

# **Silicon Valley Solar Power**





## Overview

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Could solar power power Silicon Valley's Silicon Valley headquarters?

California's high-tech giants have long used renewable energy to help power their Silicon Valley headquarters. Now, companies such as Google, Adobe Systems, and eBay are preparing for the next step — investing in off-site solar and wind installations and innovative technologies that will supply their offices and data centers with green electricity.

Who makes solar panels that don't use silicon?

California-based Solyndra, which made solar panels that did not use silicon, raised almost \$1bn in funding, as well as a \$535m loan from the US government. "The best work in solar is happening in Silicon Valley," billionaire Silicon Valley investor Vinod Khosla said in 2008.

Where is the best work in solar?

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Which Silicon Valley companies went bankrupt?

Almost all the Silicon Valley-backed companies went bankrupt. Chinese solar company Hanergy bought the promising solar start-up MiaSolé, which had been backed by Kleiner Perkins, in 2013. In batteries, A123 Systems was bought by Chinese auto parts maker Wanxiang Group for \$257m.

Which Silicon Valley companies offer workers subsidies to buy hybrid cars?

Applied Materials, which makes solar cell manufacturing equipment, installed a massive solar array at its Silicon Valley headquarters, while Yahoo for years operated a biodiesel-powered shuttle bus for its employees. Some Silicon Valley companies have offered workers subsidies for the purchase of Toyota



Priuses and other hybrid cars.

Will SVP build a battery energy storage system?

While that project failed, SVP is also working with a third party to build and operate up to a 50MW four-hour (200MWh) utility-scale lithium-ion battery energy storage system (BESS) within SVP's service territory. Expected to be in commercial operation in late-2025, SVP would have a twenty-year term with an option to extend another five years.



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### Electrification Programs & Rebates , Silicon Valley Power

Solar & Energy Storage Interconnection Requirements; Neighborhood Solar Program; Commitment to Renewable Energy. Silicon Valley Power offers a variety of rebates that ...

### Incentives and Financing Options , Silicon Valley Power

Silicon Valley Power no longer provides residential rebates for solar photovoltaic (PV) systems. However, you may be eligible for federal tax credits. Silicon Valley Power's Income ...



### A new day dawning?: Silicon Valley sunrise , Nature

The poster child for Silicon Valley's interest in solar power is a company called Nanosolar, based in a distinctly unimposing one-storey building next to Palo Alto's municipal ...



### [Neighborhood Solar Program](#)

The Neighborhood Solar Program is a community supported and funded program administered by Silicon Valley Power. Initially launched in September 2002, the program allowed customers to ...



### Highvoltage Battery

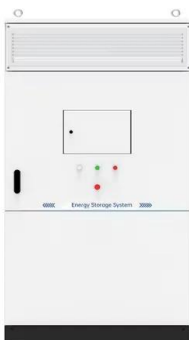


### Understanding Your Bill

Net energy metering allows you to offset your electric usage by exporting power from your solar photovoltaic (PV) system to the grid. When you use more energy than your PV system generates, you will import electricity ...

### Silicon Valley Power

Silicon Valley Power (SVP) is a not-for-profit municipal electric utility owned and operated by the City of Santa Clara, California, United States. SVP provides electricity service to approximately ...



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The potential of solar power to decentralize energy generation -- a potential shared, to a lesser extent, by wind power -- appeals to a culture that places huge societal significance on the



## San Carlos Solar Surge: Valley's Renewable Leader

California's illustrious Silicon Valley, a global epicenter for innovation and technology, is riding an electrifying solar wave that embodies a shift toward sustainability and renewable

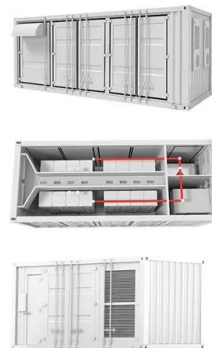


### Steps to Going Solar

Silicon Valley Power has one of the lowest electricity rates in California and may cause your savings to be less than PV systems in other electric utility territories. Verify your contractor ...

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### Electric Generation Locations , Silicon Valley Power

Silicon Valley Power offers power from a variety of sources. The chart below shows a breakdown of different types of power supplied to Silicon Valley Power's customers. Silicon Valley ...



### Solar-Powered Electric Vehicle Charging Stations , Silicon Valley Power

These EV charging stations are the first solar-powered chargers in Santa Clara and build on the City's commitment to sustainability and building clean EV charging infrastructure. The ...

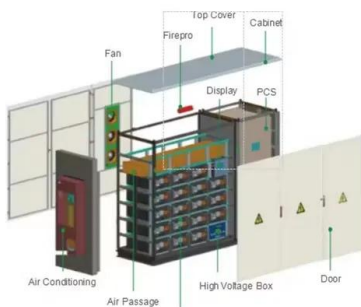


### Silicon Valley Power says data center load to

Silicon Valley Power expects data center load to almost double by 2035. Data centers are already the single largest load for the Californian utility, and are only expected to ...

### Internship Opportunities , Silicon Valley Power

Ready to launch your career with Silicon Valley Power? Apply today to be our intern! Why SVP? We believe that internships are more than just work experience - they're an opportunity to ...



### Energy Efficiency Rebates , Silicon Valley Power

Nonprofit Solar Grant. Silicon Valley Power offers grants up to \$100,000 to qualifying nonprofit organizations for the installation of a solar photovoltaic (PV) system at their facility. Grants ...



## Silicon Valley Clean Energy Enters Solar, Storage Agreements

California community choice aggregator Silicon Valley Clean Energy on Sept. 20 announced the execution of two 15-year agreements with subsidiaries of NextEra Energy ...



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Data centers are already the single largest load for the Californian utility, and are only expected to consume more, SVP said in a draft Integrated Resource Plan. The Santa Clara-based company expects to turn to ...

## Community Grants

Community Outreach Grants for Energy Efficiency and Building Electrification Education. Silicon Valley Power is offering grants up to \$10,000 for not-for-profit community-based organizations ...



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## Millington I Solar Farm

On April 23, 2019, Silicon Ranch, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), the City of Millington, Millington Industrial Development Board (MIDB), and Memphis, Light Gas & Water (MLGW) officially "Flipped the Switch" on a 53 MWac solar ...



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