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Jill Grey Ferguson is a PhD student in the Emmett Interdisciplinary Program in Environment and Resources. Jill is also the co-founder of LibertyHomes, a nonprofit dedicated to scaling inclusive utility investment systems with robust consumer protections that make home energy upgrades accessible to all people without credit checks, upfront cost, or debt. Prior to starting LibertyHomes, Jill was a Truman-Albright Fellow at the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy where she led the Rural Research Initiative. She has worked at the US Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy as a solar technology fellow and as a photovoltaic cell researcher at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Jill earned a bachelor of science in material science engineering from the University of Virginia.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- DOE IBUILD Fellow, Department of Energy (2021)
- Knight-Hennessy Scholar, Stanford (2021)
- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program, National Science Foundation (2021)
- C3E Women in Clean Energy Poster Award, C3E (2018)
- Truman-Albright Fellow, Harry S. Truman Foundation (2017)
- Truman Scholar, Harry S. Truman Foundation (2016)
- Rodman Scholar, UVA (2014)
- INTEL International Science and Engineering Fair Award winner, INTEL ISEF (2011)