



**COMMUNITY
POWER COALITION**
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
For communities, by communities.



Public Information Session

Wednesday, August 2, 2023 | 7PM

Dublin Town Hall, Basement, 1120 Main Street, Dublin, NH 03444

What is Community Power?

New Hampshire cities, towns, and counties can become **default electricity provider** for their residents + businesses and provide related services.



Pooled Purchasing Power
for **Energy Supply**

Economies of Scale

Utility Company
Delivers Power

Grid Reliability

Communities Benefit from
**Value Added Services &
Programs**

*Lower Rates &
Product Choices*

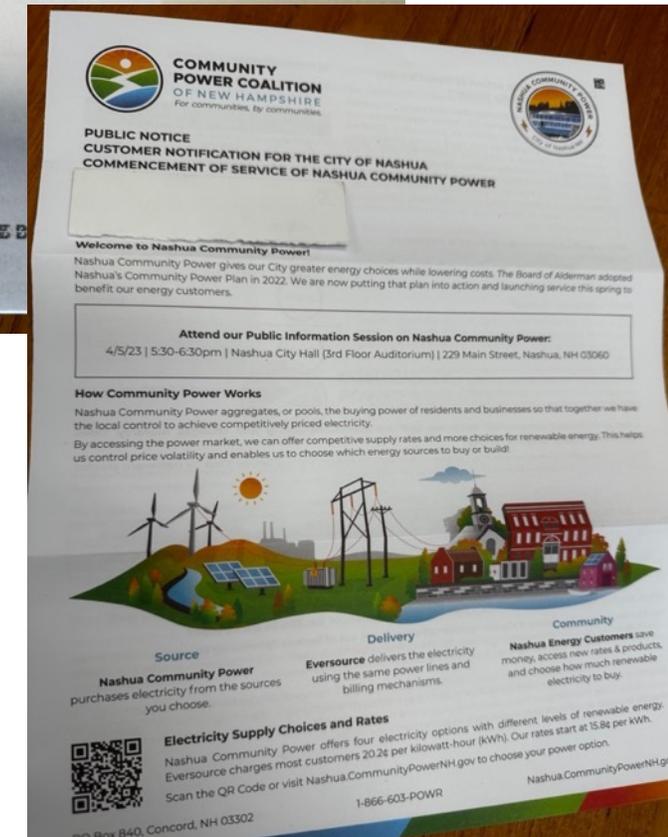
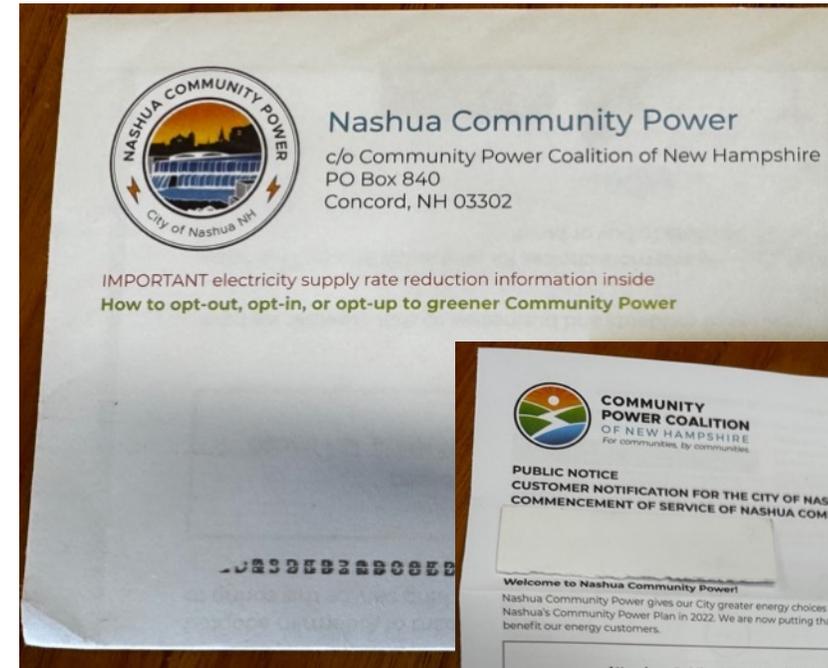
[RSA 53-E, Relative to Aggregation of Electric Customers by Municipalities & Counties](#)

Customers may switch back to utility default supply or take service from a Competitive Supplier

Community Power programs must be paid for out of revenues received from participating customers

