

Better Buildings Residential Network Peer Exchange Call Series: Connect 4: Energy Efficiency in Relation to Other Program and City Goals (101) October 27, 2016 Call Slides and Discussion Summary



# Agenda

- Agenda Review and Ground Rules
- Opening Polls
- Brief Residential Network Overview
- Featured Speakers
  - Chris Castro, Chief Sustainability Officer, City of Orlando
  - Crystal Raymond, Climate Change Strategic Advisor, Seattle City Light

## Discussion

- Tell us about how your program or city is using energy efficiency to achieve other goals.
- Does the city your program is located in (or connected to) have a GHG reduction goal? How does residential energy efficiency play a role?
- Is your city assessing the residential building sector for vulnerabilities in the face of climate change? What are the vulnerabilities and opportunities?
- Aside from climate goals, how can residential energy efficiency help cities meet other goals? These might include disaster preparedness, seismic retrofits, food waste reductions, and/or water conservation. Does your program have experience connecting to any of these areas?
- What other questions do you have about connecting residential energy efficiency to other goals in addition to energy savings?
- Closing Poll and Upcoming Call Schedule





# **Better Buildings Residential Network**

**Better Buildings Residential Network:** Connects energy efficiency programs and partners to share best practices and learn from one another to increase the number of homes that are energy efficient.

**Membership:** Open to organizations committed to accelerating the pace of home energy upgrades.

### **Benefits:**

- Peer Exchange Calls 4x/month
- Tools, templates, & resources
- Recognition in media, materials
- Speaking opportunities

- Updates on latest trends
- Voluntary member initiatives
- Residential Program Solution Center guided tours

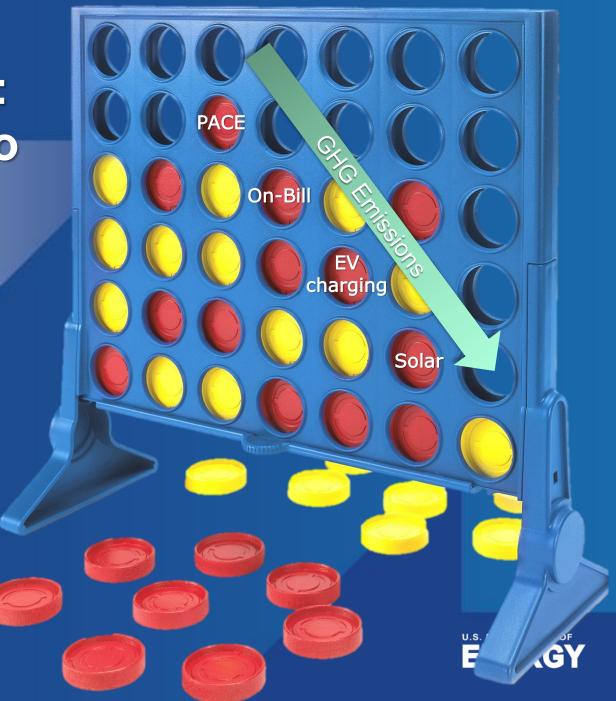
**Commitment:** Provide DOE with annual number of residential upgrades, and information about associated benefits.

For more information or to join, email <u>bbresidentialnetwork@ee.doe.gov</u>, or go to <u>energy.gov/eere/bbrn</u> and click Join





# Meeting Climate Goals: City of Orlando







**2013 COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN** 



# FOCUS AREA: ENERGY & GREEN BUILDINGS

# **Citywide Energy-Efficiency Project**

- ASHRAE Level II Energy Audits
- \$17.5 million municipal bond
- 110 Buildings Total
  Phase I 55 Buildings
- Goal \$2.4 Million annual return
  - Fund future EE investments
  - Pay down bond debt







## **Solar & Energy Loan Fund (SELF) Financing**

### What is SELF?

SELF is non-profit community lending organization that provides favorable financing for assorted home improvements that can help save money on operating costs (i.e., energy and insurance bills), increase equity and home value, improve hurricane resistance, and enhance comfort and livability.

