

# **Energy Actions To Go**

An Overview of Key Energy Actions

### Announcements

More info on each initiative can be found in the rotating images at <u>sustainablejersey.com</u>

- Certification Timeline Changes
  - **Municipal –** Samantha, info@sustainablejersey.com
  - Schools Veronique, lambertv@tcnj.edu
- Free Municipal Tech Coaching Lauren, skowronl@tcnj.edu
- Census Response Samantha, info@sustainablejersey.com



# **Upcoming Energy Webinars**

**Tracking GHG Emissions from Municipal Operations** Thursday, May 7, 10:00am - 11:30am

**Community Energy Efficiency Outreach Made Easier with Sustainable Jersey Toolkits!** Tuesday, May 12, 2020, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Case Studies from New Jersey's Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Year 1 Wednesday, May 20, 2020, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

**Energy Efficiency Outreach Green Team Trainings** Virtual trainings for launching commercial/residential energy efficiency outreach campaign.



Sustainable Jersey will be launching new guidebooks, toolkits, and resources to help make completing energy actions easier.





## **Today's Speakers**

Moderator: Nancy Quirk, Sustainable Jersey

Zenon Tech-Czarny, Sustainable Jersey Research and Project Specialist



Tracey Woods, Sustainable Jersey Research and Project Specialist



# Energy Actions To Go

Sustainable Jersey Energy Actions Overview

- Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy for Schools and Municipalities
- Alternative Fuel Vehicle Fleet Options for Schools and Municipalities
- Make Your Town EV Friendly
- Make Your Town Solar Friendly
  - NJCEP Community Solar Energy Pilot Program
- Energy Efficiency Outreach Campaigns for Residents and Businesses
- Renewable Government Energy Aggregation



## **Municipal Program Energy Actions**

	Energy Efficiency	Renewable Energy	Alternative Fuel Vehicles (AFVs)
Municipal Operations	<ul> <li>Energy Tracking and Management</li> <li>Energy Efficiency for Municipal Facilities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>On-Site Solar Energy</li> <li>On-Site Geothermal</li> <li>On-Site Wind Energy</li> <li>Purchase Renewable Energy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fleet Inventory</li> <li>Green Fleet Target</li> <li>Purchase AFVs</li> </ul>
Community Energy Use	<ul> <li>Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach</li> <li>Commercial Energy Efficiency Outreach</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Community Choice Aggregation (R-GEA)</li> <li>Make Your Town Solar Friendly</li> <li>Community-Led Solar Initiatives</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Make Your Town EV Friendly</li> <li>Public EV Chargers</li> </ul>

# Gold Star Standard in Energy

#### **Municipal Operations**

- Municipal buildings
- Streetlights, traffic lights
- Fleet management
- Municipal Utility Authority
- Operations/maintenance
- Energy conservation

#### **Community Wide**

- Make Your Town EV Friendly
- Public Electric Vehicle Chargers
- Make Your Town Solar Friendly
- Community Led Solar Initiatives
- Residential Energy Efficiency
- Commercial Energy Efficiency



### Tracking GHG Emissions from Municipal Operations

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### **Municipal Operations**

**Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Actions** 

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# **Energy Tracking and Management**

#### For base 10 points

- <u>Building portfolio</u>
- Most recent <u>twelve-months</u> of energy use data for all buildings

#### For additional 10 points

- <u>Benchmarking</u> report for each building in the inventory
- Demonstrate <u>ongoing</u> Energy Tracking and Management system

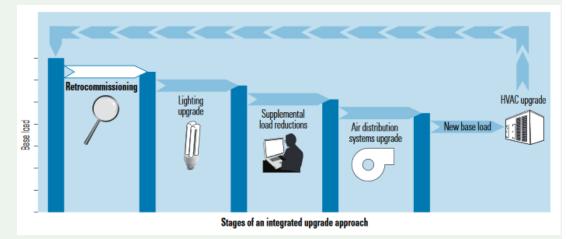
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### **Energy Management**

- Tracking energy data and benchmarking
- Creating a culture of conservation
  - Retro-commissioning / Continuous Commissioning
  - Behavior-Based Conservation
  - Preventive maintenance
- Demand-side management
  - Demand Response
- Acquiring funding/incentives for energy conservation measures
  - Equipment upgrades and retrofits
  - Building electrification
- Evaluating facility for renewable energy projects
- Energy storage, batteries and microgrids
- Adoption of alternative fuel vehicles/fleet optimization

