Kansas Policy for

## Residential Solar



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## Want to Know More?

Website:

#### http://kansassolarpolicy.wordpress.com

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Other links to check out:

★ Climate and Energy Project

#### www.climateandenergy.org

★ Kansas Net Metering Policy

#### http://programs.dsireusa.org/system /program/detail/3403

# Why Promote Residential Solar in Kansas?

- 1. Coal is the top energy source of state's major utility providers (such as Westar, KCP&L, and Empire District). Switching over to renewable energy can help us decrease our carbon footprint.
- 2. Decreasing dependence on utility companies also generates a lower electricity bill. The average residential system is ~5 kW (14.5-23 kWh per day, 435-690 kWh per month); With the average house using ~900 kWh per month, less energy will need to be bought.
- 3. Kansas has many residential solar installer options. For example, Lawrence has local installers such as Good Energy Solutions and Cromwell Solar.
- Kansas has a sun index of 0.95. With its national ranking of 8th in solar potential, the state is a prime candidate for generating solar energy.
- Residential systems do not take up much land area. Since the setup is not shared by multiple residencies, they can be installed on the home's roof.

## How Do We Promote It?

- Change Kansas's net metering policy to allow more participants and less charges (specific details outlined on our website)
- Voice concerns to state representatives
- Support advocacy groups for residential solar advancements (i.e. Climate and Energy Project)
- Spread awareness and talk about it!