## Solar Panel Discounts Offered to Franklin Park Residents

Franklin Park is one of just five communities selected to receive discounted solar panels for homeowners. Available only this summer, the Solar Chicago program offers a 25% discount off average market prices as well as a streamlined process for selecting, installing and financing panels that are right for your home.

Why are we getting a discount? Because we're buying in bulk! The collective buying power of homeowners throughout the five communities (Franklin Park, Hanover Park, Oak Park, Wilmette and Chicago) allow Solar Chicago to negotiate lower prices. The program <u>guarantees</u> a 25% discount off average market prices, and prices may come down even lower.

How is the process streamlined? A group of experts selected a contracting team that will work with homeowners from start to finish. Experts from Juhl Renewable Energy Systems and Microgrid Solar will assess your home for its solar potential, install the solar panels on your roof, complete all permitting work with the village and utility, help you secure a loan, and help you apply for any state or federal rebates available to you.

**Isn't it still expensive?** State and federal rebates will further decrease the cost of your solar panels. Plus, think of all the money you'll save on your electricity bill! Most homeowners will recoup the cost of their solar panels in about 8 years.

Why was Franklin Park chosen? Unlike many other communities, Franklin Park already has in place a permitting program for installing solar panels on residential buildings. That makes it easier for solar companies to work in our community.

**How do I start?** Just go to <a href="www.mygroupenergy.com/solarchicago">www.mygroupenergy.com/solarchicago</a> by Sept. 30th to express interest in the program. Then you'll be contacted by a representative to set up your free, no-obligation consultation with a contractor.