

Swanzey Community Power



Public Hearing December 8, 2021

Swanzey Community Power Committee

- Appointed by Board of Selectmen March 17, 2021
- Five community members
- Contact:

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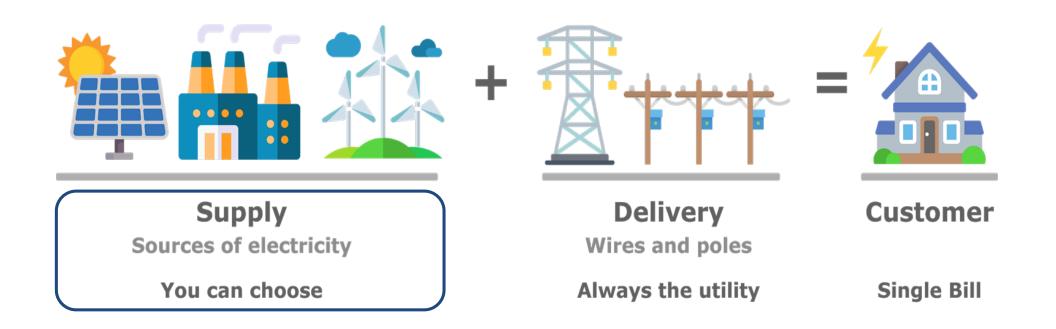
Vision

"The vision for Swanzey" Community Power is to launch a timely Community Power Program that provides community members with attractive choices and substantially enhanced renewable energy options at competitive prices."





What is Community Power?



New Hampshire cities and towns purchase electricity for their communities, joining similar community programs in New England and around the country.



