

Solar in Schools

Solar Master Plans for Bay Area Schools

Presentation to Bay Area Air Quality Management District
Climate Protection Committee

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BAAQMD – KyotoUSA Partnership

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions by bringing solar power to Bay Area public schools



Bay Area School Districts Face Challenges to Going Solar

- 159 school districts: from a single school serving a dozen children to more than 100 schools serving thousands of children
- Facilities needs far exceed available funding
- Understaffed and frequency of transitions
- Lack of in-house expertise

How the Project Helps Schools Overcome These Challenges

1. Help school districts understand their energy use
2. Provide information on benefits of solar
3. Assess each school district's potential for solar
4. Research and present financing options
5. Provide non-biased, detailed Solar Master Plans to school districts

Benefits of Solar on Schools



Economic

- Utility bill savings benefit the General Fund



Environmental

- Reduces climate warming greenhouse gas emissions, toxic air contaminants, and water consumption



Educational

- Educational benefits/opportunities for teachers and students included in the purchase



Community

- Demonstrates commitment to future generations

Navigating Potential Funding Sources

1. General Obligation Bonds
2. Prop 51 (passed November 2016)
3. Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREBs) - ~1% interest
4. Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZABs) - ~1% interest
5. California Energy Commission loans (\$3M max) - 0% + 1% interest
6. Prop 39
7. Tax Exempt Lease Financing
8. Cash Reserves
9. Any combination of the above
10. Power Purchase Agreements

Solar Master Plan



**Solar
Master
Plan**



Novato Unified
School District



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SOLAR IN SCHOOLS: SOLAR MASTER PLANS FOR BAY AREA SCHOOLS



Location: San Jose Middle
Address: 1000 Sunset Parkway, Novato, CA 94949

PARKING						
Array #	Total Area	Use (%)	Usable Area	kWp	Yield	Kwh
1	6,405	100%	6,405	113	1,456.6	165,133
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ROOF						
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A	7,320	55%	4,026	71	1,489.4	106,185
B	3,510	55%	1,931	34	1,489.4	50,893
C	3,404	55%	1,872	33	1,489.4	49,346
	14,234		7,829	139	1,489.4	206,383

TOTAL	20,639		14,234	252		371,516
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Total estimated PV Capacity - parking and roof

Current Annual Consumption (kWh)	Current Annual Cost (\$)	Target kWh	kWp Needed to Reach Target:
177,036	\$34,640	132,777	50

PV needed to offset electricity costs

	Actual System Size (kWp)		kWh Production (kWh)	Estimated System Cost (\$)	Value of Avoided Electricity-Year (-)\$	Annual Avoided GHGs (tons)	Annual RECs Earned (mWh)	Meets Target
	Parking	Roof						
Roof		89	132,777	\$427,911	\$25,228	24	133	75%
Parking	51		132,777	\$446,652	\$25,228	24	133	75%

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Table 2b. California Energy Commission Loan

Key Energy Saving Inputs and Assumptions			Key Financing Inputs and Assumptions			Projected Results	
System Size (kWp)	1,616		Solar Contract Turnkey Price	\$7,837,771		Total General Fund Savings	\$6,806,989
Price (\$/Wp)	\$4.85		Performance Guarantee: Years 0-10	\$129,578		Average Annual Savings	\$340,349
Solar Yield (kWh/kWp)	1,486					General Fund NPV (3%)	\$5,063,541
Annual Rate of PV Degradation	0.50%		Total CEC Loan	\$3,000,000			
Estimated Avoided Cost (\$/kWh)	\$0.190		Interest	0.00%			
Annual Electricity Cost Inflation	3.00%		Term (years)	20			
Operations & Maintenance Cost: Year 1	\$67,928		GO Bond	\$4,967,349			
Annual O&M Escalation Rate	3.00%						

