Clean Energy, Lower Bills:

Building Stronger California Communities

RENEWABLE AMERICA™

Many Californian families face two major challenges: rising energy bills, and the need for cleaner, healthier air.

At Renewable America, we address both. Our community-scale solar and storage projects deliver local clean energy while lowering electricity bills for income-qualified households. It's a model that supports climate goals and also makes day-to-day life more affordable — a true win-win for the communities we serve.

How Community Solar Reduces Energy Bill

(Without Having to Own a Roof)

Community solar lets households subscribe to a share of a local solar project and receive automatic credits on their electricity bill.

It's designed for renters, multifamily residents, and families who can't install rooftop solar, but want affordable clean energy.

Most importantly, families enrolled in these programs receive a guaranteed 20% bill discount.

What Are Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)?

Disadvantaged Communities (DACs) are census tracts identified by CalEPA as experiencing the highest cumulative environmental and socioeconomic burdens, measured through the CalEnviroScreen tool. Communities in the top 25% statewide qualify as DACs.

Why DAC Designation Matters

DAC designation unlocks state and federal incentives that ensure solar benefits flow to underserved communities, including:

- A 20% electric bill discount through programs like the Green Access Program
- Access to the federal Low-Income Communities Bonus Credit (+20% ITC)
- Priority evaluation through CCA procurement programs

These programs deliver economic relief and clean, local energy where it is most needed.

Completed Projects

Dos Palos Clean Power (DOSP)

- 4.29 MWdc solar installation on a 39-acre agricultural parcel in a disadvantaged (DAC) and low-income (LIC) community in Dos Palos, CA
- Supports one of California's most disadvantaged communities (92% CalEnviroScreen)
- Participates in Peninsula Clean Energy's Green Access Program, providing a 20% bill discount to income-qualified households
- Awarded an additional 20% ITC through the federal Low-Income Communities Bonus Credit Program
- Included site cleanup and removal of a fire-damaged structure
- Built with local union labor, including apprentices
- Developed and constructed in partnership with Radial Power

West Tambo Clean Power II (WEST-II)

- 2.93 MWdc solar installation across 8.5 acres in a disadvantaged (DAC) and low-income (LIC) community in Livingston, CA
- Provides renewable energy benefits to income-qualified residents in San José
- Awarded an additional 20% ITC through the federal Low-Income Communities Bonus Credit Program
- Built with local union labor and apprenticeship participation
- Developed end-to-end by Renewable America, including design, permitting, and construction
- Completed in partnership with San José Clean Energy

> *This additional solar power has the dual advantage of providing emission-free power to our grid and saving millions of dollars.*
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> *-Shawn Marshall (PCE CEO)*

More Community Solar on the Way

Renewable America solar projects currently in development, including those below, will expand access to discounted clean power for even more families across California:

Discovery Bay South Clean Power: 3.48 MWdc

North Belridge Clean Power:
6.96 MWdc + 19 MW hrs of battery storage

KING Kettle Clean Power*: 5.0 MWac / 7.02 MWdc

*recently shortlisted to the 2025 PG&E DAC GT Solicitation

Clean Energy That Makes Life More Affordable

Community solar is one of the most effective ways to help families lower their monthly bills while transitioning to a cleaner, healthier future. We're committed to expanding this win-win model: clean energy and real savings for the communities that need them most.

Learn More & Get Involved

Visit renewam.com to explore how community solar can support clean air, lower bills, and stronger communities.