Customer Notification and Enrollment Process

- ⚡ At least **30 days before program launch** all **electric customers will be mailed notifications** including the initial fixed rate for Community Power service compared with Eversource
- ⚡ Customers on Eversource default energy service **able to decline participation or “opt-out”** by calling 1-866-603-POWR, contacting info@CommunityPowerNH.gov ; or visiting www.CommunityPowerNH.gov
- ⚡ If a **customer is already getting their power from a competitive supplier**, nothing will change unless they choose to **“opt-in”** to Community Power.
- ⚡ **Eversource will continue to deliver electricity** using their poles and wires, provide billing services, and ensure reliability.
- ⚡ Rates posted at least 30 days in advance; customers can switch supplier at next meter read upon request with **no penalty or exit fee**.
- ⚡ **Community Power is self-funded** by rates paid by participating customers. **No taxes will be used to cover program expenses.**



Aug 1, 2023 – Jan 31, 2024

Electricity Choices

- ⚡ Energy customers can select from a menu of energy choices.
- ⚡ Visit www.CommunityPowerNH.gov and use the portal, or call **1-866-603-POWER**, to select your power option.
- ⚡ Please have your utility account number handy so your selection may be easily processed.
- ⚡ Customers are always free to choose to buy power from their utility, or from another market option, without charge.

Renewable Content	Power Options	Rate (¢/kWh)	Estimated Cost*	6-Month Savings
 100%	Clean 100	15.2 ¢	± \$91 / month	Clean Premium
 50%	Clean 50	12.3 ¢	± \$74 / month	± \$6
 33%	Granite Plus	11.3 ¢	± \$68 / month	± \$42
 23.4%	Granite Basic <i>(Default Power)</i>	10.9 ¢	± \$65 / month	± \$60
 23.4%	Eversource	12.582 ¢	± \$75 / month	N/A

*Based on usage of 600 kWh per month

Electricity Choices — Mid-Sized Commercial

⚡ Cheshire Community Power monthly variable rates for Primary General Service customers (Class GV) enrolled into Granite Basic compared to Eversource's supply rate in ¢ per kWh:

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN
Eversource Class GV Rate	18.098 ¢	11.837 ¢	9.734 ¢	9.486 ¢	13.604 ¢	22.688 ¢	29.225 ¢
Community Power (Granite Basic)	16.288 ¢	7.70 ¢	6.30 ¢	6.20 ¢	8.90 ¢	14.80 ¢	19.00 ¢

⚡ Mid-sized commercial customers (Class GV) can also pay an additional 0.4¢ / kWh, 1.1¢ / kWh or 3.3¢ / kWh to opt-up to Granite Plus, Clean 50, or Clean 100