# Retro-Commissioning

- Retro-commissioning is a "tune-up" for existing building systems
  - Thermostat calibration
  - Belts, valves
  - Variable frequency drives
- Improves indoor air quality, comfort, cost savings
- Changes in occupancy, use, etc. can change equipment usage/demands
- Training for O&M
- 5% to 30% energy savings



https://www.energystar.gov/sites/default/files/buildings/tools/EPA \_BUM\_CH5\_RetroComm.pdf

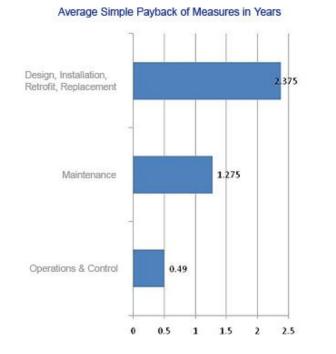


Figure Data Source: Mills, E., 2009. "Building Commissioning: A Golden Opportunity for Reducing Energy Costs and Greenhouse Gas Emissions"

# Behavior-Based Energy Conservation Programs

#### 10 Point (Schools)

- Activities to change energy behaviors
  - "Energy Patrol" contests
  - Walk-through audit checklists
  - Holiday-shutdown activities
- "Energy Campaign"
  - Brochures, flyers, email blasts
  - School Assembly presentations









George L. Catrambone Elementary School and PowerSave

# **Energy Efficiency for Facilities**

- 5 points Audit on at least one building
- **10 points** Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA) that covers all buildings
- **15 points** Significant upgrade work (at least 10% cost savings demonstrated)
- **20 points** LGEA that covers all buildings PLUS significant upgrade work
- **30 points** Efficiency upgrades with 10%-19% decrease in energy consumption
- 40 points Efficiency upgrades with 20%-29% decrease in energy consumption
- 50 points Efficiency upgrades with at least 30% decrease in energy consumption

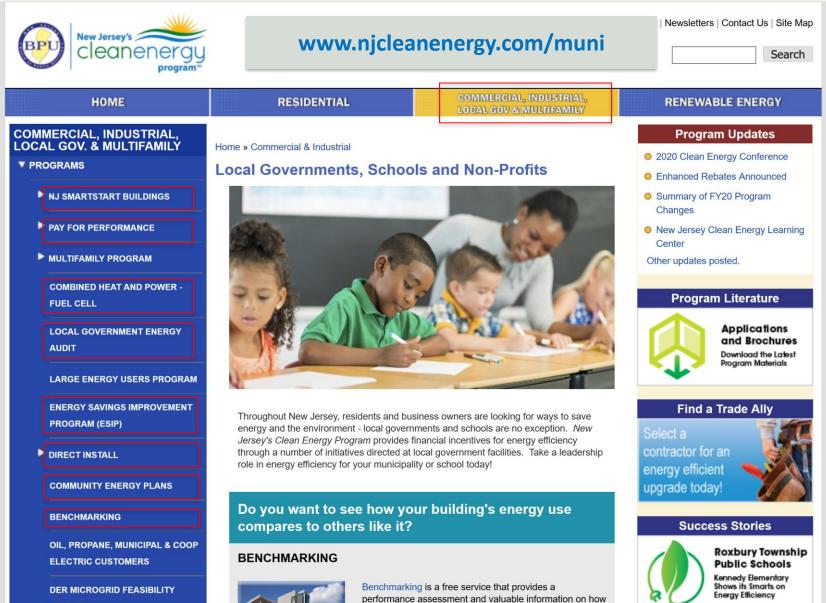


Municipal buildings



Schools

## New Jersey's Clean Energy Program

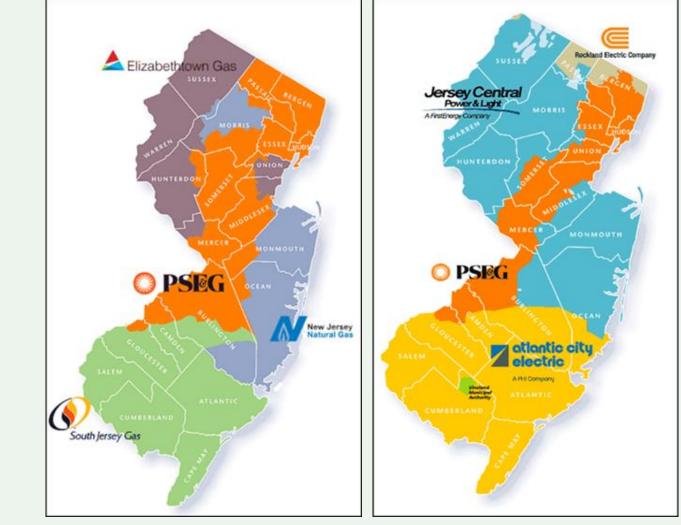


to get your project started. Benchmarking is available to hospitals and other healthcare facilities municipalities

