



# **Impact of Direct Pay: How a Washington Church Installed Resilient Solar+Storage**

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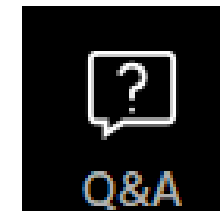
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# The Resilient Power Project Impact: 2013 - 2024

**\$2 million in  
Grants Awarded**



**200 Community  
Service Partners**



**380 Community  
Facilities**





# Resilient Power Leadership Initiative

Building community-based capacity for more energy resilient communities.



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*Impact of Direct Pay: How a Washington Church Installed Resilient Solar+Storage*



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# IMPACT OF DIRECT PAY: HOW A WASHINGTON CHURCH INSTALLED RESILIENT SOLAR+STORAGE

MAY 20, 2025 @ 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET



**Eric Walker**

Church Council Chair

Vashon United Methodist Church

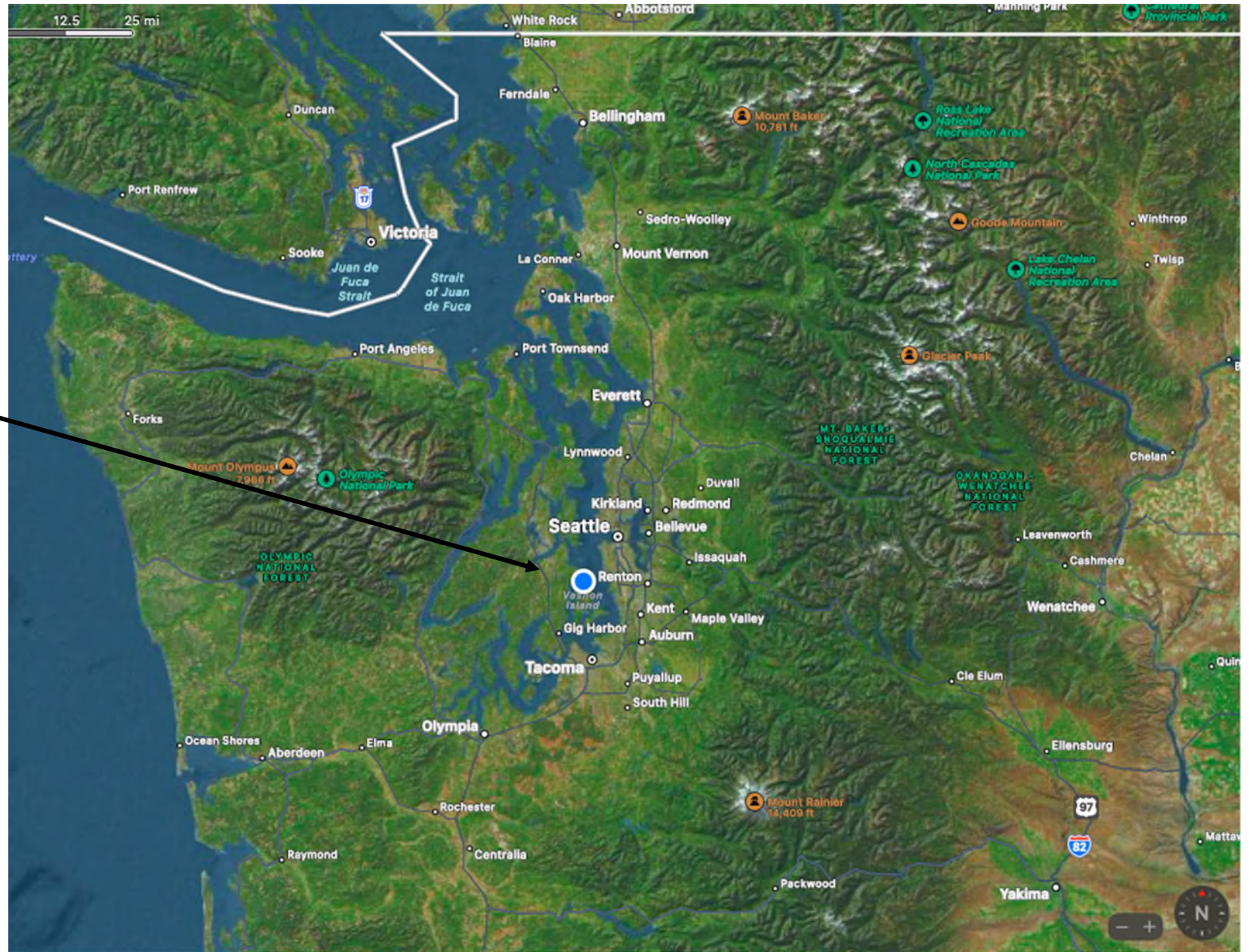
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Where in the world  
is Vashon United  
Methodist Church?







### Vashon Island

- Population 11,000
- Mostly rural
- No bridge, north & south end ferries

### Vashon UMC

- Average worship attendance: 31
- 2024 budget: \$161,805





Washington State has special context. First, it has state controlled \$.

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# CLIMATE COMMITMENT ACT

## VASHON-MAURY ISLAND BEACHCOMBER

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### NEWS

## Methodist Church wins a state grant for solar power

All the projects funded will provide clean backup power for critical community needs during power outages.

By [Elizabeth Shepherd](#) • October 4, 2023 1:30 am



Solar panels to be installed to power Vashon Methodist Church's sanctuary building will be placed on its one-story education building (right) and on the church's parsonage (Courtesy Photo).

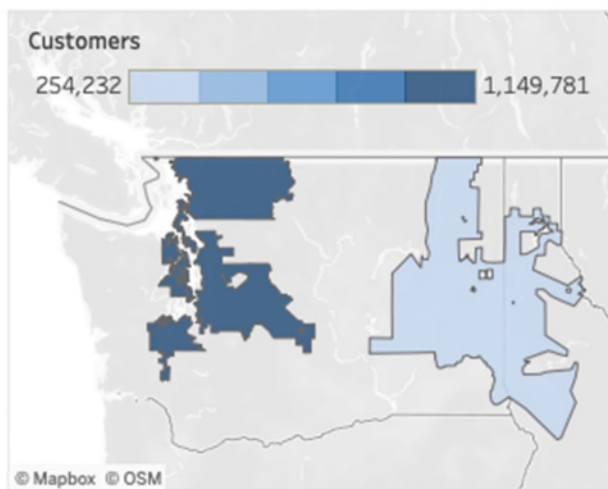


Second, it has lots of hydropower, so carbon footprint gain by going solar is limited, unless...

