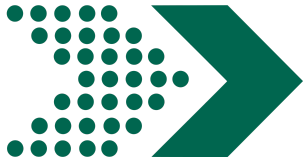


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### **What is Muscatine's energy future? A conversation with Progress Muscatine**

(Muscatine) What is Muscatine's Energy Future? A Conversation with Progress Muscatine will be held via Zoom on Monday, February 6th at 6p.m. The event will include: a brief discussion of the legacy of fossil fuels; renewable energy and storage; ideas about how the collective resources of the county, the city, and the school district can be used to save tax-payer money; and also provide ideas for local business, non-profits, homeowners and renters about efficiency efforts to save money. To attend email your name to [Together@progressmuscatine.org](mailto:Together@progressmuscatine.org) with the subject Energy to receive a link to the event.

Coal has powered the electricity produced by Muscatine Power and Water and the United States for generations. According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, in 2007 coal use peaked and has since decreased by roughly 50% in the U.S. The Muscatine Power and Water Board of Trustees and leadership team are planning its move away from coal, and determining the source of Muscatine's power supply for the next 30+ years.

MPW produces 5.5% of its electricity from renewable energy. The completion of the Solar 1 installation will increase that to 11-12%. Iowa currently produces roughly 60% of its electricity from renewable energy sources.

"Whether your motivation is to save money on your energy bills at your home or business, or you are concerned about continued dependence on fossil fuels and the influx of climate disasters, our hope is to showcase solutions that will be helpful for everyone," said Jessica Brackett, President, Progress Muscatine.