

Interested in hosting a solar farm?

If you are excited to see solar energy grow in Maine or New Hampshire, and have a few acres of land suitable for solar, you could host a solar farm on your green space while earning a modest return!

Potential Community Solar Farm (CSF) hosts must have:

- 5 acres or more of land that is relatively flat, non-wetland and close to a three-phase utility line
- Land that is unmortgaged and can be leased to host solar panels for 40 years

An ideal host for a solar farm is someone who wants to help accelerate New England's transition to clean energy and help other community members and institutions convert their energy supply to solar. Although there is some financial upside for you, it ought not be the driving factor; a CSF is a low-impact way of putting idle land to productive use while furthering our transition to renewable, locally produced energy and being part of the solution to global warming.

How does hosting a solar farm work?

CSF hosts lease a portion of their land to the owner of the solar farm who builds, maintains and insures it, and sends that renewably generated electricity onto the local and regional distribution grid. Your agreement to lease your land makes it possible for fellow community members and institutions to access solar power. The path consists of the following steps

1. ReVision will first enter into a lease option with you, which includes:
 - A small option payment from ReVision to you;
 - Your agreement that ReVision has rights for a specific period of time (usually 12-24 months) to explore and evaluate the feasibility of a solar project on your land;
 - A lease contract template that you agree to sign with ReVision once it is confirmed that your land is a suitable site for solar.
2. During the option period, ReVision will examine your land to confirm that it's a suitable site for a solar farm, undertake preliminary project design and engineering, and assess utility interconnection requirements and local permitting costs.
3. When ReVision has confirmed that your land is a strong candidate to host a solar farm, you and ReVision will sign the land lease contract at mutually agreeable terms. Typical lease terms are roughly \$1,000 per acre per year, and the lease term is a minimum of 30 years.

Why host a solar farm?

Community solar provides the benefits of clean solar power to those who cannot access it themselves. Solar farms are a perfect way to bring solar to the great number of community members who don't own property at all or whose property isn't suitable for solar. With your help, this solar farm model can continue to put energy production into the hands of your neighbors – helping to stabilize the grid, reduce its maintenance and upgrade expenses and deliver less expensive electricity to everyone.