

# COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION FAQ

## 1. What is Community Choice Aggregation?

Community Choice Aggregation offers electricity customers a new energy option, often at lower rates than what's offered by their local utility. Community Choice Aggregation allows local governments to purchase electricity in the wholesale power market and sell it to residents and businesses as an alternative to electricity provided by an investor-owned utility like Southern California Edison. CCAs can also build their own local green energy projects, like solar canopies in urban parking lots or brownfield sites, creating local green jobs and renewable power at the same time.

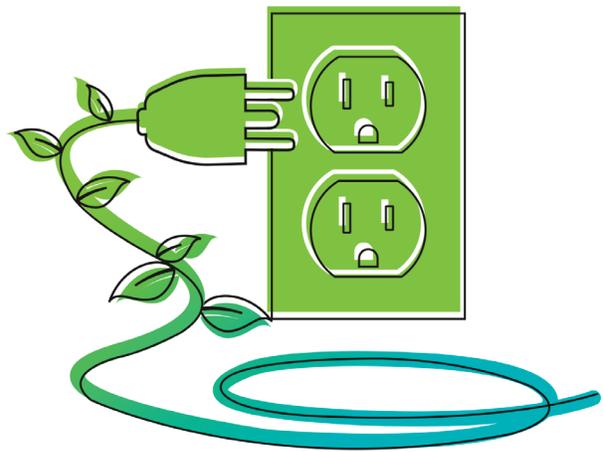
So far, there are eight CCAs up and running in California, and many more are in development across the state.

## 2. Why should my city take advantage of LA County's new Community Choice Aggregation plan?

1. CCAs electricity rates are often at least 5% lower for homeowners and businesses than the rates offered by Edison.
2. Through a CCA, local consumers can help increase the amount of clean energy used in their city, thereby helping to reach and even exceed state and national clean energy goals. This is done by choosing to buy greener power.
3. CCAs help create quality jobs in local, renewable power.
4. LA's CCA is expected to offer many exciting customer programs, such as rebates on energy efficiency upgrades and free energy consumption assessments.

## 3. How can my city join?

Individual cities can adopt an enabling ordinance and the Los Angeles Community Choice Energy's Joint Powers Agreement. Once your city joins, residents and businesses will then receive access to CCA power, rates and programs.



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## 4. Once my city joins, how can I be sure that I get power from a CCA?

Customers are automatically enrolled in the new CCA. If customers wish to keep their current Southern California Edison account, they will have the opportunity to opt-out of the CCA.

## 5. Will consumers pay less for the same power?

Around the country where CCAs have been implemented, consumers' power bills have often declined, but there is no guarantee that rates will decline. However, consumers with power from a CCA can decide what mix of power sources they want and can adjust their costs by choosing less expensive sources of energy. Customers also have the choice to keep Southern California Edison as their provider.

## 6. How soon will CCA power be available?

The LACCE Authority will begin offering services to residents and businesses in unincorporated LA County and any cities that join the LACCE Authority in 2018.

