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| **Second Annual Go SOLAR Renewable Energy Fest Begins June 6** |
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| **- More than 2,000 expected for two-day event featuring more than 50 exhibitors -** |
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| |  | | --- | |  |   **DATE:** May 29, 2014  **MEDIA CONTACT:** Kay Sommers, LEED Green Associate Broward County Pollution Prevention, Remediation and Air Quality   **PHONE:** 954-519-1257 **EMAIL:** [ksommers@broward.org](mailto:ksommers@broward.org)   **BROWARD COUNTY, Fla. -** The Go SOLAR Florida Team will host the second annual Go SOLAR Renewable Energy Fest on June 6-7 at the Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center, 1950 Eisenhower Blvd., [Fort Lauderdale](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/).   This free event will feature information on alternative and renewable energy with a focus on the latest technologies, financing options, solar installation, jobs and training. This is the premier event in South Florida to promote renewable energy and learn how to save money while using cleaner sources of energy. The Go SOLAR Renewable Energy Fest is expecting over 2,000 attendees and more than 50 renewable energy exhibitors.   The Go SOLAR team retained a majority of the "charter exhibitors" from last year’s event and has added new exhibitors. The 16 charter exhibitors are: Florida Power & Light (FP&L), South Florida Energy Savers, Advanced Green Technologies, ATI Energia, BeacCorp Property Management, Broward College, The Energy Store, Schroeder Solar Energy, PCM Solar, Zina Sunshine, Fast ROI LED Lighting, Solar One Financial, Solar Knights, Miami Herald, Broward County Aviation and the U. S. Green Building Council.   "Of our charter members, we would like to extend a special thank you to FP&L for sponsoring and providing all the electricity for the two-day event," said Kay Sommers, event organizer with Broward County Natural Resources Planning and Management Division.   New sponsors include: US Solar Institute, PNC Bank, Technology Research Company, DC Marine Systems, Unified Energy Solutions, and BlueNRGY. In addition, there will be 30 other companies exhibiting. While the majority of these companies will be coming from all over the state of Florida  -- from as far south as the Keys and as far north into the panhandle -- companies will also be coming from out of state, mainly from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Minnesota. International companies exhibiting represent Italy and Haiti, providing a global insight into the growth and development of the renewable energy industry here in Florida.   The U.S. Department of Energy awarded the Go SOLAR Florida team a two-and-a-half year SunShot Initiative Rooftop Solar Challenge II award. The goal of the award is to make it easier for Floridians to obtain grid-tied solar installations. The purpose is to increase the use of and access to solar energy among the state’s residents and businesses by reducing market barriers, lowering non-hardware related installation costs and providing access to financing options.   For more information on attending, exhibiting or sponsoring, visit [gosolarflorida.org](https://browardauthor/GoGreen/GoSOLAR/GoSOLARFlorida/Pages/Default.aspx). |
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