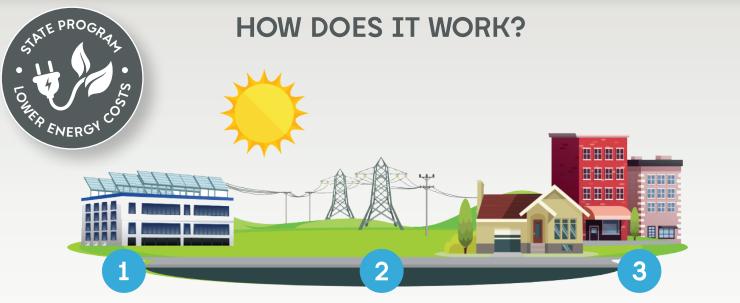
# **COMMUNITY SOLAR**

## **CLEAN AFFORDABLE ENERGY FOR ALL**



Solar panels are **installed on commercial properties** throughout New Jersey. These panels **send electricity** to the local electricity provider

Once enrolled in a community solar project, members receive a discount on the solar credits allocated to their utility bill.



**Lower Energy Costs** Discount off the portion of solar credited to your utility bill



Access for All Renters or homeowners can access solar <u>without installing panels</u>



200,000+

The program prevents 200,000+ metric tons of CO2 emissions a γear

### Go green for guaranteed savings!

Communitγ solar is a state program that allows NJ communities to enroll in the benefits of clean, solar energy <u>without</u> <u>installing panels.</u> Communitγ solar delivers energγ from solar panels located on nearbγ commercial properties to the local electric companγ. You enroll online and save moneγ while lowering γour carbon footprint!

Use the QR or link below to enroll sustainablejersey.com/communitysolar



Scan to learn more!

#### WHAT IF I DON'T WANT TO OR CAN'T PUT SOLAR ON MY HOME?

No problem! Under community solar, no solar panels are installed on your roof or property. In a community solar project, a utility customer can sign up as a subscriber to a solar installation sited elsewhere (on a building, landfill, brownfield, etc.) and receive a credit on their utility bill for the electricity created by the solar panels.

#### CAN I PARTICIPATE IF I AM A RENTER?

Yes, as long as you have a project in your area and the electric utility account is under your name, you can get community solar energy even if you rent or live in a high rise.

#### ARE THERE FEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM OR CANCEL?

Most projects in New Jersey do not have fees associated to enrolling or canceling your community solar subscription. The specific terms are stated in the Project Finder listing for a project and their subscription agreement.

#### WHAT ARE THE STEPS FOR SUBSCRIBING TO A COMMUNITY SOLAR PROJECT?

- Potential subscriber picks a community solar project to subscribe to. The project finder (<u>www.sustainablejersey.com/communitysolar</u>) allows potential subscribers to see projects that are serving their municipalitγ. Projects will varγ on their discount level, date of operation, billing options, capacitγ and other factors.
- 2. Subscriber will follow the associated website to reserve their spot on a project. Everγ developer has their own portal to enroll a household into their project. The usual information required to enroll in a project includes electric account information (utility login credentials or account number) and a form of payment (credit card/direct debit, etc.).
- 3. Your provider will then inform you when your project is energized or when you will receive your first community solar credit.

Most community solar projects are still under construction with several expected to be operational by the end of 2023. If you reserved a spot on a project, you would begin receiving community solar credits around 2–3 months after the projects are operational.

#### WHAT DOES THE BILLING LOOK LIKE?

Most projects will operate through a dual billing process where the subscriber receives their utility bill with a community solar credit offset and a separate bill from their community solar project for the cost of the community solar credit with their discount. Several developers have a summary bill process that allows the Subscriber Organization to summarize the utility and community solar bill into one to facilitate invoicing.

#### CAN I PARTICIPATE AS A THIRD-PARTY SUPPLIER CUSTOMER?

Yes, you are eligible for community solar even if you receive your electric supply from a third-party supplier. This also applies if you participate in your municipality's government energy aggregation program (or "GEA").