced Homemaker Program** and **Hire Colorado** program, individuals should visit one of Denver's workforce centers. [Learn More](#)

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## Green Jobs Training Opportunities in Colorado

Colorado is one of the top states in Green Jobs training. Read about four training opportunities in the state, and then pass this information on to someone who might be looking to make a move to a new green career!-

**Mi Casa Resource Center's Green Energy & Construction Program** - Designed for people with or without previous construction experience, this intensive course trains people to work in the high-growth renewable energy and sustainable construction industries. Visit Mi Casa and **navigate to their Careers page**. [Learn More](#)

Rosie with Wind Turbines image courtesy of <http://www.creativeidentity.org>

Green Jobs event image courtesy of Kate Mason

**CrestoneSolar School** - Located in beautiful Crestone, CO, Crestone Solar School offers a solar workshop program in active and passive solar heating design, alternative natural building, photo voltaic basics and renewable energy applications. Both hands-on and theoretical studies are combined in a residential 4-day program. [Learn More](#)

**The Greater Good Academy** - A special 8-week business development program that empowers early stage, low- and moderate-income entrepreneurs in Denver to incorporate triple-bottom-line strategies into their businesses. [Learn More](#)

**iCAST** - Women interested in becoming Energy Auditor or Energy Installers (insulation, air sealing and HVAC) can contact Natalie Libansky on 303-462-4100 X806. Please ask about the prerequisites. [Learn More](#)

Visit the *Green Jobs Pipeline for Women's* [Education and Training web page](#).

If you would like to know more about the Green Jobs Pipeline for Women Project, please contact us at: [greenjobswomen@sustainablecolorado.org](mailto:greenjobswomen@sustainablecolorado.org)

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