



Welcome!

Chicago Jobs Council



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Today's Agenda

- Review past efforts related to Green Collar Jobs
- Understand FEJA legislation and work underway
- Illinois Solar for All & Clean Energy Jobs Act (CEJA)
- How does Workforce Development connect to current efforts & future opportunities

Green Collar Jobs – Overview of past efforts



- Federal Level – Obama Administration
- Chicago – Daley Administration
 - Chicago Climate Action Plan released in 2008
 - Chicago Green Jobs For All
- Chicago Jobs Council
 - Worked with the City on Chicago Green Jobs For All
 - Supported the Chicagoland Green Collar Jobs Initiative
 - Had fulltime, dedicated staff
 - Led 5 Annual Summits, large stakeholder events

Future Energy Jobs Act

What is it and what does it do?



- FEJA = Future Energy Jobs Act
- State legislation that passed in late 2016
- <https://www.futureenergyjobsact.com/>
- \$30 m for job training in three \$10 m increments in 2017, 2021 and 2025
 - \$4 m for multicultural training grants
 - \$3 m craft apprenticeship training program
 - \$3 m solar pipeline training programs (RFP)

Future Energy Jobs Act

Where are we today?



- Energy Efficiency
- Community Solar
 - Number of proposed projects exceeded funding
- Commercial Solar
- Residential Solar
- Solar For All
 - CJC is a grantee
- Jobs
- Large Wind+Solar

Clean Energy Jobs Act “CEJA”



The Four Policy Pillars

- Quality jobs and investments in communities across the state
- 100% renewable energy by 2050
- Carbon-free electric sector by 2030
- Increase electric vehicles

**CEJA status: 27 Senate and 49 House
Cosponsors**

CEJA Pillar One



Discussion: We want to ensure high-quality jobs and economic opportunity are at the heart of the vision for a clean, equitable energy future for everyone.

- What does your organization (or program) value as the most important benefits of clean energy jobs?
- What has to be included in CEJA to measure success for your jobseekers & community members?
- What are some lessons learned from past “green collar jobs programs?”

Pair Activity & Small Group Discussion



- Survey- complete this first & talk with a neighbor about your rankings
- Discuss Pillar One questions within your group
- Share out common themes & any questions

Get involved!



Thank You!

The work has just begun. We want to continue the conversation and pass CEJA so we can make Illinois a leader in clean energy job growth where all communities benefit from clean energy.

We Need Your Voice!

Sign up for updates at **ILCleanJobs.org**, follow on social media, and become a community cosponsor today!

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