



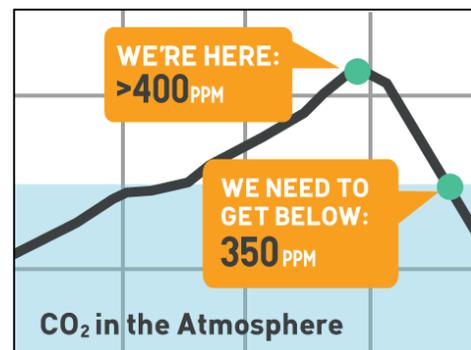
What is RePower Alice Springs?

RePower Alice Springs is an independent community group, working on behalf of the Alice Springs community, auspiced by the Arid Land Environment Centre. We are working towards 100% solar power for our town by 2030, through: advocacy; building community capacity; and community power projects and partnerships.

Three-quarters of the 816 respondents in our 2017 survey wanted between 70 to 100% of Alice Springs' power from solar by 2030. With our super high solar radiation, a target of anything less than 100% is not ambitious enough. A number of places around the world are now powered 100%, or almost 100%, by renewables. **If it can be done anywhere, it can be done in super sunny Alice!**

Why act?

Extreme heat waves, bushfires and drought, mass Great Barrier Reef coral bleaching, tropical storms ravaging our Pacific Island neighbours, some whose island homes may sink with sea level rises while polar ice rapidly melts....Mainstream science confidently attributes these climate changes to worldwide historical dependence on fossil fuels.



To ensure our children don't inherit a planet on the brink of collapse, we must do more to limit fossil fuel use and the greenhouse gasses emitted. Replacing fossil fuelled power with solar power is a key action.

Who else is acting?

Communities and community leaders around the world are committing to climate action. For instance, 9,130 cities, representing 775m people worldwide and 10.55% of the total global population, have committed to the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy: <https://www.globalcovenantofmayors.org/>.

The renewable energy generation technology is widely available and ever cheaper.....



.....And so too now is renewable power storage capacity in big, smart batteries.

Why can't governments or individuals act alone?

Many believe governments are in fact obstructing what the community wants, with poor policy, policy that supports fossil fuel industries over renewables, or no policy at all. Groups like RePower advocate for better policy and are then driven to make their own careful plans on behalf of the community with forward-thinking partners.

What are community power projects?

Community renewable energy projects (usually solar and/or wind) are those where the community develops, delivers and benefits from the project, sometimes in partnership with an established entity. The environmental benefits are joined by education and awareness and a return to community investors. One example among many now internationally is Hepburn Wind in Victoria: www.hepburnwind.com.au.

How can you help the RePower Alice Springs community solar project?

RePower has done much of the development work for a community solar project. We are now seeking a new project partner after government support for our prior partner failed to eventuate. And we are seeking funding and more volunteer input to achieve our target of 100% solar for Alice Springs by 2030. Contact:

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