Colorado Community Symposium:
Field Insights from Workforce & Business Leaders

Solar Ready Colorado Initiative
from

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- CAMPUS in PAONIA CO.
- NON-PROFIT 501(C)3 SINCE 1991
- Approved by CO. Dept of Higher Ed, Div of Occupational Schools
- Accredited by Interstate Renewable Energy Council (IREC)
- Online and On-Campus training

Continuing Education Classes

or

SOLAR PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE PROGRAM →

Over 60,000 Alumni Trained worldwide!
SOLAR READY COLORADO

Worker Outreach, Recruitment, Key Training Act (WORK Act Initiative)

Increase the awareness of and enrollment in Colorado’s skilled worker training programs

Solar Ready Colorado Success

- Trained over 300
- Created 18 employer partnerships
- Attended 68 Outreach Events
  - Education, Military, Community, Job/Career
- Troops to Solar Program
- Saturday Workshops
- Solar Job Fairs
SOLAR READY COLORADO
(School Outreach)

Grade School
Middle School
High School
University
Trade School
Community College
SOLAR READY COLORADO
(Military outreach)

2015 Solar Ready Vets Program
- Army
- Air Force
- Navy
- Marine
- Guard/Reserve

Army Reserve P3O Partnership
SOLAR READY COLORADO
(GRID Alternatives Partnership)

- Veteran / Active duty Volunteer Opportunity
- 1-day hands-on training
- Approx. 10 / month
- PVOL101 Scholarship

- Every 3rd Saturday of the Month
- GRID Warehouse
- SEI Instructor led topics
- Range of solar topics
- Continuing Education Credit
SOLAR READY COLORADO
(Job Fairs)

- Solar Decathlon: Solar Foundation

2018 Career Fair:
COSEIA Solar Power Mountain West
Hyatt Regency, Aroura CO.
March 14th
Hurdles to Overcome

Military not authorized to use VA Benefits for online Solar Professional Certificate Programs

Restricted to On-Campus training only

Online classes considered “Independent Study”

SCO Handbook (Derived from CFR 38 21.4267): “For VA purposes, such courses or subjects must be accredited and lead to a standard college degree”

Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2017:

• Meant to expand VA benefits to independent study programs in career and technical education schools.
Thanks for supporting Colorado Solar!