

# Helping Members Build A Brighter Future

Great Lakes Energy is helping its members take a bigger role in supporting clean, renewable energy with two new programs.

The Community Solar and Buy-All/Sell-All programs were created by our power supplier, Wolverine Power Cooperative (WPC), with the help of Great Lakes Energy and WPC's other member co-ops. The programs have been created in addition to our existing Net Metering renewable energy program that has been revised.

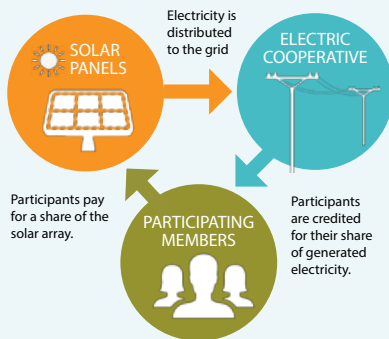
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## Community Solar

Community Solar offers members the benefits of solar without the installation and maintenance expense involved with owning your own solar panels. Of the three programs, it is the lowest cost option for those interested in investing in renewable energy.

### How does it work?

Members purchase a subscription in the SpartanSolar community array located across from WPC headquarters in Cadillac. One subscription entitles a member to a share in the energy produced by the solar array. GLE continues delivering energy to the subscribing members, who receive a solar credit on their bills. Members have nothing to install or maintain and can cancel at any time.



### Option Details

- 15-year agreement
- Credit of \$0.10/kWh generated
- Subscription cost: \$600/panel upfront or \$10 monthly bill charge for 5 years
- Energy Optimization rebates up to \$150 per panel for 20 panels when you pay in full

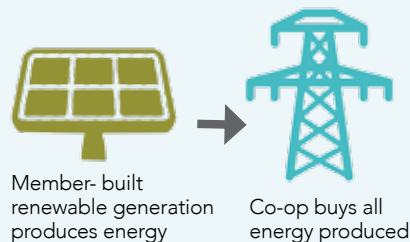
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## Buy-All/Sell-All

If a member's goal is to produce more renewable energy than they use, this program is for them. Of the three programs, this could involve the largest investment due to the larger renewable energy generating system the member would likely install.

### How does it work?

The member installs up to a 1 megawatt (MW) renewable energy generating system (solar or wind). WPC buys all electricity the system generates at \$0.10 per kWh. This option turns a member into a true energy supplier to the co-op.



### Option Details

- 20-year agreement
- \$0.10/kWh for energy generated on premises and placed on the grid
- One MW cap

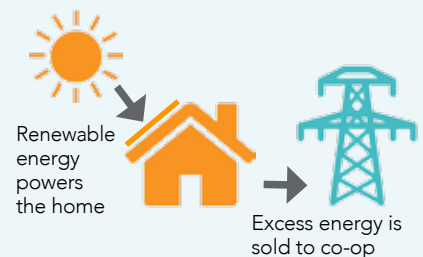
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## Net Metering

This program was revised and is for members whose goal is to meet their home's energy needs with their own renewable energy generating system.

### How does it work?

Every kWh of renewable energy (solar or wind) produced by the member and used in their home is a kWh the member doesn't have to buy from GLE. The savings is based on our retail rate. Should a member produce more energy than they use, they will receive a bill credit of \$0.056 per kWh for any excess energy they put on the grid.



### Option Details

- 10-year agreement
- Retail offsets for kWh produced and used on premises
- \$0.056/kWh for energy generated and placed on the grid
- 20 kW cap

In addition to these programs, all members receive nearly 20 percent of their power from clean, renewable sources due in large part to WPC's investment in wind energy generation in Michigan.

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