



GRANT WRITING VOLUNTEER

The Border Green Energy Team (BGET) provides hands-on appropriate technology training and financial support to village innovators in ethnic minority areas on both sides of the Thai/Burma border.

BGET volunteers are typically involved with assisting in all aspects of primary project areas including:

- Working with villagers to improve the sustainability of village micro-hydro projects.
- Continuing BGET's work in bringing biogas digesters to the Burma/Thai border area.
- Addressing sustainability issues of roughly 15,000 solar home systems installed in remote villages by the government through village trainings, awareness campaigns about warranty, rights, and technical solutions repair/replace failing parts.
- Expanding sustainable deployment of solar electric systems for remote medical clinics, schools, and other essential community services in ethnic minority areas inside Burma.
- Follow up sustainability training on hybrid diesel/solar electric systems BGET built to power computer training centers in seven refugee camps.
- Teaching and working with refugee camp Engineering Studies Program (ESP) students, and helping develop renewable energy technical skills and English language skills with staff from BGET and partner organizations.

Grant Writer:

BGET is currently seeking a volunteer with experience and desire to assist with grant writing. While one of BGET's goals is to function independently financially, the success of many of our current projects are dependent on generous donations from local, national, and international sources.

The grant writing volunteer will:

- Research available grant sources for their applicability to BGET projects.
- Maintain a funding source database/calendar to prioritize the writing and submission of grants.
- Compose grant proposals with necessary supporting documentation.

- Maintain contact with funding agencies to ensure proper documentation is delivered in a timely manner.

Desired qualifications:

- Excellent written and verbal skills in the English language.
- Previous experience with grant writing/fund raising in non-profit or academic settings.
- Experience with a variety of computer programs including Microsoft office applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, etc.).
- Previous experience travelling or living in developing countries.
- Basic understanding of renewable energy systems and appropriate technologies.
- Thai, Karen, or Burmese language desirable, but not required.
- Relevant degree or training related to volunteer position.

Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to salinie@gmail.com along with available dates for volunteering in Thailand. Preference will be given to applicants able to stay more than 6 months. In addition, BGET supports diversity and encourages women and men, as well as members of all races and religions to apply.

For more information on BGET and volunteering, please visit www.bget.org.