Secure Competitive Pricing

Market Timing

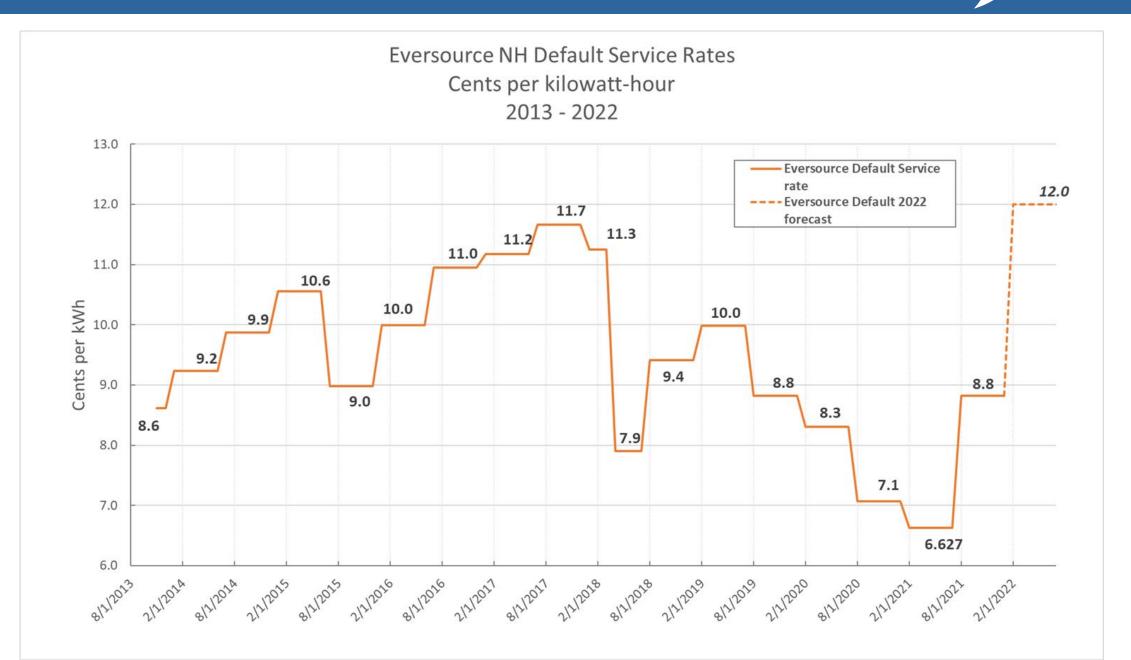


Buying Power

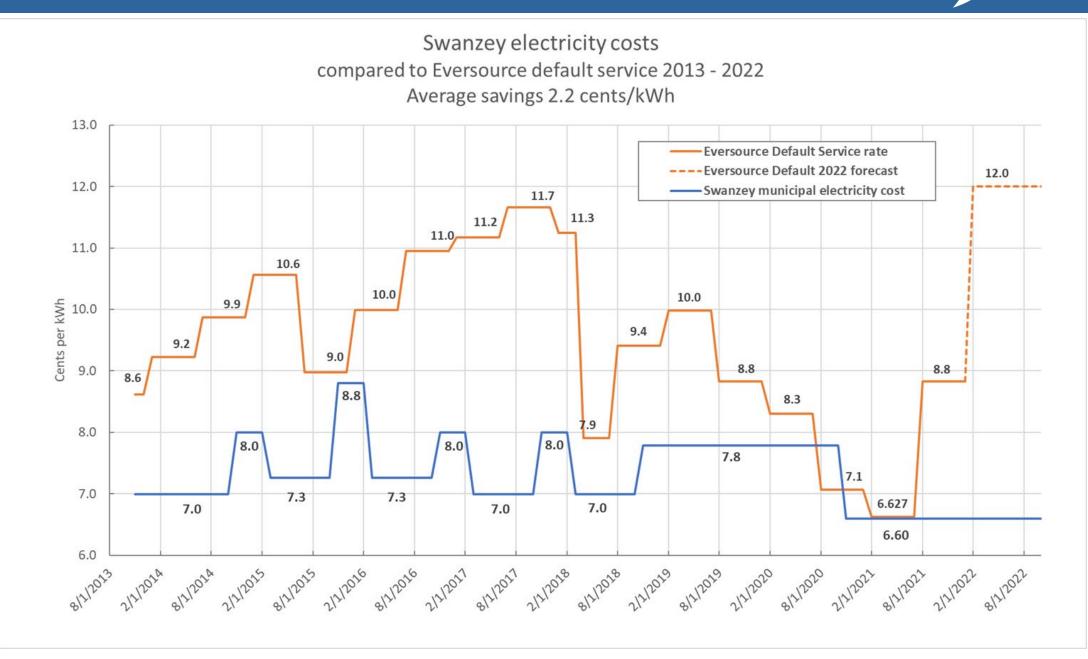


Utilities have little flexibility on when to purchase power or how long to lock in. Community Power has complete flexibility. By pooling demand across the entire municipality, we generate significant buying power. We can even team up with other municipalities.

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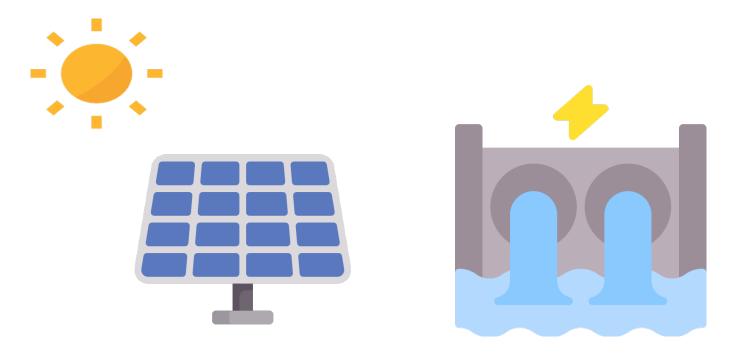


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Use & Support Local Renewable Energy



We can choose where our power comes from, including options with local clean energy above state standards



More Benefits:



