

Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU)

It was a busy month of June for the SEU! We continue installing solar in the Bryant neighborhood pilot and preparing for expansion city-wide in 2027.

Bryant neighborhood



- On June 2nd, as part of the [A2Zero Week](#), the public was invited to “watch the SEU be built.” More than 20 community members joined us at an installation in Bryant (left) to watch the panels go up and chat with SEU staff, vendors, installers, and fellow residents.
- As of this writing, we have **40 Bryant residents officially signed up for SEU service**, with 10 installations complete and many more in queue. Many residents participating in the SEU are also receiving **roof repairs and weatherization** through additional grant funding with the Office of Sustainability and Innovations.

- More than a quarter of the Bryant participants so far are in **rental homes**. This is exciting because historically rentals have been very difficult to serve with renewable energy upgrades. The SEU’s model makes this clean, affordable energy accessible to homeowners and renters. We’re thankful for the Bryant landlords and tenants joining the SEU!

City-wide:

We are preparing to scale city-wide in 2027. **Our initial offerings in 2027 will be solar and solar-plus-storage.** Many residents are asking what to expect. We’re still working on details but here’s a rough anticipated timeline:

- Mid Fall: SEU will **propose rates** to City Council and ask for authorization
- Late Fall: Residents who have signed up on the “[expression of interest](#)” form will be invited to begin an **intake process to gather all the details** necessary to assess viability and get you officially signed up
- With more than 1,000 residents on the interest list, we expect to take all of 2027 to complete installations (did you know, for comparison, the City has had about [200 residential solar installations](#) per year for the last 5 years?)

Energy is getting a lot of buzz:

Ann Arbor is talking a lot about energy. We love that! But we also know it can be confusing to understand the different options. If you’re interested in learning more, please see this study, commissioned by the City in 2023, to **evaluate potential pathways to renewable energy in Ann Arbor**: [Renewable Energy Pathways](#)