Hillsboro is America's #1 Green-Power Community... Again!

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If you live in Hillsboro, you're a resident of the number one green-power community in America.

Following consecutive years at the top, Hillsboro remains the national leader in green power usage based on data from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Hillsboro community members voluntarily purchase more than 2.1 billion kilowatt-hours (kWh) of green power each year, representing 64.8 percent of all power purchased throughout the Hillsboro community.



"We're proud that Hillsboro has been one of the leading cities nationally in the percentage and volume of green power purchased by homes and businesses for more than 10 years," said Peter Brandom, Senior Project Manager and Sustainability Manager for the City of Hillsboro. By making the choice to use clean, renewable energy, Hillsboro's businesses, residents, and local government are taking important actions to reduce our carbon footprint in the fight against climate change."

Since 2012, Hillsboro has steadily increased the percentage of green power used by homes and businesses from 39 percent to 64.8 percent in 2020.

In doing so, the City of Hillsboro has moved closer to the goal established in the community's Environmental Sustainability Plan of 75 percent green power purchased by 2035.

What is Green Power?

Green power is zero-emissions electricity that is generated from environmentally preferable renewable resources, such as wind, solar, geothermal, biogas, eligible biomass, and low-impact hydro. Using green power helps build demand for the development of new renewable energy capacity nationwide and helps users reduce their carbon footprints.

Learn more about purchasing green power for your electricity usage.