Innovative local programs



Education and awareness



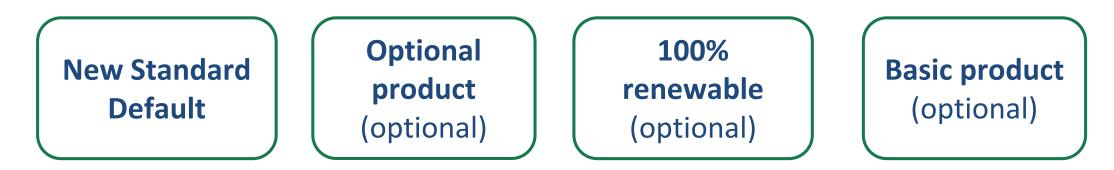


Consumer Choices

Eversource Default Service

Third Party Offers

Community Power Program





Swanzey Community Power Survey September 17, 2021

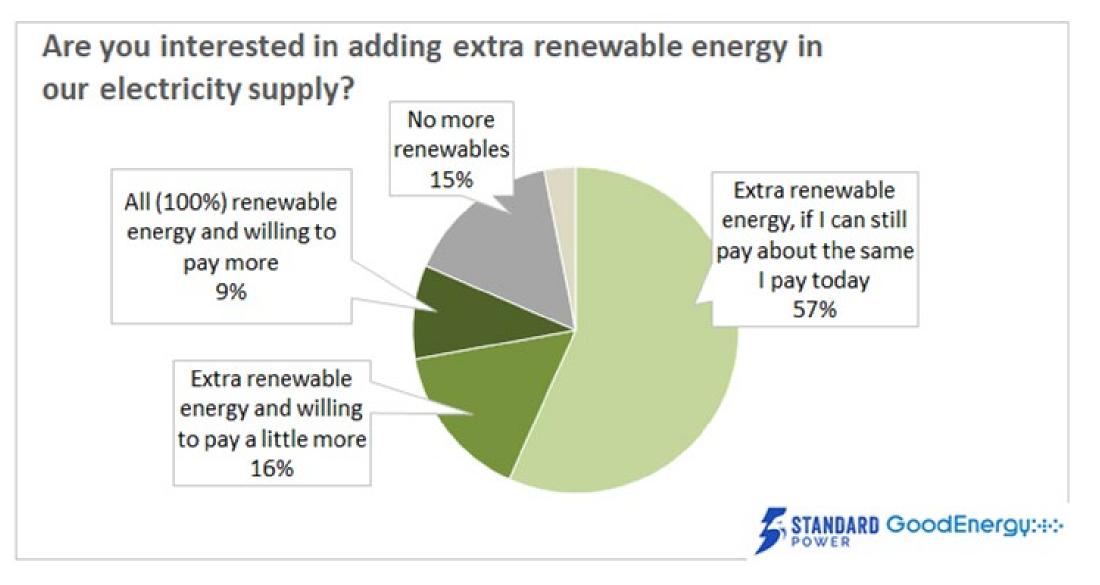
101 Respondents

- 85 online responses
- 16 paper surveys returned to town offices

Full survey results are available on the Community Power Committee page of the Town's website www.swanzeynh.org.



Swanzey Community Power Survey





Swanzey Community Power

	Default Product (Automatic enrollment)	Optional Products			
Product Name	Swanzey Default	100% Green	50% Green	Basic	
Product Goals	Increase renewable energy use while maintaining competitive rates	Largest increase in renewable energy use (e.g. 100%)	Significant increase in renewable energy use (e.g. 50%)	Most competitive rate (no increase in renewable energy use)	



Swanzey Community Power

- No cost to municipal budget
- No fees or penalties to join, change products or to leave the program
- No affect on low-income discounts or net metering



- NH electricity broker serving 65 municipalities and school districts including municipal buying groups
- Administrator of largest group net metering program in NH
- Solar/Hydro/REC integration for multiple communities





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- 10+ years Community Power experience
- New England regional team
- 40+ active programs and groups in MA
- Buying group organized in 2021 in RI including Providence
- Savings achieved across all New England programs: \$80 million+



Next Steps -

Get Started	Plan & Approve	Regulatory	Outreach + launch	Manage + Monitor
 Appoint a Community Power Committee Engage experienced consultants SP/GE for no costs and no obligation 	 Develop Community Power Plan with public input Local approval of plan through Town Meeting 	5.Submit Plan to the NH Public Utilities Commission for approval and notify utility Eversource	 6.Procure electricity supply 7.Implement public education and optout campaign 8.Launch! Eligible accounts that have not opted out are automatically enrolled 	9.Provide ongoing customer support, outreach, opt up campaigns, data management and analys is, planning, and more

Questions?

