

# Guyana Community Solar Challenge

## Introduction

Solar Head of State is proud to announce the launch its latest Community Solar Competition – a national competition for young people from across the country to learn more about the benefits of renewable energy.

The young people are the experts of your culture and of your country and what your community will best respond to. You can help spread the message that it is time to embrace solar. The prompt is:

*Design a project to inspire your community to recognize the benefits of solar energy.*

This is an open-ended prompt. We want creative answers!

## Guidelines

We want you to create an innovative way to inspire your own community about the benefits of solar.

Submissions can take a variety of forms, whether they're written, displayed, or performed. Some examples can include:

- Designing a solar art project that inspires your community
- Creating a guide to solar energy projects in your area
- Writing and singing a catchy and informative song that could be played on the radio
- Animating a short video to be spread through social media
- Writing an essay or editorial on how your community can benefit from renewable energy
- Writing and performing a short skit or play about solar energy in Guyana

Or anything else you can think of!

**Winning projects will be those that demonstrate creativity and an ability to educate people about the benefits of renewable energy for the entirety of the country.**

Some points you may wish to consider

- How much money can be saved in your community by using solar?
- How can solar create jobs for Guyana?
- How will locals benefit from solar energy?
- What is Guyana already doing with renewable energy?
- How have other islands used solar? What can our island learn and what can it teach?
- In addition to cutting carbon emissions, what are the environmental benefits of solar energy?
- How did the country traditionally generate its electricity?

## Age Constraints

This competition is open to those under the age of 26 on April 30th 2019. Entrants do not need to currently be enrolled in an educational institution to apply.

You can enter as an individual or team. Teams are limited to 3 people per. However, you can involve as many people as you like in other ways such as:

- Backing singers or actors in a video
- Using the voices of your friends in your animation
- Recording interviews with people in your town

**Video or oral** submissions, such as animations, songs, or podcasts, should not exceed 10 minutes.

**Written** submissions, such as essays, should be no longer than 2000 words.

**Visual or construction** submissions, such as drawings or presentations should take no more than 10 pages to present

There are many more ways you can approach this question. If your idea doesn't fall into a category mentioned here, feel free to contact us and ask about submitting it!

### **Prizes**

The winning projects will be awarded:

1<sup>st</sup>: GY\$100,000

2<sup>nd</sup>: GY\$15,000

Winners will be invited to Georgetown for an awards ceremony. Transportation costs will be covered for those invited.

**Deadline for entries is July 1st, 2019**

For any questions or inquiries: [jellsmoor@solarheadofstate.org](mailto:jellsmoor@solarheadofstate.org)

**Submit your entries:**

[www.solarheadofstate.org/solarchallenge](http://www.solarheadofstate.org/solarchallenge)