

Launching the Next Phase of the Better Buildings Neighborhood Program 4/30/2013

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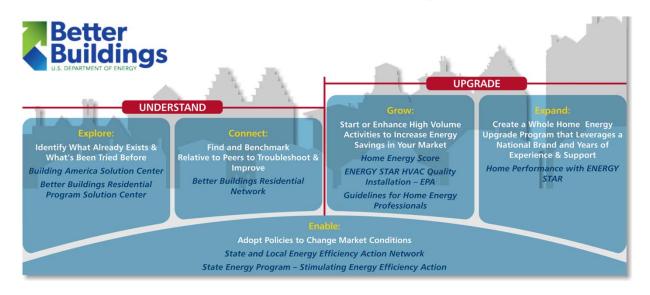




# **Next Step Options for BBNP Partners**



## **Residential Buildings**



# Commercial & Public Buildings



**Better Buildings Alliance** 



# What Can We Do Together To Expand Energy Efficiency In Existing Homes?



Understand
Options &
Resources

Take Action as Appropriate for Your Organization

Gain experience and/or create an environment for success in the next stages of maturation

Support a Home Energy Upgrade Program

## **Better Buildings Residential Offers Support & Linkages**



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# Explore: Identify What Already Exists &

What's Been Tried Before
Building America Solution Center
Better Buildings Residential
Program Solution Center

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Find and Benchmark
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# Explore: Better Buildings Residential Program Solution Center (formerly called "Decision Tool")



This online collection of resources and lessons learned from Better Buildings Neighborhood Program partners, Home Performance with ENERGY STAR sponsors, and others will help residential energy upgrade programs and partners plan, implement, manage, and evaluate their programs.

# The Solution Center provides:

- Step-by-step guidance
- Options
- Examples
- Tools
- Templates
- Promising approaches
- Lessons learned
- Best practices



Get a guided tour Thursday, May 2 7 p.m.

Room: Governors
Court 15

We Want to Hear From You!

Try out the beta version at DOE's booth in the Sustaining Partners Pavilion next to the Exhibit Hall and let us know what you think.

## Structure Based on 4 Pillars + 2 New



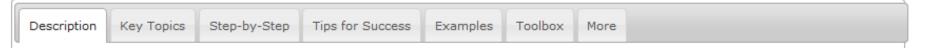


Multiple navigation and search options

# Content Organized in Handbooks



## **Driving Demand – Overview**



## **Description**

Energy efficiency upgrades can improve indoor air quality, make indoor spaces more comfortable, and significantly reduce utility bills. Despite these benefits, many people are still unaware of why and how they should invest in energy efficiency for their homes and buildings.

Driving demand creates a consumer's desire and willingness to pay a price for energy efficiency upgrades. Driving demand means more than just marketing; it communicates the value of energy efficiency, educates the consumer, and lays the groundwork for more than a single, one-time action. Driving demand supports the long-term development of a sustainable market for building energy efficiency.

Effective marketing helps drive demand. By providing information that resonates with target audiences in compelling ways, your program can use successful strategies to position your offerings as a solution to a

### **Key Resources**

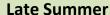
- <u>Driving Demand for Home Energy</u>
   <u>Improvements</u> explores strategies that can be used to increase the adoption of comprehensive home energy upgrades.
- Best Practices for Energy Retrofit Program
   <u>Design: Marketing Recommendations</u> is
   based on detailed case studies of nine
   existing state and local programs. It
   presents marketing recommendations
   developed by the Home Performance
   Resource Center for energy efficiency



# Residential Program Solution Center:

## Launch Sequence





### Full beta release

Larger scale recruitment of beta users for robust user testing

### This Week @ ACI

**Sneak peek of beta version** 

An opportunity to offer early feedback on what will be most useful and whether navigation is intuitive

Conduct technical reviews with internal and external reviewers to ensure high quality content & limit missing resources

## **Late Spring/Early Summer**

Finish content drafts

Invite BBNP grant recipients & other experts to review sections and contribute content

Fall 2013

**Public release of Version 1** 

Enhanced content and features will be routinely added



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# Connect: Continue to Progress Together Better Buildings Residential Network



Connects energy efficiency programs and partners to share best practices to dramatically increase the number of American homes that are energy efficient.

