



# GA Solar

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## GA Solar Lauds Improved Compensation for Rooftop Solar



The Georgia Solar Energy Association applauds a new compensation program for Georgia Power customers that install their own solar. This program could improve the ROI for onsite solar investments.

The program, available to 5,000 Georgia Power solar customers or 32Mw, whichever comes first, will credit them at a higher rate for the energy they feed to the grid.

[See Full Article](#) and stay tuned for an upcoming event or webinar sharing details of the program in late April.

## Coronavirus creating solar industry 'crisis': U.S. trade group

The spreading coronavirus is threatening project schedules in the booming U.S. solar industry following a year in which the sector topped natural gas as the nation's top new power source, according to a report published on Tuesday.

## Upcoming Events

April 2, 2020

GEFA Solar Resiliency  
Technical Assistance  
Webinar 9:30AM-11:30AM

GA Solar will participate in this webinar for local governments to realize their potential in creating resilient critical facilities using solar plus energy storage.

April 23, 2020

Policy in Action luncheon  
and workshop April 23,  
2020 @ Arnold Golden  
Gregory

Learn from a panel of experts on how to maximize solar investments by navigating the new monthly netting plan, base rate and variable rate increases, and other rate plans available.

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## Solar jobs are booming nationwide—and are still on the rise

Solar jobs increased in 31 states in 2019. Florida led the nation for the number of jobs added, followed by Georgia.

The census highlights the Southeast as “one of the hot spots for American solar growth,” and eight of the region’s 13 states experienced solar job growth in 2019. After Georgia, the largest increase in jobs in [SELC’s six states](#) went to Virginia and South Carolina. The impact of the coronavirus on these numbers remains to be seen.

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## GEFA Solar Resiliency Technical Assistance Workshop

GA Solar will present for this workshop to help local governments realize their potential in creating resilient critical facilities using solar plus energy storage, and to help them understand the technical solutions available to help them achieve the highest and best use of their resources.

May

WISE (Women in Solar Energy) May 2020 @ Cobb EMC. More details to come.

Join us for lunch, discussion, and networking while we Celebrate Georgia's Women in Solar!

**All events subject to change due to concerns surrounding COVID-19. [Visit the GA Solar event calendar for details](#)**



Your donations - both small and large - to GA Solar supports our efforts to extend the benefits of solar energy to all Georgians and keep our solar industry strong.

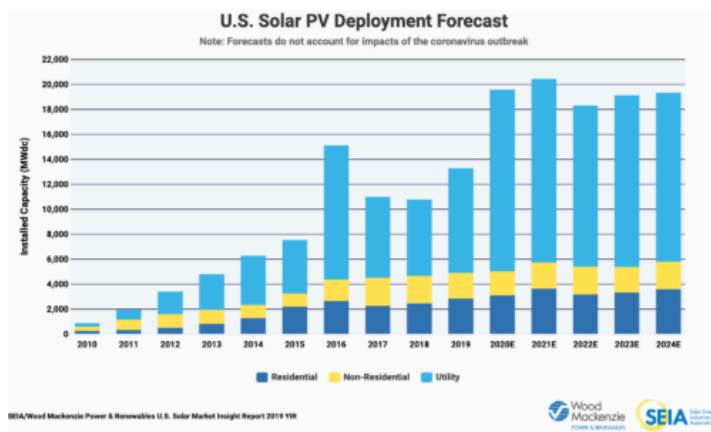
**Become a  
Member Now!**

GA Solar supports the development of a robust solar industry in Georgia through advocacy, education and outreach. ***We depend on membership and sponsorship contributions to make our work possible.***

GEFA is now planning to provide a Webinar on April 2nd 9:30AM - 11:30AM to supplant the previously scheduled workshop and provide key information to registrants and all other potential applicants for the Solar Resiliency program.

[Click here for more information and to register](#)

## More solar was installed than any other electricity source in 2019



Solar accounted for 40% of all new electric generating capacity in the United States in 2019, its highest share ever and more than any other source of electricity, with 13.3 GW installed.

Despite policy challenges and a second year of the Section 201 tariffs, the U.S. solar market grew by 23% from 2018, according to the [U.S. Solar Market Insight 2019 Year in Review report](#), released by the Solar Energy Industries Association ([SEIA](#)) and [Wood Mackenzie](#).

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## Gas South and Cobb EMC Break Ground on Renewable Energy Project

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Gas South and Cobb EMC broke ground on an innovative renewable energy project with a focus on the future, ensuring a greener outlook for both companies. This project includes both solar and battery storage.

An estimated 1.85 MW of solar and 1 MW/4 MWh of battery storage is being added to the Cobb EMC campus to help power its operations. For perspective, that is enough energy to power approximately 200 homes for an entire year.

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## Solarize Decatur-DeKalb 2.0 Now Accepting Bids



Solarize Decatur-DeKalb invites proposals from solar electric contractors to participate in the second Solarize campaign for the City of Decatur and DeKalb County. This request for proposal (RFP) is for residential and commercial applications.

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