



## City of Ypsilanti

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Office of the Mayor

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

International City/County Management Association  
777 North Capitol St. NE, Ste. 500  
Washington, DC 20002

The Solar Foundation  
600 14th St. NW, Ste. 400  
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Emily Dodson and Philip Haddix:

On behalf of **the City of Ypsilanti**, I am proud to announce our commitment to become a SolSmart-designated community. In partnership with the SolSmart team, **the City of Ypsilanti's** dedicated staff members will work to improve solar market conditions, making it faster, easier, and more affordable for our residents and businesses to install solar energy systems. These efforts will also increase the efficiency of local processes related to solar development, which may save our local government time and money.

SolSmart will build upon our community's partnership with SolarYpsi in making Ypsilanti a "Solar Destination".

**The City of Ypsilanti** will leverage SolSmart to achieve the following goals:

- **1000 solar roofs by 2020**
- **Install solar energy systems on key local government facilities.**
- **Develop and execute a solarize campaign.**

These efforts demonstrate that our community is committed to driving continual improvement in our solar market, and in the process of doing so, all the related areas identified as community priorities in our **goal of having 1000 solar roofs by 2020.**

In order to measure progress along the way, **SolarYpsi** will track key metrics for the City of Ypsilanti related to solar energy deployment, such as installed solar capacity and number of installations across sectors.

In these efforts, we call on our residents, businesses, non-profits, and others to get involved, and we invite everyone to track our continued progress by visiting **SolarYpsi.org**.

Inquiries related to the City of Ypsilanti's SolSmart participation can be directed to **Dave Strenski** at **Dave@Strenski.com** or **734-383-9077**.

Sincerely,

**Amanda Edmonds**  
Mayor of the City of Ypsilanti