### **Energy Expertise**

An energy assessment is performed at the outset to help identify cost-effective home energy improvements. SELF then provides a follow-up consultation with homeowners to review the energy assessment and identify estimated energy savings for each type of improvement.

### **Project Management**

**SELF** provides project management from start to finish to help homeowners make informed decisions about home improvements.

### **Favorable Financing**

SELF offers low interest rate loans for assorted home improvements, including: Energy Efficiency; Renewable Energy; Wind-Hazard Mitigation; and, Water Conservation. Lending requirements are more flexible than banks, with no money down options.

### **Products for Home** Improvements



#### **Energy Efficiency**

- Air conditioners
- Weatherization
- Windows and doors
- LED lights



#### **Renewable Energy**

- Solar water heaters
- Solar electric panels
- Solar attic fans



#### Wind Hazard Mitigation

 Hurricane Resistant Windows, Doors, Roofs and Shutters



#### Water Conservation

 Irrigation System Rainwater Cistern



(1) Apply

With just a simple click you can get started! The Loan Application is available online at : www.SolarEnergyLoanFund.org

Learn how to maximize your energy savings by completing an energy assessment and consulting with our energy experts.

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Upon closing of your loan choose from our list of approved contractors at :

www.SolarEnergyLoanFund.org/contractor

Enjoy!

Enjoy your new improvements, live and work in a clean and high quality environment, while saving money!



" The SELF residential loan program allowed for me and my son to be cool and comfortable in our home." Albert & Everelean Jackson



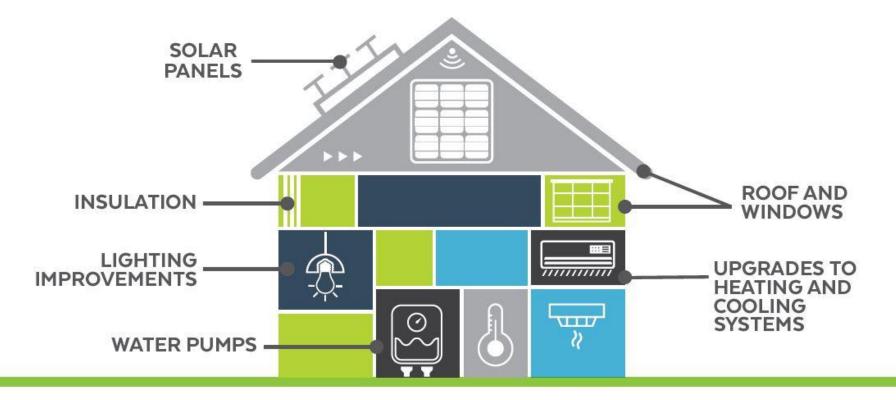
"The whole process was easier than I expected. I'm very happy with the SELF program and the staff is outstanding!" Barbara Grant

### Learn

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# **EXAMPLE OF IMPROVEMENTS:**



GREENWORKSORLANDO.COM/PACE



## **Orlando PACE Program approved!**





Your energy efficient future, today.





Powered by THE FLORIDA PACE FUNDING AGENCY

- Unanimously approved in April 2016
- Enabled 4 Third-party administrators / agencies
- Combined <u>\$500 million</u> in available capital
- •Coming Fall 2016!
- <u>http://www.cityoforlando.net/</u> greenworks/pace/

### 10UG Efficiency Delivered Program



#### Efficiency Delivered® from The Reliable One

Efficiency Delivered\* provides up to \$2,000 of energy and water efficiency upgrades in your home based on your needs. A conservation specialist from OUC—The *Reliable* One will determine which home improvements could save you the most money and then with your approval will arrange for a licensed contractor to do the work. You receive professional installation from a trusted source and save instantly with contributions from OUC.

You only pay for your share of the cost for the selected improvements. If you qualify, you may spread payments over an interest-free period of up to 12 months on your utility bill. See chart (on right) for contribution levels and income qualifications.



