

Solar Readiness

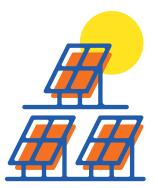
Where can solar panels be mounted?

There are two types of mounting systems:



Roof-mounted

- Panels are mounted to the roof of a home or building.
- Homes, apartment buildings, businesses, schools, libraries, houses of worship, and community centers are examples of sites that can host rooftop solar systems.



Ground-mounted

- Panels are mounted on the ground and certain systems can use tracking devices to maximize the amount of sunlight shining on the panels throughout the day.
- Any open space can host a ground-mounted system.



What options are available to me if my rooftop is not solar-ready?

- Your municipality may provide grants to repair or replace your roof. Call 311, your local elected leader's office, or visit your village website for more information. Visit IllinoisSFA.com to find programs and services to get your home or property solar-ready.
- Ground-mount systems are an option if your rooftop is not suitable for a solar PV system.
- You may also be able to participate in a community solar installation if one is available in your community.

How do I know if my home or property is suitable for solar panels?

Solar panels are built to work in all climates, but in some cases rooftops may not be suitable for solar systems due to age, tree cover, or shading. The size, shape, and slope of your roof are also important factors to consider. Typically, solar panels perform best on south-facing roofs with a slope between 15 and 40 degrees, though other roofs, like flat roofs, may be suitable. You should also consider the age of your roof and when it will need replacement.

Your Approved Vendor can assist you in performing a suitability assessment to determine if your rooftop or land can host a solar PV system. Site assessments that do not meet Illinois Solar for All's site suitability requirements will not be able to proceed. Installations must comply with all local building and zoning codes.



What are the benefits of installing solar panels through ILSFA?

Solar energy is an efficient, affordable, and clean source of energy that protects the environment and creates jobs. With available incentives and tax credits, solar can provide significant savings for both property owners and renters in the form of energy bill credits. Solar energy also helps to protect against future energy cost increases.

All ILSFA projects are developed by Approved Vendors. Approved Vendors are vetted and approved by the Program Administrator and must meet rigorous program requirements, including quality workmanship, participant savings, and consumer protections. If you are interested in participating in ILSFA, you must work through an Approved Vendor.

ILSFA ensures that all qualified participants see savings by requiring that your costs and fees are no more than half of the value you see coming from the energy produced from the onsite solar array.

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