How property owners can get started with SOMAH

SOMAH program overview

The Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing (SOMAH) program provides financial incentives for installing photovoltaic (PV) energy systems on multifamily affordable housing. The program will deliver clean power and credits on energy bills to hundreds of thousands of California’s affordable housing residents.

Program offerings

- Incentives to substantially offset the cost of solar PV systems for affordable housing
- Comprehensive no-cost technical assistance throughout the project lifecycle

Application process

Two different tracks are available to SOMAH applicants:

TRACK A
Optional technical assistance intended for property owners who would like help to assess the solar potential at their property

TRACK B
Intended for property owners who do not require technical assistance and are already working with an eligible contractor for their project

Eligibility requirements

- Property must have a qualified affordable housing regulatory agreement, and have five or more rental units.
- 80% of property residents must have income at or below 60% of the area median income OR property is located in a CalEnviroScreen disadvantaged community.
- Property must have individually-metered units eligible for Virtual Net Energy Metering (VNEM).
- Property must be an existing building with a certificate of occupancy.
- Property is in PG&E, SDG&E, SCE, Liberty Utilities Company or PacifiCorp service area.

Learn more and apply at CalSOMAH.org/owners

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