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## **City of Tucson/SPG Solar**

### **Organization Overview**

Tucson, AZ, located in sunny Pima County, has been steadily expanding its solar energy resources. As one of 25 Solar America Cities, Tucson is committed to improving the energy efficiency of city buildings and operations, and to increasing the city's use of solar energy. Solar photovoltaic panels have been installed on large parcels of land throughout the city and more than sixteen municipal buildings have already been outfitted with solar installations with many more installations planned. The city also boasts several solar thermal installations that provide hot water for schools, fire stations and other public buildings.

SPG Solar earned a leadership position in the solar industry through their passion, dedication and commitment to providing the highest quality products for customers. With over 1,500 solar systems installed in the United States, SPG Solar provides comprehensive turnkey services, managing the entire process through financing, installation, ongoing system monitoring and maintenance. SPG's clients have won awards for their solar systems from the Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Department of the Interior, the American Institute of Architects, and many more organizations.

Since 1969, Pima Community College has been offering convenient, affordable educational opportunities at several locations throughout Tucson. Along with degree programs in the humanities, business, computer information technology, health professions, and science and engineering, Pima Community College offers a credit Photovoltaic Installer Certificate program. Designed for individuals with building trades experience, the certificate provides hands-on photovoltaic installer training as well as preparation for national photovoltaic installer exams.