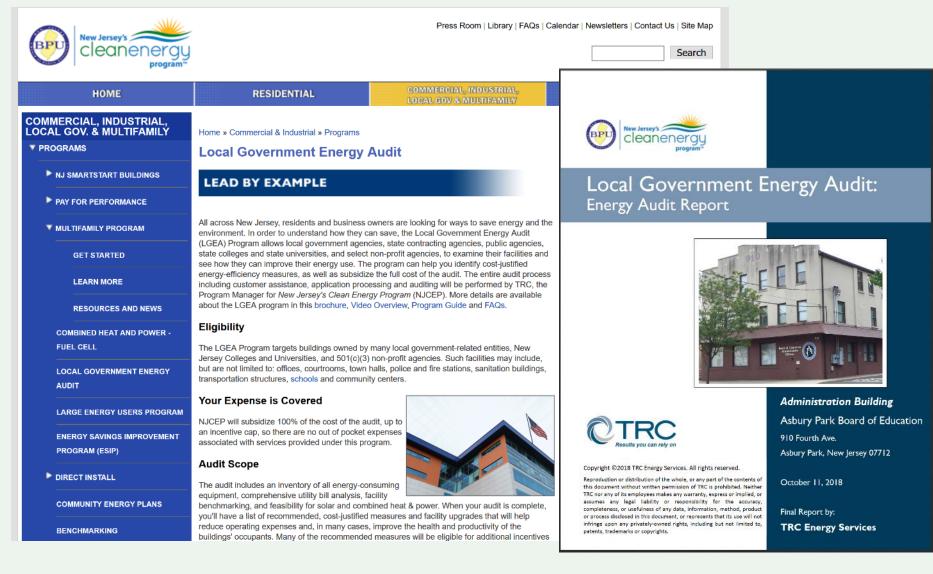
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# **Utility Incentive Programs**

- Incentives vary by utility
- Contact your local natural gas and electric utilities



# Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA)



# Heat Pumps/ Building Electrification

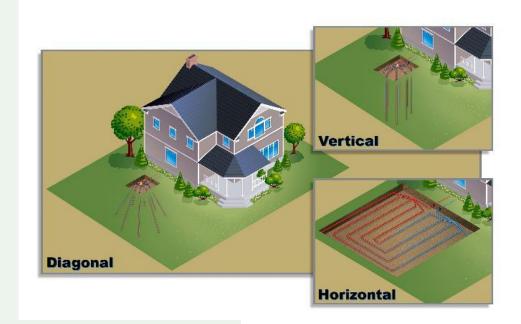
- Air-source
- Ductless Mini-Split
- Ground source
  - Municipal Geothermal Energy System Action, **10 Points**
- Water heater



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# Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

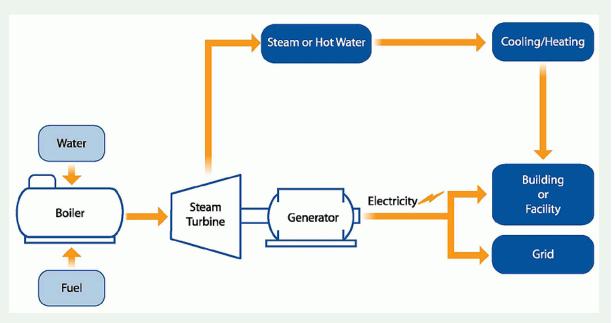
Common CHP system configurations:

- Steam boiler with steam turbine
- Combustion turbine, or reciprocating engine, with heat recovery unit

Now many include a fuel cell!

