

Scott & Tim's Solar Testimonial

Back in 2019, we decided to research the possibility of adding solar panels to our home. Neither of us really knew much about how electric power utility companies actually work. We contacted several solar providers that had presence in Dallas and set up times for them to meet with us in our house. We had a few extra considerations specific to our home.

- 1) We live in a historic neighborhood, so solar panels cannot be viewed from front of the house.
- 2) We have some trees around our house, so need to make sure that enough sun exposed panels can be placed on the house to make sense for solar power.
- 3) Our roof is very steep and has various dormers and exhaust stacks.

Each company made a custom presentation to us showing how the panels would be arranged on our roof (just the back of the house). And, each company maximized the solar electric production by arranging the panels on our roof around the variations.

After the presentations, we selected to move forward with getting a solar system from SUNPRO SOLAR. We selected them because they had more Dallas installations (with positive reviews) than the other providers we reviewed. The pricing from the providers was pretty much the same.

We elected to finance the solar system over 10 years. The monthly payment is near the average monthly payment we were making to TXU. So, our electricity would be "free" after 10 years. The solar company provided a 25-year warranty on all equipment.

The solar system was installed about 6 weeks later. The installation was completed in one day. The panels can not be seen from the front of the house, and even with some tree shade, our panels have been producing more electricity than we use. After 1.5 years of getting the solar system, we have a \$600 credit with Green Mountain Energy.

Part of the package from SUNPRO included an analysis of the efficiency of the electric systems in our house. They handled, provided and/or installed the following:

- Installed electronic Wi-Fi connected Nest thermostats.
- Installed thermal blankets around attic door and hot water heater.
- Provided efficient LED bulbs for every fixture/lamp in the house.
- Trimmed trees to provide maximum sun exposure for panels.
- Handled switch from TXU to Green Mountain Energy.
- Testing of solar system with city inspector to ensure approval to turn on system.

Overall, we are very happy with our decisions.