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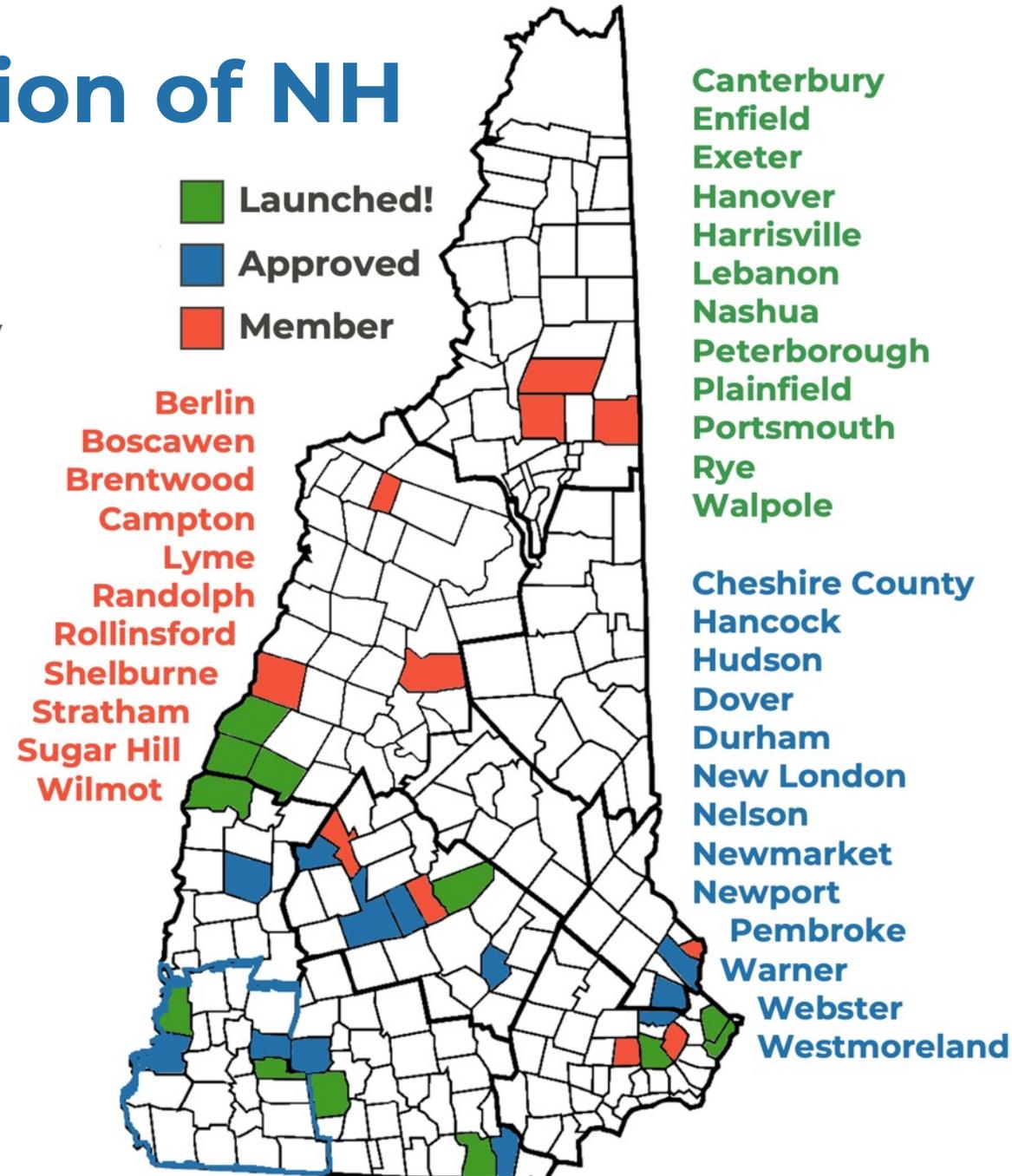
Community-governed power supplier

Our Mission

To foster resilient New Hampshire communities by empowering them to realize their energy goals.

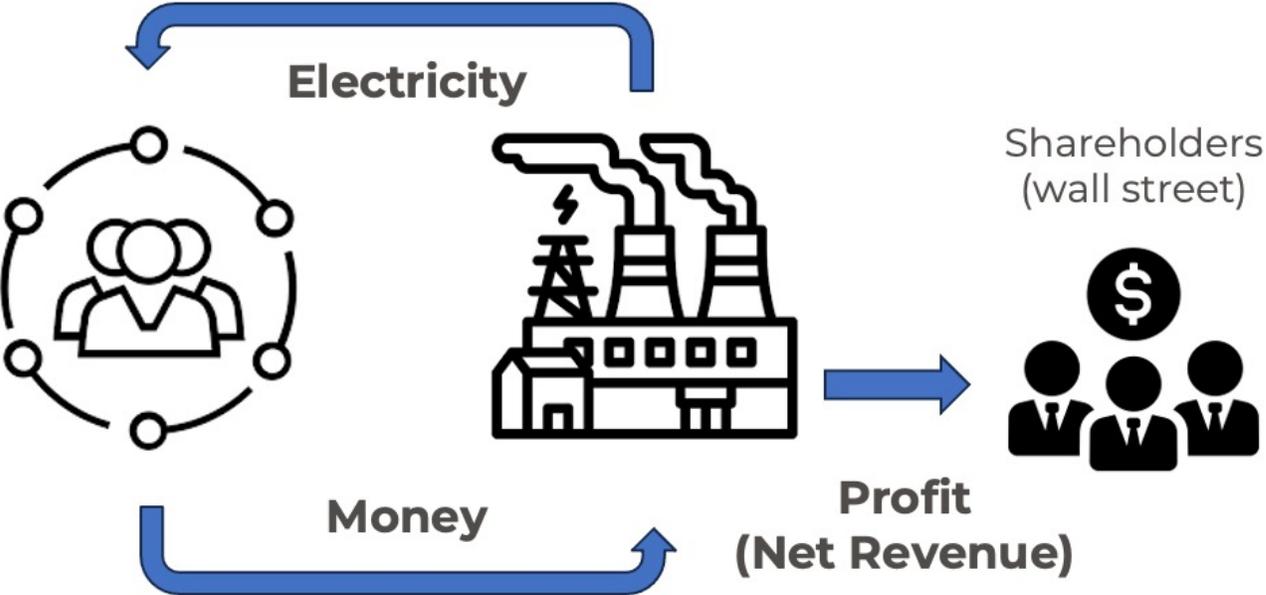
- ⚡ Nonprofit Joint Power Agency formed 10/1/21
- ⚡ **34 Members | 23% of NH population**
- ⚡ 12 of 33 Members **launched spring 2023**
 - ~75,000 customers
 - ~400,000 MWh in 2023 (APR – DEC)
 - ~\$51 million 2023 revenues (controlled by communities)
- ⚡ Remaining & new Members to launch 2024+

