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Mayor Noble Announces New Round of Community Solar Program

Income-eligible Residents May Save Up to 20% On Energy Bills

KINGSTON, NY – Mayor Steven T. Noble is pleased to announce that the City of Kingston is again partnering with local non-profit Mid-Hudson Energy Transition (MHET) to bring affordable, renewable energy to residents with Kingston Community Solar, an initiative that allows residents to subscribe to a local solar farm and receive utility bill credits.

With Kingston Community Solar project, a collaboration of MHET and PowerMarket, income-eligible participants can save up to 20% monthly on electricity, with no upfront cost, long-term contracts, or maintenance required and without the need to install solar panels.

“We are excited to partner with MHET to open this new round of the community solar program to our residents,” said Mayor Noble. “Kingston has long been a leader in sustainability, and this partnership ensures that the benefits of clean energy are reaching the families who need them most. It’s a win for our residents and for our environment.”

Kingston Community Solar prioritizes income-eligible households to join a shared renewable solar project, which pumps clean energy into the local power grid. Participants continue to receive electricity from Central Hudson and, as the solar project produces clean energy, receive credit on monthly electric bills.

“Families are getting crushed by skyrocketing electricity bills and a fossil fuel system that puts profit over people,” said Jasmine Graham, Executive Director of MHET. “Kingston Community Solar gives our community a real solution—lower bills, cleaner energy, and long-term relief. It’s one of the few ways people can consistently save money for decades while helping to move us off dirty energy. We’re so grateful to the City of Kingston for stepping up and making this possible.”

Enrollment is now open to Central Hudson customers. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

The City of Kingston is a leader in efforts to create a more energy-efficient and sustainable community. Kingston has taken a comprehensive approach to building a city that is equipped to meet modern challenges and embrace 21st century opportunities. The Sustainability Office manages the City’s environmental projects, initiatives, and programming, including energy, land use, climate adaptation and resiliency, transportation, recycling and environmental education. Current projects include Community Choice Aggregation, Organics Diversion, Community Preservation Planning, Waterfront Flooding Resiliency, Building Decarbonization and more. More information about the City of Kingston’s sustainability efforts at <https://kingston-ny.gov/sustainability>.

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Mid-Hudson Energy Transition (MHET) is a local nonprofit based in Kingston. Their mission is to help communities take charge of their energy future — by sharing in clean, renewable energy, making homes and buildings healthier, and building local wealth that stays in the community. MHET's work is community-centered and grounded in care. They partner with local organizations and prioritize inclusivity and transparency in every step of the process. By reducing energy burdens and investing in people-powered solutions, MHET helps create a more equitable and sustainable future for all. More information about MHET and their programs at www.mid-hudson.energy.