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# •Finding and Working with a Trusted Sherpa for Solar...

- •Solar is more popular now than ever which is attracting the bad salespeople we find in nearly every business. Consumers find themselves overwhelmed with sales meetings, radio, TV, and online ads from solar companies, all claiming to offer the best products and services.
- •It should start with an Energy Advisor reviewing how much power you'll need to generate, your home's roof characteristics, and your solar panel preferences. From there, they develop an energy plan for your home and its unique size, structure, and needs.
- •Trusted advice with no embellishments or exaggerations. Just the facts. Make your energy investment an educated guess.





## Speeding up the most time-consuming task of a solar install...

•Consumers and businesses want to know how to combine their various construction permits and the elements of a solar array...they've researched what they want to do, they've arranged their finances, but no one in the local government seems to be able to communicate with them and may not want to admit they don't know as much as the taxpayer.

•Solar permitting can represent a speed bump. We can provide no-cost technical assistance to help communities become "open for solar business." In exchange for their solar permitting training, personnel and communities receive certified designations and commendations. In addition, their citizens give them high marks for being a responsive government and for their smart use of the taxpayer dollar.





## Trimming Solar Costs

•Imagine a place where you could borrow and submit ideas — a library of knowledge!

- •Find good policy to share?
- •Best practices?
- •Recycle, Reuse those good ideas.
- •Share the buzz...





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