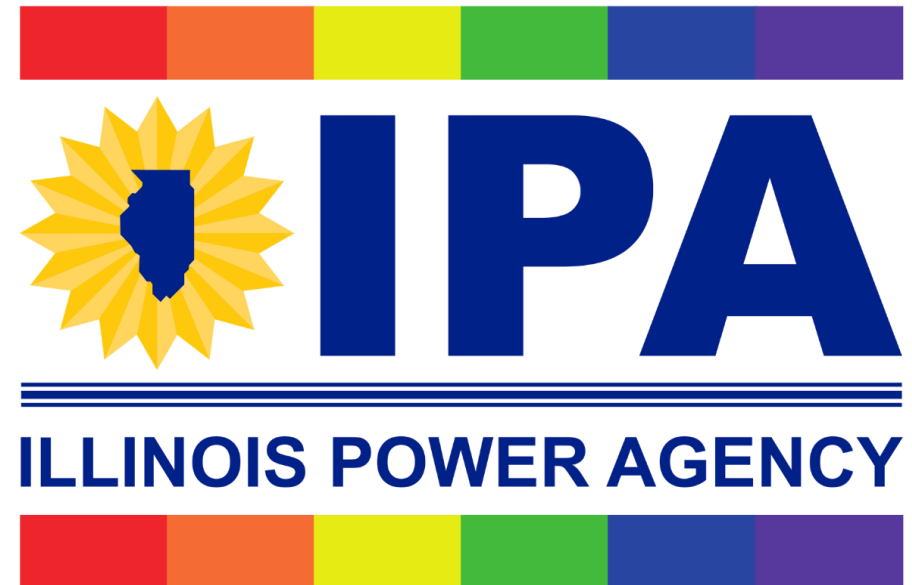


Welcome In DEI Advisory Committee!

Please, take a moment to arrive.





June 2026 DEI Advisory Committee Meeting

Illinois Power Agency | June 10, 2026 | 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Housekeeping



- Mind the mic
- Use the chat
- Ask for tech support if needed

Working Agreements

<p>Focus on Systems: Move out of the individual focus and zoom out to consider systemic cause for barriers or burdens felt by individuals.</p>	<p>Move up/Move up: Be aware of one's own contributions. If you find yourself talking more, move up your listening. If you find yourself listening more, work to move up your contributions.</p>	<p>With and not for: We are representatives in this space and we are tasked with advocating for perspectives and turning back to our spheres to bring them along with us in this space.</p>	<p>Confidentiality within this space: Maintain confidentiality of what committee members share. Allow members to speak their minds.</p>	<p>Agree to Disagree: We may not always agree. There may be non-closure and we can expect and work to accept that.</p>
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Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping**
- 2. Introductions**
- 3. Updates from the Bureau Chief**
- 4. DEI Advisory Committee One-on-Ones**
- 5. Topic: Equitable Employer-Workforce Partnerships**
- 6. Future Meeting Topic(s)**
- 7. Closing**



