



ASES NATIONAL **SOLAR TOUR**

Fall 2022

**WELCOME TO THE 27TH ANNUAL
NATIONAL SOLAR TOUR**



ASES National Solar Tour | October 1-2, 2022

Solar and sustainable living advocates are aligning across the country to participate in the **27th ASES National Solar Tour**, the year's largest annual grassroots solar and sustainable living event taking place in communities near you. There are in-person, hybrid, and virtual tours available.



BE A HOST! Show off your solar-powered home, business, organization, school, community solar garden, and more.



VIEW MAP! Use our map to locate local tours or perhaps afar – who's up for a road trip?



FIND RESOURCES! Some how-tos and promotional items to help your solar tour or site event be a success!

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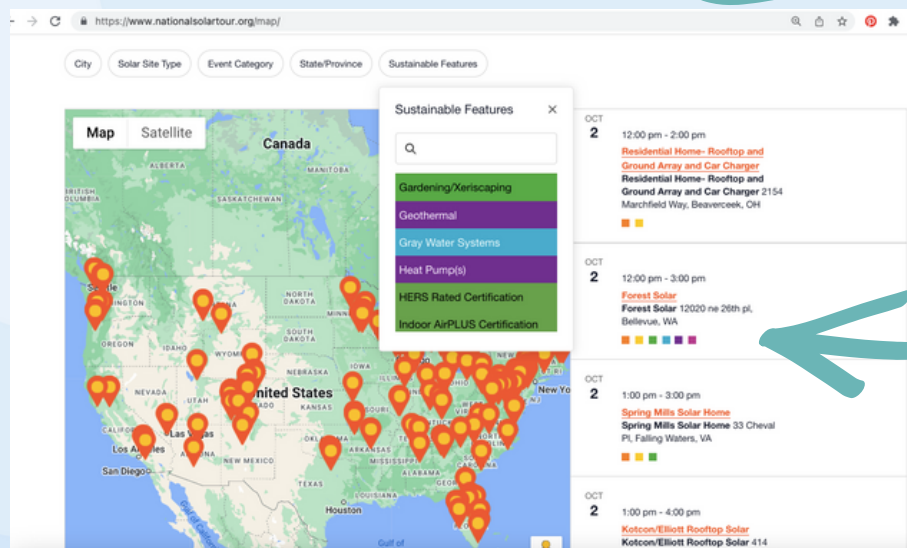
Lauren Reddington, 2022 National Solar Tour Director



Despite its name, the ASES National Solar Tour does not just feature solar power but also a bevy of sustainable features. To illuminate this fact, we created a color coded key for the National Solar Tour Map (found on nationalsolartour.org) to allow site visitors to explore all the diverse tours and sites and their various sustainable features highlighted on this year's tour.

Sustainable Features Key

- OFF-GRID
- ELECTRIC VEHICLES
- SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV)
- SUSTAINABLE LIVING
- WATER HARVESTING & CONSERVATION
- MECHANICAL HEATING & COOLING
- NON-SOLAR ELECTRICITY GENERATION



The ASES National Solar Tour

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By Carly Rixham, Executive Director, American Solar Energy Society

What began as a local solar and sustainability tour at the Solar Living Institute in Hopland, California, expanded to become the National Solar Tour in 1995. Here in our 27th year and the second hybrid National Solar Tour, we are now the largest annual grassroots sustainable living event in the nation! We have expanded the tour this year to include more sustainable solutions and solar education sites such as stands at markets and street fairs, both in-person and virtual. We are honored to be partnered with The Energy and Environmental Building Alliance (EEBA) to bring you this year's tour.

The tour is an opportunity for solar enthusiasts to share their process of going solar - the benefits and the lessons learned - to attendees to educate and further the integration of renewable energy. Learn about going solar from real people in your area - or across the country! Find resources for financing, get recommendations on installers, learn about any local laws or incentives, and get answers to support your transition to solar. With the Investment Tax Credit (ITC) back up to 30%, it's time to get this party started.

Research shows that people are inspired to install solar panels because they see them on nearby homes. Solar panels tend to be clustered in certain neighborhoods rather than evenly distributed throughout a city. A Yale study shows that the installation of one additional solar photovoltaic rooftop project within the past six months increases the average number of installations within a half-mile radius by almost one-half. The findings suggest that "seeding" solar panels on a few houses in neighborhoods where they are sparse could help residential solar spread faster. The strongest predictor of whether a house will have solar panels is the density of solar panels on neighboring properties.

The National Solar Tour helps to spread solar contagion. It creates a platform for organizers to host their sustainability events. It provides resources, support, and promotion of Local Solar Tours and Solar Sites. Learn more and find events near you at nationalsolartour.org.

Thank you for being a part of the National Solar Tour!



