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# Ameresco and City of Olympia, Washington, Host Groundbreaking Ceremony for Nearly \$17 Million Energy Performance and Solar Project at Olympia Armory

*The multi-phase project encompasses energy efficiency, safety, and accessibility upgrades in addition to installing a 150-kW solar photovoltaic and 125-kW battery energy storage system at the City's new arts center while preserving the historic character of the Armory building.*

Ameresco, Inc. (NYSE: AMRC):

## **WHAT:**

[Ameresco, Inc.](#), (NYSE: AMRC), a leading energy solutions provider dedicated to helping customers navigate the energy transition, and officials from the City of Olympia, Washington, will host a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate the start of a major building retrofit project at the Olympia Armory. The multi-phase adaptive reuse project will simultaneously improve safety and accessibility, implement energy efficiency upgrades, and enable on-site energy generation and storage to reduce operational costs.

The [Olympia Armory](#) was constructed in 1939 and served a variety of functions within the community before it was acquired by the City of Olympia in 2022. The City contracted with Ameresco to support plans to repurpose the building as a creative campus and arts center for the community. Ameresco kicked off a full-scale facility audit in the fall of 2023 and started developing plans for the first phase of the project. This phase includes a comprehensive set of upgrades to ensure the Armory fully complies with all required standards and is equipped to perform its designated functions efficiently. The project's second phase will see a solar system installed at the Armory.

The project reflects the City of Olympia's commitment to supporting the community's artistic, entrepreneurial, and collaborative spirit as well as its focus on ensuring a reliable and secure energy future for the city. This celebration highlights a critical investment that combines energy resiliency retrofits with community building and will serve as an example for other cities.

## **WHEN:**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025, 2:00 P.M. PST

## **WHERE:**

- 515 Eastside Street SE, Olympia, Washington 98501

**WHO:****Ameresco Representatives**

- Brad Kastelitz, Project Development Engineer, Ameresco
- Joel Hansen, Senior Account Executive, Ameresco

**City of Olympia & Olympia Armory Officials**

- Jay Burney, City Manager, City of Olympia
- Sylvana Niehuser, Interim Parks, Arts, and Recreation Director, City of Olympia
- Dontae Payne, Mayor, City of Olympia
- Sarah Thomasson, Department of Enterprise Services, State of Washington
- Valerie Roberts, Building Manager, Olympia Armory

**KEY VISUALS:**

- Brief remarks from City leadership and project partners
- Project overview from key members of the planning team
- Groundbreaking ceremony
- Officials from the City of Olympia and Olympia Armory and Ameresco executives are available for interview
- Tour to review the building before construction starts

**DRESS CODE:**

Business casual

**RSVP:**

Not needed for this event.

**About Ameresco, Inc.**

Founded in 2000, Ameresco, Inc. (NYSE:AMRC) is a leading energy solutions provider dedicated to helping customers reduce costs, enhance resilience, and decarbonize to net zero in the global energy transition. Our comprehensive portfolio includes implementing smart energy efficiency solutions, upgrading aging infrastructure, and developing, constructing, and operating distributed energy resources. As a trusted full-service partner, Ameresco shows the way by reducing energy use and delivering energy infrastructure solutions to Federal, state and local governments, utilities, educational and healthcare institutions, housing authorities, and commercial and industrial customers. Headquartered in Framingham, MA, Ameresco has more than 1,500 employees providing local expertise in North America and Europe. For more information, visit [www.ameresco.com](http://www.ameresco.com).

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