

GOOD
for the **PLANET**

15,540 gal
of water saved each year

34.5 tons
of CO₂ - the biggest contributor to
global warming-saved each year

15.5 tons
of coal saved each year

61 train cars
of coal saved over 25 yrs

Dollar Details

- \$37,537 federal tax credit
- \$12,512 state tax credit
- \$46,225 TEP rebate
- \$96,274 in incentives**

Financial incentives account for over 75% of the total system cost excluding depreciation. In addition, the solar system will significantly lower the electric bills and provide insulation against rising utility rates.

*Under the new Federal Investment Tax Credit

Solar Power is Smart Business

Brooklyn Pizza Company and Sky Bar are two of only a handful of local businesses to invest in solar power. The decision is an example of the growing leadership of Arizona companies that are using solar power to address the rising cost of energy and the impact of greenhouse gases on the environment. The solar installation, located on Tucson's historic 4th Avenue, is comprised of eighty-six, 215 watt, high efficiency solar panels. The renewable energy system is expected to generate over 31,068 kWh of electricity per year.

In addition to the environmental and economic benefits, this system serves to inform customers through an innovative educational display. Current energy production, green benefits, and fun eco-facts rotates on the wall-mounted monitor located in Brooklyn's dining room. This is possible with the use of an online data monitoring system which provides historical power and energy data.

Commercial Solar Pays Off

Solar electric (photovoltaic) systems benefit commercial operations in a multitude of ways. In addition to being a visible statement of a business' commitment to being green, the outlay offers a typical return on investment of 15% or better. The financial picture is brighter for businesses compared to residences for several reasons: they typically pay more for electricity than residential customers; the state tax credit cap is higher at \$25,000; and businesses can depreciate the cost of the system, leading to further savings.

