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Protecting the Midwest's Environment and Natural Heritage

Future Energy Jobs Act

Community Impact

Illinois' Power Meter:
Renewable Energy and the Future Energy Jobs Act
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How Will ~~FEJA~~ New Build Impact Communities?



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Jobs

Land
Use

Energy
Cost

Local
Economic
Impact

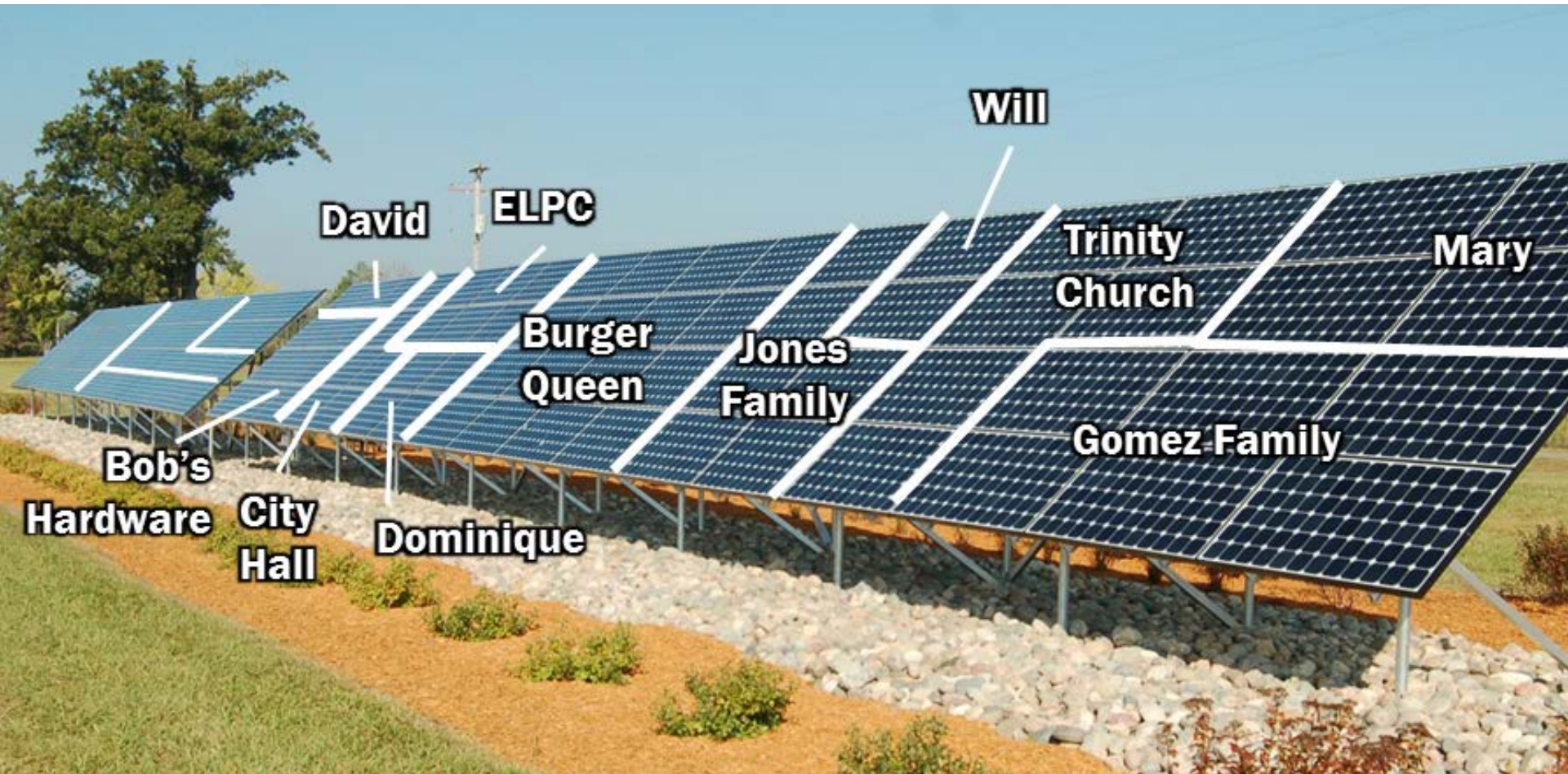
Environ-
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Health

Individual
Energy
Bills

Community Solar



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IL Solar for All → Low-Income Solar



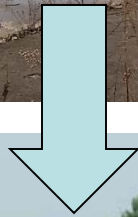
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Barriers to Low-Income Solar

- Cost sensitivity and access to financing
 - Physical barriers and homeownership status
 - Housing conditions
 - Education and outreach
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- **Lower bills for low-income customers**
 - **Carve-out for environmental justice communities**
 - **Job training pipeline**



Brownfield to Brightfields



Developing solar on underutilized and/or contaminated urban, industrial sites and landfills generates local, clean energy and returns land to productive use.