

Published on *American Geosciences Institute* (<https://www.americangeosciences.org>)

Home > Vice President Biden and DOE announce funding for new SunShot Initiative

Vice President Biden and DOE announce funding for new SunShot Initiative

September 21, 2015

On September 21, Vice President Joe Biden in coordination with the Department of Energy (DOE) announced the creation of a new initiative to fund solar research and development in the United States. The SunShot Initiative within DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy will receive \$102 million in federal funding for new public-private partnerships and projects to make solar energy more affordable and accessible.

Under the new initiative, \$52 million will be made available to companies, non-profits, universities and national labs for partnerships to make solar energy more widely available. The rest of the funds will go toward new funding for solar photovoltaic research.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will also receive funds to help implement alternative farming systems for people living in rural areas and communities.

Sources: energy.gov
