

# Inclusive Energy Innovation Prize

## Gemini Energy Solutions & Partners

### Greening HBCUs



**Short description:** Gemini is helping to build Black futures and healthier, wealthier, and more resilient Black communities. We do this by supporting energy equity and a just energy transition in Black communities. We're starting with one of the biggest anchor institutions in the Black community - HBCUs, where we educate ourselves and free our minds. In partnership with the HBCU Green Fund, Gemini conducted a survey of 10 HBCU students at the Atlanta University Center Consortium on their interest in, and confidence in their ability to, move into the clean energy industry. We also surveyed 40 Black high school students at the Climate Resiliency Center preview launch at Florida Memorial University, asking the same questions. Across both surveys, the response was the same - they have an interest in entering the industry, but they don't know how to do it. So, Gemini and our partners are showing them the way, through workforce development and building energy audits at HBCUs.

**Link to our three-minute, online video pitch:** <https://youtu.be/0h3dOST5pgg>

#### Team:

- **Team Lead:** Anthony Kinslow II, PhD, Gemini's Founder and CEO
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#### Other partners:

| HBCU Green Fund | Infiniblaze | OptimalTech | SynEnergy

**Your city and state:** *Washington, D.C.*



