



## SOLAR DONE THE RIGHT WAY!

**Local electric co-ops are a wealth of information to help make informed decisions about safe, reliable, affordable solar energy.**

**Florida's not-for-profit electric co-ops support solar programs that are affordable and safely integrated into the grid.**

Three key principles that your co-op tries to balance when considering solar power expansion are:

### SAFE

- Our top priority is keeping you, our linemen, and first responders safe
- For consumer-owned solar, safety issues include reverse power flow, which could electrocute linemen and fire fighters

### AFFORDABLE

- We are committed to always delivering the lowest energy costs possible
- The cost of solar continues to decrease and we constantly monitor the cost and look for opportunities to incorporate solar into the co-op's energy mix
- The reasons for the drop in price include: falling production costs as the market expands, the lower cost of materials, manufacturing efficiency, and innovative technological advancements

### RELIABLE

- Large-scale solar generators managed by professionals are generally more efficient and have a lower cost per kilowatt-hour of electricity. Large-scale solar often includes trackers that allow the panels to follow the sun, and actually reduce the need for some peaking power in the late afternoon and evenings in the summer.
- Until solar energy can be stored economically, there will be a need for traditional generation to provide backup power for solar generation.

That's why our co-op supports Florida's Amendment 1. We are focused on protecting our consumer-owners while safely providing affordable, reliable power, and we believe Amendment 1 would greatly benefit you by cementing into the state Constitution your right to use solar energy, and ensuring that state and local governments are authorized to protect consumers by preventing scams by big, for-profit, out-of-state solar companies.

**Solar energy is becoming more and more common and affordable everyday. And that's a good thing for consumers... as long as SOLAR IS DONE THE RIGHT WAY!**

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SAFE.



AFFORDABLE.



RELIABLE.



TOGETHER.