

‘Power Maryland Forward’

Supporting an Affordable, Reliable, Fossil-Free Future for Maryland

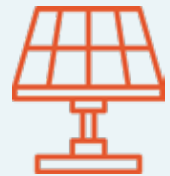
Demand for electricity in Maryland is surging, in large part because data centers are planned for our region, leading to calls for a rapid build-out of new energy sources. It matters what those new sources are.

New gas or other fossil fuel generation will cause price volatility for consumers, see sluggish construction timelines, worsen climate change, and degrade the quality of life for nearby communities.

Investing in clean, renewable sources will stabilize prices, improve air quality, and reduce emissions from electricity generation, which accounts for about 20% of greenhouse gas emissions in Maryland.

What ‘Power Maryland Forward’ will do:

- Get the most out of the electricity grid we have, through advanced transmission technologies
- Promote efficient deployment of clean, renewable energy, the most cost-effective and quickest to deploy
- Ensure PJM, our regional grid operator, and Maryland’s Public Service Commission are responsive to ratepayer needs
- Require large load users like data centers to bring their own clean energy generation before beginning construction, to protect Marylanders from shouldering the cost



Why it’s important for Maryland:

Investing in clean, renewable energy sources will help Maryland reach ambitious climate goals of cutting 60% of greenhouse gas emissions by 2031 and a net-zero target by 2045.

Reaching those targets, already enshrined in law, has wide-ranging benefits.

By 2031, Maryland will see \$321 million in health benefits, many in our state’s historically disadvantaged communities. Households are estimated to save \$2,600-\$4,000 annually in energy costs. And the state will see 27,000 more jobs and \$5.3 billion more in gross domestic product.

Power Maryland Forward will be a step in the direction of health, energy savings, and economic growth.