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## Energize Delaware funded resiliency project breaks ground

## Construction has begun at The Jefferson School's 141 kW solar array with battery backup

**GEORGETOWN, DE, November 30, 2018** – Energize Delaware is pleased to have participated in The Jefferson School's groundbreaking celebration for their new 141 kW solar array with battery backup. The system is part of larger expansion of The Jefferson School's campus, and in keeping with the school's commitment to sustainability.

"Solar with battery backup is key tool for organizations looking to improve their resiliency," said Tony DePrima, Executive Director of Energize Delaware. "In the event of an emergency, this system will allow The Jefferson School to continue running and serving the community."

Energize Delaware loaned \$981,500 to project developer Edison Power to make this project possible. The Energize Delaware Revolving Loan Fund provides low-interest loans to Delaware businesses, non-profits, and local governments to make their energy efficiency and renewable energy projects a reality.

The 141 kW system and its energy monitoring system also fits well into The Jefferson School's curriculum, and will give teachers, students and community first-hand experience on how solar electricity and batteries work.

## About Energize Delaware

Energize Delaware is a unique non-profit that helps Delawareans save money through clean energy and energy efficiency. Our programs provide energy education and financial incentives to Delaware residents, businesses, nonprofits, government facilities, farms, faith organizations and schools. Find a program to fit your needs at <u>www.EnergizeDelaware.com</u>.





Energize Delaware's Executive Director, Tony DePrima, speaking at The Jefferson School groundbreaking ceremony



Top Row: Contance R. Hendricks (The Jefferson School), Jim Brown (EZEnergy), Andrea Kreiner (DNREC), Tony DePrima (Energize Delaware), Nick Benz (The Jefferson School Board of Directors). Bottom Row: The Jefferson School students.

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