#### NJCEP incentives for CHP

http://www.njcleanenergy.com/chp



https://www.epa.gov/chp/what-chp

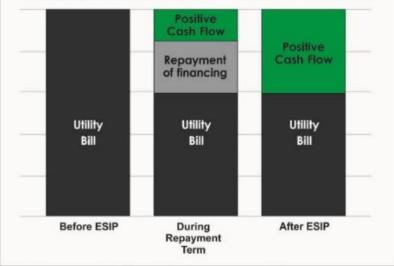


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## **Energy Savings Improvement Program**

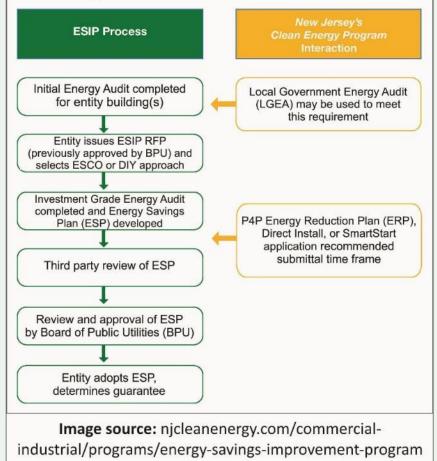
The money saved on the utility bill pays for the energy improvements. Even during the repayment term, some of the savings from the utility bill are available to the entity.



Adapted from a chart created by SmartWatt. https://www.smartwatt.com/what-is-a-performance-contract/

Sustainable Jersey ESIP Guidebook www.sustainablejersey.com/filead min/media/Grants\_and\_Resources /ESIP\_HowToGuide\_V2\_2019.pdf

#### New Jersey's Clean Energy Program & ESIP Interaction



### **Green Roofs**

Figure 4: Temperature Differences between a Green and Conventional Roof



Images: www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-05/documents/reducing\_urban\_heat\_islands\_ch\_3.pdf

- Reduce energy costs
- Increase building comfort
- Reduce urban heat island effect
- Enhance stormwater management
- Points for Green Infrastructure
   Implementation action



## **On-Site Solar System**

- **10 points** System displaces less than 20% of electric purchases
- **20 points** System displaces • between 20% and 30% of electric purchases
- **30 points** System displaces greater than 30% of electric purchases
- Additional 10 points If system ٠ includes energy storage
- Need to show displaced energy • data

2016 Utility Displacement - DPW Facility									
	Solar	<b>Facility Consumption</b>							
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Feb	5,276.70	13,998.30							
Mar	10,324.00	15,277.50							
Apr	12,253.20	12,447.40							
May	9,521.20	11,997.70							
Jun	12,477.30	13,827.60							
Jul	10,304.90	14,703.30							
Aug	10,301.30	16,295.50							
Sep	8,231.00	13,648.50							
Oct	7,875.00	12,480.80							
Nov	5,474.70	12,665.40							
Dec	3,897.20	14,526.90							
Totals	100,771.90	167,236.20	60.26%						

Displaced electricity from Cherry Hill's DPW building

# Solar Thermal

- Uses solar energy to heat water
- Can reduce water heating costs by 80%
- Can be used in:
  - City Hall
  - Fire Stations
  - Rec Centers
  - Senior Center
  - Schools
  - Multifamily
- Manchester Township's Police Department
- Provides hot water for
  - 5 showers
  - 16 sinks



 $www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/sustainability/buildings-energy/sustainable-energy/sustainability\_firestation 10\% (Marconstruction 10\% (Marc$ 

Solar thermal installation on Fire Station in Minneapolis



Manchester, NJ solar thermal installation

## **On-Site Solar PV**

- Rooftop solar on municipal or school buildings
- Ground mount
- Parking lot solar canopy



Bradley Beach Recreation Center Solar PV



Morristown water treatment

## **Battery Storage**

- Can be used in combination with renewable energy – solar (Extra 10 points!)
- Can provide resilience when grid is down
- Can charge battery on off peak hours
- Can help defer grid upgrades
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions

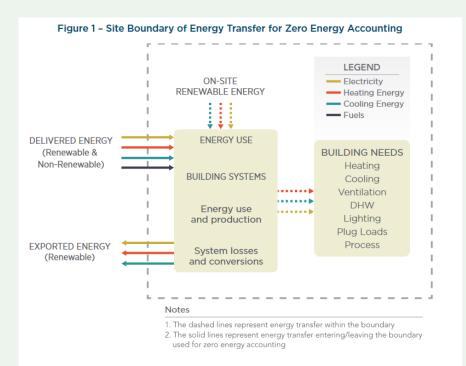
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One-megawatt (MW) renewable energy storage battery is located at ACUA's Wastewater Treatment Facility. www.acua.com/green-initiatives/renewable-energy/battery/

