



Ypsilanti Food Cooperative
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Complete Task

- 100% Expansion of Solar installation at Cooperative
- 100% Installation of Solar panels at City Hall
- 100% Utility meter reading program
- 100% Building of SolarYpsi.com website
- 100% Solar educational outreach

Progress over the past two months

We have finished all the tasks for this grant. The solar panels are installed and operational at both the Ypsilanti Food Cooperative and Ypsilanti's City Hall. Both systems are commissioned by DTE Energy and the energy monitoring program is also in place.

<http://SolarYpsi.org/index.php?siteDetails=foodcoop>



Ypsilanti Food Coop Site Details

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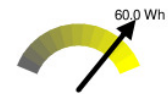
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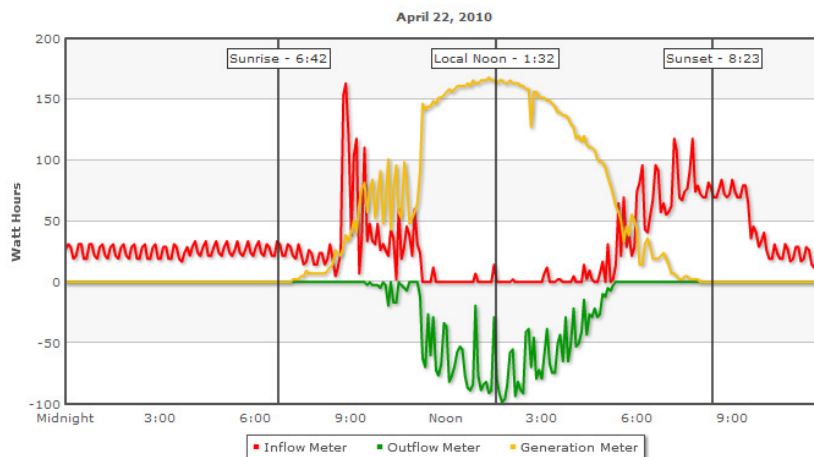


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Current Generation Citywide



Money Saved
\$167.62





Ypsilanti City Hall Site Details

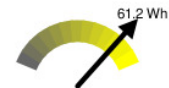
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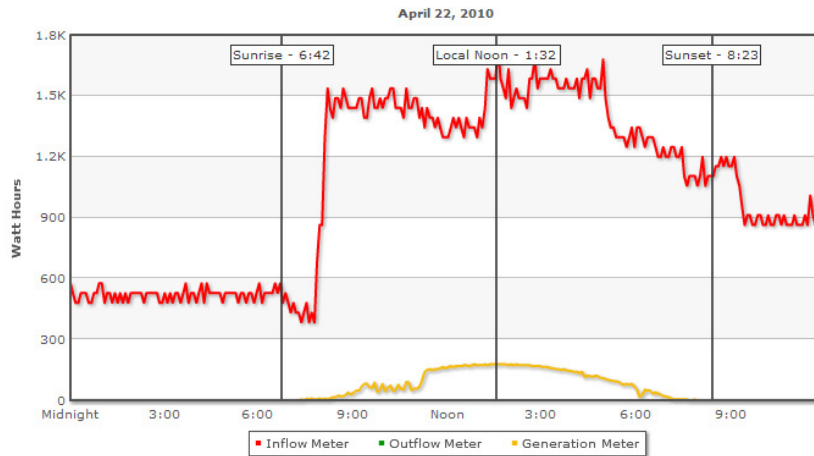
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The two screen shots above are from the SolarYpsi.org website and show the typical power usage and generation at both locations. Recall that the solar installation at the Cooperative is only for one part of the store and so we are able to export power daily and bring it back in later for free. City Hall’s power usage represents the whole building, four floors of office space, so as expected the solar installation is supplying only a small fraction of the power for the building. However, we are hopeful that with a bit more conservation, City Hall might be able to export power on the weekend, when the building is closed and the sun is shining.

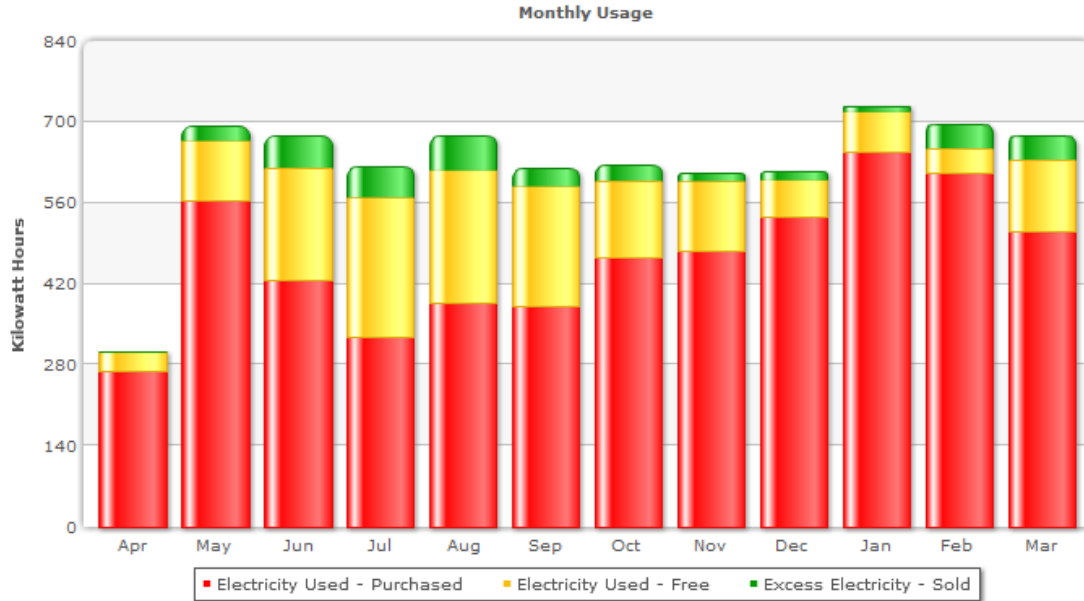
The only task left to do is to write the final report and the final budget numbers. We hope to have that finished within a few weeks.

We are also working on a formal dedication of the City Hall system and a presentation for a future City Council meeting.

We had one solar presentation during this period at the Canton Public Library. Unfortunately we only had 4 people attend this presentation, but had a very in depth discussion with one couple that is interested in installing solar power on their house.

We were also published on Mark Maynard’s blog “Ypsi Solar City Hall update” <http://markmaynard.com/?p=8290> and on Concentrate website “Ypsilanti City Hall solar panels begin generating electricity” <http://www.concentratemedia.com/devnews/ypsilanticityhallsolarpanels0096.aspx>

Anticipated energy saving



The Cooperative is now benefiting from the additional solar panels on the roof. Above is a bar chart of our monthly power usage and the percentage coming from the solar panels.

May	102.4 KWH
June	194.5 KWH
July	241.0 KWH
August	229.1 KWH
September	208.0 KWH
October	133.6 KWH
November	122.7 KWH
December	63.7 KWH
January	70.3 KWH
February	43.6 KWH
March	124.6 KWH

Expenditures compared to budget

\$55.62 was spent during this period for a wireless card and extension cord for the display computer at City Hall.

Noteworthy Accomplishments

Done!

Risk to the project

None .

Deviations from the Statement of Work

None.

Money Spent in the Past Two Months

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Submitted by Dave Strenski and Corinne Sikorski