

# Community Solar for Low-Income Households

# **What is the Oregon Community Solar Program?**

The Oregon Community Solar Program gives thousands of Oregonians new opportunities to go solar without needing to own a home, have a sunny roof, or make upfront investments.

Community solar allows many people to invest in a large offsite solar project and share the benefits. You subscribe to a portion of a project and then receive a credit on your monthly utility bill. There is a monthly fee, but for income-qualified participants, it will always be smaller than the credit.







You sign up as a subscriber to a local solar project.



The solar project generates clean, renewable energy for the utility grid.





You receive a bill credit for your portion of the solar energy generated and pay a subscription fee on your monthly utility bill. The credit covers the subscription fee and can save money on annual electricity costs.

#### What are the benefits?



It's good for the planet. When you power your home with clean, renewable energy from the sun, you help reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well as air and water pollution. Your subscription helps create new projects that wouldn't exist otherwise.

#### It's minimal risk.

Income-qualified participants have no up-front costs or termination fees and can still be investors with the same benefits as rooftop solar.





It's accessible. Community solar is a great option for renters and other customers who want to use clean energy but may not have an ideal roof, or the ability to invest in a rooftop system.



**It's local.** You are investing in projects that are located within Oregon and in your utility territory, supporting clean energy jobs.

## Who can participate?

Most Oregon customers of Portland General Electric, Pacific Power and Idaho Power are eligible to participate in the Oregon Community Solar Program. Participants can be residents, businesses, nonprofits or government entities. You can live in any kind of home, rent or own.

## **Income Qualifications**

Low-income participants have additional protections to minimize risk and create more stable benefits. You must be a qualifying utility customer and have a gross income at or below 80% state median income.

#### **Income Qualification Chart\***

Household Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$44,569	\$3,714.11
2	\$58,283	\$4,856.89
3	\$71,996	\$5,999.67
4	\$85,709	\$7,142.44
5	\$99,423	\$8,285.23
6	\$113,136	\$9,428.00
7	\$115,708	\$9,642.33
8	\$118,279	\$9,856.56
9	\$120,851	\$10,070.89
10	\$123,421	\$10,285.11
11	\$125,992	\$10,499.33
12	\$128,568	\$10,713.67

\*Effective October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024.
Amounts are for household gross income.

#### **Enrollment Process**



confirm your information and

connect you with the Project

Manager to sign your contract.



# Interested in participating?

Contact Community Energy Project, the program's Low-Income Facilitator:

Community Energy Project 971-544-8718 solar@communityenergyproject.org

If you exceed the income qualifications, you can still subscribe to a community solar project by signing up directly with a project manager. For more information, visit www. oregoncsp.org.

Participation in the Oregon Community Solar Program allows customers to offset their energy usage with electricity generated from a certified community solar project. The Oregon Community Solar Program is a state-enabled initiative overseen by the Oregon Public Utility Commission.