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Fort Collins Utilities' Renewable Energy Programs Update

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Fort Collins Utilities offers solar incentive programs along with ongoing energy efficiency initiatives. Learn more about our programs at fcgov.com/renewables. If you're not already on our contact list, email utilities@fcgov.com and request to be added to our solar program distribution list.

2016 Small PV Rebate Incentives

Initial 2016 funding for solar rebates totals \$375,000 for approximately 160 residential and 12 commercial systems. The rebate amount is \$0.50/DC-Watt up to 3kW for residences and 20kW for businesses. Updated information and application forms are posted at fcgov.com/solar-rebates.

Efficiency Works Home Efficiency Loan Program (HELP)

Utilities offers low-cost financing for energy efficiency, solar PV and water conservation loans allowing Utility customers to conveniently repay the loan on their monthly utility bill. Loans up to \$15,000 can cover up to 100% of the project cost. Visit fcgov.com/financing for more information.

Community Solar

The community solar project built on the Dreher Pickle Plant site (Riverside and Mulberry) is now operational and 99% subscribed. This 620kW pilot project developed by Clean Energy Collective LLC provides additional renewable energy options for Utilities customers who want the benefits of solar ownership without the construction and maintenance of a system on their own premises. It also benefits those who can't install onsite due to rooftop shading as well as rental homes and customers who live in an apartment or condominium. Participating customers receive solar energy credit on their utility bills and take advantage of rebates and tax incentives, while also having the flexibility of selling their system, or taking energy credits with them if they move within the utility territory.

For more information see FortCollinsCommunitySolar.com or contact Clean Energy Collective at 720-623-0586

Fort Collins Commercial Solar Power Purchase Program

14 sites totaling 3.7MW in the Fort Collins Solar Power Purchase Program (SP³) are now operational. The objective of the SP³ is to procure new locally installed solar capacity to help meet the community's renewable energy commitments under the Colorado Renewable Energy Standard (RES). These projects are located on a commercial customer's property with Utilities purchasing the electric output of the project under an extended contract.

Green Energy Program

The Green Energy Program continues to offer customers the option to voluntarily subscribe to purchase clean, renewable energy for an additional 2.4 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh). This option is for customers who are willing to pay a little more for their electricity to guarantee that it comes from clean energy sources. Learn more at fcgov.com/green-energy.

Fort Collins Renewable Energy Goals

City Council adopted the 2015 Fort Collins Energy Policy on December 15. The policy includes goals of a minimum of 20% of total electricity, with 2% from local projects, to be from renewable sources by 2020.

Climate Action Implementation Planning

The City adopted a revised Climate Action Plan (“CAP”) in Spring 2015. A City task force of multiple strategic initiative teams, including citizen members, is currently defining a working plan for near term and longer term priorities to meet the CAP goals. This plan will be presented to City Council in early March. For more information see <http://www.fcgov.com/environmentalservices/climateaction>

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