

**Portland Community Solar
Resources for Including Minority and Women Contractors**

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The Portland Community Solar Project is committed to providing opportunities to traditionally underserved communities. As part of the RFQ process we have asked that bidders consider subcontracting and finding apprentices in both minority and women owned businesses.

Below you will find a list of minority and women contractors that are available for this project. Below that you will find a statement from Oregon Womentrades They are dedicated to promoting the success of women in the construction trades through education, leadership and mentorship.

It is not critical that you name these contractors or apprentices in your bid. We offer this tool to you to increase your effectiveness in this area if you do win the bid and in future projects with this organization or simply other projects.

To learn more about women and minority businesses/contractors/apprentishps please see contact information for Greg Wolley from the City of Portland, Procurement Services and Amy James Neel, Job Placement Specialist, Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc

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Minority Electrical Contractors

Name	Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Ed Wilson	Soledad Electric, Inc.	971-271-8463	ed@ampereelectric.com
George Deoca	Solaris Solutions, LLC	503-341-4023	gdeoca2001@yahoo.com
Gregory Baca	Prime Systems, LLC	503-312-0901	greg@primesubs.com
John Jassmann	Phoenix Electric Company, LLC	503-231-8006	johnj@phoenixpdx.com
John Ramirez	Pacific Northwest Electric	503-657-1188 Will not bid	john@pacificnwelectric.com
Kendrick Mitchell	West Hills Electrical Construction, LLC	503-382-9447	kendrickm@westhillsllc.com
MAURICE RAHMING (MULTCO)	O'Neill Electric Inc	503-493-6045	ali@oneillelectric.com
MEE LUN CHAU (MULTCO)	MLC Engineering	503-220-0168	lun.chau@mlc-engineering.com
Nick Miyasato	E-Tech Electric LLC	971-570-9298	info@e-tech-electric.com
Richard Grout	Shawash Construction Services, Inc	503-538-0972 503-269-8634?	rgrou@shawashelectric.com
Trung Nguyen	Vast Electric	503-793-0871	trungbrothers@aol.com

Women Electrical Contractors

Name	Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Isabel Hendricks	H & H Electric, Inc.	503-253-0425	judy@hhelectric.net
Jeanette Mclearn	Jet Electric	503-258-1715	jjjet@qwest.net
Louise Petersen	The Fiber Guys LLC	503-954-1158	thefiberguys@aol.com

Minority Roofing Contractors (some women* firms may be duplicated here)

Name	Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Michael Sanchez	Acacia Construction Services, Inc.	503-624-9005	mikes@acaciaconstructionservices.com
Hilario Baez	Baez Construction, LLC	503-734-8369	baezllc@yahoo.com
*Sharon Maxwell	Boanerges Group LLC	503-281-0224	shamaxhend@bggllc.com
*Valerie Solorzano	Chick of All Trades, LLC	503-467-6386	val@chickofalltrades.com
Herman Colas Jr.	Colas Construction, Inc.	503-292-4025	estimating@colasconstruction.com
Ray Lampkin Jr.	Lampkin General Contractor LLC	503-528-9579	lightninggray1947@msn.com
Maurice Rahming	O'Neill Electric Inc.	503-493-6045	ali@oneillelectricinc.com
Mark Matthews (has indicated via email that he will not bid on this solar project)	Pacificmark Construction Corp.	503-208-3355	mark@pacificmarkconstruction.com
*Zion Belay	Pioneer Women Construction Company	503-654-0067	zionelmanov@yahoo.com
Ignacio Ramos-Martinez	Ramos Construction D. AJIJC LLC	503-893-0214	Ramosi12@yahoo.com
Randy Ramos	RJ Ramos Enterprises, Inc.	503-233-1435	randyjramos@msn.com
Fernando Rodriguez	The Rodriguez Corporation	503-245-0679	therodcorp@msn.com
Cergio Castillo	Universal Builders LLC	503-459-7804	ubllc@live.com

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*Valerie Solorzano	Chick of All Trades, LLC	503-467-6386	val@chickofalltrades.com
Michelle Metzler	Interstate Roofing, Inc.	503-684-5611	smetzler@interstateroofing.com
Shirley McBride	McBride Sheet Metal, Inc.	503-235-2813	spmcbridesheetmetal@gmail.com
*Zion Belay	Pioneer Women Construction Company	503-654-0067	zionelmanov@yahoo.com
Krista Reynolds	Reynolds Construction	503-349-2325	krista@reynoldsconstructionnw.com
Tara Harmon-Kramer	Ri Ky Roofing LLC	503-957-2840	Tara.kramer@rikyroofing.com
Caroline Iverson	Vancouver Roofing and Sheet Metal Co.	360-695-9263	civerson@vrsm.com

Minority Structural Engineering Contractors

Name	Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
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Wen Jou	Ace Consultants, Inc.	503-626-2320	wjou@aceconsult.com
Herb Fricke	Cooper Zietz Engineers, Inc.	503-253-5429	herbf@coopercm.com
Ahsan Sheikh	Intech Engineering Services, Inc.	360-566-5384	ahsans@intech-e-s.com
Matthew Nava	Nava Contracting & Engineering, Inc.	503-238-0633	navaenr@gmail.com

Women Structural Engineering Contractors

Name	Company Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Tonya Halog	James G. Pierson, Inc.	503-226-1286	tonya@jgpierson.com
Nadia Zouyed	NBZ Consulting Engineering, Inc.	503-848-8748	nbznadia@gmail.com

Oregon Tradeswomen, Apprentice Opportunities

Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. (OTI) is a non-profit organization that believes that women deserve and can attain economic self-sufficiency through careers in the building and construction trades. To serve our mission, we offer a free, state certified, seven week pre-apprenticeship program designed to prepare women for careers in the construction industry. Our program is rigorous, and has exceedingly high expectations of our students. The result is a graduate that:

- has been screened for suitability for trades work
- has been drug-tested
- has demonstrated reliability and a strong work ethic
- has been field-tested by working 5 full days doing carpentry-based work
- has passed our construction math test
- has completed strength and fitness training, including physical testing by the Laborer's Union
- has OSHA 10 General Construction Safety certification
- has completed basic power tool and ladder safety training
- is ready to go to work in construction

Once students complete our program, we connect them with Contractors looking to fill entry-level job openings. Typically, I will have a conversation with the contractor to determine the specific requirements of their open position: the attributes they seek in an employee, the skill level necessary and any other details I would need in order to hand-select some of my best graduates as applicants. We can then establish application instructions: I can forward resumes to the contractor, I can have the graduates apply directly with the company, or any other arrangement that works for the contractor.

I work directly with the students in the field as one of their instructors. I am familiar with their strengths as well the areas in which there is potential for growth. Having this insight helps me connect the contractor with the graduates best suited for the job. This personal, detailed service has resulted in our graduates being enormously successful in all aspects of trades work, and contractors that are pleased with the quality of the worker.

Please contact Oregon Tradeswomen with any questions, or with job openings you'd like to talk about filling.

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