

# SOLAR FOR GOOD PROGRAM



## Who

GV Community Energy (GVCE) is undertaking the Solar for Good (SfG) program in partnership with Indigo Power. The program is funded by Sustainability Victoria on behalf of the Victorian Government as part of the Hume Community Power Hub.

## What

At no cost to the client, the SfG program will investigate, design and report on the viability of installing renewable energy systems on community orientated buildings and some local businesses. Each project site will receive a fully documented business case so that it is then "implementation ready".

The procurement and installation costs are not funded under this program, but it will provide detailed quotes and the opportunity for clients to then seek further funding applications or financing options.

The minimum size Solar PV system to be eligible is 10 kW and most projects are expected in to be in the range of 15-30 KW in size.

## Why

The program is designed to bring existing community groups together and develop a pipeline of renewable energy projects ready for implementation.

SfG will provide quotes from a panel of verified suppliers and encourage use of local trades people. The cost to investigate and fully design the system is funded by sustainability Victoria, so the quotes will include this upfront discount to help ensure pricing is very competitive.

Community Groups or Management Committees may also seek to have any minor administrative costs reimbursed as part of their role in overseeing the completion of the Solar PV install.

## When

Applications are open now until end March 2022.

All sites will then be investigated, designed and business case prepared between January and April 2022.

It is expected that the attractive payback periods will encourage a number of clients to then proceed with completing the PV installation almost immediately. It will ultimately be up to the client to choose if they wish to proceed and then who does the install.

## Where

Solar for Good projects will be located right across Hume Region. GVCE aims to have at least one project designed in each of the major towns.

## How

1. Register interest by contacting Geoff Lodge **geoff@gvce.com.au** or call **0417 206 722**
2. Have an preliminary meeting to confirm project suitability
3. Sign a MoU Letter confirming intention to participate