Household Income	OUC Contribution
Less than \$40,000	85% (not to exceed \$1,700)
\$40,001-\$60,000	50% (not to exceed \$1,000)
Greater than \$60,000	Rebates only

From the attic to the back door, Efficiency Delivered® provides money-saving home improvements:

- Attic insulation
- Caulking and weather stripping
- Water flow restrictors
- Hot water pipe insulation
- Window film installation
- Toilet replacement
- Irrigation repairs
- Duct leak repairs
- Minor plumbing repairs
- Air filter replacement

#### CONVENIENT. AFFORDABLE. RELIABLE.

Efficiency Delivered<sup>®</sup>.

#### Call 407-423-9018 for more information or to get started today!

#### www.ouc.com

# **OUC Convenient Lighting**

• On-bill financed lighting upgrade to high efficiency LED's



- Provides complete outdoor lighting services for a wide spectrum of commercial applications
- Custom service package, allowing you to choose from dozens of fixture/pole combinations



# Community Solar + Solar Aggregation Program

 Community Solar offsets consumption through virtual net metering



- Aggregation makes it easier for homeowners to put Solar Photovoltaic (PV) panels on their roofs.
  - -OUC purchases the panels in bulk to achieve economies of scale, which makes solar more affordable for our customers



# Coming Soon: On-bill EV Charging Infrastructure



• \$200rebate currently offered for Residential or Commercial

- Launching new "On-bill financed EV charger"
- End-user can (1) own charger, or (2) lease charger
- Includes O&M service from OUC



# The Benefits of Trees



#### REDUCE ENERGY COST

Trees planted in the right places around your home can reduce air conditioning needs by 30 percent.



#### REDUCE URBAN HEAT

The net cooling effect of a young healthy tree is equivalent to 10 room-sized air conditioners operating 20 hours a day.



CLEAN THE AIR

One acre of forest produces enough oxygen over a year for 18 people.



#### **PROPERTY VALUE**

A healthy, mature tree can add up to \$10,000 to your home's value.



#### HABITATS FOR WILDLIFE

Trees provide shelter, food and places for wildlife to raise their young.



#### REDUCE DRIVING SPEED

A study in downtown Toronto showed that crashes declined 5-20 percent on streets with trees or planters along them.



Green Works Goal: 40% Tree Canopy by 2040

Requires about 250,000 trees

#1person1tree



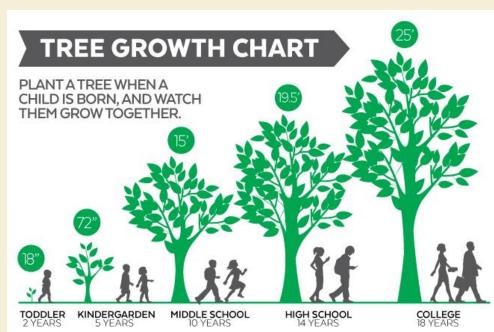
### **Trees for your Home**

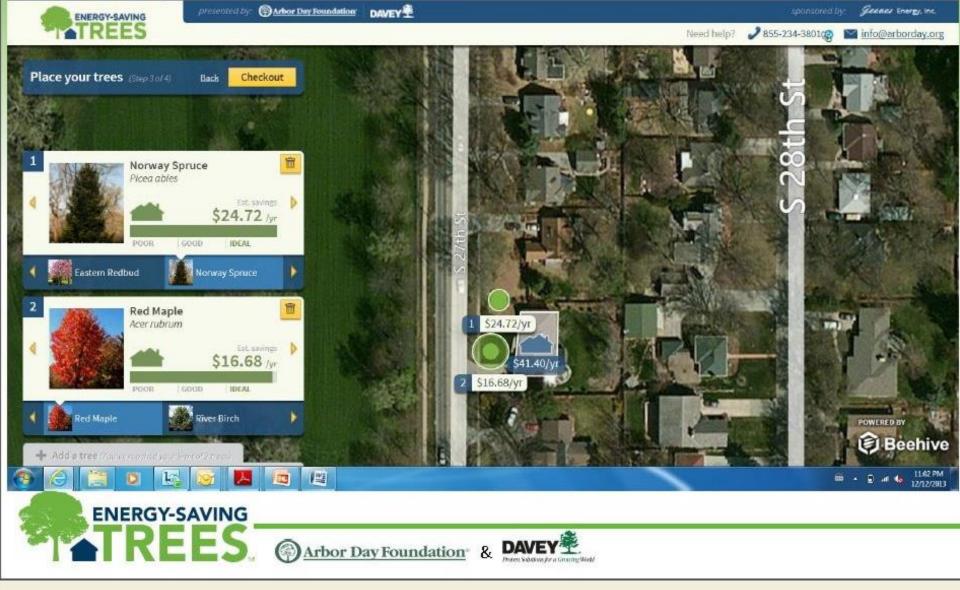
- •Energy-Saving Trees
- Online platform
- •Free 1 gallon trees to residents
- Shipped to front door
- •Data tracking, organizing
- •Planting events













