



GO SOLAR! YOUR HOME IS WAITING

INCENTIVES AND TAX CREDITS PAY FOR UP TO 50 PERCENT OF THE SYSTEM COST



Most homeowners save up to \$625 per year with solar.

With no moving parts and 20-30 year warranties, solar panels require almost no maintenance. They remain relatively clean as long as it occasionally rains.

Put Oregon's abundant solar energy to work powering your home, helping you lower both your monthly energy costs and your carbon footprint. The cost of a solar system is half of what it was just five years ago, making solar more affordable than ever. Today's systems require little if any maintenance and have warranties of 20 years or more. No wonder more than 10,000 homeowners across Oregon have taken control of their energy costs by generating clean, renewable energy from the sun.

Solar is more affordable than you think

Energy Trust of Oregon cash incentives reduce the upfront cost of your solar system by up to 20 percent. Combine that with a 30 percent federal energy tax credit you can lower your costs by up to 50 percent.

Solar systems are also easy to finance. Solar loan providers offer simple and affordable loan options. Or, you can lease a system from a solar service provider.

Your solar contractor takes care of details

Energy Trust has more than 100 qualified solar contractors in Oregon that receive training and support to stay up-to-date on the latest

standards, equipment and incentives. These trusted professionals take the guesswork out of going solar. Your solar contractor will:

- Assess your home's solar potential
- Provide a bid that includes costs after incentives and tax credits
- Estimate your annual energy generation and cost savings
- Discuss loan and lease options
- Install your system
- Complete your applications for required permits, utility interconnection and Energy Trust incentives.

Save hundreds on your energy costs every year

On average, Oregon homeowners save about \$125 per year for every four solar panels installed. Most solar homes have 15 to 20 panels, which means you could trim your utility bill by up to \$625 per year.

REQUEST A SOLAR PROPOSAL TODAY

It's easy to find out your home's solar potential. Simply visit www.energytrust.org/solarbid, complete the form and a solar contractor will contact you within a week. Contractors often can get all the information they need for a preliminary assessment by phone, email or satellite image.

DAN COHAN, BONANZA, ORE.

Dan Cohan installed his 6.5 kW solar system because he had a keen desire to make a difference. "I was looking for a tangible way to further reduce my carbon footprint, and solar proved to be a great option," said the resident of Bonanza. With a cash incentive from Energy Trust and federal and state tax credits, Cohan expects his system to pay for itself through energy savings in only five years. "My Energy Trust solar contractor provided an excellent analysis of costs and savings and identified the best location for my ground-mounted system." A side benefit is that Cohan's chickens like to roost under the solar panels to keep cool.

KRISTA AND MARK PETERSON, MEDFORD, ORE.

"I am so glad we invested in our solar system," said Krista Peterson of Medford. "We just love it!" After installing the 7.8 kW system, Krista and her husband Mark are producing as much power as they use over the course of a year—and that's with an all-electric home and an electric car. "The system has a 25-year warranty. At the end of that 25 years, we estimate that we will have saved \$50,000 on electricity costs."



Oregon's sunniest cities have as much sun as Miami, and Portland gets more sun than Germany, which leads the world in solar energy.



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