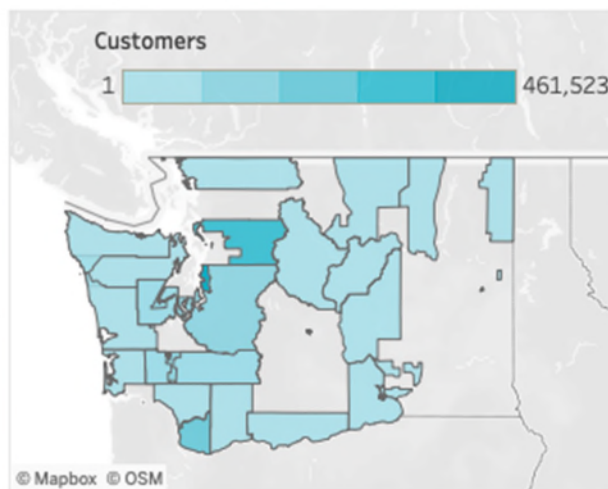
## Washington State Electric Utilities Overview: 2018

Colors indicate utility ownership type

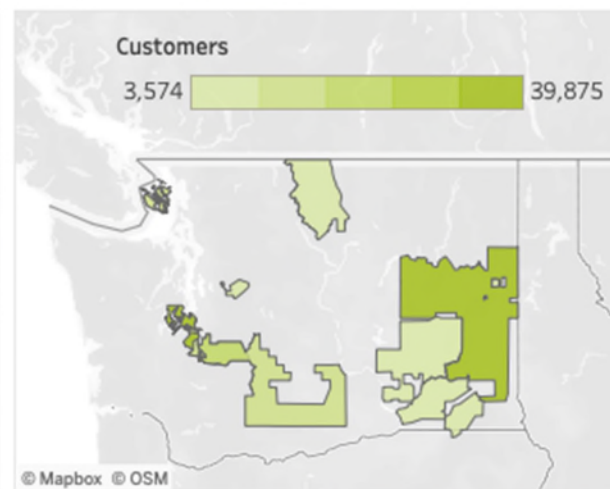
Investor-owned Utilities



Municipal Utilities and PUDs



Cooperative Utilities



### Top 15 Utilities Ranked by Number of Customers



Data Sources: <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia861/>; Electric Retail Service Territories are defined based on 2018 data from the HIFLD: <https://hifld-geoplatform.opendata.arcgis.com/datasets/geoplatform::electric-retail-service-territories-2>; 2018 rate data for WA Electric Utilities was provided by WA Department of Commerce in July, 2020: "WA Emissions Rate Detail - 2018 Estimate updated - expanded data Apr 27."



Why did we pursue reducing our carbon footprint?



The Creation Justice Movement is emerging at this *kairos* moment to connect and support groups within the United Methodist Church and beyond for the work of creation care, justice and regeneration.



## NET-ZERO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS (PCH PETITION #15)

### Annual Conference 2023

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church pledges to achieve net-zero emissions by 2040 across ministries, facilities, operations, and investments to leverage the gifts of our connection, putting equity and justice at the center as we build a net-zero emission economy by 2040, and to encourage local churches to pledge to increase the energy efficiency of their church buildings and parsonages by 50% by 2030.



# What were we trying to accomplish?

From our grant proposal:

This project of Vashon United Methodist Church (VUMC) has two primary objectives:

- 1) ***VUMC seeks to make our church building, a centrally located building near Vashon town center, available to vulnerable populations without access to power and services during periods of outages.*** By providing a heated place with ample room and food preparation facilities, and by coordinating with local service providers during power outages, the project will create a 24/7 supported facility for those in need during those outages.
- 2) ***VUMC seeks to substantially reduce its carbon foot print*** by converting the electrical power from pure PSE grid to PSE grid plus solar panel (net metering) with storage battery backup. A greener carbon footprint would accrue to the social service agencies using the space on a regular basis.



What does our project look like?







Note: If your solar system is part of the utility grid and does not have storage batteries, your solar panels cannot function when the grid goes down.



# How did we pay for it?



\$125k bridge loan to cover timing issues - grant reimbursement payments and waiting for Elective Pay process

## TOTAL POWER

30,000 WATTS [30KW Solar Panels (82) + 81kWh TESLA POWERWALL+ (6)]

## ANNUAL SOLAR ENERGY PRODUCTION

33,089 KWH/YEAR

<b>SYSTEM COST:</b>	\$ 200,279.49
<b>SALES TAX:</b>	\$ -
<b>REFERRAL DISCOUNT:</b>	\$ (500.00)
<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>	\$ 199,779.49 *

<b>30% FEDERAL TAX CREDIT:</b>	\$ (59,933.85)
<b>TOTAL SYSTEM COST:</b>	\$ 139,845.64



**Elective Pay Eligible Tax Credits**



Washington State  
Department of  
**Commerce**

**Solar plus Storage for Resilient Communities**

Other Costs	
New roof Ed Bldg	\$ 27,000
Cleaning parsonage roof	\$ 1,000
Shed for batteries	\$ 1,500
Interest on bridge loan	\$ 5,000
	\$ 34,500

VUMC Capital Fund

* Solar vs Storage Cost	
Solar	\$ 79,912
Storage	\$ 119,867
	\$ 199,779



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With our partners, we have the beginnings of a “resilience hub”, and are working to expand what we offer.

**A resilience hub** is a trusted, community-serving facility that support communities in everyday life and before, during, and after an emergency.

Key components are:

- a trusted, community-serving organization,
- a building, and
- the ability to assist during an emergency.

These organizations help people meet their critical everyday needs by providing resources, services, and information.





