

Cindy and Richard Simons

Green Home Features

We installed a 3.6 kilowatt solar panel system (18 200-watt solar panels) in 2006.

With our high ceilings and second story, before we had solar our winter heating bills ran more than \$300 a month, and our PG&E bills totaled more than \$1,600 each year. Happily, after installing the solar panels we found that we save about \$1,000 a year on our PG&E bill.

In addition to saving money on the PG&E bill, the solar panels produce energy to power Cindy's electric car, which gets about 300 miles before needing a charge. (And this means no more trips to the gas station for her!)

We're happy to be generating our own clean electricity from our solar panels and enjoy the savings on our PG&E bills, which have been approximately \$15,000 over 15 years (plus an additional savings on gasoline.)