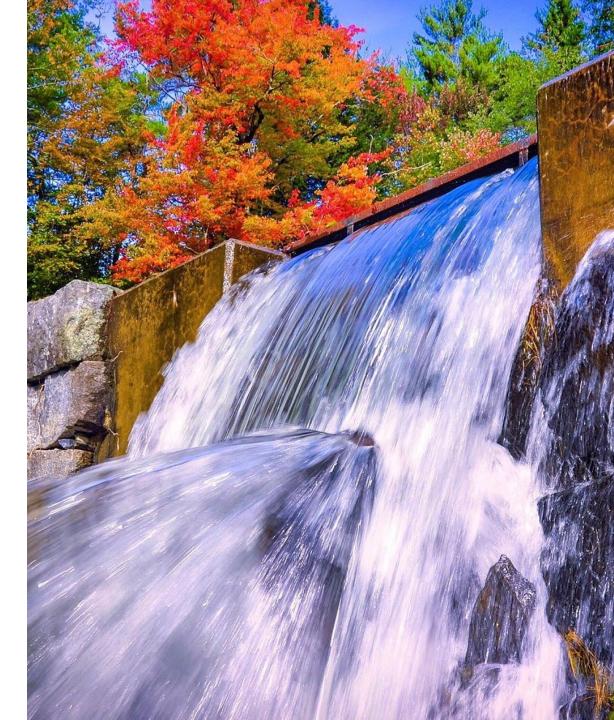


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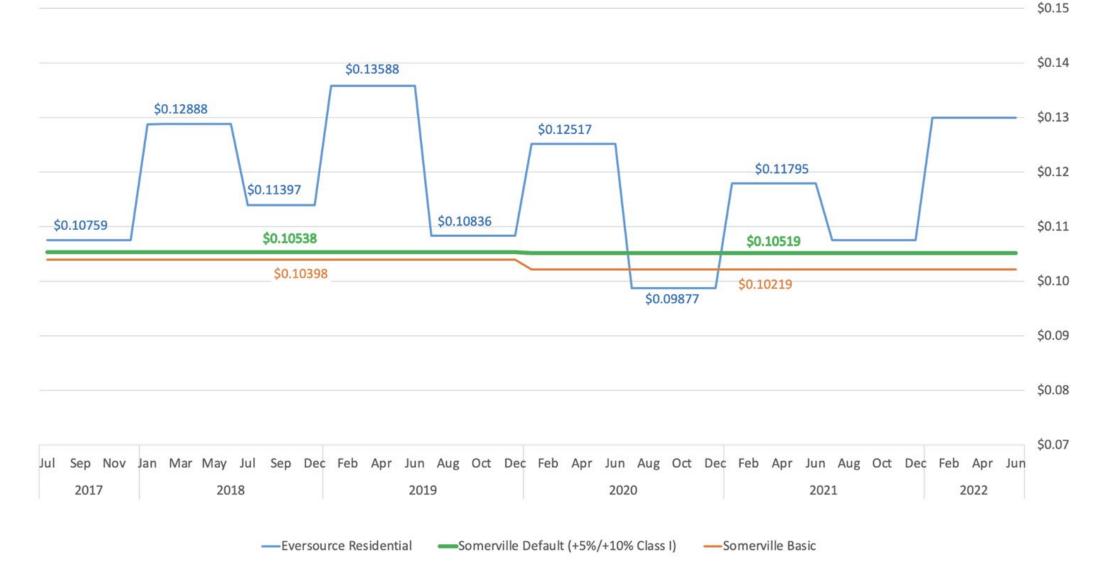