# Building Orlando's Urban Forest Together

Almost **2,000 trees planted** by Energy Saving Trees since November 2016

Order Today! http://Arborday.org/ cityoforlando







# Presentation Highlights: City of Orlando

- Renewable energy, specifically solar, benefit from the aggregation of efforts.
  50-75 neighbors joining together can lower the cost per watt significantly to access solar at a much lower cost than an individual household.
- Cities can promote energy efficiency by providing low interest financing. Orlando partners with SELF to provide low-interest, unsecured loans to homeowners with a credit score above 560.
- Livability factors into Orlando's climate and sustainability goals. Orlando is using trees to improve livability while achieving energy savings. The city is piloting a web-based platform where residents can select a tree, virtually place the tree on their property, and identify the energy bill savings potential.
- The City of Orlando has created a competitive market for PACE by creating inter-local agreements and combined \$500 million for both commercial and residential projects.
  - In the last eight months, the city has provided \$125,000 to homeowners with just one of their 4 PACE providers.





Adapting to a Changing Climate: Seattle City Light



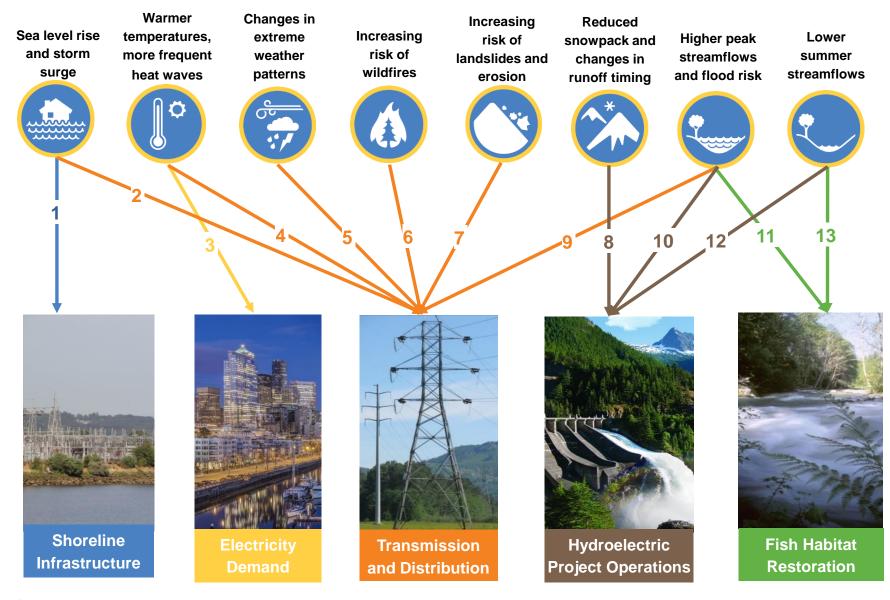


# CO-BENEFITS: ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ADAPTATION

Crystal Raymond, Climate Change Strategic Advisor, Environmental Affairs and Real Estate



