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You are in a select group of Palo Altans who contributed to the avoidance of 81,739,573 pounds of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere in 2009 thanks to your participation in PaloAltoGreen. That's the carbon dioxide emissions equivalent of removing 7,089 cars from the road for one year\*! Your support helps reduce the need for non-renewable energy sources and has made PaloAltoGreen the top green power program in the nation. Since you support renewable energy, the news below might interest you.

### Check out PaloAltoGreen's Updated Website

Stop by PaloAltoGreen's [website](#) for the latest information and visit our new [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQs) section. We've included information on how our electric grid system works and how your PaloAltoGreen dollars support renewable energy and contribute to significant environmental benefits. You can also find a list of all PaloAltoGreen [Team Card Businesses](#) to help you shop smarter with the PaloAltoGreen team card!

### Half of New Generating Capacity in the U.S. Came from Renewables in 2009

For the second year in a row, the UN-supported organization, [Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st Century](#) (REN21), found that more renewable power capacity was added than conventional power capacity (coal, gas, nuclear) in the United States. To learn more about renewable energy trends in the U.S. and around the world, check out REN21's [Renewables 2010 Global Status Report](#).

### California Adds Half of All U.S. Grid-Tied Solar in 2009

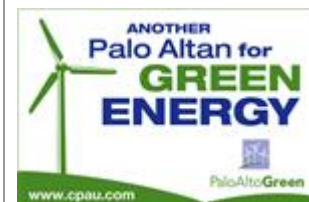
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Solar panels at the Baylands Interpretive Center, one of the projects supplying PaloAltoGreen.

### Free PaloAltoGreen Stuff

PaloAltoGreen yard signs, license plate frames, stickers, and window clings are free upon request. To receive a yard sign, click [here](#). For a license plate frame, stickers, or window cling, email your name, address, and a list of the items you want to [paltoaltogreen@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:paltoaltogreen@cityofpaloalto.org) For images of the items, see below.



Yard Sign

Now for some news a little closer to home, according to The [Solar Energy Industries Association](#) (SEIA), California added 220 megawatts of grid-tied solar in 2009. California is now the leader in U.S. grid-tied solar with a cumulative capacity of 1,102 MW. To read SEIA's *U.S. Solar Industry Year in Review* (2009), click [here](#).

## Car Charging Station Unveiled in Palo Alto

Say hello to Palo Alto's newest resident - an electric-car charging station. The station was unveiled at the [Electric Power Research Institute](#) in Palo Alto and is the first of thousands that will be installed across the state under a program called [ChargePoint America](#). To find out more about the program or even [request a station in your area](#), see this [article](#).

## Help Promote Renewable Energy

Do you know someone in Palo Alto that might like to support renewable energy through PaloAltoGreen? If so, forward this email to them or suggest they visit [www.cityofpaloalto.org/pagreen](http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/pagreen). They can easily use our [carbon calculator](#) to figure out their carbon footprint and [sign up](#) for renewable energy.

## Become a Facebook Fan

PaloAltoGreen has a Facebook [page](#). Become a fan and connect with other Palo Altans supporting renewable energy.



\*Visit [www.cityofpaloalto.org/pagreen](http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/pagreen) to learn about the methodology used to calculate these environmental equivalencies.



License Plate Frame



Bike Sticker 1"x5"



Oval Sticker 2"x3"



Window Cling 3.5"x5"

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