

The background of the top half of the page is a photograph showing a diverse group of people's hands reaching towards a small solar panel. The hands are of various skin tones and are wearing colorful wristbands. The solar panel is held in the center, and the overall scene conveys a sense of community and shared purpose.

# THE COMMUNITY SOLAR RESILIENCY PROGRAM

## *Leveraging renewable energy to amplify the impact of our partners in Cincinnati and beyond*

Through the installation of solar arrays, we're going beyond "Net Zero"—sharing our resources to create maximum community impact and help build a wilder, more sustainable future together.

The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden launched the Community Solar Resiliency Program to increase the energy, climate, and financial resiliency of community organizations in Avondale and Cincinnati.

Through three solar support pathways (pg. 2), community groups are cutting utility costs, strengthening operations, and expanding their service to people and wildlife.

### IMPACTS

- Energy access & resiliency
- Cleaner Cincinnati air
- Affordable utility costs for receiving organizations
- Capacity building for partners

*"We have not had to pay an electric bill in four months."*

*—16 kW array at Horses on the Hill, Price Hill Cincinnati*

# PATHWAYS OF SUPPORT

1

## TECHNICAL SUPPORT

With 15 years of experience and partnerships in solar array installations we can provide technical assistance, permitting, and equipment sourcing.

2

## SWEAT EQUITY

When it's time to install, Zoo staff are happy to spend the day on the roof—whether locally or globally.

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## FINANCIAL INVESTMENT

The Zoo has structured funding to support strategic investment in solar projects, supporting aligned partners by being transparent and responsive to needs.



**Thank You to Our Solar Partners:**

