

Our Energy Future, Owned by Us!

We are Cleveland Owns!

We are an economic democracy incubator helping to start cooperatives and community-owned businesses in Greater Cleveland. We are currently working with Cleveland Solar Cooperative to build community-owned solar in East Cleveland and surrounding eastern neighborhoods in Cleveland.

- We are working with folks who live in East Cleveland and surrounding the east side Cleveland neighborhoods of Hough, Glenville, and Collinwood
- These neighborhoods and communities have faced decades of disinvestment, redlining, and extraction - resulting in an **average energy burden of 6.6%** - nearly twice the national average.
- Cleveland Owns, Cleveland Solar Cooperative, our member-owners and other community allies believe that the core economic challenge facing Clevelanders is one of ownership.
- Through the cooperative model we can build robust, community-driven control over clean energy assets - including solar, batteries, and virtual power plants - and build the wealth of neighborhoods.
 - Community voice is centered - together we own our cooperatives and build our own seat at the table.
- Community-ownership gets at the heart of the economic challenges facing Cleveland and ensures the transition to clean energy is truly just!