Year	Savings of Utility Bill	Cost of O&M Contract (Years 0-20)	Net Energy Savings	Principal Repayment	Supplemental Interest	Net Payment	Annual General Fund Benefit	Cumulative General Fund Benefit
1	\$456,056	(\$67,928)	\$388,129	(\$47,779)	\$0	(\$47,779)	\$340,350	\$340,350
2	\$467,389	(\$69,965)	\$397,424	(\$57,074)	\$0	(\$57,074)	\$340,350	\$680,699
3	\$479,004	(\$72,064)	\$406,940	(\$66,590)	\$0	(\$66,590)	\$340,350	\$1,021,049
4	\$490,907	(\$74,226)	\$416,681	(\$76,331)	\$0	(\$76,331)	\$340,350	\$1,361,399
5	\$503,106	(\$76,453)	\$426,653	(\$86,303)	\$0	(\$86,303)	\$340,350	\$1,701,749
6	\$515,608	(\$78,747)	\$436,862	(\$96,512)	\$0	(\$96,512)	\$340,350	\$2,042,098
7	\$528,421	(\$81,109)	\$447,312	(\$106,962)	\$0	(\$106,962)	\$340,350	\$2,382,448
8	\$541,553	(\$83,542)	\$458,010	(\$117,660)	\$0	(\$117,660)	\$340,350	\$2,722,798
9	\$555,010	(\$86,049)	\$468,962	(\$128,612)	\$0	(\$128,612)	\$340,350	\$3,063,148
10	\$568,802	(\$88,630)	\$480,172	(\$139,822)	\$0	(\$139,822)	\$340,350	\$3,403,497
11	\$582,937	(\$91,289)	\$491,648	(\$151,298)	\$0	(\$151,298)	\$340,350	\$3,743,847
12	\$597,423	(\$94,028)	\$503,395	(\$163,045)	\$0	(\$163,045)	\$340,350	\$4,084,197
13	\$612,269	(\$96,849)	\$515,420	(\$175,071)	\$0	(\$175,071)	\$340,350	\$4,424,547
14	\$627,484	(\$99,754)	\$527,730	(\$187,380)	\$0	(\$187,380)	\$340,350	\$4,764,896
15	\$643,077	(\$102,747)	\$540,330	(\$199,980)	\$0	(\$199,980)	\$340,350	\$5,105,246
16	\$659,057	(\$105,829)	\$553,228	(\$212,878)	\$0	(\$212,878)	\$340,350	\$5,445,596
17	\$675,435	(\$109,004)	\$566,431	(\$226,081)	\$0	(\$226,081)	\$340,350	\$5,785,945
18	\$692,219	(\$112,274)	\$579,945	(\$239,596)	\$0	(\$239,596)	\$340,350	\$6,126,295
19	\$709,421	(\$115,642)	\$593,779	(\$253,429)	\$0	(\$253,429)	\$340,350	\$6,466,645
20	\$727,050	(\$119,111)	\$607,939	(\$267,595)	\$0	(\$267,595)	\$340,344	\$6,806,989
Total	\$11,632,229	(\$1,825,240)	\$9,806,989	(\$3,000,000)	\$0	(\$3,000,000)	\$6,806,989	

Novato Unified School District

Novato Unified School District Solar Master Plan Solar Cost/Benefit Analysis

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Results for Novato Unified School District

- Solar installations at 10 schools totals 1.4MW
- Power Purchase Agreement with SolarCity
- PPA price = ~\$0.147/KWh fixed for 20 years – provides savings and rate stability
- Estimated savings = \$3.7 million over 20 years; \$6.5 million over 25 years
- Approximately 318 metric tons of CO2 avoided annually

San Ramon Valley Unified School District*

Environmental benefits of 3.7 MW installed solar



Climate Protection

Avoided **17,653** tons of Carbon Dioxide (equivalent to not driving **36,882,000** miles)

Air Quality Improvements

Avoided **9,649** pounds of Nitrogen Oxides

Avoided **1,664** pounds of Sulfur Oxides

See, <http://www.srvusd.net/solar>

* Since September 2011

BAAQMD – KyotoUSA Partnership Key Outcomes

- Solar Master Plans provided to 19 school districts, including 252 schools
- Mini-Solar Master Plans provided to an additional 49 school districts
- More than 50 solar installations in process and more to come

For the 19 school districts that received SMPs:

- Potential PV system size > 18MW
- Savings ranging from \$29M to \$122M depending on financing method
- Annual GHG reductions = 8,500 metric tons of CO₂

And, of course, we couldn't have done it without you.
Thank you for making it possible, from all the kids, in all
the schools!



