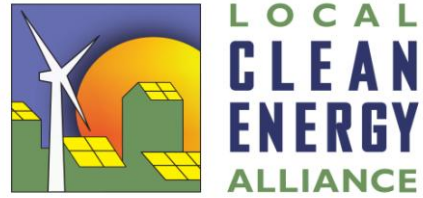


Alameda County Board of Supervisors:
**Support for Establishing
Community Choice Energy**



Dear Alameda County Board of Supervisors,

I write to support efforts by the Board of Supervisors to establish a Community Choice energy program in the East Bay. I applaud your leadership in kick-starting a Community Choice effort, and look forward to engaging with you in that effort.

Community Choice can be a powerful vehicle for creating clean energy jobs, new investment and business opportunities, greenhouse gas reductions, stabilized and lower electric rates, local retention of revenues, improved public health and air quality, and community resilience. For all these reasons, there has been great interest in Community Choice in a number of Alameda County cities, including Oakland, Berkeley, Hayward, Dublin, and Albany.

However, these community benefits can only be achieved if the Community Choice program prioritizes the development of local renewable energy resources in our community.

As with other communities across the state, we want more control over our energy supply and energy policies. We urge the Board of Supervisors to ensure that community-based organizations are represented in the process of establishing a program that will benefit all impacted residents and businesses in Alameda County.

Thank you.

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