MiGBC MICHIGAN GREEN BUILDING COLLABORATIVE

Project Case Study



Lansing Intentional Communities
Solar Array

Objective: Help lower the utility bills for the residence owned by LINCs, allowing them to further serve their mission of providing housing and supportive services for individuals with disabilities.

Details

- Lansing, MI
- Solar installation project
- "A place of my own: LINCS introduction" video.

Results

- The solar installation generates clean energy and supports healthier more sustainable communities while lowering energy costs.

Financials

- Total cost of the solar installation was $24,620.44
- 30% federal Elective Pay tax credit
- Expected to save $1,000 annually in electricity costs and $300 annually in avoided meter fees
- Capital Area Interfaith Power and Light helped raise 70% of the funds needed to add solar to one of the houses. The LINCS Community was able to raise the balance of the project costs.

Project Highlight

This project demonstrates how nonprofits can use clean energy and available federal incentives to improve building sustainability, manage operating costs, and create lasting community benefits.

Project Partners

- **Supplier/Installer:** Absolute Solar
- **Michigan Saves, Elective Pay Ambassador:** Mike Wilson
- **Capital Area Interfaith Power & Light**





'What I believe is most unique about our project is that it evolved out of a collaboration between two nonprofit organizations working in unison to provide safe, permanent, affordable housing for an especially needy and underserved population."

MICHAEL CAINE
Lansing Intentional Communities (LINCS)

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Linking individuals to each other and their communities