

Your 7-Step Guide to Going Solar



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Find Your Energy Waste: Energy Audit

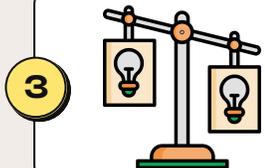
An energy audit identifies energy loss and finds energy-saving opportunities, saving you money and potentially reducing the solar system size you need.



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Boost Efficiency: Energy Upgrades

After an audit, focus on upgrading the biggest energy users in your home. Look for ENERGY STAR® labels on new appliances. Energy efficient appliances will save you money on your electric bill and will decrease the solar system size you need (which will lower the cost of your system).



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Compare & Save: Get 3 Quotes

Getting three quotes from contractors is best practice. EnergySage estimates that comparing multiple quotes can save you as much as 25% upfront.



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Choose Your Financing

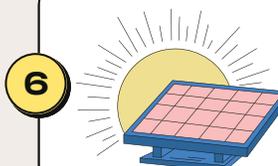
Explore options from state agencies (like HGIA's GEM\$ - SFA-HI), local banks, or credit unions. Do your research to find the best fit.



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Installation Process

After choosing your system, expect a few months for installation, permits, and interconnection before your panels go live.



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Stay Informed: Monitor your System

Easily track your system's energy production through an app or inverter display to ensure it's performing optimally.



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Protect Your Investment: Maintenance

Schedule regular solar panel check-ups with your technician. This includes cleaning panels and filters, inspecting wiring, and securing electrical connections to keep your system efficient.