# Resilience Hub collaborators





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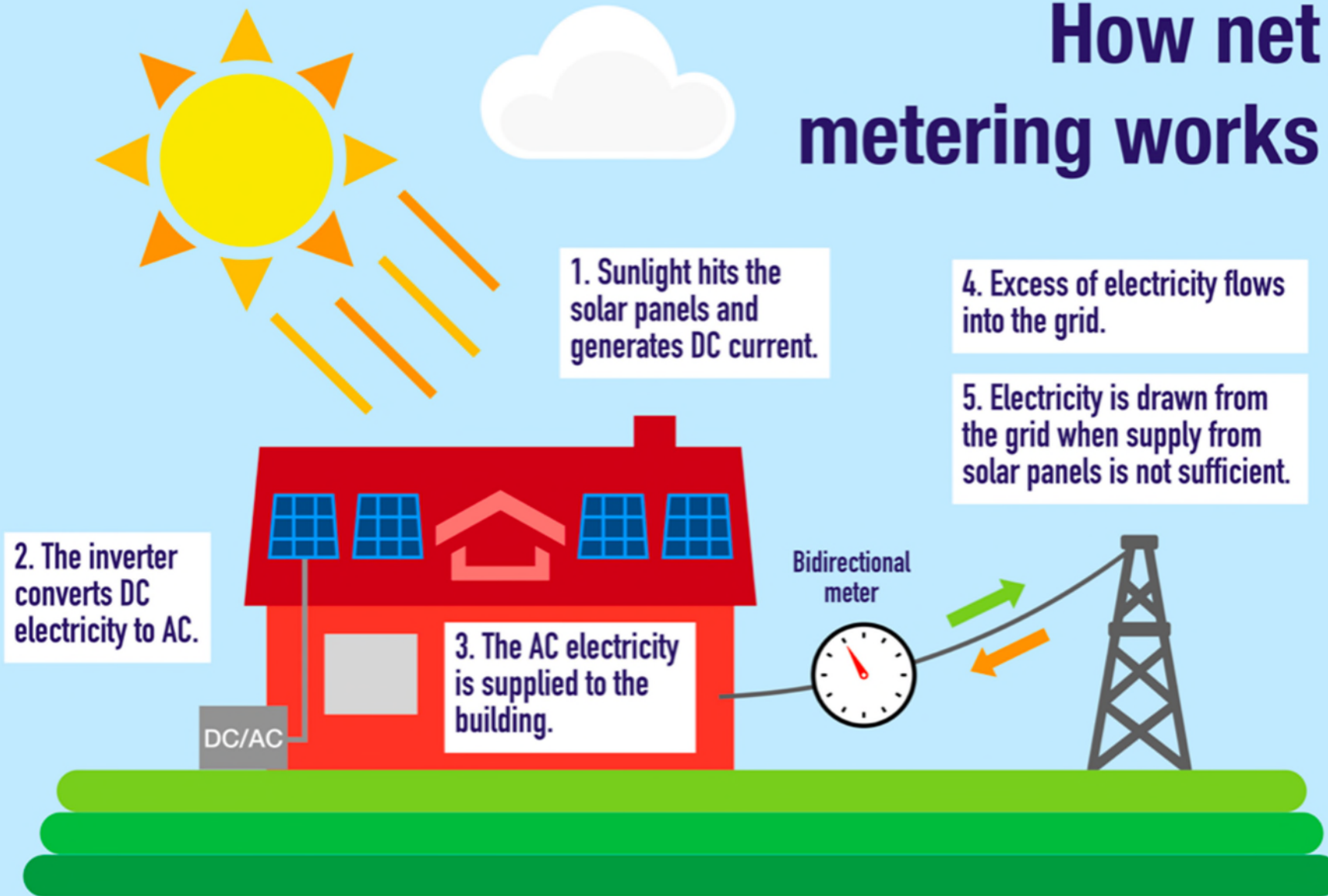
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# How net metering works



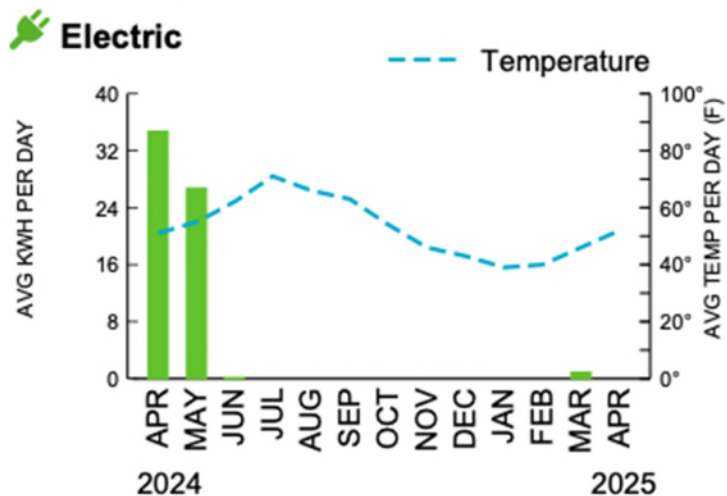
# Vashon UMC April Electric Bill

System went live in June Page 3 of 3

Your Electric Charge Details (32 days)		Rate x Unit		=	Charge
0 kWh used for service 3/29/2025 - 4/29/2025					
Basic Charge	\$10.21	per month		\$	10.21
Net Electricity					
Electric Energy Charge (3/29/2025 - 3/31/2025)	0.144173	0 kWh			0.00
Electric Energy Charge (4/1/2025 - 4/29/2025)	0.140973	0 kWh			0.00
Electric Cons. Program Charge	0.005352	0 kWh			0.00
Power Cost Adjustment	0.002921	0 kWh			0.00
Other Electric Charges & Credits					
Merger Credit	0.000000	0 kWh			0.00
Federal Wind Power Credit	0.000000	0 kWh			0.00
Renewable Energy Credit	0.000000	0 kWh			0.00
Subtotal of Electric Charges					10.21
Taxes					
State Utility Tax (\$0.40 included in above charges)	3.873%				
Current Electric Charges					\$ 10.21

Basic charge only

## Your Usage Information



	Last Year	This Year
Average daily kWh	34.69	0.00
Average daily cost	\$4.68	\$0.32
Days in billing cycle	29	32
Average temperature	51°F	52°F

