



Bay Area SunShares

Thanks for your interest in the Bay Area SunShares program! We're writing because you signed up to receive information about new programs that allow renters (or people with shading or roofing orientation issues that prevent them from installing home solar) to access more renewable energy from offsite wind and solar farms in California.

Listed below is a guide to programs throughout the Bay Area. See the program that encompasses your location for more information about how to enroll.

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CleanPowerSF

Service Area: San Francisco

About: CleanPowerSF is San Francisco's Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program, allowing the city to partner with PG&E to deliver clean energy to residents and businesses. The program is not-for-profit, and ratepayer funds will be reinvested locally in energy efficiency programs and new renewable energy facilities. PG&E will continue to deliver the renewable energy, maintain the power system, and send customers their monthly bill. Residents and businesses can choose from:

- Green: delivers 33%-50% renewable energy to the customer, with an initial target of 35%. Energy will come from local sources such as solar and wind facilities in California.
- SuperGreen: One step up from Green, SuperGreen delivers 100% renewable energy to the customer.

Cost: The Green product will not cost customers more than they currently pay. CleanPowerSF charges will replace certain PG&E Charges. Customers enrolled in SuperGreen will pay a small premium, which takes the form of the Green rate plus an additional \$0.02/kWh. The [CleanPowerSF](#) page has additional information on SuperGreen and Green rates for businesses of all sizes.

How to Enroll: If you live in CleanPowerSF service area, your electric service is automatically enrolled in the Green program in phases starting in Spring 2016. Early enrollment and upgraded participation to SuperGreen is available online or by calling (415) 554-0773. Customers can opt-out and return to standard PG&E service as well.

Marin Clean Energy (MCE)

Service Area: Marin County, Napa County, Richmond, Benicia, El Cerrito, San Pablo, Walnut Creek, Lafayette

About: MCE is a public, not-for-profit electricity provider that gives all PG&E electric customers (residential, commercial, and municipal) the choice of having:

- Light Green: 50% renewable energy service from renewable sources like solar, wind, bioenergy, geothermal, and small hydro.
- Deep Green: 100% renewable energy, ALL of the power you buy for your home or business comes from 100% non-polluting, Green-e Energy certified wind and solar power
- Local Sol: 100% solar energy from a local solar farm located in our service area.

Cost: MCE charges will replace certain PG&E charges. Light Green will not cost more than PG&E. Deep Green service costs \$.01 more per kilowatt-hour than Light Green service. Local Sol has a guaranteed, long-term rate that's about 30% more than Light Green. More rate information available [online](#).

How to Enroll: If you live in MCE service area, your electric service is automatically enrolled in Light Green 50% renewable energy when you create an account with PG&E. Enroll in [Deep Green](#), enroll in [Local Sol](#), or [Opt-Out](#) of MCE for standard PG&E online.

Peninsula Clean Energy

Service Area: San Mateo County

About: Peninsula Clean Energy, or PCE, is San Mateo County's official electricity provider.

Peninsula Clean Energy offers lower rates and the added benefit of two electricity options:

- ECOplus is Peninsula Clean Energy's default electricity service offering. All customers automatically start with ECOplus. ECOplus is at least 50% renewable, which is more than twice the renewable energy than is otherwise available to customers from PG&E. ECOplus is also 75% carbon-free.
- ECO100 means 100% of the power you are paying for comes from clean, renewable sources. Customers can choose to opt up to this option and buy 100% renewable and 100% carbon-free electricity at a slight premium

Cost: ECOplus rates are lower rates than PG&E customers currently pay, and ECO100 rates are slightly higher if you choose to opt up. More information on [residential rates](#) and [commercial rates](#) can be found online.

How to Enroll: If you live in San Mateo County, your electric service is automatically enrolled in ECOplus when you create an account with PG&E. You can voluntarily [opt-up](#) to ECO100 or voluntarily [opt-out](#) of Peninsula Clean Energy service and return to PG&E online.

PG&E Solar Choice

Service Area: PG&E service area- Central Coast, De Anza, Diablo, East Bay, Fresno, Humboldt, Kern, Los Padres, Mission, North Bay, North Valley, Peninsula, Sacramento-Sierra, San Francisco, San Jose, Sonoma, Stockton, Yosemite

About: PG&E's Solar Choice and Regional Solar Choice programs, you have the option to purchase up to 100% of your electricity from solar power, without needing to install solar panels.

- Solar Choice- Solar energy is purchased from a pool of solar projects in Northern and Central California. You can elect to purchase solar energy to match either 50% or 100% of your energy use.
- Regional Solar Choice- You can elect to purchase solar energy from a specific project within PG&E's service territory. As early as 2016, you will be able to contract directly with developers for a desired amount of solar energy, between 25% and 100% of your annual use. The Regional Solar Choice projects are estimated to begin delivering energy in late 2017 or 2018.

Cost: Solar Choice Customers will receive a modest charge on their PG&E monthly energy statement within a couple of billing cycles. For Regional Solar Choice, solar developers will invoice you directly for your solar power. In turn, you will receive a bill credit on your monthly PG&E energy statement when projects begin delivering energy in late 2017 or 2018.

How to Enroll: Enroll now by calling 1-877-743-8429 or enroll [online](#)

Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority

Service Area: Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Saratoga, Sunnyvale, County of Santa Clara

About: Silicon Valley Clean Energy is a local, public non-profit that will purchase cleaner energy on the open market for residents and businesses in participating communities. Decisions are made through the Board of Directors, which is composed of a representative from each member community.

Residents and businesses in participating communities could become customers as early as Spring 2017.

Cost: Not available online

How to Enroll: Not available online- participating communities could become customers as early as Spring 2017

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