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West Hartford 'Flips the Switch' on its new rooftop solar project

WEST HARTFORD, CONN. (October 25, 2019) – On Monday, October 28 at 3:30 PM, West Hartford will flip the switch to power its newest rooftop solar PV project.

This project will provide a sustainable, green, renewable source of power for 20% of Town Hall's annual electricity use.

This installation is one of about a dozen solar projects (both large and small) installed on many of the town and school buildings. It represents one more step in West Hartford's overall commitment and vision for a clean energy future for our community, state, and world beyond.

Energy is an area that West Hartford feels it is important to "lead by example." Over the past several years, the Town has made substantial progress on energy education/outreach, energy efficiency, and transition to clean energy.

Through energy efficiency projects and LED lighting, we have reduced total electricity use in our Town operations by nearly 20% or a reduction of over 4 million kWh, with an avoided cost of over \$700,000.

West Hartford's next project will be a big one - 600 KW (five times the size of the Town Hall project) – on King Philip Middle School's new roof, which will power most of the school. By the end of 2020, you may see an announcement that West Hartford's municipal electricity use is 100% renewable.

We are excited show you and "Flip the Switch" on our latest solar PV project installed by Verogy, a local company with offices in Hartford.

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