All NH cities & towns are invited to join

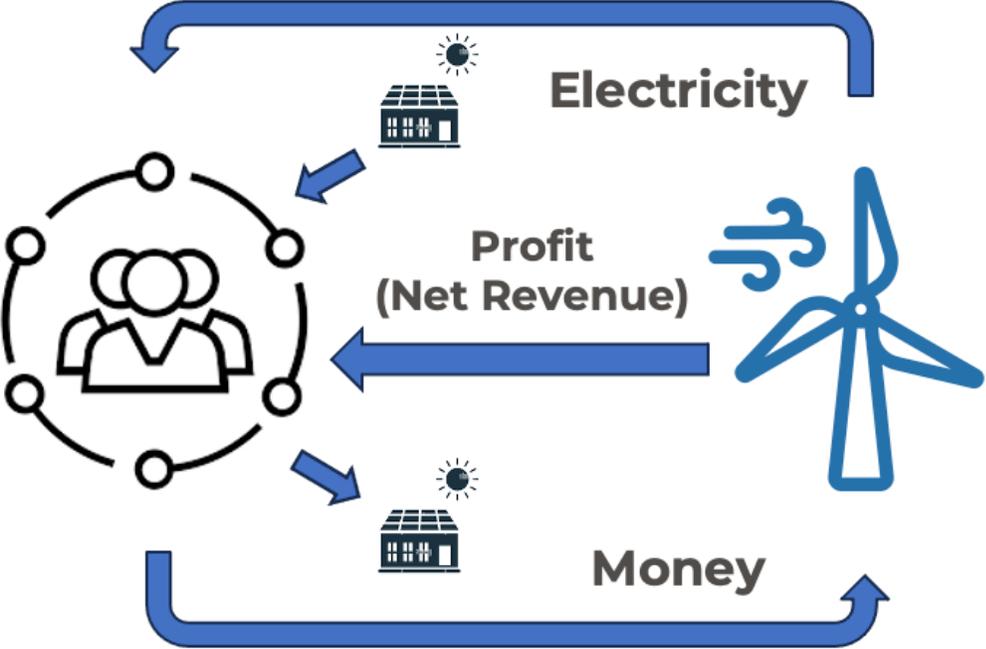


Comparing Models of Electricity Cashflow

Legacy/Broker Model



CPCNH Model



Board of Directors

Community Governance



Local elected officials, former utility executives, energy finance & development professionals, municipal managers, teachers, & much more.

Staff & Service Providers

Expert Operations

Board Committees

- ⚡ Audit
- ⚡ Executive
- ⚡ Finance
- ⚡ Governance
- ⚡ Member Outreach & Engagement
- ⚡ Regulatory & Legislative Affairs
- ⚡ Risk Management



**CEO
Brian
Callnan**

<p>Energy Portfolio Mgmt</p> 	<p>Retail Customer Services</p> 	<p>Community Engagement</p> 
<p>Legal</p> 	<p>Start-up Consultants</p>  <p>HERNDON ENTERPRISES</p>	<p>Revenue Controls & Accounting</p> 

Streamlined County Model for Cheshire Towns

Join Cheshire Community Power → Launch!

- ❑ **1. Select Board vote to Join Cheshire Community Power**
 - ❑ Appoint representative to Governance Council

- ❑ **2. Launch Community Power!**
 - ❑ Launch of service and benefits for customers with 45 to 90-days advanced notice to utility companies

Cheshire EAP Attachment 9

Process to Join Cheshire Community Power

- ⚡ Any municipality within the county may, by majority vote of their governing body pursuant to RSA 53-E:6, request to join Cheshire Community Power by adopting and submitting the resolution provided below to the County Commissioners for their review and approval:
 - *Resolved, that we hereby commit the **Town of [INSERT]** to join Cheshire Community Power to provide default supply service on an opt-out basis to retail electricity customers within the Town's boundaries, pursuant to RSA 53-E:6(1), understanding that the Town may appoint a representative and alternate to the Cheshire Community Power Governance Council to support joint oversight of the program, and continuing hereafter, or until such time as the Town elects to form its own Community Power Aggregation program, as provided for in and subject to the terms of the County's Electric Aggregation Plan, inclusive of the requirements and considerations for municipalities afforded therein under Attachment 10: Cheshire Community Power Governance Council, as amended from time to time hereafter.*

