



**Are You:**

A business **SICK** of the high cost of energy?

A Union **TIRED** of Albany picking economic winners and losers?

A County, City, Town or Village **EXHAUSTED** by Government energy mandates?

If so-New Yorkers for Affordable Energy can be **YOUR VOICE!**

Join our grassroots movement to reduce energy costs, protect working families and preserve local decision making.



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**Who Are We?**

New Yorkers for Affordable Energy is a coalition of community, labor, business and industry leaders from across the state who support greater access to clean, reliable and affordable sources of energy for residential and business consumers, based on a comprehensive all-of-the-above approach to energy policy. We reject Albany's one size fits all approach to energy policy, which is increasing costs for all consumers, while threatening high paying middle class jobs. We engage in advocacy in Albany and across New York State aimed at bringing common sense to the discussion and being the voice of the silent majority who are sick and tired of extreme solutions to our energy challenges.

**What Do We Do?**

We are the leading voice for common sense energy policy in New York State. We develop policy positions using a "bottom up" approach that reflects the interests of our members. We then engage policy makers, the media and average citizens to deliver our message, impact legislation and regulations and push back on the notion that New York State Government should substitute its wisdom for that of the people.



**New costs are already here and more are coming!**

**Why Should You Join?**

New Yorkers already pay some of the highest utility bills in America. Currently, 25% of your bill is made up of taxes and fees imposed by politicians. With the passage of the CLCPA (Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act) in 2019 with its ambitious emissions reduction goals, activists and their allies in government have unleashed a torrent of new expenses set to hit consumers.

**New Costs from CLCPA** (according to the Empire Center for Public Policy)

- These costs have already increased utility bills up to 9.8% according to last year's figures, equal to about \$110 per year
- \$118-\$178 BILLION in additional costs to utility ratepayers between \$15-23,000 PER FAMILY
- Commercial (business) customers are paying up to \$16,000 a month more due to new CLCPA costs.

Our coalition opposes these new, unaffordable cost mandates but WE NEED YOU to join us! We are up against powerful forces in the media and in Albany that want to jack up your utility bills at all costs, in order to meet their ideological goals. As a member of our organization, you can help us stop them in their tracks.



**Meet our Executive Director, Daniel Ortega**



Daniel Ortega is a founding member, and Treasurer of New Yorkers for Affordable Energy. He took over as Interim Executive Director in the Spring of 2023, and was appointed full-time Executive Director at our Steering Committee meeting held in December of 2023. Daniel is a life-long union activist and a strong voice for working families both in New York and New Jersey.

Professionally, Daniel joined the Engineers Labor-Employer Cooperative (ELEC 825) of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 825 in October of 2014 and oversees their Community Affairs Outreach.

Before joining ELEC 825, Dan served in multiple political and intergovernmental positions with an emphasis in project mobilization, coordination, strategic planning, decision making, problem identification, and resolution within governmental cross sectors.

Dan earned his BA in Political Science from William Paterson University in 2006 and an MS in Administrative Science from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 2010.

**Membership Benefits**

- Regular updates, calls and emails on current energy issues that will impact you.
- A full time lobbyist in Albany to represent your interests.
- A full-time membership management organization who are always available to answer questions, provide information and assist in solving problems.
- Tracking of dangerous legislation and regulatory proceedings
- Access to a statewide network of members and advocates
- Being a part of a strong grassroots movement to push back against Albany overreach.

**Please Join us today and join the fight for common sense!**

If you are interested in joining New Yorkers for Affordable Energy, please reach out to:

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