# January 29, 2018 THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT FOR SOLAR: THE IMPACT OF FEJA IN DUPAGE COUNTY



#### FEJA-FUTURE ENERGY JOBS ACT

× Product of complicated SB 2814

- Seginning June 1, 2017, the timeline for new solar and wind power projects:
  - + By 2020- 650 mW wind and 1350 mW solar
  - + By 2025- 1,000 mW wind and 2000 mW solar
  - + By 2030 -1350 mW wind and 2700 mW solar

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 \$30 million in funding to help train Illinois workforce for future energy jobs by diverting the funds into three job-training programs- a solar training pipeline, a craft apprenticeship program and a multicultural jobs program

### FEJA-FUTURE ENERGY JOBS ACT

- Com Ed will be providing \$30 million over a period of ten years for solar training for future energy jobs. There will be three phases of the job training with each phase awarding \$10 million dollars over a period of three years.
- The \$10 million dollars will be awarded to three main jobtraining programs:
  - + Solar training program- \$3 million to be awarded
  - + Craft apprenticeship program- \$3 million to be awarded-IBEW
  - + Multicultural jobs program \$4 million to be awarded

\* IBEW RFI for solar training consists of 4 components. The end result is to train, and educate a qualified IBEW solar installer who will be employed by a union IBEW contractor. IBEW map to a successful solar training program needs to start early in the solar career. The components include:

- Junior High School solar program
- Community College solar program
- High School solar pre-apprenticeship program
- IBEW apprenticeship program
- Low-income community solar program

- ×All Illinois inside IBEW locals will receive:
  - \*Renewable energy training curriculum
  - Hands-on training kits
  - \*Support
  - Instructor to receive Train the Trainer training at Alsip location

- ×6 Illinois Community colleges in diverse neighborhoods throughout the state
- × College of Lake County Fall 2018
- × Olive Harvey College- Fall 2018
- × Rockvalley Community College- Spring 2019
- × Southwestern Community College -Fall 2019
- × Lincoln Land Community College- Spring 2019
- × John Logan Community College Fall 2019
- × 6 Illinois High schools in diverse neighborhoods throughout the state to start a potential preapprenticeship program to be worked out with local IBEW union

The IBEW has purchase a vehicle and retrofit it for renewable energy displays.

The "traveling solar road show" will include presentations on basic electricity concepts, renewable energy technology concepts such as wind, solar and energy storage.

The "traveling road show" will travel throughout the state of Illinois to the IBEW locals, high schools, and junior high schools.to promote renewable energy technologies.

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## **QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS**

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