Cheshire EAP Attachment 10

Cheshire Community Power Governance Council

- ⚡ Joining towns appoint voting representation to **Governance Council**
 - Establishes transparent, participatory, flexible decision-making structure for mutual advantage of the participating municipalities and the County.
- ⚡ **Governance Council** duties and function:
 - Ensure engaged and informed governing bodies of participating communities
 - Encourage and support expansion of program to interested communities
 - Designating individuals for the County Commissioners to appoint as the representatives and "Authorized Officer" to CPCNH
 - Authorizing individuals to serve on committees of CPCNH on behalf of the program
 - Recommending amendments to the Electric Aggregation Plan for consideration by the County Commissioners
 - Approving the withdrawal of municipalities from the program that have subsequently elected to implement their own Community Power Program
 - Assuming additional duties at the Council's discretion to develop and enable voluntary, cost effective, and innovative solutions to local needs with careful consideration of conditions and opportunities across the County pursuant to this Electric Aggregation Plan

Community Benefit: Savings + Reserves

- ⚡ Cheshire Community Power creates savings, rate stability, value for customers by developing beneficial local energy projects and programs
- ⚡ **>\$20 Million in value** in CPCNH's first year (Apr – Dec 2023):
 - **~\$10 Million** in immediate customer bill savings
 - **~\$10 Million** in community reserves for long-term benefit

Cheshire Community Power sets rates with the objective of saving you money and offering at least one supply option at a discount relative to your utility supply rate (along with 'opt up' choices). Most utility rates are set from February 1 to July 31, 2023. Our default rates will change for the next utility rate period, scheduled from August 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024.

Rates are set through Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire, the public non-profit governed by NH cities, towns and counties, including Cheshire County. All future default rate changes will be publicly noticed at least 30 days in advance at

[CommunityPowerNH.gov](https://www.energy.nh.gov) and at:

<https://www.energy.nh.gov/engyapps/ceps/shop.aspx>.



Long-term Benefits



Streamlined Access, Minimize Regulatory & Admin Burden

Cheshire shoulders administrative and regulatory approval burdens on behalf of participating towns.



NONPROFIT

Generating Member-owned reserve funds to keep rates stable low over time, and to reinvest back into benefiting Harrisville.



LOCAL CONTROL

The Coalition is managed and overseen by Member Counties, Towns, Cities.
We have representatives on CPCNH Boards and Committees, ensuring our interests are represented and our voices heard.



COMMUNITY INTEREST / PROSPECTS FOR CLEAN LOCAL POWER

Our Coalition power agency responds to our interests, expands prospects for local power generation, and gives a stronger voice in state policy.

Community Representation

- ⚡ Cheshire joined 33+ other cities and towns to create our own locally accountable nonprofit power agency: **Community Power Coalition of NH.**
- ⚡ Cheshire Community Power appoints representatives to the Coalition's Membership, Committees, and Board elections to oversee the agency's governance and finances.



Terry Clark
Cheshire County
Commissioner

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Customers Ineligible for Automatic Enrollment

- ⚡ Certain customer groups will NOT be automatically enrolled in Cheshire Community Power, including:
 - Customers buying electricity from a third-party supplier.
 - Net Metered customers.
 - Large General Service (Class LG), Backup Service (Class B) and Commercial & Industrial electric vehicle charging station customers (Class EV-2).
- ⚡ If one of these exceptions applies to you, contact us at info@CommunityPowerNH.gov or by calling 1-866-603-POWR to discuss your options.

Key Points

- ⚡ **Most Eversource default electric supply customers will be automatically enrolled upon program launch** in the same service for a lower price.
Cheshire Community Power will be the **new default electricity supplier** for customers in participating towns.
- ⚡ **Participation in Community Power is voluntary.** Customers can choose to opt-out and to stay with Eversource for electric supply, or shop for another market option.
- ⚡ **Eversource will continue to deliver electricity** using their poles and wires, provide billing services, and ensure reliability.
- ⚡ **Customers shopping with third-party suppliers will remain with their supplier** unless they choose to opt-in to Cheshire Community Power.
- ⚡ **Cheshire Community Power is self-funded** by rates paid by participating customers. **No taxes will be used to cover program expenses.**

