I'D PUT MY MONEY ON THE SUN AND SOLAR ENERGY. WHAT A SOURCE OF POWER! I HOPE WE DON'T HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL OIL AND COAL RUN OUT BEFORE WE TACKLE THAT.

THE PARTNERSHIP

The Thomas Edison Birthplace is seeking a partner(s) with entities that, like them, want to demonstrate their commitment to renewable energy. Utilizing favorable tax and other advantages accruing to entities providing electrical energy derived from solar power, the Thomas Edison Birthplace is seeking a partner to provide solar power for the home.

Proposals shall include providing solar-derived electrical energy to the Birthplace, and may also propose conveyance to the proposer 1) naming rights for the solar system, 2) use of the Birthplace name in promotional and advertising materials, related to the proposer’s provision of solar power to the Birthplace; and 3) any other mutually beneficial partnerships or representations submitters might propose.

Expressions of interest, questions and proposals shall be sent to Ronald Cull at RCCull@frontier.com.

THE PROPOSALS

The quote by Edison at the top of this page couldn’t be anymore practical today, the goal is to implement Edison’s visionary statement at his actual birthplace. When implemented, 21st-century solar power at the Edison Birthplace will be used to both educate museum visitors and the public about solar power, and to reduce facility operating expenses.

Requests for proposals, as outlined above — or, in other forms with other provisions, as submitting parties might choose — will be accepted until October 18 (Friday), 2019. Review of received proposals will diligently progress, with selection and announcement of potential partners by October 31 (Thursday), 2019. With that announcement, the Birthplace will further discuss with announced proposal finalists the desire to agree upon a final contract with a to-be-selected, final party.

WHERE THE AGE OF INVENTION WAS BORN

Thomas Alva Edison, inventor of the phonograph, the incandescent light bulb, and many other devices that make our lives fuller and simpler, was born in Milan, Ohio, in 1847. The Edison Birthplace Museum features a collection of rare Edisonia, including examples of many of Edison’s early inventions, documents, and family mementos. The Birthplace is open February through December and is located at 9 North Edison Drive in Milan, Ohio (near Exit 118 of the Ohio Turnpike). Visit, learn about how this great man grew up and began the Age of Invention.

The Edison Birthplace was opened by his wife Mina and his daughter Madeleine as a tribute to the humble beginnings of a great man. The Edison Birthplace Museum is the only Edison site to have family involved, including great-grandchildren and a great-great-great-great niece on the Board of Trustees, and a great-great-great nephew as President.
PROPOSER(S) BENEFITS

The Thomas Edison Birthplace Museum will be offering the naming rights on this project, permission to use our brand in your company(s)'s advertising, and/or any other mutually beneficial arrangements. This could include cross promotion between the Birthplace Museum and your company(s). Physical advertising at the museum along with signage, social media collaboration and digital advertising may also be included.

Get a chance to show that your company(s) is(are) bringing solar power and renewable energy to where it all started, the birthplace of the world's greatest inventor. Proposals from individual entities or collaboration between entities such as a solar installer and a company interested in promoting it's "green" interest will be entertained.

SAMPLE PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

Sample Display/Sign:

(Your Name)
Edison Birthplace Solar Array Facility
Supplied by (Your Company)
Installed by (Installer Name)
Provides power for Birthplace and Office
With excess going to utility (Milan)

Sample Social Media Post

“I’d put my money on the sun and solar energy. What a source of power! I hope we don’t have to wait until oil and coal run out before we tackle that.”
- Thomas Alva Edison

THE THOMAS EDISON BIRTHPLACE IS NOW POWERED BY THE SUN THANKS TO "COMPANY NAME." VISIT WWW.COMPANYNAME.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION!
SOLAR SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS

- The maximum solar availability as measure with a “Pathfinder” appears to be along the South edge of array area between lot 57 & 58.
- Lots 57 & 58 and “road” are platted but have never been developed. Access to array and array area need to be cleared and involve 4-8 downed trees (1’ to 2’ caliber), 3-7 small trees (4” to 8” caliper), brush, and weeds. Pushing material down the hill further is acceptable since the Edison Birthplace owns lots 57 and 58.
- There is approximately a 1’ to 4’ slope parallel to the “road” in the “road” and array area. Road may be graded to provide better access.
- Area at back of array and below are wet portions of the year, but can be drained by tile or surface channels further North to lower areas.
- Easement will be secured for crossing alley.
- Two electrical services are to be supplied.
- Temporary fencing required during construction to protect safety of visitors to the Birthplace.
- Scope of work to include all labor, materials, engineering and design, all fees and permits, site work, minimal landscaping, proof of insurance, and bonding.

SOLAR SYSTEM LOCATION

USAGE (2017-2019)