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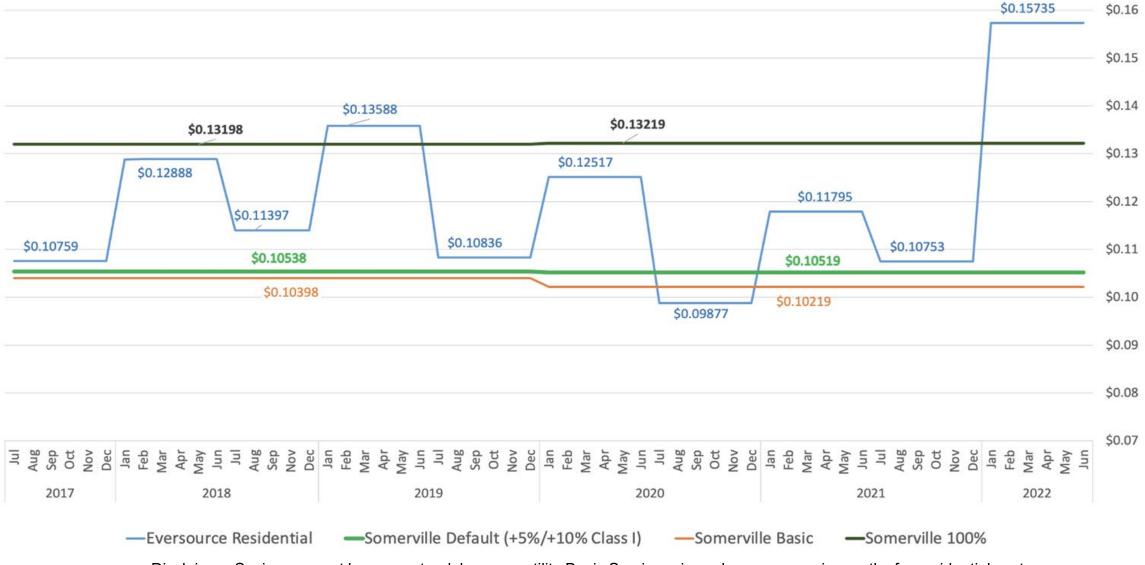
Example Somerville, MA



Disclaimer: Savings cannot be guaranteed, because utility Basic Service prices change every six months for residential customers



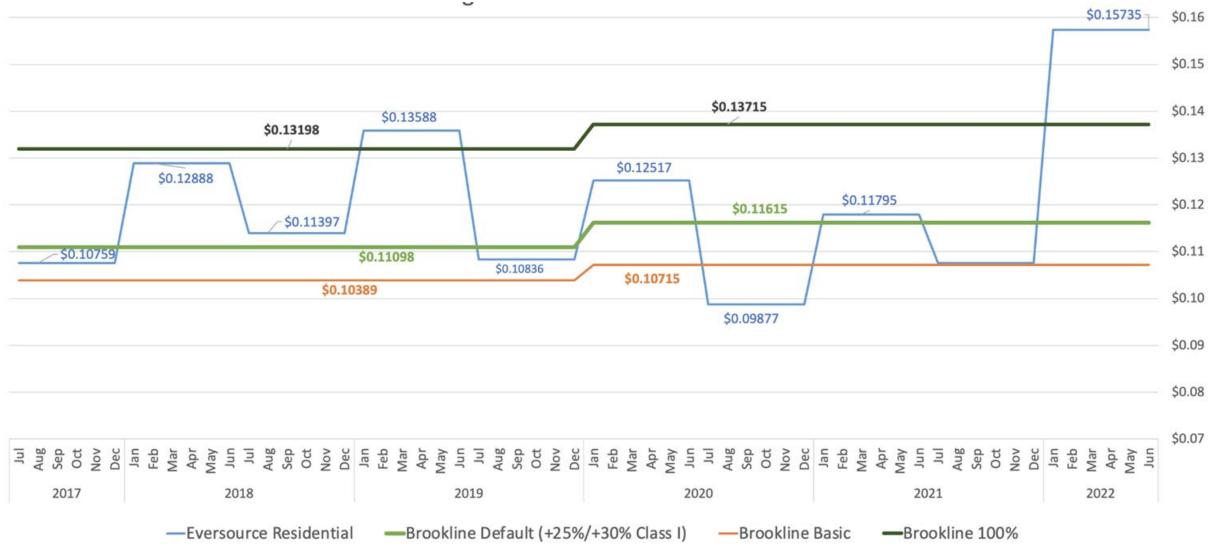
Somerville Community Choice Electricity



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Brookline Green Electricity



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Our Approach

Competitive Retail Model: Supplier Guaranteed Contract

Proven track record in 700+ programs in IL, OH, MA, NJ, NY & RI

Provides stable, competitive rates with no cost to municipal budget - all costs recovered in supply rate

Supplier retains all risk ---> No risk to municipality or customers -- Critical in increasingly volatile energy landscape