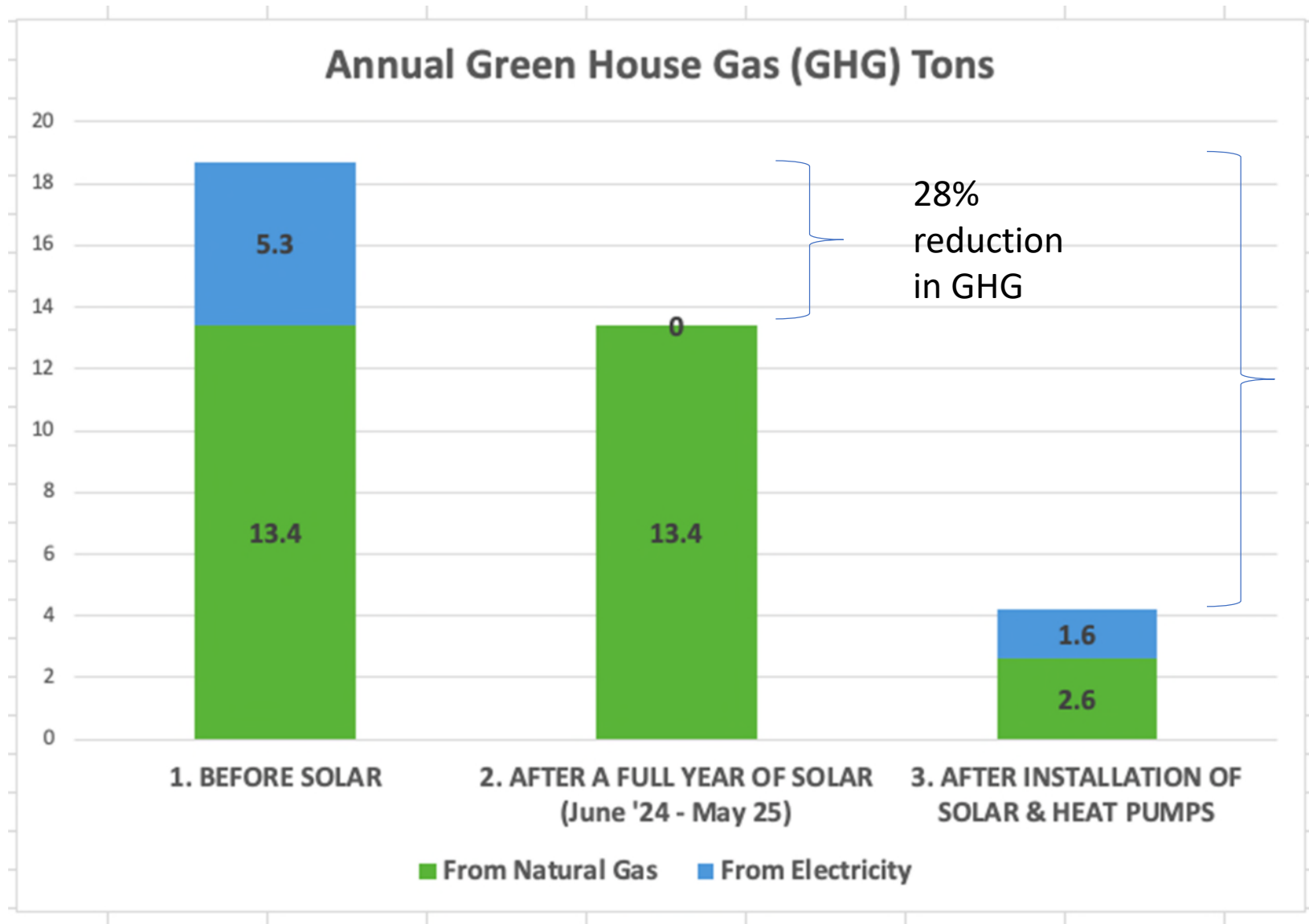
## Your Net Meter Banking Information

Net meter prior period bank total	0 kWh
Current period bank added	1,084 kWh
End bank total	1,084 kWh

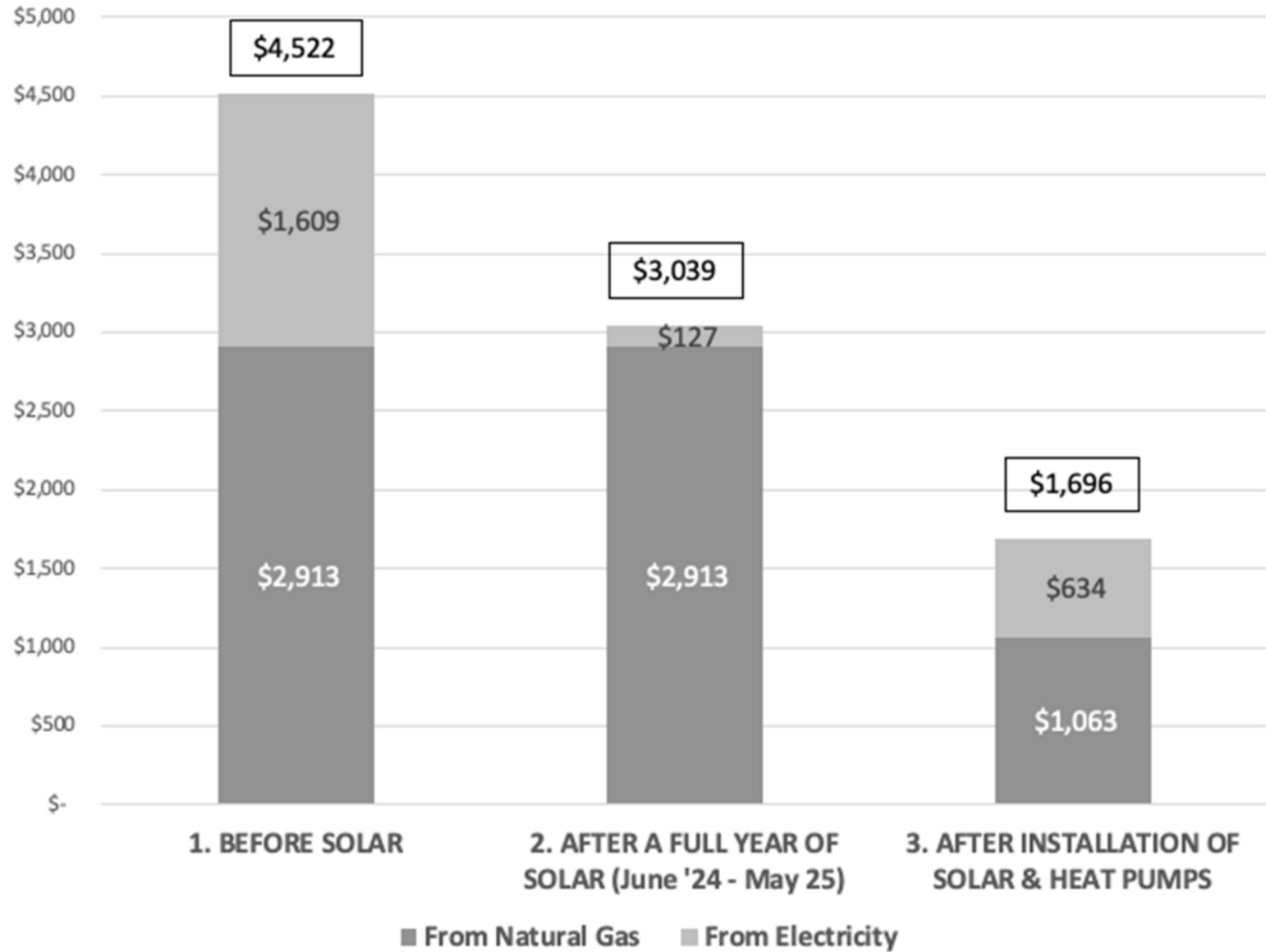
One month's excess generated so far  
(bank resets March 30)

NOTE: Banked amount is deducted when kWh used exceeds kWh returned. Bank gets added when kWh returned exceeds kWh used. Under the terms of Schedule 150 the banked credit is reset to zero kWh at the end of March.





