

Energy and Funding

[BayREN](#) (Bay Area Regional Network) offers many substantial rebates and incentives for home energy improvements such as heat pump water heaters and space heating, cooking, clothes drying and much more.

Sonoma Clean Power's [Advanced Energy Center](#) in Santa Rosa is an education and resource hub for electric energy. With a large demonstration area, visitors can learn about a variety of options, including induction cooktops and heat pump water heaters. Visitors can compare products, learn about benefits, attend classes and learn about zero interest financing options and referrals to contractors.

Sonoma Clean Power also offers many incentives and rebates for steps we can take to lower our carbon footprint. For example:

[Self-Generated Incentive program](#) offers incentives for home battery storage.

[California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project \(CALeVIP\)](#) provides rebates for electric vehicle (EV) charger purchase and installation costs.

Their [GridSavvy](#) program offers free electric vehicle chargers and rebates for smart thermostats and heat pump hot water heaters.

Sonoma Clean Power's [Evergreen Program](#) offers 100% renewable, locally produced energy for homes or businesses. The premium for EverGreen is \$0.025/kWh, so for about \$13 more per month (based on an average residential customer), you can make a big difference.

The County of Sonoma offers [PACE Financing](#). Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) is a financing mechanism that enables low-cost, long-term funding for energy efficiency, renewable energy and water conservation projects.

PACE financing is repaid as an assessment on the property's regular tax bill. PACE can be used for residential, commercial and some non-profits.

Sequestration

<https://drawdown.org/>

Compost Giveaway Story

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/10UyNphmbKJIRMJrpd9zrK7vuJOJ9hAgu/edit?usp=sharing&oid=109545094423800894782&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Equity

Application for environmental justice/equity position on CAC

https://ci.sebastopol.ca.us/SebastopolSite/media/Documents/Boards_Commissions_Committees/Applications/Updated-for-CAS-as-of-Feb-2020.pdf?ext=.pdf

Equity matrix: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/193a9MBDPcB6qwTRszEBisiLmYSZ75KZm/edit>

In Sonoma County:

North Bay Organizing Project: <http://www.northbayop.org/>

North Bay Jobs with Justice: <https://www.northbayjobswithjustice.org/>

Graton Day Labor Center: <https://www.gratondaylabor.org/>

In California:

California Env. Justice Alliance: <https://caleja.org/>

U.S.:

Climate Justice Alliance: <https://climatejusticealliance.org/>

Transportation

1. Complete Streets - We have been working on revisiting the concept of "Complete Streets" for the city. Here are some resources:

MTC Complete Streets Checklist: https://ci.sebastopol.ca.us/getattachment/Meeting-Event/Planning-Commission/2021/Planning-Commission-Meeting-of-April-27,-2021/Agenda-Item-6A_MTC-Complete-Streets-Checklist_-_Staff-Report-with-Attachments_04-27-21.pdf.aspx

Bodega Ave Project: <https://completestreets.mtc.ca.gov/checklists/1144>

2. Bird Shared Micro Mobility - We received a presentation by [Bird](https://www.bird.co/) a few weeks ago. We are working to have them give a presentation to the full CAC with hopes the city might be able to have them bring their scooter/bikeshare system to the city.

<https://www.bird.co/>

3. AB 965 - The CAC earlier this year formally supported AB 965, and bill by our local Assemblymember Marc Levine to help make electric vehicle charging more accessible and available at apartments and other multi-unit dwellings where people don't have their own garages. It is a two-year bill, so it will be an ongoing issue starting in January 2022 until October 2022 when next year's legislative session ends.

AB 965: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB965

I've attached a factsheet

4. New Gas Station Prohibition -- As I think you know, we are working with city staff to advance a prohibition on the construction of new gas stations. Resources:

Coalition Opposing New Gas Stations: www.con-gas.org

RCPA Info: <https://scta.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/SCTA-RCPA-Board-of-Directors-Agenda-Packet-09.13.2021.pdf>

Coltura: www.coltura.org

5. Research - Lastly, we are in the process of researching transportation information relevant to Sebastopol. Some of that is here:

- Collecting Transportation Data for Sebastopol Area
 - SCTA -- **Look at their report** -- <https://scta.ca.gov/planning/comprehensive-transportation-plan/>
 - https://scta.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/SCTA-CTP21_v8.pdf
 - **Sonoma County Travel Behavior Study:** https://scta.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Sonoma_TBS_2-7-2020_web.pdf

6. Levine Fact Sheet

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/1/#inbox/QgrcJHsTlnFxSfzRnSwPwhhnJhFLHvIWbPL?projector=1&messagePartId=0.1>