

### **Reporting Item**

March 15, 2022

ITEM

Greener Together Product Launch

#### **PURPOSE**

To provide an update on the launch of the Greener Together product, the replacement to the Green Power product.

#### FACTS

- a. A new product named Greener Together will officially launch in April 2022.
- b. Greener Together is a customer-led product which customer-owners participate through monthly and/or one-time contributions in which OPPD will later use to execute customer nominated and voted upon projects.
- c. A transparent dashboard and webpage will be developed for customers to see the quantity of funds raised and the status of active initiatives as a result.
- d. The legacy Green Power product currently has approximately 5100 participants providing an average annual contribution of \$300,000 dollars to support early wind farm projects. The new Greener Together is targeted to have approximately 42,000 participants and \$2.7M by 2032.
- e. As approved in the 2022 Corporate Operating Plan, existing Green Power Rate Riders [463A and 463B] will expire as of March 31, 2022.

**RECOMMENDED:** 

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Attachments: Presentation



# **Green Power Refresh Project**

Presented to OPPD's Board of Directors by Heather Siebken, Director of Product Development & Marketing on March 15, 2022



### Problem Statement & Goals





## Research



### **Industry Research Recap**

- Majority of electric utilities have some form of green energy program
- Programs have options of supporting utility renewable generation, conservation, and sustainable energy projects
- Utilities are considering phasing out their additional cost green programs due to renewable generation goals
- Separate programs for residential and commercial is most common
- Many offered shares to customers, similar to our community solar program
- Our utility research displayed top programs group several renewable products under one product name





### **Customer Outreach**

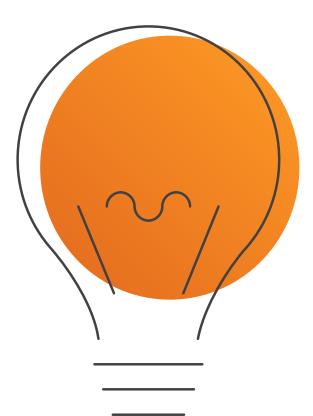


- Understand customer values and goals
- Discuss product features, benefits and preferences
- Test product ideas to receive and incorporate feedback



## **Key Customer Learnings**

- OPPD to be a trusted source of information
- Funds used for community projects vs. generation
- Choice and customization features
- Community involvement and support
- Transparency of funds and project selection









# **Introducing** *Greener Together*



## **Greener Together Overview**

### **Product Description:**

Customers subscribe to a green-focused program and partner with OPPD to choose, promote and execute on environmental projects that educates our community members and builds a healthier, safer and cleaner environment.

#### Support Renewable Energy

Project funds new, community-based activities or initiatives in OPPD's territory that support renewable energy Promote Environmental Sustainability

Project is able to measure the reduction in environmental impact such as KWh, waste, gas usage, product use, etc. Support Community Betterment

Project shows support for education, health, culture and arts, community betterment, or social services



## **Community Project Examples**

Renewable Energy

Environmental Sustainability

Community Betterment & Education

- ✓ HOA solar project
- Renewable generation at schools for educational

purposes

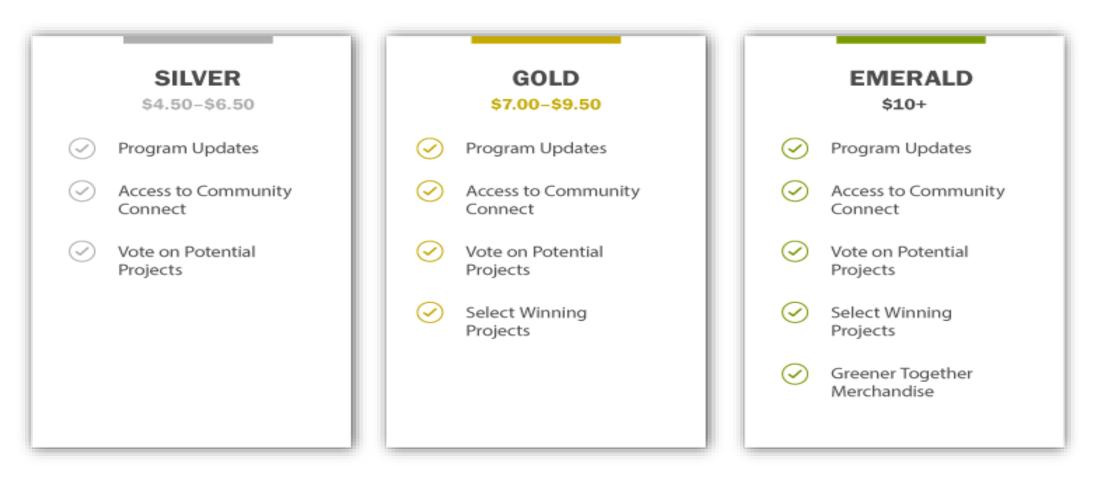
- ✓ Energy efficiency projects
- Beautification & tree planting initiatives
- ✓ Bike path construction
- ✓ Low-income energy projects
- ✓ Sustainability park





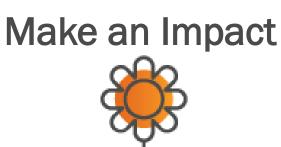
## **Pricing Tiers and Benefits**

### Flexible Pricing with tiers starting at \$4.50





### **Program Benefits**



Support projects that make an immediate impact on the community **Share Your Voice** 



Use your voice to vote on and select community projects

### Gain a Community



Gain exclusive access to collaborate and better our community



## **Application Process & Review**

• Submit project ideas (any customer)

- Score submitted ideas (review committee: GT participants and OPPD personnel)
- Consult Advisory Board

- Rank approved projects (GT participants)
- Vote on top candidates
  to choose next project
  selection (GT participants)

Submit

Review

Choose



### **Project Scoring Matrix**



### **Scoring Sub-Categories**

GHG Reduction Potential, Pollution Reduction, Resource Conservation, Land or Wildlife Preservation, Waste Reduction

Economic Growth, Job Creation, Greening the Economy, Sustainable Shifts

Completion Time, Cost, Risk, Capability, Probability of Success



## **Product Goals & Projections**

### 2022 Goals

- 95% Customer Retention Rate
- 1,200 New Customer Sign-Ups
- 6,000 Total Customers
- **\$245,000** Revenue Generated
- 15 Project Applications Received
- 2 Projects Funded
- **40%** Customer Project Voting Participation





## Marketing

- Social, print, digital and media
- Contact center
- In-person events
- Local organizations





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LEARN MORE



#### COLLECTIVELY BUILDING A GREENER COMMUNITY

#### Join the program that connects community members and supports green initiatives.

At OPPD, we are committed to providing more ways to go green. And now, with our Greener Together Program, there is no better outlet for achieving your personal green goals while also collaborating with others to support community-wide environmental

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#### **Build a Greater Sense of Community**

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## Launch Project

### **OPPD + Bellevue University**

Sustainable Edible Orchard and Grass/Flower Demonstration Plot

- ✓ Sustainable
- ✓ Educational
- ✓ Viable





### **Greener Together Launch Timeline**

#### February

- Contact Center and other internal stakeholder training
- Halt new Green Power sign-ups

#### March

- Conversion communications for current participants
- Current Green Power customer can 'opt-out' of new program
- Rate Rider will expire on 3/31

#### April

- Greener Together billing begins
- Additional Contact Center training
- Enrollment begins
- External marketing begins for additional recruitment
- Earth Day event



### Strategic Alignment





# Q&A