## Annual Electricity/Gas Costs





# 30KW - SIL-500-HM - 81kWh TESLA POWERWALL+

**TOTAL POWER**

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**ANNUAL SOLAR ENERGY PRODUCTION**

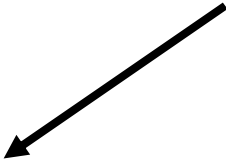
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**Elective Pay Eligible Tax Credits**



There are 4 basic steps:



*But each one has lots of details.*





## Clean Energy Tax Incentives: Elective Pay Eligible Tax Credits

The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 ("IRA") makes several clean energy tax credits available to businesses; tax-exempt organizations; state, local, and tribal governments; other entities; and individuals. The IRA also enables entities to take advantage of certain clean energy tax credits through its elective pay provision (also colloquially known as direct pay). Elective pay allows several types of entities, such as tax-exempts and governments, to treat the amount of certain credits as a payment against tax on their tax returns and as a result receive direct payments for certain clean energy tax credits.

### Tip #1

Figure out and remember your tax credit category. You will need it later.

#### Tax Provision

#### Description

**Production Tax Credit for Electricity from Renewables** (§ 45, pre-2025)

**For production of electricity from eligible renewable** small irrigation, landfill and trash, hydropower, marine and wind energy.  
**Credit Amount (for 2022):** 0.55 cents/kilowatt (kW); (1/10th of 1 cent per kWh) for landfill gas, and trash); 2.75 cents/kW if Prevailing Wage

**Clean Electricity Production Tax Credit** (§ 45Y, 2025 onwards)

**Technology-neutral tax credit for production of clean electricity** from construction and are placed in service after 2024.

**Credit Amount:** Starts in 2025, consistent with credit amounts under section 45 <sup>1,2,3,6,7</sup>

**Investment Tax Credit for Energy Property** (§ 48, pre-2025)

**For investment in renewable energy projects** including fuel cell, solar, geothermal, small wind, energy storage, biogas, microgrid controllers, and combined heat and power properties

**Credit Amount:** 6% of qualified investment (basis); 30% if PWA requirements met <sup>1,4,5,6,8</sup>

**Clean Electricity Investment Tax Credit** (§ 48E, 2025 onwards)

**Technology-neutral tax credit for investment in facilities that generate clean electricity** and qualified energy storage technologies. Replaces § 48 for facilities that begin construction and are placed in service after 2024

**Credit Amount:** 6% of qualified investment (basis); 30% if PWA requirements met <sup>1,4,5,6</sup>

Investment Tax Credit for Energy Property

There are 4 basic steps:





<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p5884.pdf>

# **Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and CHIPS Act of 2022 (CHIPS)**

Pre-Filing Registration Tool

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User Guide and Instructions



## Tip #2

Read this User Guide very carefully and follow the instructions verbatim!

## Tip #3

Find out if your church has ever filed with the IRS (e.g. Form 990) so that your tax accounting year has been elected.

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## Section 48, Energy Credit

### Supporting Documents

In general, supporting documents would include brief documents such as:

- Proof of ownership of the facility/property with respect to which the credit is computed.
- Construction permit showing commencement of construction.
- Permits to operate from utility (only if connected to the grid, or if not connected to the grid electrical permits to operate from an authority having jurisdiction).

### Tip #4

State tax notices can serve as ownership documents. Find yours.

Keep handy e-copies of permits secured during installation.

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201 South Jackson Street, Room 708  
Seattle, WA 98104

### OFFICIAL PROPERTY VALUE NOTICE

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ACCOUNT NUMBER: 322303-9023-06

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EVN CODE: 1DCD01

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

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KING COUNTY 98070

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2024 VALUE FOR TAXES DUE IN 2025

	APPRAISED VALUE		VALUE AFTER EXEMPTION
	OLD VALUE	NEW VALUE	
LAND:	464,300	464,300	0

MAIL DATE: 07/04/24

SEE BACK FOR APPEAL DEADLINE

MAILING ADDRESS:

There are 4 basic steps:



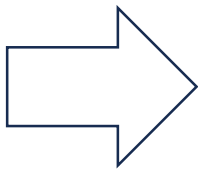


# What part of the 990-T and forms do we use?

## Reporting the Elective Payment Amount

A taxpayer that has taxable income may apply some portion (or all) of the IRA/CHIPS credit(s) earned as a non-refundable business credit. The amount of IRA/CHIPS credits remaining unused (which for tax exempt taxpayers may be the entire credit amount) is reported on the "Elective payment election amount" line on the tax return. For example, the elective payment election lines are found on the following commonly used forms at the lines shown:

- Form 1120, Schedule J, Part II, line 22,
- Form 1120-S, line 24d,
- Form 1065, line 29,
- Form 990-T, Part III, line 6g.



## Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and CHIPS Act of 2022 (CHIPS)

Pre-Filing Registration Tool

User Guide and Instructions



**Form 990-T** **Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return**  
(and proxy tax under section 6033(e))

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2023**

For calendar year 2023 or other tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, and ending \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990T](https://www.irs.gov/Form990T) for instructions and the latest information.  
Do not enter SSN numbers on this form as it may be made public if your organization is a 501(c)(3).

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**A** ☐ Check box if address changed.

**B** Exempt under section  
☐ 501(c) ( ) ( )  
☐ 408(e) ☐ 220(e)  
☐ 408A ☐ 530(a)  
☐ 529(a) ☐ 529A

**C** Book value of all assets at end of year \_\_\_\_\_

**D** Employer identification number \_\_\_\_\_

**E** Group exemption number (see instructions) \_\_\_\_\_

**F** ☐ Check box if an amended return.

**G** Check organization type ☐ 501(c) corporation ☐ 501(c) trust ☐ 401(a) trust ☐ Other trust ☐ State college/university  
☐ 6417(d)(1)(A) Applicable entity

**H** Check if filing only to claim ☐ Credit from Form 8941 ☐ Refund shown on Form 2439 ☐ Elective payment amount from Form 3800

**I** Check if a 501(c)(3) organization filing a consolidated return with a 501(c)(2) titleholding corporation ☐

**J** Enter the number of attached Schedules A (Form 990-T) \_\_\_\_\_

**K** During the tax year, was the corporation a subsidiary in an affiliated group or a parent-subsidary controlled group? ☐ Yes ☐ No

## Tip #5

Don't freak out. Hire a qualified tax accountant/advisor.

