

Kane County Solar

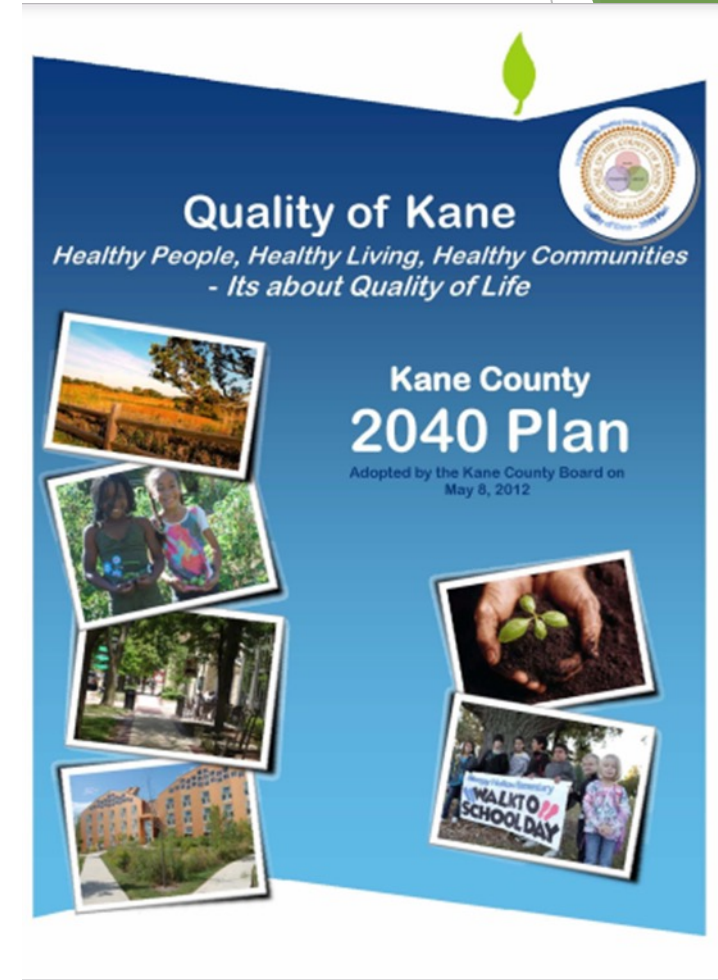
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Kane County 2040 Plan

- ▶ In May 2012, the Board adopted the Kane County 2040 Plan which incorporated the following Sustainability and Energy policies:
 - ▶ • 2.9.5—Promote small and utility scale renewable energy generation.
 - ▶ • 2.9.7—Enhance opportunities for innovation, economic development and a workforce trained in the energy efficiency and renewable energy industries.
 - ▶ • 2.9.8—Educate the community about the vulnerabilities that may result from changes in climate and available mitigation and adaptation strategies.



Promotion of local Residential Programs

- ▶ Participation in 2019, 2020 and 2022 programs of Solarize Chicagoland/Grow Solar Chicagoland (CUB MREA Group Buy)
- ▶ Solar for all
- ▶ Community solar
- ▶ Solar for our municipal utilities residents/local organizations



SolSMART Designation



- ▶ Bronze SolSmart Designation 2017 <https://solsmart.org/>
 - ▶ Helping communities streamline solar process and remove barriers
- ▶ SolSmart Criteria:
 - ▶ Created an online permitting checklist, increasing transparency for community members and solar installers
 - ▶ Reviewed local zoning codes and identified restrictions that intentionally or unintentionally prohibit solar PV development
- ▶ Program highlights:
 - ▶ Engaged and educated local residents and businesses on solar energy
 - ▶ In partnership with Fox Valley Sustainability Network, the County hosted multiple solar-focused educational events and leads a regional solar task force that continues to pursue opportunities for expediting local solar development

How to go Solar

- ▶ Permitting and Planning, Zoning and Development Regulations
 - ▶ To obtain a permit for a solar installation in unincorporated Kane County, applicants will need to submit the standard **Building & Zoning Permit Application** along with two attachments:
 - ▶ 1. **Solar Power Handout** - Information Required for Permit Application
 - ▶ 2. **Required Submittals for Solar Panel Systems**
- ▶ Visit our website:
<https://www.countyofkane.org/sustainability/Pages/solar.aspx>



Thank You!

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