Josh Michelbach started with Affordable Solar as a residential installer in 2014 and was promoted to crew lead within a year. In 2016, he was promoted to Field Supervisor. Since then, Josh has overseen the most efficient, highly trained installation crew with the lowest turnover rate in the company’s history. Josh took advantage of Affordable Solar’s electrical apprenticeship program in 2018 and now holds an EE-98 license.

Josh is responsible for managing the team of installers for Affordable Solar’s residential division. His duties include managing the division’s warehouse and inventory, facilitating effective communication between office and field personnel, and ensuring installation quality.

Affordable Solar was founded in 1998 in Albuquerque to sell solar energy equipment. The company started a construction division in 2010 and since that time has served more than 2,200 families in New Mexico. The company has installed over 100 megawatts (MWs) of solar (more than 330,000 solar panels) and is now the largest solar installer in New Mexico. It has 70 employees and the average tenure of employees is 4 years.

“I started as an installer and now I'm a field supervisor, managing a team. I was given the opportunity to grow professionally. Working in solar has changed my life and given me a career.”

- JOSH MICHELBACH, AFFORDABLE SOLAR