
About Community Solar

Governor Phil Murphy signed the Clean Energy Act of 2018 directing the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities to establish a Community Solar Program. Community Solar refers to a local solar facility shared by multiple community subscribers who receive credit on their electricity bills for their share of the power produced. The purpose of Community Solar is to provide equal access to clean renewable energy for homeowners, renters and businesses alike. The model for Community Solar is becoming rapidly adopted nationwide and is considered the utility of the future.

Key Benefits:

- The community solar project will create enough clean energy to power approximately four hundred (400) homes annually.

- The power generated from the solar project will be sold to residents within the same municipality and adjacent municipalities.
- Subscribers purchasing the power will save at least 10% off the price of electricity supplied by the utility company.
- At least 51% of the power produced will be sold to low-income and moderate-income ("LMI") residents who will receive at least 15% off the price of electricity supplied by the utility company.
- There is no long-term contract for purchasing the power from the solar provider. Subscribers can cancel at any time.
- The power produced will be 100% clean, renewable energy, and will prevent an estimated 2,600 metric tons of carbon dioxide emission from entering the local atmosphere each year.
- Solar Landscape's job-training program, known as LAUNCH Solar, provides free career training to residents interested in the renewable energy trade.
- Solar Landscape will plant pollinators on the large grass section of the property with the help of local experts from Rutgers University, which will provide nutrition and habitat that bees and butterflies need to thrive and will make the property more attractive.

- Solar Landscape will cover the cost to install a new roof on the Church.
- The Church will receive substantial rent payments from Solar Landscape for hosting the solar facility, which will provide capital to further enhance the property and to support various Church programs (including plans for a pre-school and a children's theatre).