



## TOWN OF MARBLETOWN

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Dear Resident,

As you may already know, Marbletown is fortunate to be a part of Hudson Valley Community Power (HVCP), a program that works to find the best energy opportunities for its participating communities. Through the HVCP community choice aggregation program, we have renewable electricity at a lower rate with two years of price certainty for residents. And HVCP offers subscriptions to a local community solar farm which will enable you to support additional and local renewable energy while saving up to 10% on your electricity costs annually. The current vetted and selected solar farm partner is Nexamp, who owns and operates projects in the Hudson Valley.

Enrollments into community solar through HVCP generate funds towards a community sustainability initiative at no cost to you. The Town Board has decided to use the proceeds for construction of walk bike trail starting on Main Street in Stone Ridge next to the Ridgewall Gym and connecting to Ulster County Community College Campus.

We have good news: HVCP has renewed a contract with Nexamp extending **the enrollment deadline to March 31st**. This is good timing to fund the trail work we are hoping to complete this summer.

As of January 20th, 2020, Marbletown has enrolled 118 households or small businesses, generating nearly \$6,000. We aim to secure community solar guaranteed savings for as much of the community as possible and believe we can enroll 10% of households to raise \$13,000 (as has been done elsewhere). The Highway department is working on a cost estimate which we expect will be in the same range.

**Please join the Marbletown Environmental Conservation Commission on February 9<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center at 2pm** to learn more about this program and how you can make a plan to get your home, business, and transportation off fossil fuels while saving money along the way with *10 Money Saving Steps to 100% Renewable Energy*. HVCP and Community Solar are the first two of the ten steps.

Refreshments will be served.

You can also enroll now at [www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/solar](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/solar) You can ask questions and get help with enrollment by calling HVCP at (845) 859-9099.

Sincerely,  
Supervisor Rich Parete