

Shared Solar

Can't Have Solar? You're not Alone.

4 OUT OF 5 Connecticut residents can't install solar panels because they live in a condo, rent or have too much shade.

CONNECTICUT Needs Shared Solar

For years, Connecticut residents have paid some of the highest electric rates in the United States.

About 22,000 homeowners have installed solar and cut their electric bills—but for 4 out of 5 residents, solar savings are out of reach.

New York, Massachusetts, and other states have passed shared solar laws that allow everyone to save money, control rising electric rates, and help the planet. States with shared solar laws are attracting investment dollars, creating green jobs, and strengthening their economies.

Solar and other renewables are key to ending our dependence on dirty fossil fuels. These clean energy sources are now cost-competitive with conventional ways of generating electricity.

Connecticut is missing out.



Share the Sun

Harness your power. Demand solar access for all.

SOLUTION: Shared Solar

Shared Solar allows anyone with an electric bill to buy a portion of a larger solar array. Savings are automatically credited on electric bills. Shared Solar allows everyone to benefit from solar!

TOGETHER We Can Bring Shared Solar to CT

Bills to enable shared solar were defeated in 2014 and 2015. A small pilot program, approved in 2015, is way behind schedule.

But, we're still charging forward, building support town by town across the state for shared solar programs in Connecticut!

JOIN US

People across Connecticut want solar options now and are joining the [Share the Sun](http://www.ctenvironment.org/share-the-sun) campaign to win shared solar. Learn more at www.ctenvironment.org/share-the-sun.

Does your neighborhood, condo association or organization want to learn more about how they can benefit from shared solar? Feel free to send us your ideas at SharedSolar@ctenvironment.org.

Good for Our Wallets

- Lower electric bills
- Stable, predictable costs
- Technology that lasts

Good for Our Planet

- One home going solar equals:*
- NOT driving 14,800 miles/yr
 - NOT burning 600 gal. of oil/yr
 - Planting 159 trees per year

Good for Our Economy

- 2000 solar jobs in CT
- 500 jobs added since 2013
- Lower costs for businesses



Connecticut is in the **Dark**

We're losing jobs and opportunity

From as early as 2008, states around the country have been adding program after program for shared renewable energy.

MASSACHUSETTS
NEW HAMPSHIRE
MINNESOTA
HAWAII
MARYLAND
MAINE
CONNECTICUT?
OREGON
COLORADO
NEW YORK

Learning by Example

We can learn from our neighbors to cut our costs, increase job growth and save the environment from dirty fossil fuels.

There are many possibilities for locating shared solar arrays, such as on brownfield sites, open space, large commercial building roofs and parking lots.



MORE JOBS, MORE SAVINGS

The solar industry employs twice as many Americans as the coal industry and economies of scale will continue to make solar panels cheaper with each installation.

SOLAR IS SWEEPING THE NATION



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