PSBA is excited to offer a new member service called Energy Solutions, a program that will help districts realize energy savings in these challenging times. Energy Solutions is strategically designed to help schools reduce energy costs and environmental impact, and to improve energy infrastructure performance – typically at no out-of-pocket expense to the district.

Energy Solutions, a consulting service supported by Gabel Associates, can offer much-needed cost reductions along with environmental benefits, and can drive savings for your district.

Energy Solutions will apply expertise to reduce costs to your district through advanced energy solutions, such as solar, and energy efficiency. School districts can rely on Energy Solutions to take on a project facilitator role to ensure that projects are completed successfully and efficiently. Our experts in energy economics, energy project procurement and development, and client representation will serve as your district’s watchdog, advocating on your behalf to maximize savings.

As the district’s consultant, Energy Solutions evaluates and implements the most effective energy projects for the district, including the execution of sound financial structures and contractual arrangements that mitigate risk. Districts realize savings from Day 1 of project operations.

Energy Solutions offers the following menu of consulting services and can develop a customized approach for each district:

» Renewable Energy Projects, including feasibility studies, procurement processes, assistance with contracting, and economic evaluations for solar, wind and other renewable energy projects to be located on-site at district properties or at off-site locations
» Energy Efficiency Projects and Programs, including assistance and guidance with energy benchmarking, strategies to implement projects, identification of potential funding sources, procurement and technical assistance with respect to energy audits, energy performance contracts and other building upgrades
» Resiliency/Energy Storage, including project procurement for energy storage resources or other resiliency measures that can provide districts with greater reliability in the event of a power outage
» Electric Vehicle Planning, including developing strategies and procurement with respect to charging infrastructure, school bus fleets and electric vehicle purchases
» Other Energy Services, including carbon footprint tracking, sustainability planning, or other energy management services

Energy Solutions can also connect energy projects with tailored education curricula, which can serve as a learning tool. Energy projects can transform the school building itself into an educational asset.

Please contact our team of energy experts at EnergySolutions@psba.org to learn more about the program and get started with your free energy assessment.