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Chi Hi's Green Team Spearheads Solar Initiative to Power HOPE Village

In a bold step toward sustainability, the Green Team is leading an ambitious grant writing effort to secure funding from three key sources — the Energy Innovation Grant Program (EIGP), Solar for Good, and the Solar Moonshot initiative. Their collective aim is to install a cutting-edge 40kW photovoltaic (PV) system at [HOPE Village](#), a local homeless shelter comprising 11 tiny homes and a community resource center.

If successfully awarded, this comprehensive PV system will entirely fulfill the energy needs of HOPE Village, revolutionizing the shelter's environmental impact and operational efficiency. The Green Team's vision extends beyond energy generation; it aligns with a commitment to environmental stewardship and responsible community engagement.

Notably, the grant proposal includes provisions for an emergency backup battery system dedicated to the community resource center. This addition ensures uninterrupted power supply during emergencies, safeguarding vital services for the families relying on HOPE Village. This grant proposal marks a pivotal moment in HOPE Village's journey towards sustainability and resilience. If successful, the Green Team's efforts will not only illuminate the lives of those within the shelter but also serve as a source of inspiration for community-driven renewable energy projects.

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