



Helping Renters Save Through Shared Solar + Energy Efficiency



Solar hasn't been available to everyone

The majority of Angelenos, who are renters, have been excluded from the solar market and resulting savings. LADWP historically has lacked renter oriented solar programs. These barriers have resulted in disparities in who has access to solar energy, with Repower LA research showing less affluent areas like Boyle Heights receiving less than 1% of solar panel rebates. Yet a new program, Shared Solar is expected to be approved by the DWP Board on September 25th, will serve renters, create a more resilient grid, less blackouts, and good jobs.

What is Shared Solar and who qualifies?

- The pilot will be only for renters and will enroll 13,000 subscribers
- 10MW of solar panels will be installed on DWP and City property rooftops and parking lots
- It will cover the first 100 KW of a customer's bill, regardless of energy use at a fixed rate over 10 years. This means that as normal DWP rates rise, these subscribers will see some savings on their bill.
- The self-sustaining program will start in January 2019; DWP just allocated \$10 million more for the program for FY '19-20 in July
- A low-income rate will be available to income qualified customers (if federal and state grants are received), with more initial savings being possible if customers cross-enroll in energy efficiency programs

Maximizing Savings with Energy Efficiency

DWP also currently offers an energy efficiency direct installation program, called the Home Energy Improvement Program (HEIP) and is seeking to partner with the state on the Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWP). LADWP recently allocated more for its energy efficiency programming with \$100 million over five years in June to reach more multi-family ratepayers.

HEIP uses UPCT apprentices to install energy efficient lightbulbs, insulation, toilets, and more to residential customers, at no cost. There are also other complementary free LADWP programs such as AC tune up, Refrigerator Exchange, and the Low-Income Discount that can maximize additional bill savings for enrolled tenants.

