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Non-Profits Partner to Bring Solar Power and Utility Bill Savings to Brooklyn Homeowners

Fifth Avenue Committee, in partnership with Solar One and with support from Enterprise Community Partners, has launched Barrio Solar, a program to provide financial assistance to low- to-moderate income Brooklyn homeowners to help them install rooftop solar panels. Solar can help homeowners lower their Con Edison bills, lower their property/income taxes, and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. The campaign is open to all Brooklyn homeowners, and participants will receive free solar consultation from trusted non-profits and discounted pricing through a solar purchasing group. The first 25 low- to moderate-income homeowners that sign up will receive a campaign-specific incentive of \$3,500 to apply towards the cost of solar panels or roof repairs, helping make solar affordable to the homeowners who can benefit most from the savings. Barrio Solar is also connecting homeowners who can't install solar with local community solar projects that provide guaranteed utility bill savings.

Brooklyn homeowners who would like to learn more can visit <u>www.barriosolar.com</u> to request a free consultation or attend an upcoming online workshop:

- Homeowner Weatherization and Solar Information Session: Wednesday, March 23, 6:00-7:00 PM, hosted in partnership with NYC Councilmember Chi Ossé and Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation https://bit.ly/3KvR147
- Solar and Batteries for all Brooklynites: Wednesday, March 30, 5:00-6:00 PM https://bit.ly/3COWOPG









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About Fifth Avenue Committee

Fifth Avenue Committee (FAC) is a 44-year-old comprehensive community development corporation and chartered NeighborWorks member based in South Brooklyn. FAC's mission is to advance economic, social, and racial justice in New York City through integrated, community- centered affordable housing, grassroots organizing, policy advocacy, and transformative education, training, and services that build the power to shape our community's future. FAC works to transform the lives of over 5,500 low- and moderate-income New Yorkers annually so that all can live and work with dignity and respect while making our community more equitable, sustainable, inclusive, and just. FAC's affiliate, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, is a HUD-approved housing counseling agency providing homeownership services and tenant advocacy and organizing. Learn more at www.fifthave.org

About Solar One

Solar One is an environmental nonprofit that runs programs to bring the benefits of clean energy to all New Yorkers. Solar One's mission is to design and deliver innovative education, workforce training, and technical assistance that fosters sustainability and resiliency in diverse urban environments. The Here Comes Solar program expands access to solar by providing solar feasibility analysis, financing consultation, and project implementation support to building owners, government agencies, utilities, and community organizations. Solar One has facilitated more than 700 successful solar projects in the NYC metro region since 2014, primarily in low-income communities. Solar One is proud to partner with Fifth Avenue Committee and its affiliate, Neighbors Helping Neighbors to bring solar to low- and moderate-income homeowners in Brooklyn through Barrio Solar. Learn more at https://www.solar1.org/