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Community Choice Aggregation is a program enacted in seven states, which allows municipalities to buy their electrical power as a group. In doing so, the CCA partners with the utilities and communities to buy and supply power, while the utility continues to deliver the power and maintain the power grid. The CCA gives participating communities increased leverage to negotiate and design an electricity supply program to benefit its residents.

#### What are the benefits of CCA?

By purchasing power as a group, municipalities, their residents and small businesses enrolled in CCA benefit in several ways:

- Receive competitively priced flat-rates through 2020.
- Boost the local economy by bringing green jobs to communities and localizing energy sourcing decisionmaking.
- Meet climate goals by transitioning to clean energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions

### What changes and what remains the same?



Customers keep their utility company (i.e. ConEd, NYSEG). The utility continues to bill customers and maintains responsibility over the infrastructure: the power lines, poles, meters, and the transmission of energy.



Before CCAs, if you wanted to purchase electricity from the market, you would have to navigate and select from offerings from dozens of "ESCOs" (energy service companies).

# WESTCHESTER POWER CCA

Now, the CCA acts as an administrator and advocate on behalf of participating municipalities, negotiating better prices, contract enhancements and sustainable energy options.



Customers don't have to do anything to participate, and can take advantage of new programs that are designed to benefit them and advance community goals.

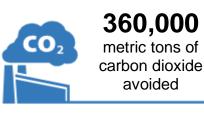


### WELCOME TO WESTCHESTER POWER

### The Basics

- Westchester Power is a community energy program that works with municipalities to bring local renewable energy to Westchester residents and small businesses at a low-cost fixed rate.
- There are currently 24 municipalities participating in the Westchester Power program.
- We purchase energy as a group, which allows us to secure competitive rates with the security of knowing that this is a municipal program, vetted by your legislators, not a private solicitation.
- We have two energy options standard supply and 100% renewable supply. Municipalities chose the default, but any individual can switch between options. Switching options or leaving the program is always free.
- We plan to reach the NYS REV goal of 50% renewable energy by 2030 ahead of schedule.
- Your bill and delivery charges still come from Con Edison and you call the utility in case of any service interruptions (i.e. blackout, downed wires).

## What We've Accomplished





1.5 billion

kilowatt-hours served



Greenburgh
Hastings-on-Hudson
Irvington
Larchmont
Lewisboro
Mamaroneck (Town)
Mamaroneck (Village)
Mount Kisco
New Castle
New Rochelle
North Salem

Neighbors in the

**Program** 

Ardsley Bedford Croton-on-Hudson

Ossining (Town)
Ossining (Village)
Pelham

Pleasantville Pound Ridge Rye Brook

Rye Brook Sleepy Hollow

Somers Tarrytown

White Plains

\$14 million

saved

### **Current Rates for Participants in Con Ed Territory**

Energy companies must provide Westchester Power's participants with energy at rates that are lower than the previous 12-month average Con Ed rate. Starting January 1, 2019, all Westchester Power customers in Con Edison territory will have the following rates:

**7.959 cents per kWh** 100% Renewable Supply

7.709 cents per kWh Standard Supply

