Sunset Park Solar

Status: Construction Completed

Working Power and UPROSE, along with SunLight General Capital, co-developed the 725kW Sunset Park Solar project at the Brooklyn Army Terminal in the Sunset Park neighborhood of Brooklyn. Thanks to a lease from the NYC Economic Development Corporation, solar panels were installed on the roof of Building B at the Brooklyn Army Terminal, and the 45,000 square foot installation provides access to solar power generation for local households.

The solar array is co-owned by UPROSE, Working Power, and SunLight General Capital, ensuring community control and leadership in the project's governance and benefits. This project establishes a community-owned and operated solar project that creates significant environmental benefits, employment opportunities, and economic achievements. Beyond providing bill savings to 150 households, the **revenue generated by the community solar array will be directed into a community wealth fund** that allows Sunset Park residents to allocate resources to projects based on their priorities, such as funding additional solar initiatives.

This project cost $2.6 million to develop and will provide $2.2 million in community benefits over 25 years including energy cost savings to local households and ownership revenue. The project was financed through a combination of equity investments from UPROSE, Working Power, and SunLight General Capital; a $1.5 million construction loan from the Working Power Impact Fund; monetization of tax credit; and NYSERDA incentives.

"A frontline-led vision that generates community wealth and prioritizes direct benefits to our community is at the heart of a just transition and energy democracy. The work demands just relationships and partnerships. We are grateful to be working with Working Power on our Sunset Park Solar project. It is rare to find a partner dedicated to true community partnership. Working Power models what is possible."

- Elizabeth Yeampierre, Executive Director, UPROSE

Developed & Co-owned with
UPROSE & SunLight General Capital

Project Capacity
725 kW

Projected Overall Community Benefits
$2.2 million

Total Project Cost
$2.6 million

Completion Date
2026