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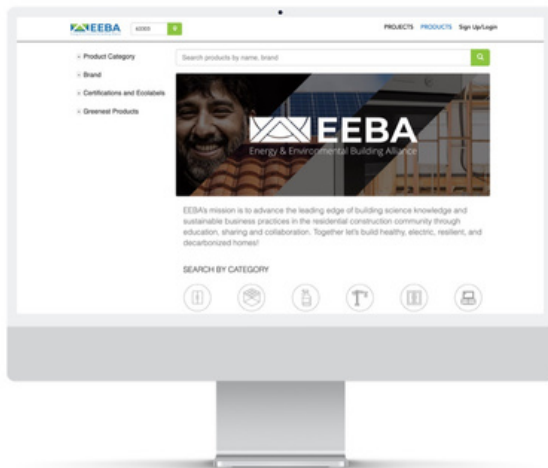
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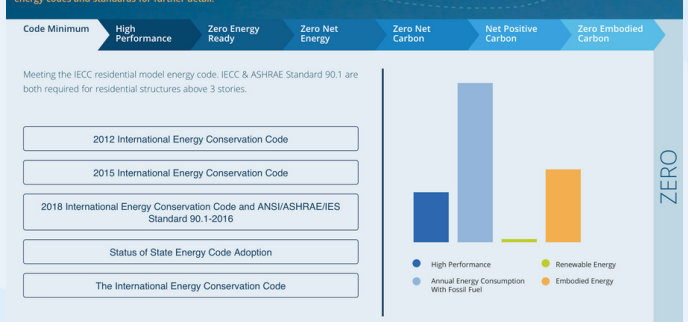
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THERE IS A PATH TO ZERO FOR EVERYONE,
but with so many programs, guidelines,
standards available, finding the one that's right
for you can be overwhelming. That's why EEBA
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And while "getting to zero" does not always
follow a linear process, EEBA has organized
the resources in categories from "base energy
code" to "zero embodied carbon," referencing
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Local Solar Tours

Check out these Local Solar Tours and more at nationalsolartour.org

Arkansas

Arkansas Solar Tour-Little Rock

Arizona

Sustainable Building Tour- Stories Buildings Tell-Flagstaff

California

Sustainable Pomona Tour

Colorado

Metro Denver Green Homes Tour-Golden
Chaffee County Green Homes Tour Salida
Chaffee County Buena Vista Green Home Tour
4CORE Solar and Net Zero Home Tour-Durango
Summit County EV Ride And Drive-Frisco

District of Columbia (DC)

U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon Virtual Tour-Washington/ Virtually Nationwide

Florida

NeoCity Academy; Florida's First Net Zero Energy School-Kissimmee

Illinois

Illinois Solar Tour-Elk Grove Village
Heartland Solar Tour-Carterville

Kentucky

Louisville Solar Tour & EV Experience
Wilmore Kentucky Area Tour

Massachusetts

South Shore Sustainable Living Tour-Hull
Hingham Light Solar Tour

Michigan

Michigan Solar Home Tour-East Lansing

Minnesota

Minnesota Renewable Energy Society Sustainability Tour
Sikharam's Energy Independent Home-Lakeville

Missouri

Kansas City Area Solar Tour-Lee's Summit

Montana

Bozeman Brewery and Bike Solar Tour

North Carolina

HBCU CDAC Tour of Solar Homes-Winston-Salem
The Electric Tribe Tour (featuring Ovanova)-Hillsborough

New Jersey

Sussex County Solar Tour-Lafayette
MSSIA NJ Solar Tour-Bordentown

Ohio

Ohio 'Wish You Were Here' Tour-Mentor
Kent State University Solar and Sustainability Tour

Pennsylvania

Chester County Clean Energy Tour
Springfield Solar Tour-Flourtown
Greater Philadelphia Solar Tour
Lower Merion Neighbors Solar Tour-Ardmore

Texas

DFW Solar Tour-Richardson
Texas Solar Tour-Dallas

Virginia

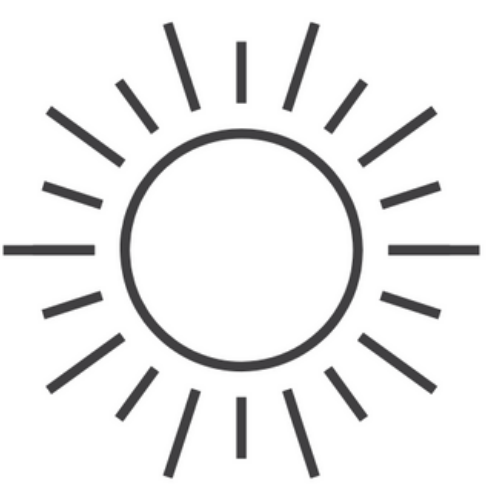
ASES MD-DC-VA-Arlington
Rocktown Energy Festival-Harrisonburg
Hampton Roads VA Solar Tour-Norfolk

Wisconsin

Deerfield Solar Tour
Midwest Renewable Energy Association Headquarters Solar Tour- Custer
Albertson Memorial Library Solar Project-Albany
Trempealeau Villagers' Solar Tour
Sisters Solar Site-Green Bay

Wyoming

Laramie Solar Tour



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Use your phone's camera to scan this QR code and fill out the quick form to indicate which Local Solar Tours and Solar Sites you attended! With this QR code, you can also find more info and support this program by donating to the NST fund.



Thank you for attending the National Solar Tour! By participating you have contributed to increasing solar adoption and the implementation of sustainable upgrades.

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