

# Business Connection



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## Introducing East Bay Community Energy

Pleasanton, Newark, and Tracy have joined other cities in Alameda County by becoming a member of East Bay Community Energy. East Bay Community Energy, or EBCE, is a local public agency providing an alternative for green energy to East Bay residents and businesses. The majority of Alameda County, including Dublin and Livermore, have been served by EBCE since 2018. Pleasanton will enroll in April 2021. EBCE customers have saved about \$10 million annually compared to what they would have



paid with PG&E's standard service.

### How it Works

East Bay Community Energy generates and buys electricity for its customers. Before EBCE, PG&E was responsible for this service as well as the delivery of the electricity from the resource to you. Now, EBCE handles your generation (replacing the PG&E

generation charge) while PG&E continues to deliver that energy and send you the bill.

### Your Energy Options

When your city joined EBCE, additional options became available to you. You are now able to choose between EBCE's various generation mixes or select to remain with PG&E's generation service. EBCE's Bright Choice option allows customers to save money 1% compared to PG&E's



Customers in Pleasanton will automatically transition from PG&E's standard service to EBCE's Brilliant 100 service in April 2021.

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## CLPCCD's Year to Career program helps jumpstart employment goals in less than one year

The Chabot-Las Positas Community College District (CLPCCD) launched the Year to Career (Y2C) program in 2020, promoting a number of fast-paced certificate programs to support advancement into growth occupations. Whether a career seeker, career changer, or pursuing career advancement, Y2C prepares students to start high-skill, in demand careers in twelve months or less. Employers benefit from a pool of experienced and skilled college completers.

In its inaugural year, Y2C offered forty-two programs across six different employment sectors including Business & Management, Education & Public Safety, Health,



Information & Communications Technology, Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA), and Professional Services. Y2C is designed to help advance employment prospects through college credit in the span of one year and is adding programs every semester. Many, if not most, courses are available online, and both Chabot College and Las Positas College have tools to help with online learning.

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