## Seattle City Light: Adaptation Plan Scope





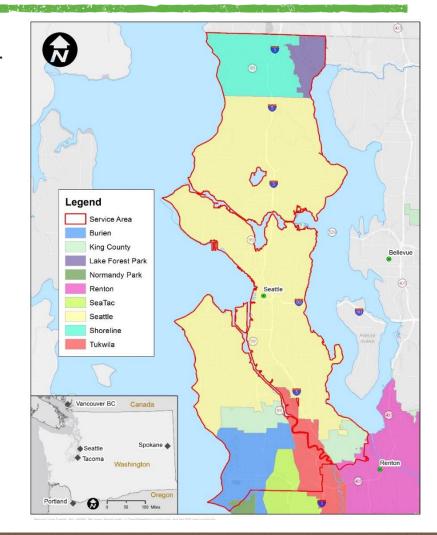
## Electricity Demand: Key Climate Change Impacts

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Higher electricity demand for cooling in summer could cause summer peaks to approach winter peaks in areas with high commercial loads



Lower electricity demand for heating in winter could reduce retail revenue with financial consequences for the utility





## **Electricity Demand: Adaptation Actions**

- Support research to understand temperature effects on summer demand and residential airconditioning use
- Model climate change impacts on 20-year demand forecast
- Identify and evaluate potential cobenefits of existing energy-efficiency programs to reduce electricity demand for cooling in summer, as well as for heating in winter





## **Energy Efficiency and Adaptation Co-Benefits**

- Rebates for insulation and good windows
- Rebates for electric heat pumps
- Capacity to assist with electrifying the transportation system
- Community solar and distributed solar generation
- Co-benefits for vulnerable populations







# Presentation Highlights: Seattle City Light

- Climate change will affect communities across the country differently, and utilities will encounter geographically-specific challenges.
- Impacts on Energy Demand: The City of Seattle is a winter-peaking utility, meaning the city sees higher demand for energy to heat homes during the cold winter months compared to energy needed for cooling during the summer. Projections show that climate change will actually lead to energy savings in Seattle resulting from less energy needs during mild winters.
  - Less demand on the grid creates an opportunity for Seattle City Light to support the electrification of vehicles.
  - At present, 5% of Seattle residents have air conditioning. It's hard to forecast how AC use will impact energy demand with a changing climate since it depends on both increasing temperatures and resident behavior.
  - Home weatherization interventions (e.g. insulated windows) offer benefits for both seasons to keep homes warm in the winter and cool in the summer.
- Impacts on Energy Generation: Changes in streamflow with warmer temperatures could impact electrical generation from hydropower (e.g., more generation during wetter winters, and less during drier summers).
- A changing climate will affect some populations more than others. Energy efficiency and resiliency programs can play a real role in protecting disproportionately affected communities and vulnerable populations.



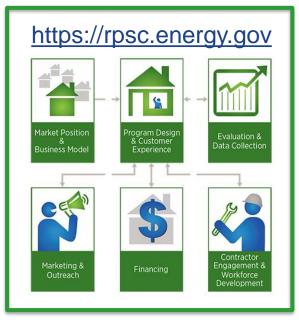


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# Related Resources in the Residential Program Solution Center

# Explore resources related to energy efficiency in relation to other program and city goals:

- Read the case study <u>Spotlight on Seattle, Washington's</u> <u>Community Power Works</u> where the program engaged a network of partners to build on existing capacity and knowledge, extending the reach of its program.
- Explore the <u>Market Position & Business Model Assess</u> <u>the Market</u> handbook for critical steps in determining the nature of current and potential demand for energy efficiency products and services in your community.
- Review the <u>Program Design & Customer Experience Set</u> <u>Goals & Objectives</u> handbook to ensure that your goals reinforce the broader organizational mission and are both measurable and specific to your community's needs.



- While you're there, see the latest <u>Proven Practices</u> post on <u>Leveraging Partners to</u> <u>Provide Training and Develop a Skilled Workforce</u>.
- The Solution Center is continually updated to support residential energy efficiency programs—<u>member ideas are wanted</u>!