Make sure their filing software allows these forms to be e-filed. Attached pdf's will not be accepted.

This is where you will need your tax credit category #.

**Form 3800** **General Business Credit**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2023**

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form3800](https://www.irs.gov/Form3800) for instructions and the latest information.  
You must include all pages of Form 3800 with your return.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name(s) shown on return \_\_\_\_\_

**A** **Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax (CAMT) and Base Erosion Anti-Abuse Tax (BEAT).** Are you both (a) an "applicable corporation" within the meaning of section 59(k)(1) for the CAMT, and (b) an "applicable taxpayer" within the meaning of section 59A(e) for the BEAT? See instructions. ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Part I** **Current Year Credit for Credits Not Allowed Against Tentative Minimum Tax (TMT)**  
Go to Part III before Parts I and II. See instructions.

1	Non-passive credits from Part III, line 2: combine column (e) with non-passive amounts from column (g). See instructions	1
2	Passive credits from Part III, line 2: combine column (f) with passive amounts in column (g). See instructions	2
3	Enter the applicable passive activity credits allowed for 2023. See instructions	3
4	Carryforward of general business credit to 2023. See instructions for statement to attach. Check this box if the carryforward was changed or revised from the original reported amount <input type="checkbox"/>	4
5	Carryback of general business credit from 2024. See instructions	5
6	Add lines 1, 3, 4, and 5	6

**Part II** **Allowable Credit**

7 Regular tax before credits: \_\_\_\_\_

**Form 3468** **Investment Credit**

OMB No. 1545-0155

**2023**

Attach to your tax return.  
Go to [www.irs.gov/Form3468](https://www.irs.gov/Form3468) for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name(s) shown on return \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I** **Facility Information** (see instructions)

**A** Check this box if you have petitioned for provisional emission rates and have also received written approval from a certified third-party verifier or a letter from the IRS ☐

**1** Description of the facility: \_\_\_\_\_

**2a** IRS-issued registration number for the facility: \_\_\_\_\_

**b** Type of facility (solar, geothermal, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

**3** Location of facility, including coordinates (latitude and longitude).

**a** Address of the facility (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**b** Coordinates (if applicable). Latitude:           Longitude:            
Enter a "+" (plus) or "-" (minus) sign in the first box. Enter a "+" (plus) or "-" (minus) sign in the first box.

**4** Date construction began (MM/DD/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_



# There are 4 basic steps:



## Tip #6

Realize the payment will not come until the end of the process so make sure you have the cash flow to handle it or secure financing.



IRS forms are due no later than 5 months after the end of the accounting year.

Elective Pay pre-registration prepared up to “placed in service date” data field April 2024

Solar + storage system put in service May 2024

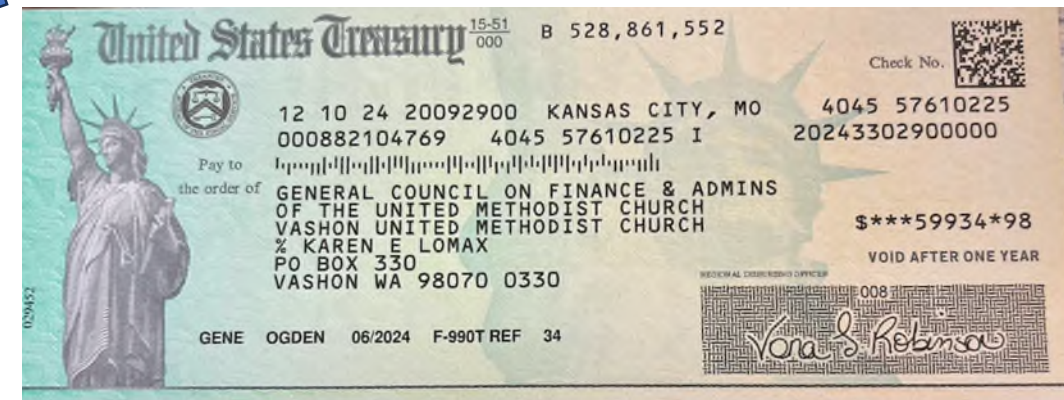
Elective Pay pre-registration completed and submitted June 2024

IRS issued Elective Pay Registration # August 2024

Forms e-filed October 2024 (Forms due December 2024)

Check cut December 10, 2024

Vashon UMC’s journey  
through the Elective Pay  
process.





# Inflation Reduction Act for Churches

## ...Direct Pay is Here...

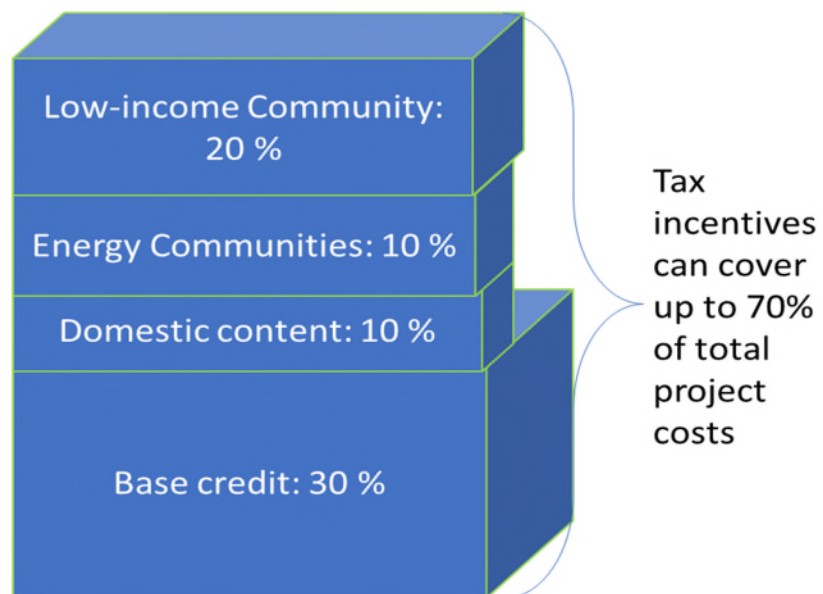


## Staking Up Clean Energy Tax Credit Bonuses

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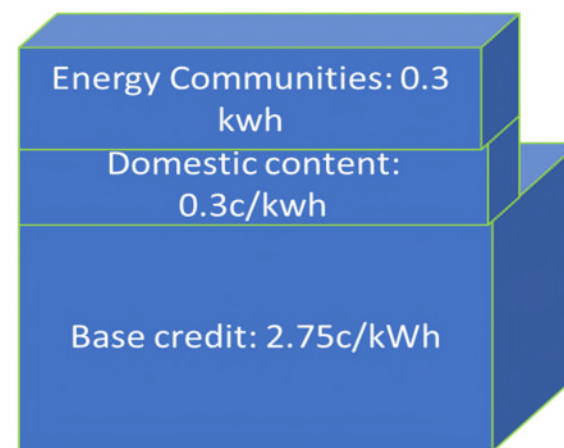
### Investment Tax Credit (ITC)

