

## CLIMATE CHAMPIONS WINNERS OF THE ASHDEN AWARDS 2023

On 14 November 2023 [the Ashden Award announced the winners of the 2023 edition](#). Climate champions are driving radical progress in tackling the biggest climate challenges, fighting to transform energy, housing and agriculture in UK and Global South.

These winners are taking on the need to make 21 million UK homes more energy efficient and to transform British farming, responsible for 12% of the UK's territorial greenhouse gas emissions. They are also bringing clean energy to some of the 765 million people worldwide who go without power, creating new jobs and improving lives.

Winners range from businesses to non-profits and local authorities and [they were honored in a ceremony at the Royal Geographical Society in London on 14 November](#). Ashden Award winners receive grants, global publicity, and connection to funders, investors and partners that can help them create even more impact.

The 2023 Winners include the following projects:

[Power for All](#) in Uganda. [Power for All](#) project unites centralized and decentralized renewable energy companies to achieve faster and cheaper electrification, boost rural livelihoods, and end energy poverty.

[Husk Power Systems](#) in Nigeria. Through its Nigeria Sunshot initiative, [Husk Power](#) is building at least 500 clean energy mini-grids by 2026- supporting businesses, schools and hospitals, benefiting more than 2 million people, and displacing an average of 25,000 diesel generators.

[Burasolutions Solar Academy](#) in Nigeria. [Burasolutions Solar Academy](#) in Nigeria boosts skills and pathways to work for women and marginalised people, with support for innovation and entrepreneurship.

[Collectives for Integrated Livelihoods Initiatives \(CInI\)](#) in India. [Collectives for Integrated Livelihoods Initiatives \(CInI\)](#) is a non profit, supporting women in India's Central Tribal Belt to use clean energy to raise their incomes and become leaders in their communities.



[USAFI Green Energy](#) in Kenya. [USAFI Green](#) manufactures and supplies affordable, low-carbon cookstoves in Kenya's Kakuma Refugee Camp, creating work and improving health for displaced people and host communities.



[CERAF-Nord](#) in Cameroon. [CERAF-NORD](#) is a non-profit civil society organisation supporting communities around Benue National Park, and in the north of Cameroon, to restore degraded land through agroforestry.

[HACT](#) in the United Kingdom. [The Housing Associations' Charitable Trust](#) is originating carbon credits to unlock funds to support UK homes in need of retrofitting. Hact drives value in social housing by unlocking the potential for lasting, transformational change.



[FarmED](#), in the United Kingdom. Supported by Garfield Weston Foundation, [FarmED](#) is a Cotswolds not for profit showing regenerative agriculture in action, and working to transform attitudes to food and farming.

[Enfield Council and Thames21](#) in the United Kingdom. In North London, Enfield Council and environmental charity have protected communities from extreme weather by bringing new life to neglected waterways. [Thames 21/Enfield Council](#) - working with local residents, has restored rivers and created new ponds, woods and wetlands to build climate resilience in north London.



The Ashden website, in addition to the winners, also [presents the complete list of finalists for the 2023 Awards](#) with a sheet for each one that allows to know the salient characteristics of their innovations.

Ashden boosts climate innovation in the UK and Global South. Their support brings clean energy to villages and refugee camps, and fixes up cold and draughty homes. It makes schools more sustainable, and helps communities protect and restore the nature around them.



Ashden gives awards and grants, shining a spotlight on innovators, and connect them with new partners. They work with funders and policymakers to influence, inspire and raise ambition. Ashden supports good green jobs, better health and fairer societies. The annual [Ashden Awards](#) have been supercharging climate pioneers for over 20 years, and they run a growing range of networks and campaigns. Their [current strategic focus](#) is green jobs, skills and livelihoods – which have the potential to accelerate climate action around the world.



[The 2024 Ashden climate awards are now open for applications](#) to projects boosting green skills and training, tackling inequality and empowering communities. Winners receive funding grants of up to £25,000. The closing date to present applications is 25 January 2024 [The annual Ashden Awards are free to enter](#), and benefits for winners include a cash grant, access to funders, and a promotional film about their work. All finalists receive publicity and opportunities as part of the Ashden network. Ashden winners come in all shapes and sizes.

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