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The Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program Act (Assembly Bill 693, Eggman, 2015) established the Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing (SOMAH) program in Public Utilities Code 2870. SOMAH provides financial incentives for the installation of renewable energy systems on multifamily affordable housing properties throughout California. The statute, among other things, prescribes criteria for participation in the incentive program; sets targets for installation of solar photovoltaic systems; identifies various required elements for the program; and gives direction to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on the program administration.

As of January 2025, SOMAH achieved these outcomes:

- 436 active project applications with \$134 million in reserved incentives with 35 percent located in disadvantaged communities.
- 269 completed projects that received in total \$72 million in incentives with 28 percent located in disadvantaged communities.
- Active applications and completed projects together equaled 98.9 MW, or 33 percent of the way to the program's 300 MW goal.

SOMAH posts up-to-date information on application progress and location information at the CPUC's website: <a href="www.californiadgstats.ca.gov">www.californiadgstats.ca.gov</a>. The SOMAH program is available in Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, PacifiCorp, and Liberty territories. The program continues to evolve to address low participation rates in rural areas and PacifiCorp and Liberty territories. To this end, the CPUC approved Decision 24-11-006 to improve and refine the SOMAH program to simplify administration, expand measures to include integrated storage, and permit early incentive payments for tribal projects.

More information is also available on the CPUC <u>website</u>, the program <u>website</u>, or by contacting <u>contact@CalSOMAH.org</u>.









