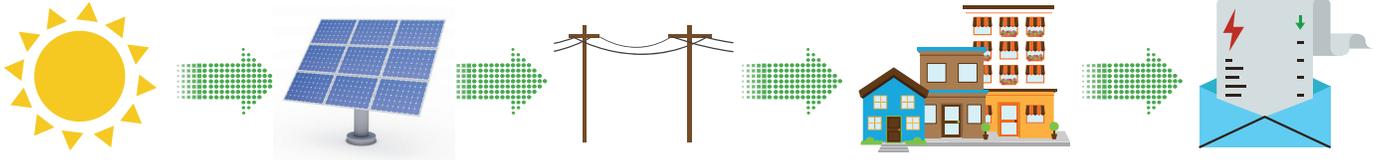


# SunSmart Ames: Community Solar Project

Investing in solar energy is a step toward sustainable living. The City of Ames Electric Services wants to partner with customers to purchase solar energy and give citizens an affordable and flexible way to get involved.



SunSmart Ames from the City of Ames Electric Services department is a partnership with our customers and a solar energy production company. With customer support, the City of Ames will enter a contract to purchase all the solar power produced by a solar farm built on public property. The preferred site is just north of the Ames Municipal Airport. The project will give citizens an affordable and flexible way to use solar energy. City of Ames customers can purchase “Power Packs” and subscribe to a portion of the energy output from the project.

*SunSmart Ames “Power Packs” will cost approximately \$350!* Customer interest will determine the final cost. Payment can be spread into 12 installments. Each share is expected to generate 2.5% of an average home’s annual electric usage. You will receive a monthly credit on your utility bill for the electricity generated by your share of the project. (Remember, you must be an Ames Electric Services customer to participate!)

## Why community solar?

Renewable energy at an affordable price. You choose your investment level. When you purchase community solar project shares, you don’t have the large, up-front cost of adding solar panels to your roof.

## No ongoing maintenance costs & no rooftop required!

Equipment and solar arrays are independently maintained. No worry or hassle for you. Great for customers whose rooftops are shaded by trees, and it allows renters to participate.

## Easy to move.

Your Power Packs move with you to another residence in Ames’ service territory and buyouts are available if you relocate outside our territory.



**Want to know more? Visit [www.CityOfAmes.org/solar](http://www.CityOfAmes.org/solar)**  
**QUESTIONS? CALL 515.239.5170**

Help bring solar power to Ames. Let us know if you’re interested in subscribing to SunSmart Ames. Fill out the information below and return to Ames Electric Services, 502 Carroll Ave., Ames, IA 50010.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

I intend to purchase \_\_\_\_ Power Pack(s) in the SunSmart Ames Community Solar project. It is estimated Power Packs will cost approximately \$350. Payments can be spread into 12 installments (approximately \$34.17/ month including a processing fee). Based on customer interest, Ames Electric Services will decide this fall if the project is feasible. If the project moves forward, you will receive a subscription agreement and payment information. **You must be an Ames Electric Services customer to participate!**

Email Address (for project updates): \_\_\_\_\_