INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Position: Policy Intern
Type: Student internship, part time (1-3 credits, depending on student availability)
Term: Spring Semester 2020
Location: Montana (Missoula preferred, but not required)

Organization Background
The Montana Renewable Energy Association (MREA) is a non-profit, membership based organization located in Missoula, MT. MREA’s mission is to expand the use of renewable energy in Montana, to affect public policy in favor of renewable energy, and to educate and inform the residents of Montana of the benefits and uses of renewable energy. Our vision is a Montana powered by the sun, wind, and earth. MREA has three core programming areas: education and outreach, policy and advocacy, and industry engagement.

Your impact
MREA is a small, but effective, organization that is a leading voice for renewable energy education and advocacy in Montana. Our success has come from the support and dedication of our Board, staff, members, and volunteers. This internship is an opportunity to have a direct impact for an organization working to shape Montana energy policy while learning about the Montana energy policy landscape.

Position Overview
MREA seeks a student intern to conduct research to support our policy and advocacy programs. Student will report to the MREA Executive Director, and may have opportunities to engage with MREA’s Policy Committee. Research topics will focus on issues affecting small scale and distributed generation resources, such as net metering. Specific research topics will be discussed during initial meetings with MREA staff.

Deliverables:
The student may investigate several different policy topics, and a brief summary report for each topic will be due by May 1. Interim reports, informal updates, and other deliverables will be determined during initial meetings with MREA staff.

Desired Qualifications:
- Interest in renewable energy, and renewable energy policy
- Strong research skills
- Strong communication skills
- Ability to work independently and stay on task
- Ability to synthesize information and write in a clear and compelling manner
- Previous experience in policy research or analysis preferred, but not required

To Apply
Please send a resume, cover letter, and at least 1 reference by January 24 to: info@montanarenewables.org.