



# COMMUNITY SOLAR FAQs

## ■ WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Ameren Missouri residential and small business (2M) customers who are not participating in net metering (have their own solar panels on their property feeding into a bi-directional meter) and who have not received a disconnect notice in the last 12 months.

## ■ WHAT DOES IT COST?

As of February 2026, the estimated rate for the program is:

Residential (1M): \$0.1732/kWh

Small Business (2M): \$0.1565/kWh

This will be updated with the tariff-based rate prior to billing commencement.

## ■ DO I OWN THE PANEL?

No you do not. Ameren owns, operates and maintains the solar panels, which are installed at our Community Solar Energy Center.

## ■ HOW MUCH SOLAR CAN I SUBSCRIBE TO?

Customers can subscribe up to 100% of their usage in Community Solar.

## ■ WHERE WILL THE SUBSCRIPTION SOLAR BE LOCATED?

There are currently 3 Community Solar facilities. One is located at Lambert Airport, the other two are located near New Florence, MO.

## ■ HOW BIG IS THE SUBSCRIPTION SOLAR?

Lambert is .94 MW, Montgomery is 5.72 MW, and New Florence is 7 MW.

## ■ WILL THIS MAKE MY RATES GO UP (NON-SUBSCRIBER)?

Non-subscriber rates are not impacted by the Community Solar program.

## ■ IS MY PAYMENT FOR THE SOLAR ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX DEDUCTION/CREDIT?

No. Ameren Missouri owns the solar installation and utilizes the appropriate tax deductions/credits to keep the Community Solar costs as low as possible for the Community Solar subscriber.

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### ■ **WHAT IS THE MINIMUM PARTICIPATION PERIOD?**

Prior to the Community Solar energy center being committed to construction, your subscription can be cancelled or adjusted and there is no minimum participation period. Once Ameren Missouri commits to construct a new facility and you are enrolled, you are subject to a 2-year minimum participation period. You can cancel before 2 years if you move out of the service territory or if there are customers on the waitlist available to take your place.

### ■ **WHAT IF I WANT TO REDUCE/INCREASE MY SHARES?**

Customers can log in to their online account to adjust or cancel their Community Solar subscription by going to Programs, and then selecting Community Solar. Customers can also receive assistance from the Ameren Missouri contact center at 1.800.552.7583.

- Prior to construction commitment, you can adjust your percentage subscribed up or down or cancel completely with no restrictions.
- Once construction commitment occurs, you can adjust your subscribed percentage up or down as long as you remain subscribed to a minimum of one percent.
  - If you request additional capacity and none is available, your request will be placed on a waitlist.

### ■ **WHAT HAPPENS IF I DROP OFF OR MOVE?**

If you move out of our service territory, you are not obligated to fulfill the contract period. If you move within our service territory, your contract will follow you to your new residence. You must submit your new address at the time of your disconnect order in order for the program to transfer with you.

### ■ **WHAT HAPPENS IF I PASS AWAY?**

If you no longer receive service from Ameren Missouri you are not obligated to fulfill the contract period.

### ■ **HOW IS MY BILL CALCULATED?**

The Solar Energy Subscription supplied under this Program, pursuant to the customer's Subscription Percentage, will replace an equal amount of kWh which would have been billed under the Energy Charge of their otherwise applicable service classification.

For customers on time-of-use rates, the Subscription Percentage will be applied equally to current billing month energy usage in each time-of-use period, such that the sum of solar energy across time-of-use periods is equal to the customer's Solar Energy Subscription.

The Solar Energy Subscription will be billed, at the sum of the Facilities Rate and the Solar Generation Rate, the Community Solar Energy Rate. All other usage-based charges in the customer's service classification will be billed at the actual metered electricity usage.

### ■ **HOW WILL THIS APPEAR ON MY BILL?**

It appears as a line item on your bill with the associated amount of kWh you are enrolled in charged at the Community Solar rate.

### ■ **HOW MUCH CAN I EXPECT MY BILL TO INCREASE?**

It depends on your usage and the percentage you enroll in Community Solar. Currently, the Community Solar rate is approximately a 40% premium rate above the bundled standard rate for residential customers, and a 36% premium rate above the bundled standard rate for small business (2M) customers if you subscribed 100% of your usage.

### ■ **WILL MY BILL BE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL INCREASES IN THE FUTURE?**

One great benefit of this program is that approximately 50% of the rate (the Solar Generation Rate component) is capped. This portion of the rate cannot increase once it is set in the tariff. However, the Facilities Rate component (the other half of the rate) is subject to change.

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### ■ **IS IT POSSIBLE THE COST OF MY BILL WILL DECREASE AS A RESULT OF MY PARTICIPATION?**

Over time, due to the capped Solar Generation Rate component, you may experience a cost-savings as standard rates increase. However, currently, the indicative, estimated rate for this program is above standard rates. This means you will pay a premium to participate in Community Solar. The premium covers the costs of operating a specialized program for customers interested in up to 100% green energy that Ameren Missouri builds, maintains, and operates on behalf of participants.

### ■ **WHAT IF THE COST OF SOLAR DECREASES OVER THE NEXT TWENTY-YEARS? WILL MY COST DECREASE?**

The Solar Generation Charge associated with the Solar Block will be capped for Program Term at the initially offered level but may decrease if incremental capacity additions to or retirements from the Resources occur and result in a lower aggregate functionalized generation cost of all Resources placed in service under this Program. The Total Facilities Charge will be subject to adjustment in each general rate case during the applicable Program Term.

