



Illinois Solar for All

Illinois Solar for All Overview

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What is Illinois Solar for All?

- Illinois Solar for All is a state program that brings the benefits of solar energy to income-eligible households, non-profit organizations, and public facilities.
- Eligible participants can receive affordable solar installations and save money on electric bills.



Why does the state offer Illinois Solar for All?

- Created by 2016 Future Energy Jobs Act (FEJA) and funding increased in 2021 Climate and Equity Jobs Act (CEJA).
- Illinois offers ILSFA to meet its renewable energy goals while expanding solar energy access to income-eligible communities.
- ILSFA ensures participants work with solar companies that use safe and fair business practices.



ILSFA Subprograms

- Residential Solar (Small)
- Residential Solar (Large)
- Non-Profit and Public Facilities
- Community Solar



Residential Subprogram Eligibility Requirements

- Solar is installed on-site, offset participant's electric load
- If there are multiple units, at least 50% of the building households must be income eligible, i.e., 80% or less AMI
- For five-unit and larger residential buildings, either 1) at least 50% of the units in the building must be verified as income-eligible, or the building must be demonstrated to meet the definition of "affordable housing" contained in the Illinois Affordable Housing Act, 2) the property qualifies for either U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Project-Based Vouchers or Project-Based Rental Assistance, or 3) the property qualifies for Income-Eligible Multifamily Energy Efficiency. The income qualification level required for participation in these programs is lower than income requirements for the Illinois Solar for All program.



Program Benefits

Occupants receive the value of energy produced by the installed system through:

- Net metering or avoided usage connected directly to individual participant meters; or
- Indirect benefits such as lowered rents, stabilized rents, or other benefits or services the value of which can be demonstrated by the property owner or manager

In addition, participants must see savings/benefits and upfront costs are not allowed in most cases



Program Access – Role of Approved Vendor

- Participants must work through an Approved Vendor to access ILSFA. The program does not allow households to install solar through non-qualified solar companies.
- All ILSFA projects are developed by Approved Vendors. Approved Vendors are vetted and approved by the Program Administrator and must meet rigorous program requirements, including quality workmanship, participant savings, and consumer protections.

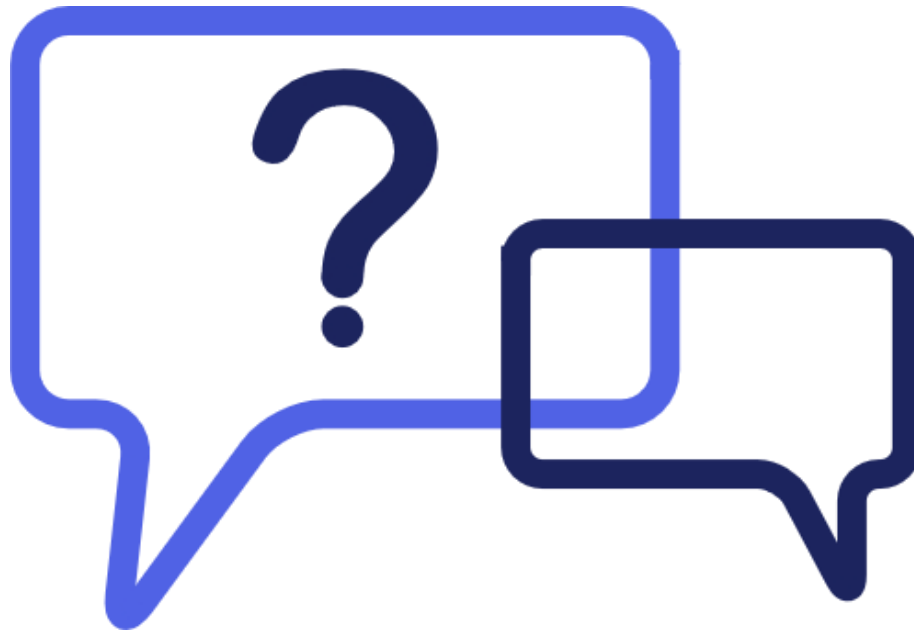


Steps to Participate

1. Think about good locations (new roofs with minimal shading)
2. Connect with an Approved Vendor. See: www.illinoissfa.com
3. Approved Vendor evaluates site and potential project
4. Approved Vendor submits project application to program
5. If awarded, Approved Vendor builds project



Questions?



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