



Illinois Solar for All

Stakeholder Engagement for Program Implementation

ILSFA Advisory Committee

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Agenda

- Advisory Committee Design
- Support for program implementation



Advisory Committee Design



Topic Background

According to the IPA's 2024 Long-Term Plan, the Advisory Committee is meant to develop and explore ideas and advise the Agency on the ILSFA program. The committee meetings are “meant to foster **meaningful and informed conversation** between all program stakeholder and agencies, provide education or information regarding participation in the program, **encourage stakeholder and public feedback**, and **develop and propose incremental improvements** to the ILSFA program.” (Section 8.16)



Committee Goals

Increase program participation by providing relevant expertise to inform ongoing program development and improvements.



Diverse Member Representation

- Solar company (Approved Vendor)
- Grassroots Educators
- Program participants
- Community Action Agencies
- Solar Job Training Program
- Solar Industry
- Advocacy Group
- Each Utility, the Illinois Commerce Commission, and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- Emphasis on geographic diversity and representing all ILSFA project types (Residential Solar, Community Solar, Nonprofit and Public Facility)



Subcommittees

- To break up the various topics within the program, the committee members are broken into 5 different subcommittees
- These are more focused groups that hold expertise or interest in the topic
- These groups are meant to drive engagement and discussion



Support for Program Implementation



Committee Meetings

- Elevate (ILSFA Program Administrator) and the IPA bring meeting topics and questions to the committee for discussion.
- Elevate summarizes the discussion and provides recommendations for how to address the topic and sends to the members for review.
- Elevate submits the summary to the IPA
 - The IPA will make the final decisions on any changes that may be made to the program based off the recommendations of the committee
 - E.g., Community solar subscriptions topic
 - Following the summary, Elevate worked with the IPA to develop and shared best practices for ILSFA solar companies to follow with regards to waitlists for these subscriptions



Meetings To Date

- Community Solar subscriptions
- Educational meetings:
 - Deep Dive into ILSFA Programming
 - ILSFA Job Training requirements
 - Overview of ILSFA Pilot Programs
 - Small and Emerging Businesses
 - Energy Sovereignty
- Progress of Residential Solar and Home Repairs Pilot Programs
- Coordination with LIHEAP and Energy Efficiency programs (subcommittee)

Previous meeting agendas and recordings can be found on the [ILSFA website](#).



Thank you!

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