Where an additional Resource is added to the Program, the levelized cost of the new Resource will be averaged with the remaining levelized cost of existing Resource to determine the new fixed levelized cost that determines the Solar Generation Charge and contributes to the total cost of the Solar Block. This change would apply to all subscribers under the Program.

### ■ **WHAT IS THE FIXED PORTION OF MY BILL? WILL IT BE THE SAME EVERY MONTH IF I PARTICIPATE?**

This partial rate cap works as follows:

- Your Community Solar rate is made of two parts:
  - Solar Generation Charge – This covers the cost of building and generating solar energy.
  - Facilities Charge – This covers the costs of providing service to your home or business.
- Over time, the Facilities Charge may rise due to the costs of providing service to your home.
- The Solar Generation Charge, however, once capped can never increase.

### ■ **WHAT ARE THE SURCHARGES ON MY BILL? WILL THEY BE THE SAME EVERY MONTH IF I PARTICIPATE?**

When enrolling to participate in a new facility, customers pay a \$25 one-time fee to support construction costs. Customers from a waitlist who are joining a facility that has already been built do not pay this fee.

Besides the one-time participation fee there are no monthly surcharges associated with Community Solar. Other standard non-Community Solar surcharges will continue to apply.

### ■ **DO I OWN THE RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDIT (RECS) FOR MY PORTION OF THIS SOLAR PROJECT?**

No. All rights to the solar renewable energy certificates (SRECs) associated with the generation output of the Resource(s) will be owned by the Company and will be retired on behalf of participants.

### ■ **DOES PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM QUALIFY ME AS A NET METERING OR CO-GENERATION CUSTOMER?**

No it does not. The customer does not own the solar installation.

### ■ **CAN I STILL PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM IF I AM CURRENTLY A NET METERING OR COGENERATION CUSTOMER?**

Customers with Net Metering agreements are ineligible for the Program.

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### ■ IS THE RENEWABLE ENERGY I SUPPORT THROUGH THE SUBSCRIPTION SOLAR PROGRAM DELIVERED DIRECTLY TO MY RESIDENCE?

No it is not. All electricity — whether from coal, natural gas, wind, or your community solar field — flows into the same regional Ameren Missouri power grid.

Think of the grid as a big “electricity pool.”

- The solar field pours solar electricity into the pool.
- Your home pulls electricity out of the pool.
- You cannot direct electrons from the solar farm straight into your meter.

So even if you subscribe to 50% solar, the actual electrons entering your home are still a mix of everything in the grid. By subscribing, more solar energy will be put into the pool and other generation resource energy will not be needed. Thus, reducing emissions.

In this program, you choose a Subscription Percentage (1–100%).

**Example:** If you subscribe at 40%, then 40% of your monthly energy use will be priced at the Community Solar Rate instead of your normal energy charge.

This is called your Community Solar Subscription, and it is calculated like this:

Solar Energy Subscription (kWh) = Subscription % × Your monthly usage (kWh)

Nothing physical is being routed to your home — it’s a billing arrangement tied to solar production from the program’s resource.

The solar field produces electricity based on sunshine, weather, and time of day.

Ameren Missouri estimates and tracks its output over time.

The program then ensures:

- The “total solar energy available” (Solar Availability Bank) is enough to cover all subscriptions.
- Each subscriber’s share is based on their chosen percentage and monthly usage.

So, you’re essentially buying a slice of the solar farm’s output, calculated proportionally — not receiving electrons in real time.

### ■ IS THERE A CALCULATOR OR SPREADSHEET I CAN USE TO HELP ME DETERMINE MY FUTURE EXPENSE?

Yes, there is a calculator tool on the Ameren Missouri website when you go to enroll in Community Solar that allows you to enter various percentages to see how it would affect your monthly bill.

### ■ AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE FEDERAL TAX REBATE KNOWN AS THE INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT?

No, enrolling in Community Solar does not make one eligible for this tax incentive.

### ■ WHO GETS TO CLAIM THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT?

Ameren retires the Renewable Energy Credits (REC’s) associated with the solar generation of the Community Solar facilities on behalf of the subscribers. The subscribers get to claim the environmental attribute benefits of this program.

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### ■ **HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT FROM AMEREN'S PURE POWER?**

Pure Power funds are used to purchase Green-e Energy Certified Renewable Energy Certificates from regional wind energy and other renewable generation facilities. When you sign up for Pure Power, Ameren Missouri contracts for RECs to match the equivalent of your ongoing electrical needs or the number of Pure Power "Blocks"\* you elect to purchase. Thus, the more RECs that are sold, the more demand is created for renewable power. As renewable facilities sell their RECs, demand shifts to bring more renewable energy sources online. The Community Solar generates both new solar energy used by the subscriber and the RECs are retired on behalf of the subscriber.

### ■ **WHAT IF THE SYSTEM IS SOLD OUT AND I WANT TO PARTICIPATE?**

The Company will maintain a waitlist of customers interested in enrolling in the Program during periods when there is no solar energy in the Solar Availability Bank and will notify customers on the waitlist via e-mail or letter when solar energy becomes available.

### ■ **HOW LONG WILL THE COMMUNITY SOLAR BE IN SERVICE?**

The resource term shall be 30 years from the date the Program Resource is placed into service.

### ■ **WHAT PANELS, INVERTERS AND RACKING SYSTEMS ARE BEING USED IN THE ARRAY?**

Canadian Solar PV panels are being used, SMA Sunny Highpower inverters are being used and the racking system is the NexTracker (now NextPower) NXT Horizon XTR system in the New Florence Community Solar Energy Center.

### ■ **HOW DO I ENROLL?**

Customers may enroll in the Program via the Company's website or by calling the Company's toll-free customer service line.