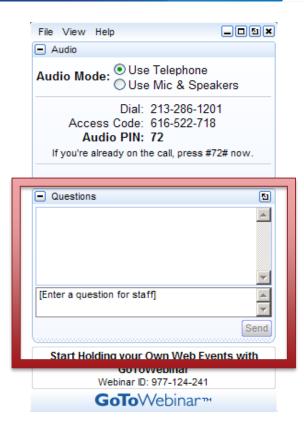
# Better Buildings Residential Network Toolkits

# We need your input!

Currently, the network has four toolkits focused on <u>training</u>, <u>social media</u>, <u>designing incentives</u>, and <u>partnerships</u>.

## Which additional topics would you like to see developed into Toolkits?

Are you interested in participating in the creation of a toolkit? Let us know! peerexchange@rossstrategic.com



Please type a brief response in the questions box.





# Peer Exchange Call Series

We hold one Peer Exchange call the first four Thursdays of each month from 1:00-2:30 pm ET

Calls cover a range of topics, including financing & revenue, data & evaluation, business partners, multifamily housing, and marketing & outreach for all stages of program development and implementation

### Upcoming calls:

- November 17: Diversifying Funding Sources and Building New Revenue Streams (201)
- November 24: No Call Thanksgiving
- December 1: America's Next Top Energy Model: Tools and Best Practices (101)
- December 8: Saving Energy in Manufactured Homes (301)

Send call topic ideas to <u>peerexchange@rossstrategic.com</u> See the Better Buildings Residential Network Program <u>website</u> to register



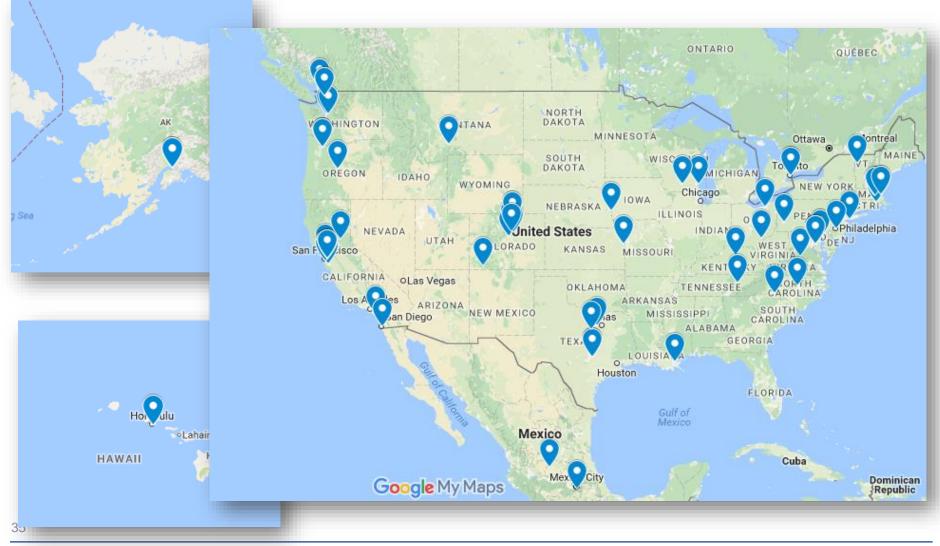


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## Addenda: Attendee Information and Poll Results



# **Call Attendee Locations**







# Opening Poll #1

- Which of the following best describes your organization's experience with connecting the co-benefits of energy efficiency to other goals?
  - Some experience/familiarity 46%
  - Very experienced/familiar 27%
  - Limited experience/familiarity 24%
  - No experience/familiarity 2%
  - Not applicable 0%





# Poll: Connecting the Dots on a Future Call

- Which of the following topics related to the cobenefits of residential energy efficiency would you be interested in hearing more about on a future peer exchange call?
  - Resiliency 37%
  - Other (please chat in) 20% (economic development; health outcomes)
  - Water conservation 17%
  - Disaster preparedness 13%
  - Food waste reduction 13%





# **Closing Poll**

- After today's call, what will you do?
  - Seek out additional information on one or more of the ideas 70%
  - Make no changes to your current approach 20%
  - Consider implementing one or more of the ideas discussed 10%
  - Other (please explain) 0%



