PUBLIC BUILDINGS BENCHMARKING PROGRAM

help public buildings save energy and money

Buildings consume approximately 40 percent of total energy use in the U.S. Energy efficiency is an easy way to save dollars, but how does one decide where to make those efficiency improvements? Through strategic planning, building managers can use public funds more effectively to make buildings more energy efficient.

Benchmarking is a tool to identify potential energy savings by comparing the current buildings' energy use to an energy code compliant building. This valuable tool increases awareness and helps building managers obtain information about the status and trend of Iowa's building energy use compared to their building(s). By making energy performance measureable and visible, organizations can take actions to improve the efficiency of buildings by identifying where the buildings' weaknesses lie and allocating dollars to those projects.

Benchmarking is the first step in a three-step process to use energy efficiency to save money for public buildings.

TRACK ENERGY USAGE   **REVIEW** DATA   **IMPLEMENT** PROJECTS FOR SAVINGS

take the first step

Participation in the Iowa Public Building Benchmarking Program for qualified public facilities is available at no cost for up to 800 selected buildings. Assistance for data entry and management is provided through the Iowa Energy Center, freeing up time and money to focus on achieving and measuring results. If managers need assistance in identifying ways to make facility improvements based on the results seen, the Iowa Building Benchmarking Partnership can help gain easy access to local energy assistance programs offered.

To participate, please visit: https://ia.b3benchmarking.com

Iowa Building Benchmarking Partnership

The Partnership is a collaboration between the Iowa Economic Development Authority, the Iowa Energy Center and The Weidt Group. Together, this expertise helps Iowa public building managers track energy usage, review potential savings and implement projects that will result in significant savings in a short payback period.

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