

RED HOOK COMMUNITY SOLAR INITIATIVE

RETI CENTER

SOLAR ONE





RESILIENCE
EDUCATION
TRAINING
INNOVATION

HERE COMES
SOLAR

LOCAL POWER: COMMUNITY SOLAR

BACKGROUND

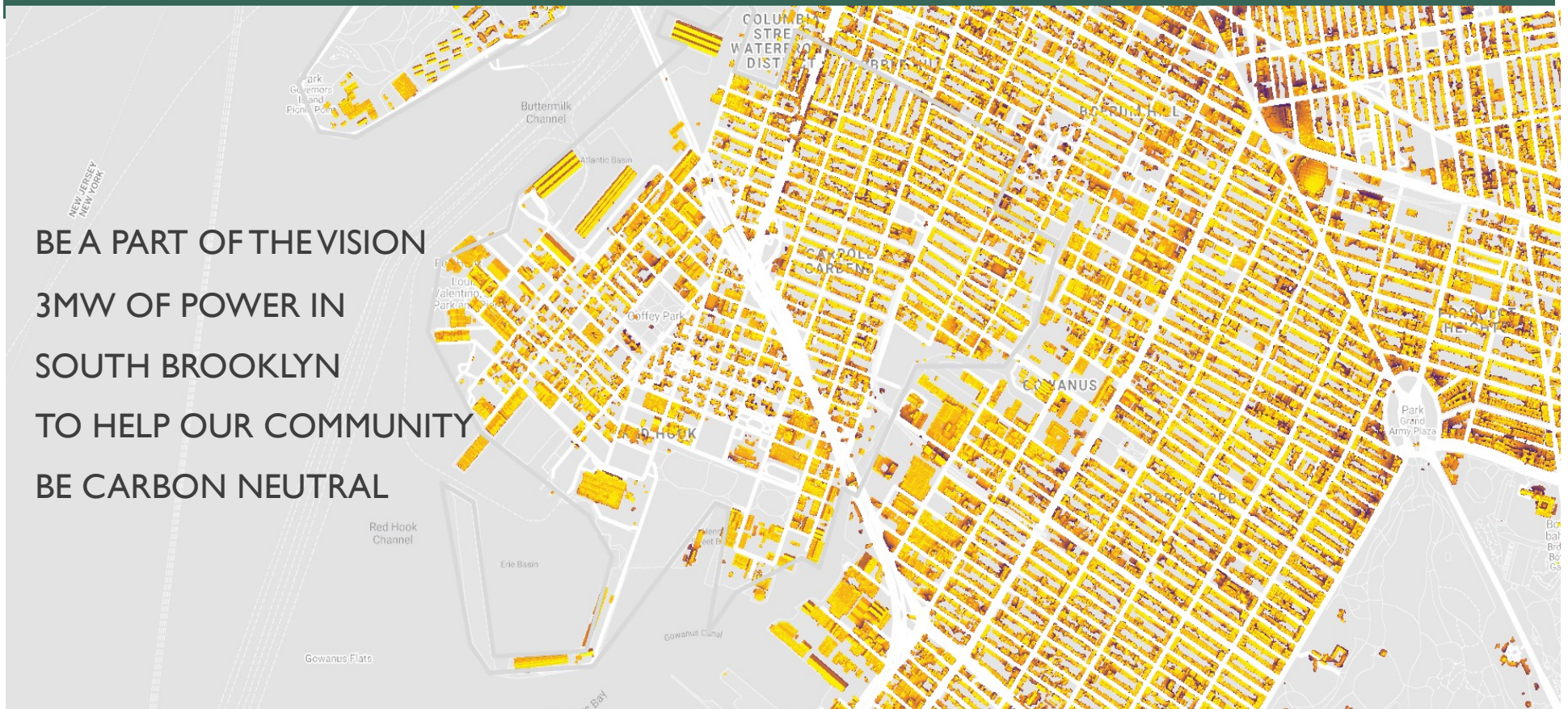
We seek to develop solar energy projects on local buildings with local ownership and governance, primarily through a community solar model.

