

INVEST IN THE RENEWABLE ENERGY TRANSITION!



THE OTTAWA RENEWABLE ENERGY CO-OPERATIVE offers individuals an opportunity to invest in **community-owned local renewable energy** projects via its uniquely designed Preference Shares

Preference Shares (Class E) available NOW!

- 10-year term, annual dividend + return of capital
- Invest as little as \$500 in non-registered shares
- RRSP & TFSA eligible (min \$5,000)
- Read FAQs to learn more (pg. 3)

Over the past 11 years, OREC raised more than \$11 million to build and acquire 27 solar, wind, and energy efficiency assets. Steady returns are paid back to our investors as dividends and capital repayments.

OREC is currently developing projects to add more than 2 GW of clean energy capacity. Join us now to benefit from the clean energy transition!

Find out more in the FAQs on the next page!

JOIN OREC'S COMMUNITY OF 900+ MEMBERS



BECOME A CO-OWNER OF OREC'S PORTFOLIO OF LOCAL CLEAN ENERGY PROJECTS



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FAQs

What is OREC and how does it work?

OREC is a co-operative that gives members the opportunity to own local renewable energy projects in Eastern Ontario, as well as Bruce & Heron counties. We purchase and develop renewable energy projects, and finance them by selling preference shares to individuals. OREC has so far financed 22 solar energy projects and 2 wind turbines through this approach, producing steady, predictable returns.

Who can purchase Preference Shares?

Any resident of Eastern and Southwestern Ontario (>19) can become a member and purchase Preference Shares. A lifetime membership in the Cooperative can be purchased for a one-time fee of \$100. Our current investors range from retirees looking to diversify their portfolio to millennials making their first investment, and everyone in between.

How and when will I see returns?

Class E Preference Share holders will be entitled to receive an annual capital repayment and dividend beginning in 2025. These are typically issued December. Last year's dividend was 4%. While there can be no guarantee of what, if any, dividend will be paid, OREC is aiming to pay a dividend of

between 3.5% and 4% on these shares. All investors receive an investor statement when a dividend has been issued. T5s are issued for income tax purposes in February.

Can I invest through an RRSP or TFSA?

Absolutely! Preference Shares can be held inside a self-directed RRSP or TFSA offered through the Canadian Workers Co-operative Federation (CWCF). For more information on investing in these accounts, visit orec.ca/faq/.

What is the minimum investment?

The minimum investment in Preference Shares is \$500 (one share valued at \$500). Looking to invest within an RRSP or TFSA? The minimum investment starts at \$5,000 (10 shares valued at \$500). Thereafter, investors can purchase as little as one additional share.

How and when will my capital be returned?

5% of the capital contributed is returned annually commencing in the second year of the 10-year term. Capital will be returned alongside the annual dividend. The remaining capital outstanding (55%) will be repaid at the end of year 10. Each time shares are redeemed, the new share balance will be reflected in the member's annual statement. Dividends are earned on the remaining value of shares.

