



# A WIN FOR ILLINOIS' MUNICIPALITIES

The Future Energy Jobs Act (FEJA) will pivot Illinois to the new clean energy economy, saving and creating thousands of clean energy jobs and providing job training for the future workforce, while also creating significant consumer and environmental benefits.

**The law strengthens the Illinois economy by taking important steps toward our state's clean energy future. Local municipalities will see FEJA's benefits through its creation and expansion of:**

## **ENERGY SAVINGS**



**As energy efficiency programs increase in scope over the next several years under FEJA, local municipalities will have the opportunity to achieve significantly more savings.**

- ▶ FEJA increases funding for energy efficiency from \$250 million to ~\$400 million per year by 2030, creating more than \$4 billion in consumer savings and **reducing the CO2 equivalent to removing 18 million cars from the road.**
- ▶ As energy efficiency programs increase in scope over the next several years, business and government customers will have the opportunity to achieve significantly more savings. FEJA requires that **10 percent of energy efficiency spending go to public buildings**, including municipalities, government buildings, and schools.

## **RENEWABLE ENERGY**



**FEJA establishes Illinois as a leader in clean energy, allowing whole communities to leverage the state's new clean advantages to distinguish themselves by their resulting environmental commitments and energy savings.**

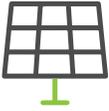
- ▶ The law provides \$180 million per year – growing to \$220 million per year – in funding for renewable resources, including new wind power, large-scale solar power, and rooftop and community solar, setting the stage to **grow enough solar and wind energy to power one million homes.**
- ▶ FEJA will **enable community solar and reduce up-front costs through solar rebates.** It also clarifies the role of the utility and solar developer in billing for community solar customers in order to minimize the costs of billing.

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## SOLAR FOR ALL



**FEJA ensures that everyone can participate in the renewable energy future of Illinois. That is why the law introduces the Illinois Solar for All program for solar projects to ensure that a diverse range of communities and customers has access to solar benefits.**

- ▶ The Illinois Solar for All program **finances low-income rooftop solar and community solar, as well as community solar for entities that serve low-income populations.** Subject to appropriation, there could be as much as \$230 million at the start for Illinois Solar for All and later, \$10 million per year.
- ▶ Specifically, Illinois Solar for All program applicants must demonstrate the ability to **conduct low-income community-based outreach, education and recruitment.** Applicants must also endeavor to coordinate with utility job training programs.

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMING



**FEJA restarts ComEd's CARE programming to support veterans and active or disabled military personnel (CHAMP), seniors and families, local nonprofits, and low-income customers.**

- ▶ Under FEJA, **CARE programming will begin mid-year** and extend through 2022.
- ▶ CARE programming will **provide for \$50M over 5 years in financial assistance.**

## JOB TRAINING



**FEJA creates provisions for job training programs across Illinois, as solar and energy efficiency jobs emerge from the growth of these programs in the years ahead. There are three different types of training:**

- ▶ **Solar Installer Training Pipeline:** offers dedicated funding for those that train underserved groups like former foster children and ex-offenders.
- ▶ **Craft Apprenticeship Program:** offers additional hands-on learning and certifications through opportunities like accredited craft apprenticeship programs that can provide participants with critical trade skills.
- ▶ **Multicultural Jobs Program:** offers training through nonprofit and community organizations offering job training for individuals from diverse and/or underserved backgrounds.
- ▶ These programs funded through FEJA together add up to **\$10 million in funding** offered three times - in 2017, 2021, and 2025.

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