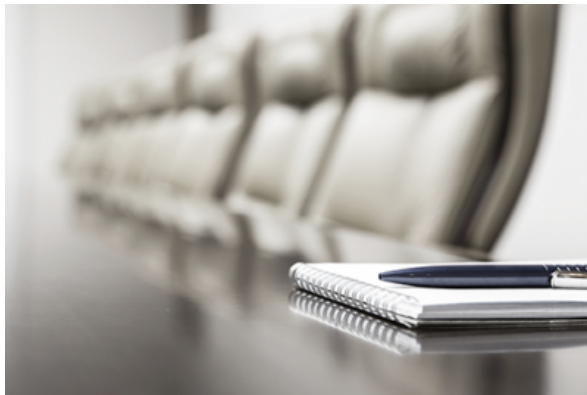




NEWS, EVENTS AND FEATURES

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***Individual members of NCBA CLUSA and employees of a Cooperative or Associate Member in good standing are eligible for election.***

# Nominations for NCBA CLUSA's 2020 Board of Directors are due February 14

Nominees interested in running to fill five seats on the 2020 NCBA CLUSA Board of Directors, which guides and inspires the organization, have until February 14, 2020 to complete and submit a [Nomination Form](#) along with the requested supplemental material to the Nominating Committee.

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# Cooperative Hall of Fame

May 6th, 2020  
National Press Club

For tickets and sponsorship options, visit [heroes.coop](https://heroes.coop)



*Drought conditions and extreme heat primed much of the continent for unusually extreme fire activity.*

## Help Australian co-ops get back in business with a donation to CDF's Disaster Recovery Fund

The bushfires in Australia have caused staggering human and environmental damage, impacting communities and the cooperatives that serve them.

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*Farmer-to-Farmer helps communities in developing countries improve their livelihoods, access new markets and conserve environmental and natural resources*

## Volunteer for one of these new Farmer-to-Farmer assignments!

NCBA CLUSA's U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)-funded Farmer-to-Farmer team is excited to announce three new volunteer assignments in Peru, with new assignments coming in Ecuador, Cambodia and Haiti.

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*The co-op is on track to exceed its goal of 70 percent renewables generation by 2030.*

## Hawaii co-op hits 100 percent renewables milestone

[Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative](#) reached a key renewables milestone recently, delivering periods of 100 percent fossil-fuel-free power generation for several consecutive days in December.

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*Delegates at the 2019 Platform Cooperativism Conference explored ways platform co-ops can compete in a landscape dominated by tech giants. [photo: Trebor Scholz]*

## Trust busting: Can tech giants be limited to give co-ops room to grow?

For co-ops and small- to medium-sized businesses in general, competing in a world dominated by corporate giants—with their huge lobbying power, ability to bid for contracts at scale and resources to develop new products—is a difficult task.

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*Vernon and Jack will discuss how the cooperative has helped communities to transition to clean renewable energy sources.*

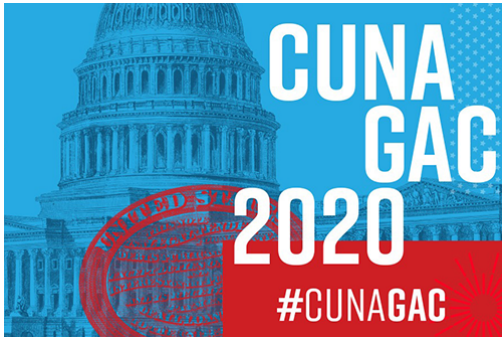
## Jack Barnett, co-founder and president of Clean Energy Co-op Inc, is this week's guest on Everything Co-op

Jack Barnett, a co-founder and president of the northeastern Pennsylvania-based [Clean Energy Co-op](#), will appear on [Everything Co-op](#) on Thursday, January 16.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### CUNA Governmental Affairs Conference

February 23-27, 2020  
Washington, DC



### 2020 Up & Coming Food Co-op Conference

March 6-7, 2020  
Madison, WI



### 2020 Cooperative Issues Forum

May 6, 2020  
Washington, DC



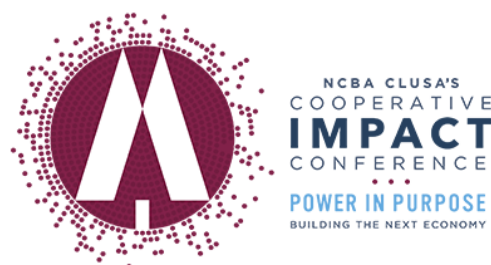
### 2020 Cooperative Hall of Fame Dinner & Induction Ceremony

May 6, 2020  
Washington, DC



## 2020 CCMA Conference

June 4-6, 2020  
Sioux Falls, SD



## 2020 Co-op IMPACT Conference

October 7-9, 2020  
Washington, DC

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