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Major Policy Challenges Facing California

- Improve Energy System Resilience to Respond to Historic Wildfires,
 Extreme Heat Events, and Expanded Use of Solar and Wind Energy
- Decarbonize California through Energy Efficiency, Electrification of Transportation and Buildings, and Community Microgrids
- Develop and Implement a Post-COVID Recovery Plan that Strengthens the Green Economy and Stays on Track for California's Climate Goals
- Ensure that the Needs of Low Income and Disadvantaged
 Communities (DACs) are a Priority in New Programs and Policies

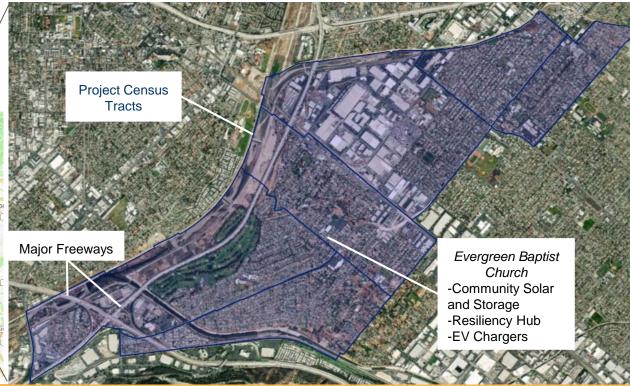




The Advanced Energy Community Pilot Project

Over **250** families benefiting from affordable and accessible clean energy,









The Bassett -Avocado Heights Community Profile

- 4.7 square miles and population of 28,000
- Ranks within the top 10% of disadvantaged communities in California
- Impacted by toxic emissions from nearby industrial activities and freeways
- Expected to experience 40+ additional extreme heat days per year by 2050



Figure 4. Two children with Advanced Energy Community buttons at the San Angelo Parks After Dark event





Innovative, Community -Scale Energy Project Design

- Provides local renewable energy and lower electricity costs to DAC residents
- Overcomes the barriers to DAC energy projects and creates a model that can be replicated throughout California

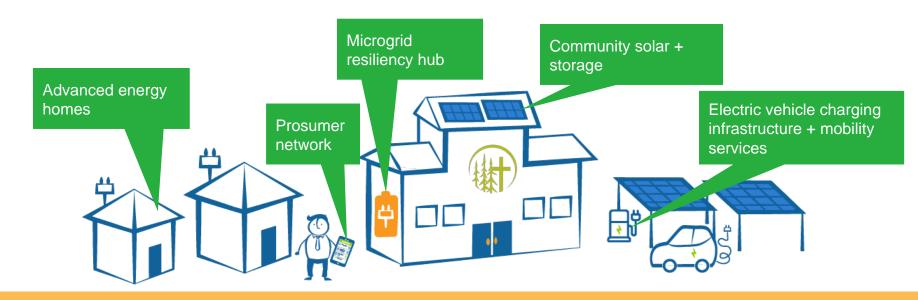






What is BAAEC?

The project has five key features that empower residents to be part of a local energy -producing network where clean energy is affordable and accessible



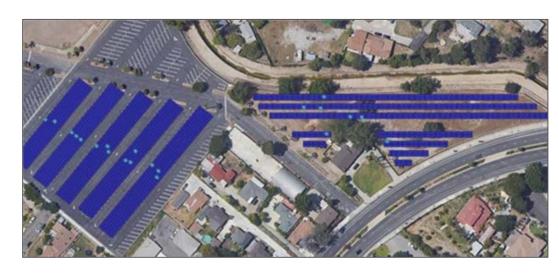




Community Solar + Storage



- 1.2 MW of solar and 3,000 kWh of battery storage
- Provides a 20% rate discount for 100% local renewable electricity for 235 families
- In partnership with publiclyowned electricity provider







Advanced Energy Homes



- Fifty (50) families on the path to zero-net electricity
- All homes receive a free roof-top solar system
- All homes receive a free battery storage system
- 20 homes receive a free electric heat pump water heater with demand management controls







Prosumer Network Pilot

Demonstrates how blockchain technology can enable a *transactive* energy platform that measures, validates, certifies and transfers carbon emission credits and simulates how the Advanced Energy Homes could produce and sell electricity in a future digital energy market









Microgrid Resiliency Hub



A 250 kW rooftop solar system and 500 kWh battery storage system will be installed at a community church center

- Both grid-connected and microgrid operation modes
- Prioritizes resiliency and is available to the community in the event of power outages and extreme heat days







EV Vehicle and Charging Services



- Builds local EV infrastructure with 5 DC Fast-Charging stations
- Deploys EV vans for first and last mile transit and vanpooling options
- Performs real-time enhanced air quality testing to measure positive air quality impacts







BAAEC Benefits the Community and is a Model for Future Decarbonization Efforts

- Reduces GHG emissions by 64% and net electricity consumption by 96% over a 25 year period
- EV vanpooling and microtranist services are expected to produce an annual emissions reduction of 30.5 MTCO₂e
- Supports the decarbonization of other DACs across California by offering a replicable model for local and affordable clean energy





Thank You!

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