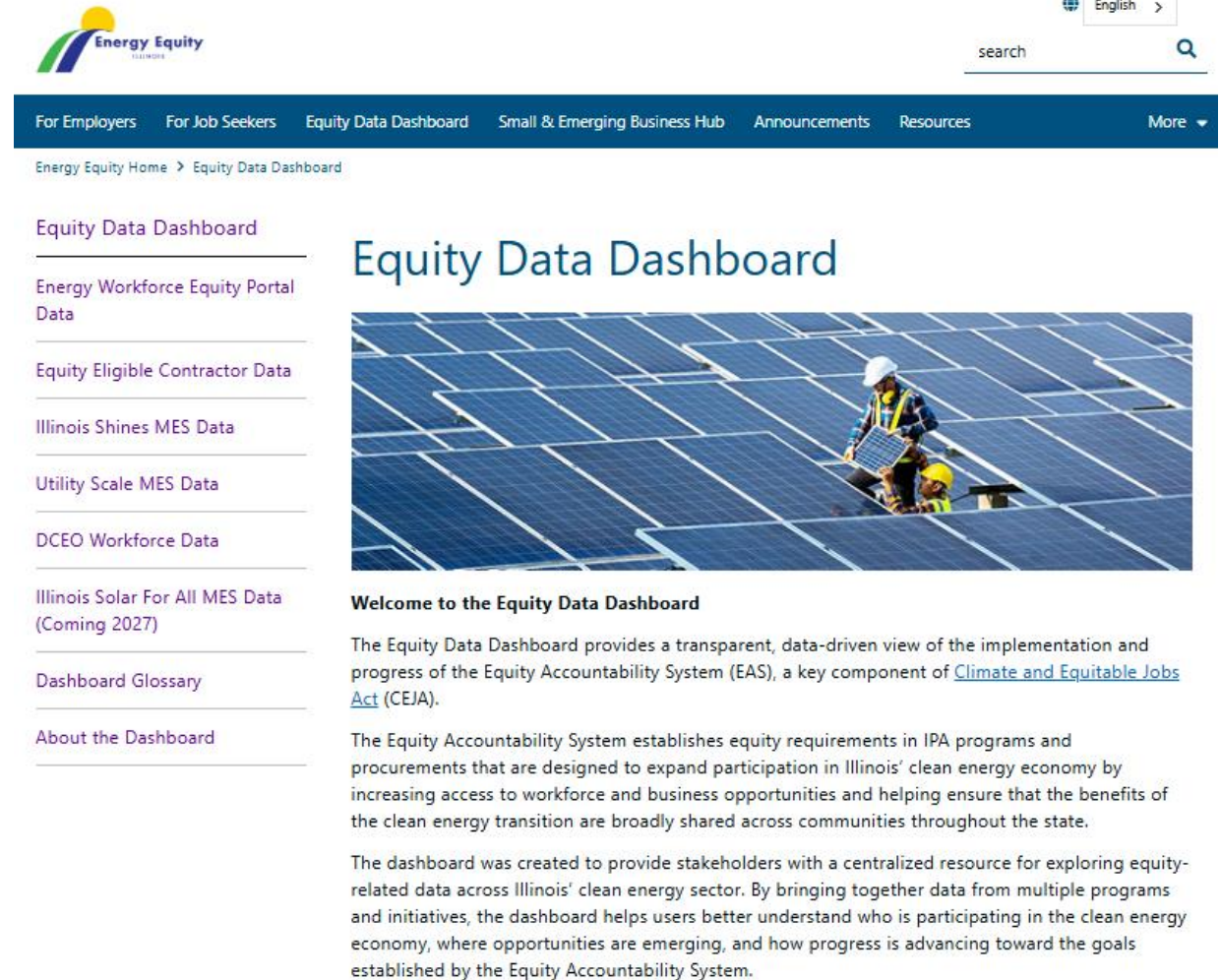
Introductions

Reflection Prompt: *In one to three words, how would you describe best outcomes for equity in our clean energy economy?*



Updates from the Bureau Chief

- Equity Data Dashboard
 - Launched on Monday, June 8.
- Racial Disparity & Availability Study
 - Public Hearings
 - Workforce Program Survey
 - Business Survey
 - Anecdotal Interviews
- Equity Accountability System Expansion
 - Illinois Solar for All
 - Energy Storage Procurements



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Equity Data Dashboard

Energy Workforce Equity Portal Data

Equity Eligible Contractor Data

Illinois Shines MES Data

Utility Scale MES Data


DCEO Workforce Data

Illinois Solar For All MES Data (Coming 2027)

Dashboard Glossary

About the Dashboard

Equity Data Dashboard



Welcome to the Equity Data Dashboard

The Equity Data Dashboard provides a transparent, data-driven view of the implementation and progress of the Equity Accountability System (EAS), a key component of [Climate and Equitable Jobs Act](#) (CEJA).

The Equity Accountability System establishes equity requirements in IPA programs and procurements that are designed to expand participation in Illinois' clean energy economy by increasing access to workforce and business opportunities and helping ensure that the benefits of the clean energy transition are broadly shared across communities throughout the state.

The dashboard was created to provide stakeholders with a centralized resource for exploring equity-related data across Illinois' clean energy sector. By bringing together data from multiple programs and initiatives, the dashboard helps users better understand who is participating in the clean energy economy, where opportunities are emerging, and how progress is advancing toward the goals established by the Equity Accountability System.

One-on-One Calls Summary

- Stakeholder Communication Channel ideas
- Supporting EECs with access to capital, technical assistance meeting compliance, and successful participation in market
- Differing workforce and contractor needs across Illinois
 - Building trust with Central and Southern Illinois partners
- Improving workforce-contractor connections
- Strengthening union pathways into clean energy work

Group Discussion

How can we drive equitable employer-workforce partnerships across the CEJA Ecosystem?

- Current Initiatives
 - Equity Portal and CEJA Website User Tutorials
 - Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) Request for Information (RFI) for the CEJA Workforce Programs

Group Discussion: Skills

We know that the workforce has become more diverse, including people with barriers to employment (returning residents, low educational attainment, language barriers, etc.).

What have you observed or experienced in your respective fields with hiring and retention of talent from these populations? What additional support or training does that require?

Group Discussion: Partnerships

Do you currently partner with workforce training programs for work-based learning, apprenticeships, on-the-job training, or hiring?

Can you describe those partnerships?

Group Discussion: Experience with Programs

If you have worked with clean energy training programs and graduates in your role, what was your experience like?

Future Topic Generation

- What emerging equity topics or gaps should we discuss next?
- Any intersectional issues (e.g. workforce, policy, small business) we should elevate?
- Ideas for speakers, research, or data to inform upcoming agendas?

Closing & Next Steps

- Gratitude for your continued insight and partnership.
- Meeting notes and materials will be posted on the website.
- Please complete the short feedback form after the meeting.
- Next meeting: Scheduling Link to be sent end of July/beginning of August