## **Benefits**:

- Invitations to monthly calls:
  - Business Partners/Workforce
     Development
  - Driving Demand
  - Evaluation & Data Collection
  - Financing
  - Moderate/Low-Income Markets
  - Multifamily Residential Market
  - Program Sustainability/Revenue
     Streams

- Tools, templates, & resources
- Newsletter updates on trends
- Recognition in media, materials
- Optional benchmarking
- Ability to save resources in Residential Program Solution Center



"DOE enabled and facilitated an exchange of grantee experiences that most grantees describe as highly valuable and contributing to their success"



# Membership



All organizations committed to accelerating the pace of energy upgrades in American homes.

- Federal, state, and local governments
- □ Financial institutions
- Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Sponsors

- Nonprofit organizations
- Program administrators and implementers
- Universities
- □ Utilities

<u>Commitment</u>: Provide DOE with annual number of residential upgrades, and information about benefits associated with them

## Join Us!

All grant recipients (and non-grant recipients) are invited to join. Some already have:













Clean Energy Works







Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
One Region Moving Forward

**CNT Energy** 



Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP)

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

City & County of Denver **michigan** 



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Michigan Saves

Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED)

New York State Energy Research & Development Authority



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# Enable: State & Local Energy Efficiency Action Network



- Support on energy efficiency policy and program decision making for:
  - Utility regulators, utilities and consumer advocates
  - Legislators, governors, mayors, county officials
  - Air and energy office directors, and others
- Facilitated by DOE and EPA; successor to the National Action
   Plan for Energy Efficiency





## **Enable: SEE Action Resources**



Market/Policy Barrier	SEE Action Knowledge Resources
Lack of consistency across state EM&V frameworks	Model EE Program Impact Evaluation Guide Uniform Methods Project Model approaches for calculating energy, demand, and emissions savings resulting from energy efficiency programs and commonly-installed measures.
The inability for energy efficiency service providers to gain access to the data because of legitimate privacy concerns	A Regulator's Privacy Guide to Third-Party Data Access for Energy Efficiency Informs state regulators about issues and policy options related to providing access to customer information held by utilities.
Behavior-based energy efficiency is often underweighted or excluded from PUC and utility efficiency potential studies	Framework for Conducting Behavior-Based Energy Efficiency Potential Studies: A framework for commonly accepted practices for calculating behavior- based efficiency potential.
The concern that <b>residential energy efficiency program are expensive</b> to operate effectively	Program Administrative Costs Project Strategies for reducing program administration and delivery costs Attend Wednesday 3:30-5:00pm ACI session in Industry Trends track (co-hosted by BBNP)

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# Grow: Home Energy Score

### **Overview**

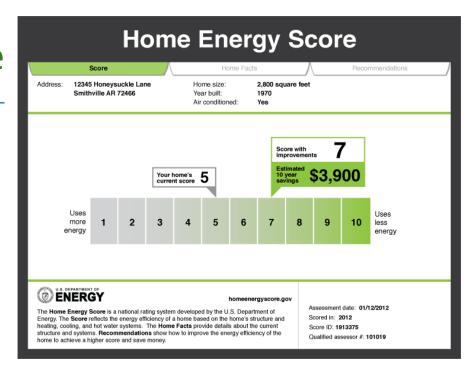
- Nationally recognized scoring tool
- Similar to a vehicle's mile-per-gallon rating
- Allows homeowners to compare the energy performance of their homes to other homes nationwide
- Provides homeowners with suggestions for improving home efficiency
- Quick simple sample sales tool for home performance upgrades

## Status (as of 4/21/2013)

- 30 Partners
- 3,477 Scores
- 149 Qualified Assessors

## **Partner Requirements**

- Score 200 homes/year
- Oversee quality assurance (re-score 5% of homes)
- Manage participating qualified assessors.



## Interested in Offering the Home Energy Score in your Area?

 DOE is partnering with state and local governments, utilities, and non-profits to make the Home Energy Score widely available to homeowners.

For More Info: Visit the DOE booth at ACI or

email: <u>HomeEnergyScore@ee.doe.gov</u>

# Launch: Home Performance with ENERGY STAR



National voluntary program administered by DOE and EPA, sponsored locally by *utilities, state and local energy offices, energy NGOs, and a financial institution* 

Whole-house approach to improving energy efficiency and comfort

### **Sponsor Benefits**

- Program support with assistance, development, execution and marketing of your local HPwES program
- Recognition for involvement, access to the nationally recognized ENERGY STAR® mark, and opportunities to be honored with performance-based awards
- **Confidence** in leveraging a government-backed national platform for a whole-house approach to home improvement
- National impact, with opportunities to partner with DOE to explore new opportunities, streamlined approaches, and cost-cutting measures to scale the home performance market.

