



Pacific Northwest
Center of Excellence for
Clean Energy

Director's Update



Teryn Kilgore, South Seattle College, leads a new innovative EV lab & program that opens in fall 2026.

Our utilities are facing a critical time of balancing power with a major shift in workforce - a mass exit of retirees.

We're here to help! Join us as we host opportunities for collaboration (see below), launch our newly updated Energy Education Resource Guide, and celebrate new training programs: a lineman program at Clover Park College, EV training, such as South Seattle's Innovation EV Lab; and PSE's new training center.

~Monica

CEWD Announces New Scholarship Fund

GET INTO ENERGY PROGRAM TO LAUNCH IN 2026

The Center for Energy Workforce Development (CEWD), in partnership with Scholarship America, recently announced the creation of the Get Into Energy Scholarship Fund, a national initiative designed to expand access to energy careers. The fund aims to grow paths to energy employment, addressing financial barriers that hinder access to rewarding careers.

When the program launches in 2026, the fund will include a series of sub-funds that include general scholarship, urban energy, veterans, Hire PowHER, and boosting apprenticeship success (emergency aid fund).



CEWD
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Workforce Development

NEWS

Recently on the Blog

HEADLINES FROM OUR WEBSITE

- Kenworth Introduces New Battery-Electric Medium-Duty Trucks
- Curious About Learning a Trade? Check Out Top Estimates for 2026
- New Seattle-Area Startup Hyviva Providing a Hydrogen Energy Storage Solution
- TransAlta Signs New Agreement, Coal to Natural Gas Conversion
- Department of Energy Renames NREL 'National Laboratory of the Rockies'
- Dept. of Energy Releases Fusion Science and Technology Roadmap
- Douglas PUD Cuts Ribbon at New Renewable Hydrogen Facility

Read more about these stories at <https://www.cleanenergyexcellence.org/blog/>

Energy Educators' Association (EEA)

SAVE THE DATES

The CoE is hosting opportunities to connect with other educators, learn from and meet industry partners, and discuss and share curriculum. This is a free forum for educators!

Meetings:

- Feb. 12, virtual
- May 1, in-person
- May 21, virtual



Join us May 1st to tour PSE's new training center and learn from our industry partners. Email monica.brummer@centralia.edu for details or to sign up for EEA email updates.

Upcoming Events



Jan. 28	NWPPA Data Center and Load Growth Summit
Jan. 29	NWPPA Power Supply Conference
Feb 12	EEA meeting, virtual
Feb. 24-26	2026 NWhA Annual Conference
March 9-13	Water Power Week
March 11-12	AEE West
March 17-18	Hydropower Conference 2026
May 1	EEA meeting, in-person tour at PSE
May 21	EEA meeting, virtual

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