

# CCA

## What is it?

**Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)** allows local governments to pool the electricity demands of their communities, purchasing power with higher renewable content, and reinvesting in local infrastructure.

**There are currently three CCAs operating in California:**

MCE Clean Energy  
Sonoma Clean Power  
Lancaster CCA



**COMMUNITY CHOICE  
AGGREGATION (CCA)**  
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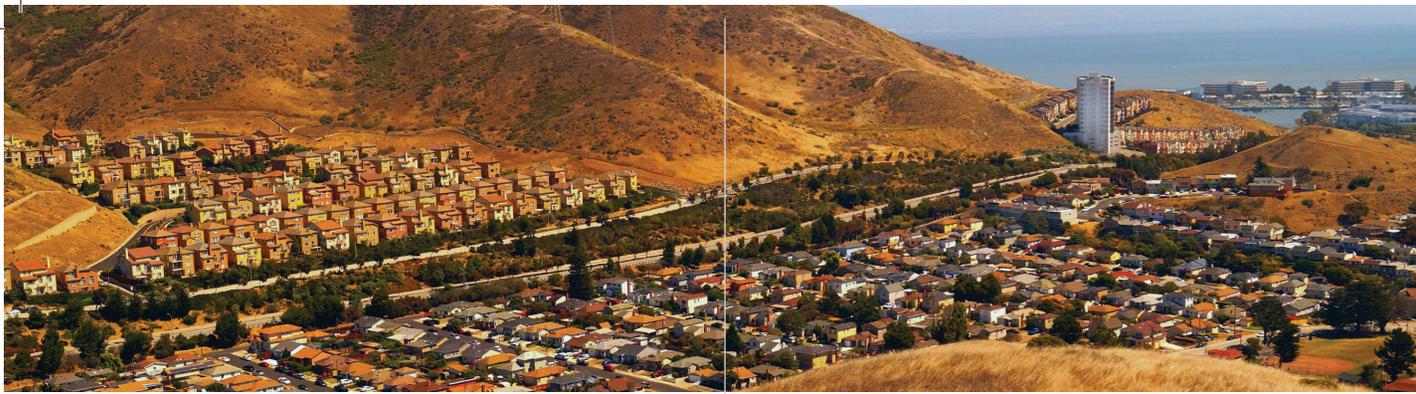
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## How does it work?

**If San Mateo County forms a CCA,** it will purchase electricity on your behalf. This will offer you some wonderful choices.

**It won't interrupt your service in any way.** PG&E will continue to deliver the electricity from the grid to your house, maintain the power lines, read your meter, and send you a single bill.

**The only change is an opportunity to choose between different energy options—for the first time ever.**

CCAs offer electricity options with much higher renewable energy content than PG&E's standard offering.

**If your home or business is in a CCA service area,** you will be automatically enrolled in the program. You can choose to go back to PG&E at any time.

## What are the benefits?

### 1 Choice

CCAs introduce competition into the marketplace. They provide ratepayers with a choice about the level of renewables they wish to support.

### 2 Sustainability

Formation of a CCA will allow San Mateo County to achieve greater greenhouse gas reductions resulting from energy generation.

### 3 Community

CCAs are non-profit organizations. They're accountable not to shareholders seeking profit, but to the communities they serve. Surplus funds from a CCA are reinvested in your community to develop local renewable energy projects and create local jobs.

### 4 Economics

Operating CCAs in the Bay Area have been able to offer renewable energy that **costs less than PG&E.**

## What's being done?

San Mateo County is currently exploring formation of a CCA to help our local governments meet sustainability goals.

The County and 20 local cities are conducting a joint technical study to assess the feasibility of CCA for the county.

The technical study will be completed in Fall 2015. The County Board of Supervisors and each City Council will then determine whether to form a CCA in San Mateo County.

A CCA in the County would be a public, non-profit agency funded by ratepayers, **not by your taxes.**