- Continuation of RETI Center's community resiliency work
- Must benefit affordable or low-income housing
- Partnered with Solar One's Here Comes Solar team to provide solar technical assistance
- Received funding from NYSERDA for solar "pre-development"
- Includes all technical feasibility work for solar energy



CONNECTION TO RETI / RED HOOK'S COMMITMENT TO A LOW-CARBON FUTURE

BE A PART OF THE VISION
3MW OF POWER IN
SOUTH BROOKLYN
TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY
BE CARBON NEUTRAL



DESIRED OUTCOMES WITH NYSERDA GRANT

Building Engagement Track

- Receive commitments from local building owners to install solar projects at the end of pre-development
- Create a pipeline of buildings to host solar energy projects in subsequent rounds
- Finalize agreements with host sites, solar installers, and financiers

Community Engagement Track

- Complete a community engagement process that determine the best use of benefits from the initiative
- Determine community-focused ownership and governance model based on community input
- Expand community benefits through building pipeline in the future

BUILDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROCESS

Owner Outreach
Q1-3 2022

Remote Solar Assessment /
Interested Expressed
Q2-Q4 2022

Detailed-On Site Assessment
Q2 2022-Q1 2023

Commitment
Q2 2022-Q2 2023

Remote
Assessment & Initial
Proposal

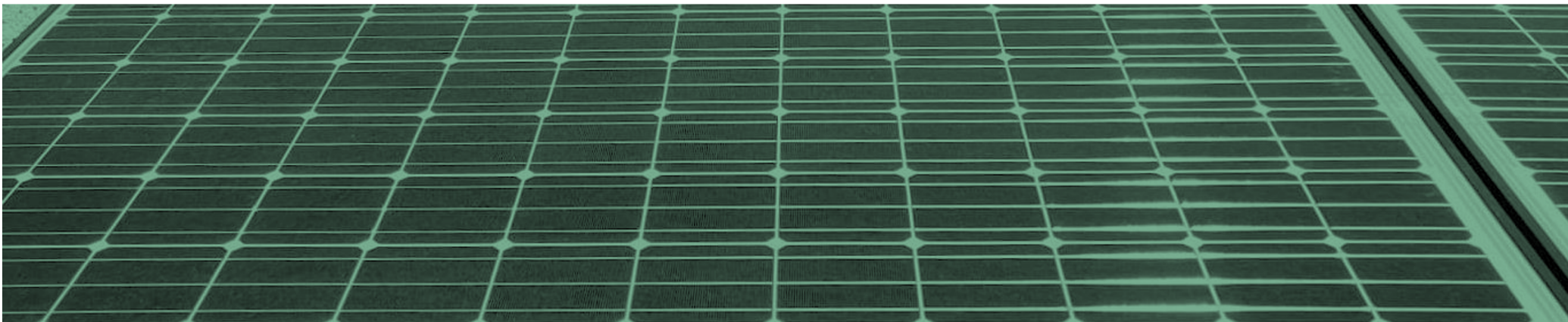
Onsite
Assessment
by Solar One

Detailed
Financial
Analysis

Engineering
Assessment

Installer &
Financier
Recruited

Rooftop
Lease



SOLAR FOR YOUR BUILDINGS - BENEFITS

- Reduces operating expenses
 - Energy savings or lease revenue
 - Substantial tax abatement over 4 years
- Low-maintenance, reliable technology
 - Not responsible if leased
- 25+ year lifetime
- LL97 compliance
- Roof warranty preserved
 - Often, no penetrations needed
- Clean, renewable energy
- Community co-benefits
 - Energy Savings
 - Workforce
 - Ownership/Governance

