



## Vote Solar For Good: New York Non-Profits Spotlight



Three non-profits in New York are competing for a \$1,500 solar equipment donation via our **Vote Solar For Good** challenge.

Learn more about the worthy causes these non-profits are working towards and how they'd use solar energy. And don't forget to [cast your vote](#) before October 31<sup>st</sup>!

### The Human Impacts Institute

*Brooklyn, NY*

[The Human Impacts Institute's](#) (HII) mission is to inspire engagement and action in environmental issues and healthy community development through hands-on education, creative outreach, and coalition building. In 2011, HII provided over 250 hours of education and outreach programs —reaching over 14,000 people in NYC and other communities. The Human Impacts Institute works with East River State Park to bring free environmental education programs to community members and visitors of North Brooklyn. As the park does not have electricity, the generator will be available for both HII workshops and events with other community partners.

**How They'd Use Solar:** With the solar generator from Green Mountain, HII will be able to show New Yorkers how to have all the conveniences of using their favorite electronics and appliances powered by our greatest renewable resource — the sun. The solar generator will be used to charge batteries that serve their public events and workshops, such as outdoor lighting, cell phone chargers, portable fans and coolers, and music and environmental film screenings. It will also be used to host sustainable construction, energy efficiency, and cooking demonstrations. HII will also be developing signage for the park to emphasize the green infrastructure there, such as rainwater harvesting, solar lighting, and composting.

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