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PUBLICLY OWNED UTILITIES

**POWERED BY
COMMUNITY**





WHAT ARE PUBLICLY OWNED UTILITIES

Publicly owned utilities are not-for-profit public (government) agencies that provide electricity to communities.





BENEFITS OF PUBLICLY OWNED UTILITIES

- ✓ LOWER COSTS
- ✓ SAFER & MORE RELIABLE ENERGY
- ✓ COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT





LOWER COSTS

Publicly owned utilities are nonprofit, which allows them to provide energy at a lower cost. Meanwhile, private utility corporations raise rates again and again to rake in huge profits for their investors and CEOs.





SAFER & MORE RELIABLE ENERGY

Not bound by the profit-driven goals of corporate power companies, **publicly owned utilities** reinvest money into the grid and community programs to ensure safer and more reliable energy for all.





COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

While wealthy utility corporations continue to put profits over people, planet, and the quality of service they provide, **publicly owned utilities** focus on the needs of the communities they serve.





HOW TO GET INVOLVED



Contact your community's Board Member and attend Board meetings.



Vote for Board members who commit to clean energy and equitable access.



Connect with other community members to collectively demand eco-friendly energy solutions.



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All information is presented by 350 Sacramento.



LEARN MORE:

SMUD is the public utility for the Sacramento, California region, and can be found online at [SMUD.org](https://www.smud.org).

For more information about public utilities, clean energy, and how to get involved in community action, check out 350 Sacramento at 350sacramento.org or scan the QR code!



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