

Clean Energy Candidate Education Contact

Alberto Flores | Arizona House candidate

I met with Arizona House candidate Alberto Flores for a candidate education conversation about clean energy and electricity affordability October 3. Flores is running in the same legislative district represented by Senator Analise Ortiz. He expressed interest in expanding clean energy development and emphasized that the price of electricity is the main energy concern among the constituents he hopes to represent.

His description of district priorities closely matched what Senator Ortiz shared in our separate conversation. Electricity affordability is paramount. For residents facing pressure on their household budgets, the practical question is how energy decisions will affect their bills. Flores's comments reinforced the value of connecting clean energy education to the costs families experience in their daily lives.

Flores described his expected legislative interests as economic development, housing affordability, protections for renters, and commerce. He said health issues are not a primary area of interest for him. Those comments provide useful context for future conversations: his likely focus will be on economic opportunity and the affordability of essential expenses, including housing and electricity.

Although health policy is not his anticipated focus, Flores was clearly interested in building clean energy. His interest in the subject was closely tied to his district's concern about affordable electricity. The conversation suggested that the strongest connection to his priorities is explaining how clean energy development can support a more affordable energy future for residents.

During our discussion, I emphasized that solar, when used appropriately, can be a useful way to stabilize electricity prices. I also raised the importance of avoiding legislative preemptions that interfere with clean energy development. My message was that legislative decisions can affect Arizona's ability to use solar effectively and realize its potential benefits for electricity affordability.

The central point I conveyed was that protecting opportunities for solar development is relevant to the household cost concerns Flores hears from constituents. That connection fits naturally with his stated interests in housing affordability, renter protections, and economic development.

Flores's comments also offer a practical guide for future engagement. Information about clean energy will likely be most useful when it explains the implications for electric bills and the economic concerns he expects to work on. His interest in commerce and development creates an opening for continued discussion about how energy policy affects residents and Arizona's opportunities for growth.

The contact showed shared interest in clean energy development, with electricity affordability providing the clearest basis for continued education. A useful follow-up would be concise information about solar's potential role in stabilizing electricity prices and how legislative preemptions could interfere with that role. Future conversations should connect those issues to the affordability and economic priorities Flores identified.