Nonprofits receive a tax incentive for every dollar invested in installing clean energy devices



### Production Tax Credit (PTC)

Nonprofits receive a tax incentive for every kWh generated by the clean energy devices over ten years



# The Power of Relationships

Washington Solar Plus Storage for Resilient Communities Grant Program

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ENERGY RESILIENCE SPECIALIST

MAY 20, 2025



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# We strengthen communities



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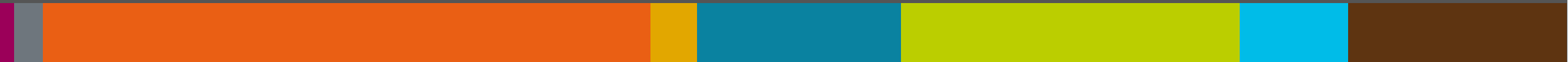


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# **Solar Plus Storage for Resilient Communities Grant and Technical Assistance Programs**





# Solar Plus Storage for Resilient Communities

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- Funded by State Legislatures in 2022
- Solar and battery storage in community buildings
- Enhance grid resiliency and provide backup power for critical needs during outages

# Grant Program

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- **Grant types:**
  - Planning and predevelopment work
  - Construction
- **\$36.7 million awarded**
- **104 projects**
- **3.7 MW DC solar**
- **17.6 MWh battery capacity**

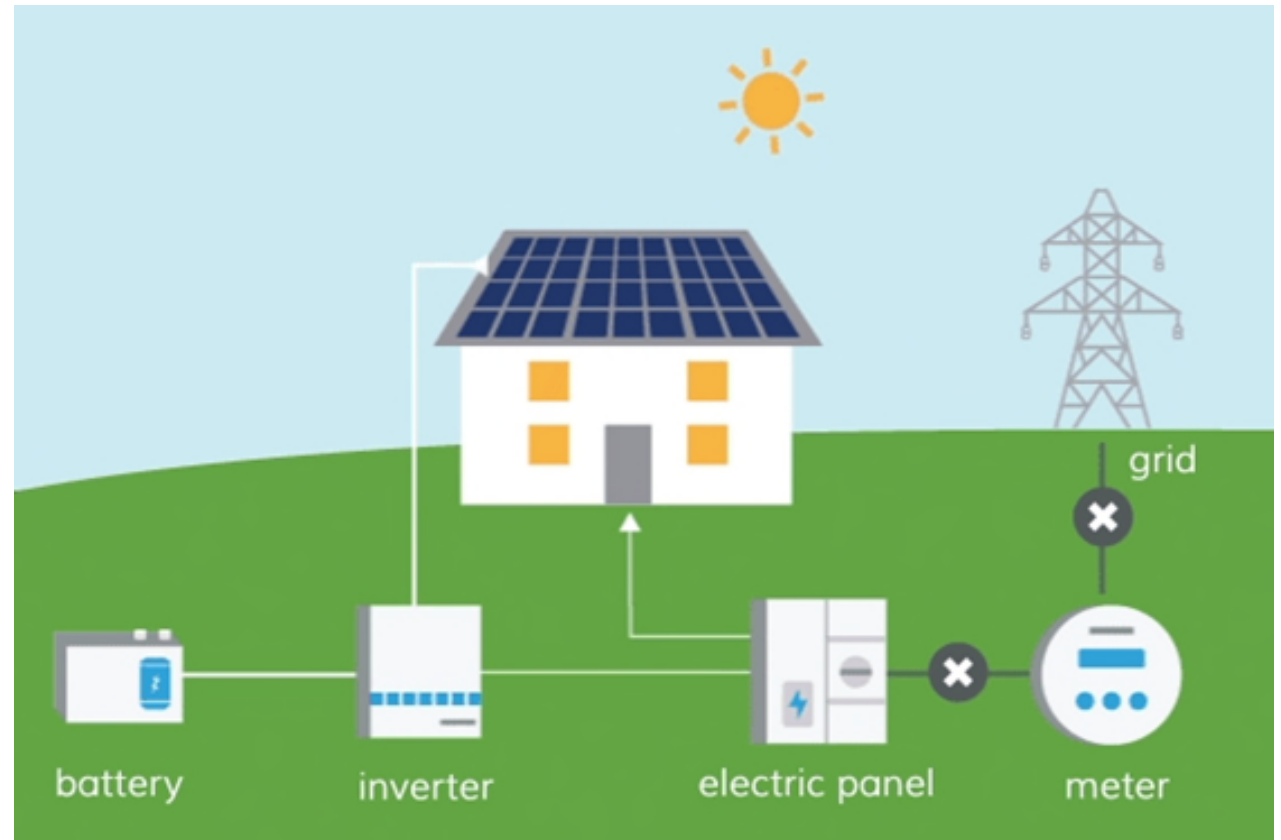


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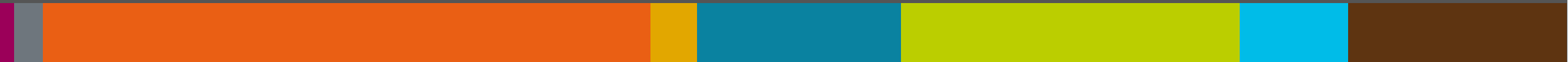
# Technical Assistance

- First of its kind
- 44 communities
  - Serving 18 counties
  - 5 tribes
- 45 solar plus storage feasibility studies
  - Provided at no cost
- Approx. \$70 million in viable projects
- 19 successful grants
  - \$12.2 million in funding awarded
- No longer available in this form



Source: [Blue Planet Energy](#)