## **Participating Contractor Benefits**

- Access to resources such as standardized forms, templates, "pitch book," lead forms and nationally recognized ENERGY STAR® mark
- Opportunity to earn Century Club Award and recognition to promote capabilities to potential customers
- Participation in classroom and field building science training, sales and marketing workshops, and mentoring

## **Sponsor a local HPwES program!**

□ Sign partnership agreements and adhere to national and local guidelines
 □ Report quarterly and annual project number and quality assurance
 □ Ensure consistent process for assessing and performing recommended measures
 □ Manage participating contractors' performance and provide customer feedback mechanisms



# **Next Step Options for BBNP Partners**



## Commercial & Public Buildings



**Better Buildings Alliance** 

# Commercial and Public Sector Buildings: Better Buildings Challenge



National leadership program that leverages transparency, solutions, and real results to demonstrate what is possible in commercial and industrial energy efficiency.

## **Partner Agrees to:**

## Commit

Entire public building portfolio

### Take Action

- Outreach to commercial sector
- Showcase retrofit project

## **Report Results**

- Share portfolio-wide, facility level energy performance twice a year
- Share playbooks and solutions
- Quarterly updates on progress

## **DOE** Agrees to:

### **Assist**

- Technical assistance
- Development of playbooks

### Connect

- Opportunities through Financial Allies
- Peer exchange forums

## Recognize

- National and local recognition
- Showcase and highlight Partners who develop and share innovative and cost effective marketplace solutions



# Better Buildings Alliance for State & Local Governments



## **Project Teams** focus on strategic target areas:

- 1. Community energy strategic planning
- 2. Data collection, analysis, communication
- 3. Financing
- 4. ESPC implementation
- Technical areas (lighting, HVAC, plug loads, data centers, etc.)

## **Better Buildings Alliance Members:**

- Commit
  - Assign a company or government representative
  - Share organization-wide energy savings goals
- Act
  - Participate in at least one *Project Team* or activity
    - Monthly learning call with "homework"
    - Approximately 6-month project teams
  - Work to achieve goals and monitor progress through publicly available tools
- Share
  - Share your successes and help other BBA members replicate your results
  - Provide annual updates on energy <u>savings</u> and progress toward meeting goals

## **Benefits**

- Opportunity for local governments to work collaboratively with DOE to access technical assistance and advance their clean energy goals
- Helps members sustain success of ARRA funded work
- Leverages DOE expertise and provides forum to engage with peers around actionable steps

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Better Buildings Summit for State & Local Governments May 30-31, 2013

The Renaissance Hotel, Washington, DC



# DOE Is Proud to Co-Sponsor the 2013 ACI National Home Performance Conference



## Grab an ACI program supplement to find sessions featuring DOE and its partners

## **Visit the Sustaining Partners Pavilion**

Talk with DOE staff, pick up new resources, try out newly available tools, and learn how to become a DOE Partner. Programs and resources represented include:

- Challenge Home
- Home Energy Score
- Building America Solution Center
- Weatherization Assistance Program
- Home Performance with ENERGY STAR
- Better Buildings Residential Network
- Better Buildings Residential Program Solution Center
- State and Local Energy Efficiency Action Network

### Want to Learn about Home Energy Score?

Friday, May 3, 2013

10:30am to 12:00pm:

Keeping Score: Asset Performance of Existing Homes

For All the Updates, Join Us at: What Has DOE Done for You Lately?

Thursday, May 2, 2013 8:30 to 10:00 am

Attend a guided tour of the new **Better Buildings Residential Program Solution Center** (beta version) on **Thursday, May 2, at 7 pm** in Governors Room 15

## What's Going On with HPwES This Year?

Thursday, May 2, 2013

10:30am to 12:00pm:

Understanding the Core Requirements of Home Performance with ENERGY STAR

1:30 to 3:00pm:

HPwES Symposium: Provocative Discussion of Methods to Scale the Home Performance Industry