

"I set a goal to reduce the County's harmful greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by the year 2050 as a meaningful way to fight climate change."

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle



Regulate Polluters, Inspect, Enforce Suburban Cook County

Cook County Ordinance 1970 (2017) (& Delegation of State Inspections*)

Air

- Commercial, industrial polluters*
- Asbestos removal, demolition
- Open burns

Land

- Solid Waste disposal and transfer*
- Recyclers
- Liquid Hazardous Waste
- Illegal dumping

Other Nuisances

Complaints Hotline

24 hours a day

(312) 603-8200











Air Quality Monitoring

Cook County is Part of USEPA, IEPA Air Monitoring Network

- Ozone
- Fine particulates
- Carbon Monoxide
- Nitrogen Oxide
- Sulphur Dioxide
- Lead



High levels of pollution can aggravate **heart disease**, asthma and other **respiratory diseases**.

Air Quality Index <u>www.airnow.gov</u> Get Alerts www.enviroflash.info

Tips to protect yourself and the environment <u>www.cleantheair.org</u>

Cook County Green Leadership Team Chair: Chief of Staff

- Asset Management
- Administration
- Economic Development
- Finance
- Technology
- Health and Hospitals
- Sherriff
- Staff, Sustainability Officer





Energy and Water

Waste/Recycling

Transportation/Fleet



GHG Inventory

Kate Buczek, Bureau of Asset Management

GHG INVENTORY PORTFOLIO



Updated Emissions Baseline and Targets Comprehensive Baseline (2016)





County Building Energy: 20% + Reduction in major buildings

78% of the County Portfolio is under Contract for Major Energy Efficiency Upgrades. Costs are paid for with energy cost savings.



Current FY 2017 Capital Improvement Projects Guaranteed Energy Performance Contracts

- Package 1 (Administrative, Downtown)
- Package 2 (Courthouses and Highways)
- Domestic Violence Court PV Inverter Replacement
- Rockwell Energy Efficiency Upgrades

Demand Response Program

2016: Single event 4,833 kW committed 153% site performance achieved \$119,830



Current FY 2017 Capital Improvement Projects

- Current Status
 - Solar Trees
 - Geothermal
 - Solar Thermal Walls
 - EV Charging Stations and Policy
 - 4 courthouses and 2 highways facilities
- Energy Savings to Date
 - DOC example next slide



Geothermal





EV Charging

Department of Corrections Campus Energy Use Intensity and Total kBTU Over Time



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Cook County Facilities 2050 GHG Reduction Strategy

- Estimated Reductions of Different Initiatives -



...working on other GHG sourc es



Community Sustainability



SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL RESILIENCE PROGRAM

Was your home affected by the severe storms and flooding that occurred between April and May 2013?

> lf so, you may be eligible to receive assistance with home repairs.

This program is restricted to Suburban Cook County.











How do we reduce emissions in the other 1.8m built parcels in Cook County?

Expanding Access to Solar

- Only 25% of Cook County's 2,000,000 households are able to install solar on their roofs.
 - They do not own their roof (renters)
 - They co-own their roof (condos)
 - Home/roof is not structurally sound
 - Shading on roof
 - Financial barriers and up-front costs of installation



Community Solar Pilots

WHAT?

A solar-electric system that provides power and/or financial benefit to multiple community members

WHY?

On average, only 25% of residential rooftop area is suitable for solar photovoltaic systems – less in Cook County



BENEFITS:

- Expands access to solar for renters, condo owners, those with shaded roofs and those who choose not to install solar for financial reasons
- Economies of scale
- Optimal project siting (vacant land, public facilities, etc.)
- Increased public understanding
- Local job generation
- Fairness/equity

The Growth of Community Solar





barriers to implementation

Inventory, & Opportunity Assessment

Stakeholder Outreach

Policy Issues, Market Barriers

Identify, Analyze Pilot Case Studies

Document Benefits & Next Steps

https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/solar-energy







ELEVATE FNFRGY Smarter energy use for all



An Exelon Company







Participation

• Steering Committee; meets monthly.



- Project Team; meets bi-monthly.
- Stakeholder Advisory Group of more than 200 individuals across 100 organizations.

Community Development Organizations	Government Agencies	
Colleges & Universities	Real Estate Development & Management	
Solar Contractors & Developers	Legal & Consultant Organizations	
Nonprofits & Community Organizations	Foundations	
Utilities & Energy Services Companies	Manufacturing Organizations	

Stakeholder Engagement

- Established Working Groups to analyze
 - Business Models
 - Policy Barriers
 - Marketing and Outreach
- Stakeholder-driven work sessions
 - Financial Models
 - Valuation of Community Solar



Community Solar Suitability Website

- The objective of the solar map is to facilitate community solar development by giving community leaders and developers a tool to identify suitable sites in Cook County.
- Suitable area = rooftop (or land) area minus obstructions, shading, spacing.
- PV capacity displayed: > 25 kW for roof-mounted and >300 kW for ground-mounted installations



www.illinoiscommunitysolar.org



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Opportunity Assessment: Rooftops (Chicago only)



Number of suitable rooftops will be significantly larger adding Suburban Cook County.²³

Opportunity Assessment Solar Capacity by Opportunity Category



- Cook County Vacant Land
- Industrial
- Commercial
- School
- Other/Unclassified
- Residential Multifamily
- Municipal
- Residential Condo/Townhome
- Public / Subsidized Housing
- Non Profit
- Church/Religious Institution

Solar Opportunity Assessment – No Shortage of Space

Comparison of 100 kW to 25 kW potential sites.



