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City of Rancho Cucamonga Begins Installation Of Five New Solar Photovoltaic Systems

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Rancho Cucamonga, California – The City of Rancho Cucamonga is boosting its commitment to renewable energy with the installation of solar power at five city facilities including Central Park, Epicenter Adult Sports Complex, Rancho Cucamonga Animal Care and Adoption Center, Banyan Fire Station and Day Creek Fire Station.

SolarCity, selected through a competitive bidding process, is installing the solar power systems. The [SolarRC Expansion Project](#) consists of 1.8 megawatts of solar power and will prevent more than 33,700 metric tons of carbon dioxide from entering the air, or the equivalent to taking 7,100 cars off the road. The City is expected to save approximately \$6 million over the life of the project. Construction began mid-February and is slated for completion summer 2016.

The Epicenter and Animal Center solar power systems will cover the entirety of Epicenter parking lots B and C. The Central Park array will provide shaded parking for both the James L. Brulte Senior Center and the Goldy S. Lewis Community Center parking lots. Banyan Fire Station will have elevated solar carport structures that accommodate fire apparatus and Day Creek Fire Station will include both carport and ground-mount solar panels.

Over the last several years, the City of Rancho Cucamonga has consistently strived to be a solar-friendly community, previously installing solar power systems that partially offset energy use at City Hall, City Corporate Yard and Biane Library. More than two years ago, the City streamlined its permitting process and reduced permitting fees through its Solar RC initiative - all to make it easier for Rancho Cucamonga homes and businesses to go solar. The installation of these solar power projects adds to the City's sustainability efforts through its Healthy RC Initiative and positions the City to continue leading by example and demonstrating that renewable energy is an attractive choice.

To learn more about the [SolarRC Expansion Project](#) and the City of Rancho Cucamonga's sustainability efforts, please contact Deborah Allen, Management Aide-Sustainability, at (909) 477-2700, extension 2047 or by email at Deborah.Allen@CityofRC.us or visit HealthyRC.info.

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