



## **FAQ: Income-based assistance for 2025 Miami-Dade Solar Co-op**

### **What is the purpose of this project?**

Recently, the United States Department of Energy awarded Miami-Dade County an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, with Solar United Neighbors as a subgrantee. The grant is being used to provide solar energy systems at no cost to a very limited number of income-qualified homeowners in the Miami-Dade 2025 Solar Co-op.

### **Who is eligible to participate?**

Eligible homeowners must meet several criteria including, but not limited to, all of the following requirements:

- Resident of Miami-Dade County
- Own and occupy the home as a primary residence
- Household income at or below 120% Area Median Income (see table below)
- Roof of the home is 5 years or newer and does not need repairs

Support is very limited. Income eligible applicants will be selected based on the criteria above, geographic distribution, and additional criteria such as home structural and electrical components and federal government requirements.

### **How can I sign up?**

Interested households can sign up on the [Miami-Dade 2025 Solar Co-op website](https://SolarUnitedNeighbors.org/Miami) ([SolarUnitedNeighbors.org/Miami](https://SolarUnitedNeighbors.org/Miami)) or call (202) 888-3601 ext. 613. When signing

up, select **"YES"** when asked if you would like more information about income-eligible assistance. After signing up for the co-op we will send you a short application to complete.

### **How much assistance is available?**

We have very limited funding available to offer a no cost, 5 kw rooftop solar system to 17 income qualified homeowners within Miami-Dade County.

### **How much will I need to pay?**

Selected participants will not be responsible for any of the equipment or installation costs associated with the 5 kw solar system. The solar system will be fully owned by the homeowner.

### **Is financing available?**

The selected homeowners will be receiving a 5 kW solar array at no cost to the homeowners. Should the homeowners want to expand their system with additional panels or technology, Solar United Neighbors will attempt to connect homeowners with appropriate financing options to cover the amount owed by participants. While SUN will share financing options, SUN is financing neutral and the decision on financing is up to the homeowners.

### **How is the solar installer selected?**

The solar installer will be selected by volunteer co-op members in an open and competitive bidding process facilitated by Solar United Neighbors. The solar installer selected to work the full co-op will also work with participants receiving support in this program.

### **What is the deadline to apply for the no-cost solar energy system?**

We are **accepting applications** for households at or below 120% Area Median Income, as listed below, **until May 31st** or until we receive 68 applications whichever happens sooner. **Applying early can increase your chances of being a grant recipient.**

### Who can I contact for more information?

Please contact the Florida team at Solar United Neighbors:

[FLTeam@SolarUnitedNeighbors.org](mailto:FLTeam@SolarUnitedNeighbors.org)

(202) 888-3601 ext. 613

### Income Eligibility Table

Qualifying Income Levels:	
Family Size	Income Limits
1	\$95,400
2	\$108,960
3	\$122,520
4	\$136,200
5	\$147,120
6	\$158,040
7	\$168,960
8	\$179,880

### Sample Electric Bill Savings:

How much will I save on my electric bills?	5kW
Estimated year 1 electricity savings*	\$1,146
Estimated year 10 savings (cumulative)*	\$12,263
Estimated lifetime savings (25 years)*	\$34,418
Net Profit	\$34,418