

Solar Co-Op Deadline

Approaches

The Mountain and Valley Solar Co-op has announced that it will accept new members until Saturday, July 15.

The co-op has been organized to make going solar at homes, farms and businesses cheaper and easier. Membership is free and is open to residents of Rockbridge, Augusta, Highland and Rockingham counties.

Those wanting to learn more about going solar and the co-op may wish to view a demonstration solar display at the Earth Day Celebration at Hopkins Green in Lexington, set for this Saturday, June 17, starting at 4:30 p.m. The celebration is sponsored by 50 Ways Rockbridge.

Local sponsors of the co-op are the Lexington, Rockbridge County, Buena Vista Chamber of Commerce, Rockbridge Area Conservation Council and the Boxerwood Nature Center & Woodland Garden, with support from community partners Main Street Lexington and Virginia Conservation Legacy Fund. Last year, the Rockbridge Solar Co-op, with the help of VASun, helped 36 homeowners go solar with a combined solar capacity of 275 kilowatts.

The co-op's website is <http://www.vasun.org/mountain-and-valley/> and has information on solar power, the co-op process and VASun, the organization that is helping to organize the co-op. Those who are fairly certain that they want to pursue a solar installation on their property may sign up on the site and have their building or buildings

evaluated for solar potential.
For more information, call
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