AGENDA: 5

Climate Forward Bay Area: A Leadership Forum

Climate Protection Committee
Lisa Fasano, Communications Officer
November 17, 2016

Survey Responses

- *86 percent found the conversations valuable*
- *Greg Dalton's moderating style was praised*
- *77% found Tech and Energy Water and Waste plenary valuable*
- *Air District Board members were complimented for moderating and keeping the conversation flowing*



• Moderator:
– Greg Dalton: Founder and Host, Climate One

• Plenary Experts:
– Christopher Field, PhD: Director, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment
– Fran Pavley: Senator, California State Senate 27th District
– Mary Nichols: Chair, California Air Resources Board
– Vien Truong: Director, Green For All

Forum Highlights

- Overall, respondents appreciated conversational style
- The Set the Stage plenary and Van Jones keynote best sessions
- Friday opening session provided a voice to:
 - **Ms. Margaret Gordon** - West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project and the Alameda County Stakeholder Project for the Environmental Health
 - **Ms. Marie Harrison** – Community Organizer for Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice
 - **Jed Holzman** – 350BayArea.org
 - **Julian Pelzner** – sophomore UC, Berkeley, Environmental Economics/Policy
 - **Jazmine Jolly** – senior, Windsor High School



Breakout Sessions

- 88% found the Tech and Transportation & Housing breakout conversation valuable
- 78% found Tech and Energy conversation valuable
- 71% found Tech and Water conversation valuable
- 77% found Tech and Waste conversation valuable



Keynote Results

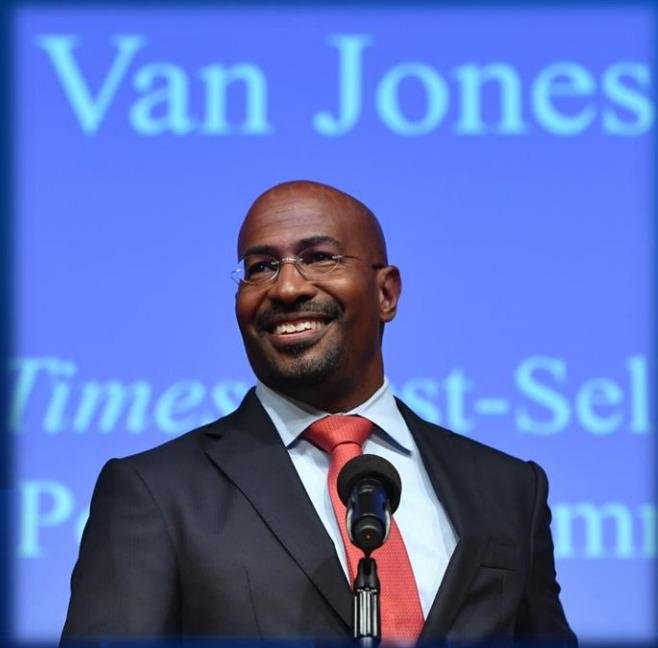
Van Jones' Keynote

- *90% of respondents found Van's Keynote valuable (of that 70% strongly agreed)*



Keynote Responses

- *Inspiring presentation and thoughtful responses to questions.*
- *This was by far the highlight of the conference. Very relevant and inspiring.*
- *He was worth the wait. His inspirational spirit / words / insights gave wind to my wings....*
- *Van Jones is excellent. Great conclusion to the conference.*
- *I was skeptical that Van Jones would deliver a meaningful conversation. He was fantastic.*



Lessons Learned

- Tech and Transportation Plenary received 57% favorability level;
 - *many respondents surprised by MTC's position*
- More discussion about new and emerging technologies
- Desire for more elected officials to attend
- More diversity
- Fracking discussion and impact of animal agriculture



By the numbers

	2016 Climate Forward Bay Area
Event Cost	\$365,139
Sponsorship	\$66,000
Attendees	275
Cost per attendee per day	\$664

