How Power Our People's revolving fund works

Each grant and donated dollar installs a home, then comes back to help install the next one.

1 The POP Fund

State grants and private donations go into a fund restricted to Power Our People.

No borrowing
EFA does not take on debt, and families never owe anything.

Kept for POP
Recovered capital stays in the fund to serve more homes.

2 Install

The fund pays for rooftop solar and a backup battery on an income-eligible Hartford home, at no cost to the family.

Efficiency first
Home Energy Solutions Income Eligible upgrades and state-funded repairs come before solar.

EFA owns the system
while its cost is being recovered.

3 Earn

The system earns through existing Connecticut utility programs.

Solar
The utility buys all the electricity the panels produce (Buy-All tariff).

Battery
The battery is paid for helping the grid at peak times (Energy Storage Solutions), and backs up the home in an outage.

4 Share

Those payments are divided three ways:

The household
A monthly credit on the family's electric bill, for homeowners and renters.

Upkeep
Insurance, maintenance, monitoring and program operations.

Capital recovery
The rest returns to the POP Fund.

↻ **Recovered capital installs the next home, year after year, after the grant ends.**

🔑 **The finish line:** once a home's cost is recovered, the system transfers to the property owner, after at least 10 years and no more than 20. Owner-occupant families keep the panels, the battery and the solar income from then on.