# Available Assistance in Washington





# Washington Energy Resilience Technical Assistance Program

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- Provides direct technical assistance to communities to find the best energy resilience solution(s) for their community
- Possible outcomes from the technical assistance program
  - Community driven energy resilience plan
    - Sites identified
    - Community engagement
    - Energy systems assessed for best fit
  - Feasibility study determination
  - Funding sources identified
  - Grant applications

# Washington Energy Resilience Technical Assistance Program

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- Available to Washington communities at no cost
- Eligible communities:
  - Local Government
  - State Agency
  - Tribal Government
  - Tribal Affiliate
  - Non-Profit Organization
  - K-12 Education
  - Higher Education
  - Retail Electric Utility
  - For-Profit Organization



# Washington Energy Resilience Technical Assistance Program

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- Program began February 2023
- Serving 76 Communities
  - 10 Tribes
  - 16 local governments
  - 84% rural communities
  - 62% communities within or serving vulnerable populations
- Supporting over 80 individual projects
- ~\$88 million in viable projects
  - Supported communities in receiving ~\$30 million in grant funding



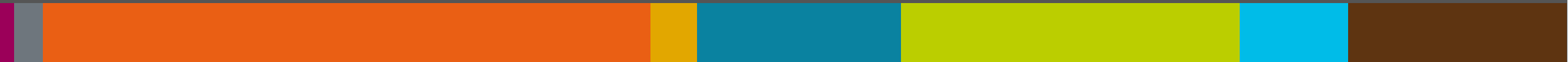
# Federal Clean Energy Tax Assistance Program (CETCAP)

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- **Free assistance filing Direct Pay clean energy tax credits**
  - Provided by Lawyers for Good Government, in partnership with the Washington Department of Commerce
- **Available to organizations located within Washington state**
  - Community-based organizations
  - Local government agencies
  - Ports
  - Housing authorities
  - Tribes
  - Others with questions about eligibility and accessing the tax credits
- **Organizations or entities serving underrepresented, overburdened, and/or vulnerable communities are prioritized**



**It's All About Relationships**



# Random Connection

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- Site visit request from county councilmember and county level department head to church
- Assistance request to Washington Department of Commerce community engagement specialist
- Information request about project from community engagement specialist to Washington Energy Resilience Technical Assistance Program
- TA program request to church to participate in Clean Energy Group webinar on Direct Pay
  - Introduction between church and TA program



# Ad-hoc Planning/Coordination

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- Vashon UMC referred another UMC to S+S4RC program
  - They found TA program
- Two other UMC independently found TA program
  1. Solar system for economic savings and GHG reduction
  2. S+S system for disaster resilience
- Seven faith-based organizations within TA program

# Call to Action

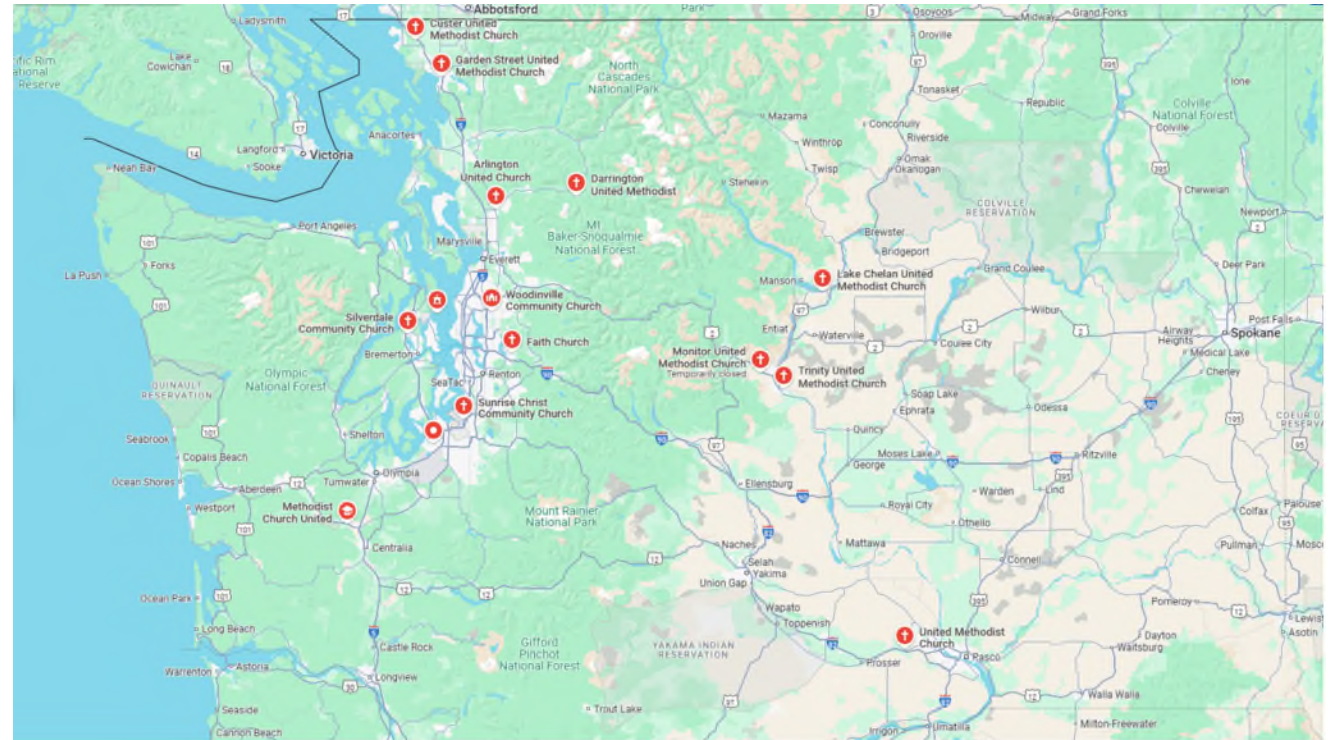
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- Now is the time to plan and organize
- Coordinated effort
- Success is easier for those ready to jump when the funding is available
- Resilience hubs need to be in every community

# Call to Action

- Approx. 180 United Methodist Churches in Washington
- Churches regularly play a large role in disaster recovery, sheltering, and mass care

*What could we accomplish  
with a statewide  
coordinated effort?*



Source: Google Maps



# Non-Washington Specific Resources

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- [Lawyers for Good Government Direct Pay Legal Assistance](#)
- [North Carolina Clean Energy Technology Center: Database of State Incentives for Renewables & Efficiency](#)

Source: Google Maps

# Thank you



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