

# Golden Empire Grange Gets Energy Upgrade for Sustainable Future

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GRASS VALLEY, Calif. August 8, 2016 – Golden Empire Grange has completed a landmark project with the installation of a new solar system, now operating at their Hall located at 11363 Grange Court in Grass Valley.



The new solar system, designed and installed by California Solar Electric Company, will allow Golden Empire Grange to generate 84% of its overall electrical needs, freeing them to dedicate funds to other key community projects and to keeping the Hall maintained for rental and service. Based on 24 SunPower E20 Commercial panels and a SolarEdge inverter, this array will provide over \$3,000 in savings each year.

*Golden Empire Grange new system was installed by Cal Solar with non-profit financing. Visit California Solar Nevada County Fair booth, 10-14, Nevada County Fair.*

The financing for this new solar system was managed by RC Cubed, Inc., a Santa Cruz CA. RC Cubed helps non-profit organizations that cannot qualify for other types of tax benefit financing for energy and conservation projects. Their innovative approach allows the Grange to go solar and save money, while RC Cubed uses the tax credits and a local business, California Solar, is able to help this great community organization prepare for a solid, sustainable future.

“We are very excited to be working with RC Cubed to offer this innovative way to bring solar to some of our communities most essential organizations. This is a new path for non-profit organizations in Nevada County to realize solar energy benefits,” notes Brandon Davis, Sales Manager at California Solar.

Golden Empire Grange has a long history of independence and responsible investment, completing payment for their building in 1967. By investing in solar with the help of California Solar and RC Cubed, future generations of Grangers will not have to worry about skyrocketing energy costs.

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“What really drives the RC Cubed team, is the satisfaction we get every time a new system goes on. We are creating strong returns for our investors, immediate savings and long-term asset ownership for our non-profit energy rate payers, and meaningful work, for our construction partners.” observed James Rector, CEO of RC Cubed, Inc.

This energy planning supports Golden Empire’s ongoing efforts to keep the hall available for community rental and service as a thriving center for many activities, such as meetings, classes and bridge.

David Edwards is a member of the Golden Empire Grange’s Executive Committee and was responsible for working directly with California Solar. Edwards comments “California Solar has been exemplary in every respect from workmanship, to design to responding quickly to requests. We are delighted to have this system working for our future. Thank you California Solar and RC Cubed.”

Visit California Solar at their Nevada County Fair booth, August 10-14, Nevada County Fairgrounds.

### **About Golden Empire Grange**

The Grange is an organization that began in 1867 rising from the destruction of the Civil War rural fields and farmland. With many core services destroyed, an era began that encouraged farming families to band together on common ground to promote the well-being of the community and agriculture.

The Grange today is a community service organization throughout every state, with 206 chapters in California. Everyone is welcome to apply for membership, youth as well as adults. The Grange is a non-profit organization that is not affiliated with any religious group, nor political party. Visit <http://www.goldenempiregrange.org/>.

### **About RC Cubed**

RC Cubed was founded in 2010 to bring structured financial solutions to accelerate the a

of avoided cost, clean energy and energy efficiency products and services. We are a green energy development firm committed to strengthening the communities we work with while protecting the environment we all share. RC Cubed helps community service, non-profit, municipal organizations lower their energy bills through cost saving energy efficiency and renewable energy power purchase agreements. Visit [www.rccubed.com](http://www.rccubed.com)

## **About California Solar**

***California Solar Electric Company, located in Grass Valley, California,*** was founded in 2000 and has installed more than 800 solar electric systems, totaling over 5 MW of solar electricity. California Solar has designed and installed some of California's first grid-tied solar electric systems and some of the most unique commercial systems in the country.

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