Why Net Metering Matters

Net metering is what allows solar producers to receive full, fair retail credit from their utility for the excess energy they produce and share with neighbors.

Corporate utilities are constantly trying to rollback pro-consumer policies that make it affordable for Floridians to install solar panels on their homes. “Net metering” is a policy that sounds complicated but it’s really not. If you’re a residential or commercial solar power producer, and you send more power than you use back into the grid, the utility company must credit you for what you share. This extra solar energy can supply nearby consumers and reduce the producer’s overall electric grid usage.

Why it’s important to Floridians

• Keeps solar affordable
• Puts extra money into families’ pockets
• Creates well-paying job opportunities in clean energy
• Protects people’s freedom to take control of their own energy and exercise their property owner rights
• Promotes electricity grid efficiency and resilience to storms by decentralizing power production

Florida Facts

• Currently, the Sunshine state produces the 3rd most electricity from solar panels in the country and employs over 12,000 people in solar.
• More than 60,000 Florida homes and businesses participate in rooftop solar net metering programs.
• Florida consumes nearly eight times as much energy as it produces, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.
• On average, only 20–40% of a solar energy system’s output ever goes into the grid, and this exported solar electricity serves nearby customers’ loads.

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60,000 Floridians benefit from rooftop solar

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