

Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU)

A warm welcome to our new newsletter subscribers and future customers! Please keep spreading the word about the SEU and our Expression of Interest form to your friends, neighbors, businesses, and other institutions you are involved with. Sign-ups from potential customers are tremendously important to help us get off the ground!

In the last newsletter, I shared three key priorities we are currently focused on. Here's an update on the latest progress on each:

- Secure start-up funding: The SEU is excited and grateful to have been selected for a \$250,000 grant from the Municipal Investment Fund (MIF) to support early foundational work, including developing a public-private partnership plan, drafting terms and conditions for service, and other key activities.
- Clarify our service offerings, and set rates and service terms: We have put out a request for proposals for a consultant to help up develop our rates (RFP25-44).
- Engage with the community: We had a table at the Green Fair, and are grateful for the thousands of attendees, including dozens who stopped by to talk about the SEU. I also had the privilege of speaking at <u>SUN DAY: A Multifaith Day of Climate</u> Hope and Inspiration, one of 450 SUN DAY events around the country. On September 30th, you can hear from me on a panel on electric utilities at UM's Climate Week (open to the public).



Stay tuned for our next update in October! Shoshannah Lenski, Executive Director, Ann Arbor Sustainable Energy Utility

Notable Sustainability Updates and Events

- Help us name our new Sesame Solar Mobile Resilience Unit (learn more here).
- The City has launched a **new air quality map and alert system** in partnership with Clarity Movement. See the map and sign up for automatic alerts.
- Learn about the city's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, and how sustainability elements factor into the plan, in a new episode of GreenLight featuring Michelle Bennett, City Planner, and Dr. Missy Stults, Director of Sustainability and Innovations.
- Sign up for the OSI Monthly Newsletter: The Charging Station to learn more and stay up to date on the latest in sustainability activities in A2. Or find us on social media: Instagram @a2zero2030 and Facebook at A2Zero!