

Major Federal Direct Payments Are Now Available to Churches and All Nonprofits to Install Solar Arrays on Their Building and/or Grounds in 2023

We Invite You to Come to a Workshop on Saturday, October 14, 2023 between 9:30 AM and 2:30 PM to Learn How Your Church or Nonprofit Can Receive Significant Federal Funding to “Go Solar”

In 2022, only individual taxpayers and corporations were able to take advantage of a federal tax credit to install solar arrays at their facilities. In 2023, under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) signed into law in August, 2022, churches, libraries, summer camps and almost all nonprofit organization will be eligible to receive a 30% direct payment from the federal government for installing a solar photovoltaic (PV) system at their facility. **This is a complete game changer for nonprofits.** A PV system that would have cost a church or other nonprofit \$50,000 in 2022 will now cost the nonprofit organization \$35,000 or less in 2023 after they receive the federal direct payment under the IRA.



The Key Note presentation for the workshop will be given by Eric St. Pierre. Eric is a commercial solar consultant for ReVision Energy, the largest solar installer in New Hampshire and Maine. He has a strong background in construction trades and joined the solar industry and ReVision Energy almost a decade ago. Since then, he has helped more than 500 clients achieve their solar goals. As the solar industry is constantly changing, Eric enjoys sharing his expertise and helping others understand the benefits of switching to clean energy.

If your church or other nonprofit is hoping to install a solar PV array on your facility in 2023 or 2024, this is a “must attend workshop!”

Where: All Saints Episcopal Church, Wolfeboro, 258 S Main St, Wolfeboro, NH 03894

When: Saturday, October 14, 2023 between 9:30 AM and 2:30 PM (see complete schedule below)

Cost: The suggested contribution for this event is \$24 and includes a light breakfast assortment and a lasagna and salad lunch. Approximately \$14 will go to deferring food expenses and the remainder will be used to help fund a new 17 KW of solar system to their existing 25 KW array system. This solar array will be installed on the church’s Outreach Building which houses the community food pantry and used clothing store.

EVENT REGISTRATION

Use the link above to register for the conference.

Payment for the conference will be taken at the door. The completed registration form can be sent to the email below or you can simply send the request information, via email, to Doug Smithwood with the subject line. "October IRA Solar Conference".

For Answers to Questions Please Contact Douglas Smithwood, Director of the Solar Saints Initiative

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(603) 569-6419 (leave message)

Workshop Schedule

- 9:30 - 10:00 AM** Registration and Breakfast Refreshments (Parish Hall)
- 10:00 - 11:20 AM** Presentation on Direct Pay for Solar under IRA by Eric St. Pierre (Stevens Room)
- 11:30 - Noon** Panel Discussion on Tailwinds, Headwinds and Timing for Going Solar in 2023 and 2024 (Stevens Room) Panelist include Zach Haithcock, co-founder of 603 Solar and Eric St. Pierre, co-owner of ReVision Energy.
- Noon - 1:00 PM** Lunch (Parish Hall)
- 1:00 - 1:25 PM** Presentation on Solar Saint Initiative's LED Light Bulb Community Swap Out Program for Low and Moderate Income Families (Parish Hall)
- 1:00 - 1:25 PM** Walking Tour of All Saints Solar Panel Arrays, Net Meter and Inverters
- 1:30 - 2:30 PM** Presentation on the ins and outs of group net metering and special incentives of solar project that help serve low and moderate income (LMI) communities. This is a program that allows two or more rate payers (or two accounts of the same ratepayer) in a utility service area to share a common solar array. Presenters: Deandra Perruccio, Sustainability Administrator, NH Dept. of Energy; Tanya Wayland, LMI Grant Program Manager, NH Dept. of Energy(Beck Library)

Host

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