

ENERGY COLLABORATION
AGREEMENT (ECA)

\$64 MILLION

Investment in Energy Affordability
& Community Resilience

The Energy Collaboration Agreement (ECA) is a voluntary agreement between the City of Tucson and TEP to invest in programs that help residents lower energy bills, improve homes through retrofits, access solar and energy efficiency, and strengthen community resilience.



REAL INVESTMENT – WITHOUT RAISING YOUR ENERGY BILL

- \$2 million per year with a 2% annual increase
- More than \$64 million over 25 years
- **These funds cannot be recovered through customer electric rates**

WHY IT MATTERS



Lowers energy bills by helping residents reduce energy use and costs



Builds a more resilient community for today and future generations



Prepares Tucson for extreme heat with practical, on-the-ground solutions



Supports local jobs and workforce opportunities



Invests directly in residents and neighborhoods to improve quality of life



Ensures transparency, coordination, and accountability with community oversight

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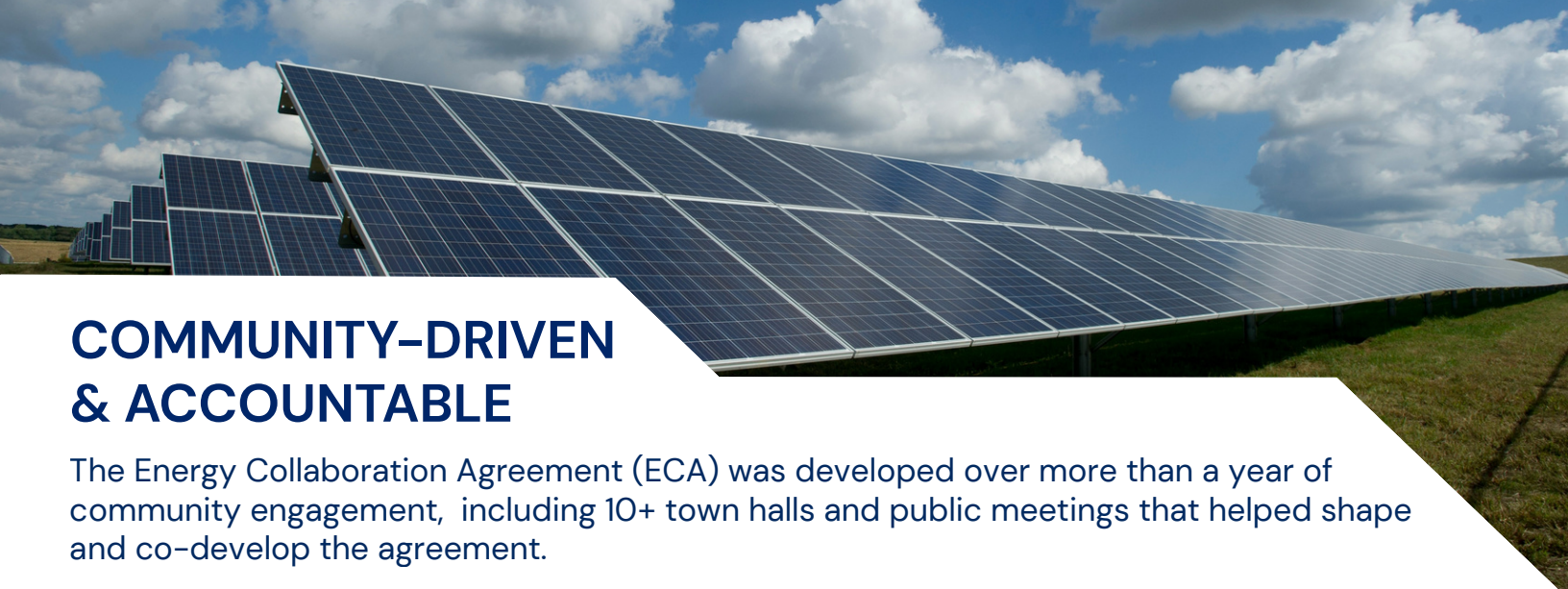
READ THE ECA DOCUMENT

<https://www.tep.com/energy-collaboration-agreement/>



READ THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

<https://www.tep.com/proposed-franchise-agreement/>



COMMUNITY-DRIVEN & ACCOUNTABLE

The Energy Collaboration Agreement (ECA) was developed over more than a year of community engagement, including 10+ town halls and public meetings that helped shape and co-develop the agreement.

Implementation will continue to be guided by community input, with oversight from the City’s **Commission on Climate, Energy, and Sustainability (CCES)**, which serves as the advisory body to Mayor and Council.

WHAT THE ECA CAN SUPPORT



AFFORDABILITY

- Bill assistance for low-income households
- Home retrofits to reduce energy use and costs
- Tools to help residents lower their energy bills



HEAT RESILIENCE & INFRASTRUCTURE

- Resilience hubs with solar and battery storage
- Cooling centers and shade
- Tree canopy in high-heat areas
- Emergency preparedness for extreme heat



CLEAN ENERGY & EFFICIENCY

- Home solar and battery storage
- Energy efficiency in homes and buildings
- Electric vehicle charging infrastructure



WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Career pathways in energy
- School outreach and awareness
- Internships and apprenticeships



COORDINATION & RELIABILITY

- Improved City-TEP coordination
- Faster permitting and approvals
- More efficient, cost-effective infrastructure

ECA CONNECTION TO THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

- The Franchise Agreement (FA) allows TEP to operate in Tucson
 - The ECA is a separate agreement focused on community investment
 - Only takes effect if voters approve the FA (November 2026)
- Up to 25-year agreement supporting long-term investment
 - Flexible and regularly reviewed (at least twice a year); can be updated at any time
 - Either the City or TEP can end the agreement; if that happens, the FA would also end