Community Solar Business Case Tool

Provides a flexible financial model that projects costs and benefits to system ^{su} developer and subscriber of a single

developer and subscriber of a single community solar project. Incorporates administrative, transactional and customer acquisition costs for community solar projects.

http://www.elevateenergy.org/communitysolar/communitysolarbusinesscasetool/







Pilot Development Update

109 Sites Submitted. Of those...

59 > 100kw, > 20 year roof life

44 Multiples removed

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Selected based on diversity

•No Interconnection limitations found: Sites to be announced late March

Next steps: engineering analysis and business case/subscriber acquisiti

Site Selection: Properties Submitted



Case Study Components



System and software planning and operations, component management and replacement

Site Name:	City:	Capacity	Ownership	Installation :
Des Plaines-Lake Landfill	Des Plaines	2000	🐼 Nonprofit	Ground-Mount
Prairie State College	Unknown	2000	Government	Ground-Mount
Altgeld Gardens - Block 16	Chicago	2000	Government	Ground-Mount
Rail Heavy Maintenance Facility	Skokie	2000	Government	Ground-Mount
HACC land	Chicago Hts	1698	Government	Ground-Mount
Rich East High School	Park Forest	1500	Government	Roof-Mount
Taft High School	Chicago	1147	Government	Roof-Mount
Markham Courthouse	Markham	1123	Government	🎓 Roof-Mount
United Airlines Training & Data Center	Des Plaines	1000	Private	Roof-Mount
Rockwell Properties, LLC	Chicago	1000	Private	Roof-Mount
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Glenview	500	🐼 Nonprofit	Mixed
4150 N Knox	Chicago	500	Private	Roof-Mount
Hill Arboretum Apartments	Evanston	344	Nonprofit	Roof-Mount
Warren Park Field House	Chicago	223	Government	Canopy
Theaster Gates Home & Studio	Chicago	150	Nonprofit	Roof-Mount

Site # 060

Prairie State College

- Chicago Heights
- 2 MW
- 6600 Panels





College/University Model

This 139 acre campus serves more than 12,000 students and employees. The model will allow no upfront costs to the college. The panel lease model allows immediate energy savings for all subscribers. The Host Site benefits from lease revenue and energy savings. The subscriber model will serve students, employees and the surrounding community.

- Developer owned
- Panel lease model
- 550 Subscribers



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

- Glenview
- 500 kW
- 1660 Panels



Nonprofit





Subscriber-Donor Model

OLPH was established in 1907 and now has more than 3,000 families in its congregation. This model allows parishioners to donate by purchasing panels for the church's share, with the remaining shares extended to other congregants and the immediate surrounding community. The Developer-Flip structure allows for no upfront costs for the parish, with transfer of ownership in 5 to 7 years.

- **Developer-Flip Structure**
- Panel purchase model
- 300-350 Donor-Subscribers



Hill Arboretum Apartments

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- Evanston
- 244 kW
- 1111 Panels







Third-party 100% LMI Model

This complex is nonprofit owned and provides housing for people with physical disabilities. This model will allow no upfront costs for installation and will provide energy savings to the organization, its 33 resident and low and moderate income households in the immediate community. This model will qualify for additional incentives for being 100% LMI/Nonprofit.

- Developer owned
- Panel lease model
- 80-90 Subscribers



Altgeld Gardens

- Chicago
- 2 MW
- 6660 Panels





Public Housing Model

Altgeld Gardens is a Chicago Public Housing development on the south side, with more than 1600 units serving low income households. Altgeld is a master metered development. So, subscriptions will go to CHA residents at other properties throughout Chicago where they pay their own electric bills, as well as nonprofits and LMI households in the immediate community, qualifying this project for additional LMI incentives for 100% LMI/Nonprofit

- Special Entity
- Panel lease model
- 500 Subscribers



Warren Park

- Chicago
- 250-500 kW
- 800-1600 Panels





Traditional Community Solar

Warren Park is a 90 acre park in Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood. This thirdparty owned model will allow no upfront costs for the park district and will provide shares to commercial, residential and low and moderate income households in the surrounding community.

- Third-party owned
- Panel lease model
- 80-120 Subscribers



Site # 122

3057 N. Rockwell

- Chicago
- 1 MW
- 3333 Panels





Industrial Model

This industrial redevelopment model will provide energy for the host site and 8 to 10 industrial tenants. The third-party ownership structure will allow mean the host site will have no upfront costs and the panel lease subscriber model will mean immediate savings for all tenants with no upfront costs.

- Developer owned
- Panel lease model
- 8 to 10 Subscribers



Next Steps: Local Impacts Analysis

- Document and disseminate the pilot site outcomes. Quantify community shared solar costs and benefits to local, state and regional stakeholders
 - Value Proposition quantify the costs and benefits of a community solar project to impacted parties and identify the factors that influence overall financial metrics
 - Local Impact Analysis create forecasting assumptions to scale the value proposition analysis to derive total local net benefits of increased penetration of community solar on a regional level
 - Regional Directives apply anticipated solar deployment levels against city, county and state renewable energy goals and the expected contributions from this initiative



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CCDEC website: (Solar tab) www.cookcountyil.gov/agency/environmental-control

http://www.blog.cookcountyil.gov/sustainability



A Message from the President

I believe that Cook County should be a world-class model of sustainability. We are working not only to boost sustainability practices throughout County government, but also to join forces with local governments, nonprofits and business, to accomplish more than we could separately in making each of Cook County's communities sustainable.

Toni Preckwinkle, Cook County Board President