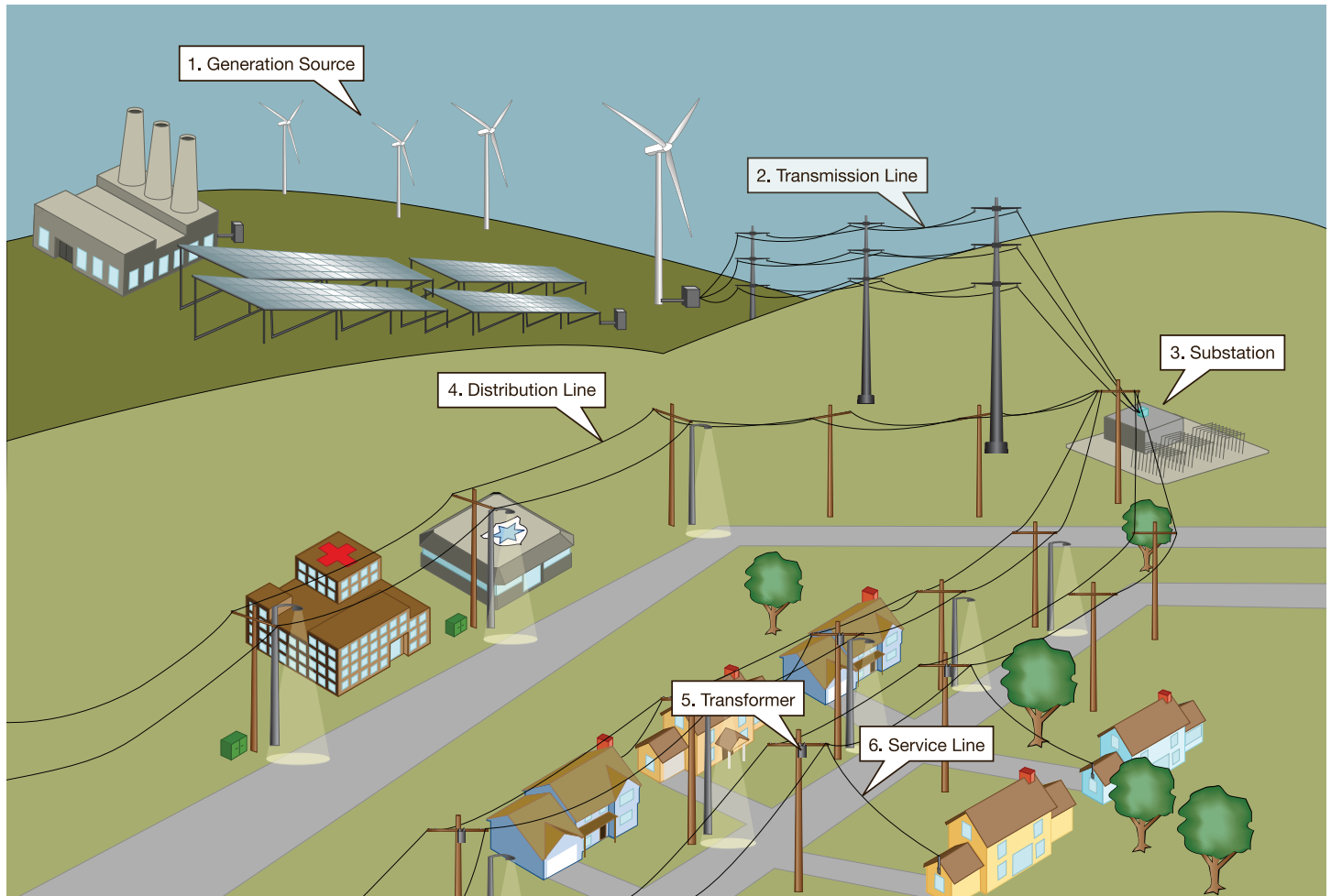


How Power Gets To You



1. Your electric system starts at a **generation source** – hydroelectric dams, wind facilities and solar energy systems, for example.
2. At the heart of the electric system are the **transmission lines**, which carry high-voltage power from the generation source to local communities.
3. At the local level, **substations** step down the voltage for distribution throughout a community.
4. **Distribution lines** carry power from the substation to your neighborhood.
5. **Transformers** step voltage down further, depending on use. Transformers are the green boxes in some residences' front yards or the barrel-like canisters on utility poles.
6. **Service lines** are overhead or underground lines that are the final connection between the generation source and the meter at your home or business.