# Inclusive Energy Innovation Prize

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## **JOULE COMMUNITY POWER**

**Clean Energy Mission For Social Justice**: Breaking down barriers & creating opportunities through awareness, education, empowerment, and workforce development.

As "Community Choice Aggregation" Program Administrator for 45 municipalities throughout NY State, Joule has established a successful track record that directly addresses the government's climate and Justice40 goals by educating communities, empowering local decision-making, enabling equitable access to cleaner and cheaper energy, and prioritizing access to renewable energy in disadvantaged communities.

However, more is needed to achieve clean energy and environmental justice goals, and the Joule team has a plan. The Inclusive Energy Innovation Prize will strengthen and formalize our existing community-centered initiatives for clean energy. We will expand our Career Connect program, we will build on our state and federal funding opportunity assistance program, and we will spark the development of community-controlled local solar and storage projects. This will allow us to reach and empower a significantly higher number of disadvantaged communities, across New York State.

Video Pitch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BQXMEGhy2W0

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