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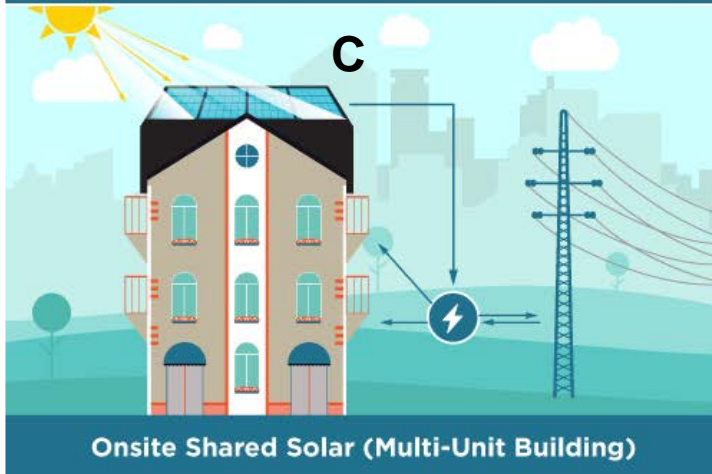
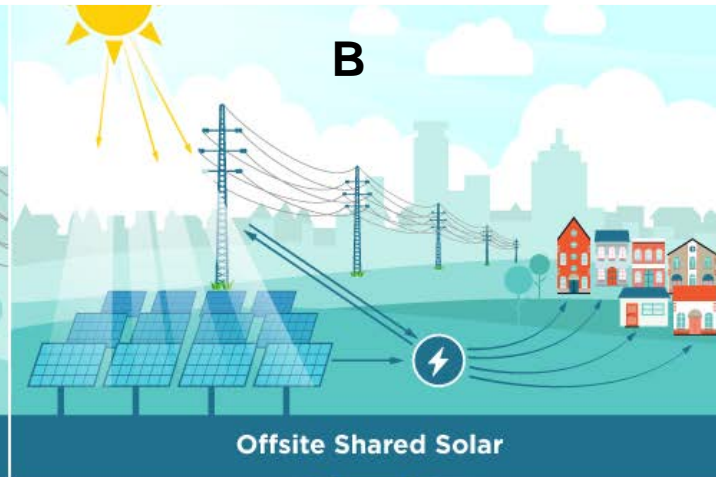
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COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL,  
AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

The Many Possibilities of  
**Community Solar**



Community members buy or  
lease equipment together.



A leased  
or  
purchased  
system is  
shared

Individuals  
invest in a  
system and  
share  
benefits.



## **Two local examples:**

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## 1. DELAWARE COUNTY SOLAR CO-OP

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Homeowners in Delaware County are forming a solar co-op! Co-op members will use their collective buying power to get a discounted price for solar panels. If you've ever wanted to go solar and live in Delaware County, now is your chance!

There have been a few public meetings and the response has been greater than expected.



## 2. CLINTONVILLE ENERGY COLLABORATIVE

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Barn raising model of Solar Installation – as an  
affiliate of the Care Share Time Bank

Community solar projects are also being discussed

Why?



**One is the loneliest number** – in particular when you are thinking about a solar panel system but you do not have the monetary resources or don't want to wait for many year to see financial return.

The Collaborative has members with varying experiences and talents.

Members help each other fill out permit applications, train in OSHA safety requirements, and install systems.

Even those (like me) who would never consider climbing a roof, can help with permit applications and on ground assembly.