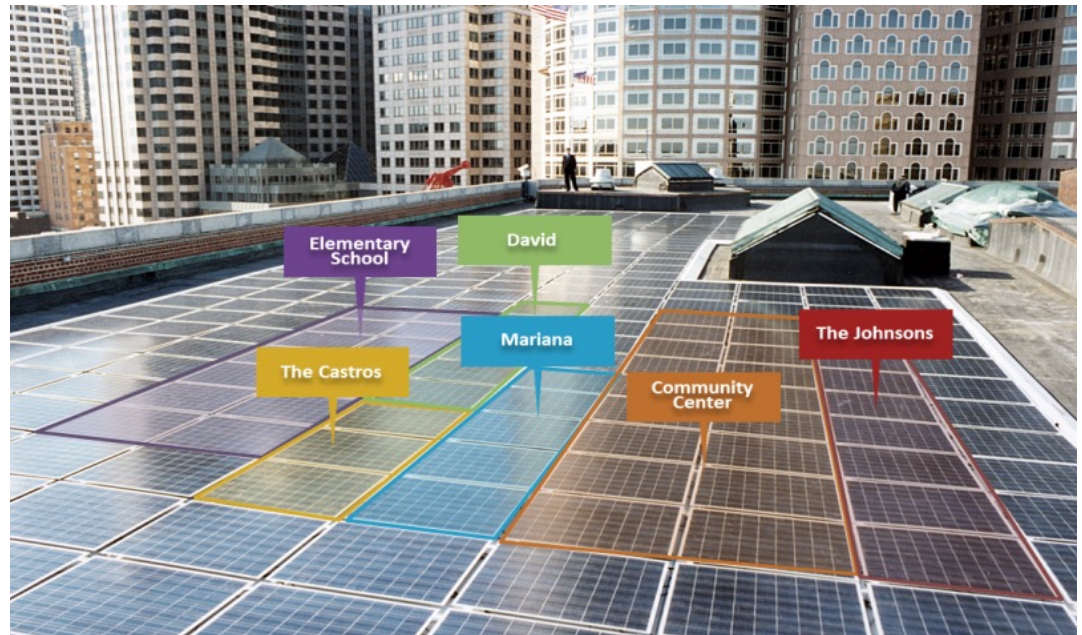


COMMUNITY SOLAR – GIVING POWER TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Community Solar is a type of solar energy project where the energy that is produced is sold to Con Edison customers at a discount, typically 10-20%. Community solar is also known as “shared solar” or a “solar garden.”

As a building owner, you can get paid to lease your rooftop space and/or receive some of the solar credits from the system to reduce energy costs, and sell the rest. Your property will be significantly reduced for the first four years after installation.

Participants, local households and small business, can save money by sharing your solar energy system without having to install anything on their roofs or making any upfront costs.



SOLAR FOR YOUR BUILDINGS – OWNER OPTOINS

SOLAR ROOF LEASE

- No upfront cost
- Earn lease revenue from solar system owner
- Maintenance is not owner responsibility
- Typically, 20-year lease with buyout or termination payment schedule
- Option to take energy savings in lieu of lease
- Property tax abatement over first four years of operation

PURCHASE OR FINANCED

- Greatest financial return
- Control over project operations and maintenance
- Community-centered financing and ownership strategy
- Option to sell energy (community solar) or use solar energy in-house
- Property tax abatement over first four years of operation

COMMITTED PARTNERS

The initiative has a variety of committed stakeholders joining the effort, with close to **700kW of solar production** in the pipeline.

- 153 Coffey St. Studio, 50 kW fully-financed system to be installed and operational by Q4 2022, \$52,000 estimated value to owner over the lifetime of the system
- Carroll Gardens Associates, a low-income housing provider with several buildings in Red Hook
- Jim Tampakis, private real estate holder and industrial business owner / advocate, with several buildings in Red Hook
- Pioneer Works, a local NGO and community asset with a large footprint of buildings and open space

EXAMPLE - PIONEER WORKS



Solar Capacity for Buildings Pictured

99.5 kW

Site summary:

One building; good solar access; roof looks to be in good shape. Great candidate for solar.

Site notes

There is a tall chimney and bulkhead that will cause some shading.

NEXT STEPS

Submit list of
properties &
energy bills

Initial assessment
results shared

Detailed
consultation
process begins

Solar One will
complete remote
assessment

Schedule onsite
assessment