Can Solar Change the Game?

A conversation about equitable access and energy burden.



RETI works to alleviate high energy burdens by working with communities, utilities, and government agencies to provide equitable access to clean energy, energy technology, and energy efficiency.

RETI is a 501c3 nonprofit organization.

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RETI, a member of the US DOE's Clean Energy For Low Income Communities Accelerator, has strategic partnerships with utilities, community, and government agencies. Ex. Include: North End Smart District - Smart Homes Kick Start a community program geared to decreased energy costs through smart home technology. RETI is partnered with Duke Energy on their first low to moderate income Shared Solar program in SC and the NAACP Solar Equity Initiative. RETI also provides a number of community engagement initiatives.



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DEFG identifies opportunities to create value in the energy commodity marketplace

In 2013, DEFG created the Low Income Energy Issues Forum

LIEIF adopted a challenge statement: Propose innovative and integrated policies and approaches that help close the widening gap between what vulnerable energy consumers can pay and their current utility bills.

LIEIF is composed of nearly 300 utility directors and managers, social service providers, energy assistance program administrators, state regulatory commissioners and staffers, consumer advocates, product and software vendors, and innovative energy solution providers.

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