## Zero Energy/Net Zero Building



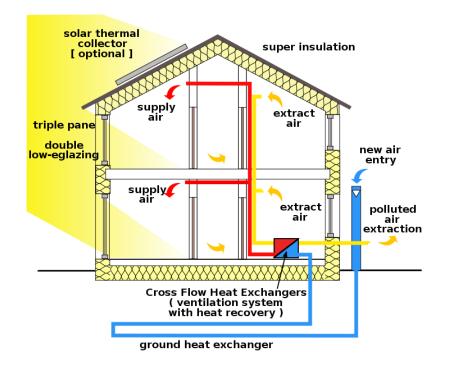
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American Geophysical Union Building AGU / Hickok Cole Architects

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### **Passive House**



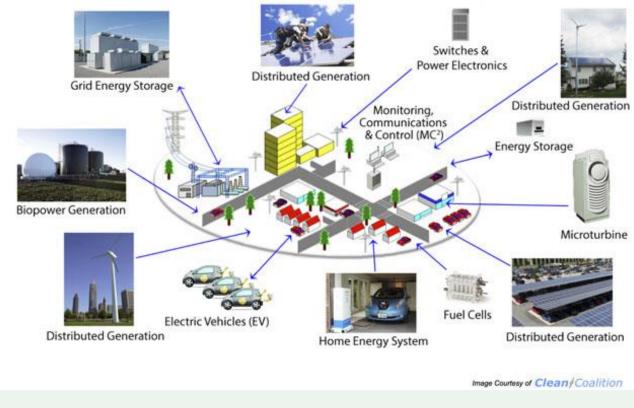
#### **Passive House Diagram**

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### Microgrids



https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/NY-Prize/Resources-for-applicants/Microgrids-101

#### NJCEP 2017 Microgrid Feasibility Studies

njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/der-microgrid-feasibility-studies

NJ Community Microgrids Planning Academy: www.microgrids.io

# Sustainable Jersey Transportation Actions

#### **Municipal Initiatives**

Fleet Inventory Meet Green Targets for Fleet Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicle

#### **Community Initiatives**

Public EV Charging Infrastructure Make Your Town EV Friendly



**Upcoming Webinar** - June 2020 Adding EVs to Your Municipal Fleet and Community

## **Fleet Inventory**

#### 10 points

Maintaining a Fleet inventory helps municipalities and schools:

- Track fleet emissions
- Identify vehicles that should be replaced with alternative fuel options or decommissioned

Template fleet inventory spreadsheet, automatically calculates fleet emissions

Vehicle Type (bus, truck, sedan, segway, scooter, etc)	Year	Make	Model	Fuel Type (Gasoline, Diesel, Propane, etc)	Odometer Reading at end of Baseline Year	Miles Traveled in Baseline Year	Annual Fuel Usage in Baseline Year	Fuel Units (Gallons, GGE, KWh)	Annual Fuel Cost in Baseline Year	Efficie Basel	age Fuel en cy in line Year sper fuel unit)	Is the v owned		If lease which y will lease contract end?	year w se th ct e	owned, i vhich yea his vehicle xpected t eplaced?	ris B	Used by municipa departm	al P	rimary du ehicle
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# Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicles

#### 5-15 points

#### Vehicles eligible for points

- Plug-in hybrid electric vehicle
- Plug-in electric vehicle
- Pursuit class hybrid vehicles
- CNG or EV heavy-duty service vehicles



## **Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicles**

#### **Plug-in Electric Vehicles**

- 22-33% total emissions of gasoline vehicles
- 20-25% less maintenance costs
- 40-50% less fuel cost
- Rebates/Incentives Available

#### **Alternative Fuel Vehicle Procurement Guide**

Includes guidance for capturing tax credits and procurement options

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# **Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicles**

#### NJDEP It Pay\$ to Plug In

- Public, Workplace, Multi-Unit Housing charging stations
  - \$750 per Level 1 charging station
  - \$5,000 per single-port Level 2 charger
  - \$6,000 per dual-port Level 2 charger

drivegreen.nj.gov/programs.html

#### NJBPU Clean Fleet Electric Vehicle Incentive Program

- \$4,000 grant toward the purchase of a municipal EV
- \$1,500 toward the purchase of a dualport Level 2 EV charging station

www.state.nj.us/bpu/newsroom/2019/app roved/20191126.html

#### EVs Available on New Jersey State Purchasing Contract for FY20



## SJS Sustainable Fleet

#### 5-15 points

#### Vehicles eligible for points:

- Plug-in hybrid electric vehicle
- Plug-in electric vehicle
- Propane or EV school buses
- CNG or EV heavy-duty service vehicles



Image source EPA.gov

#### **Electric School Buses**

- Zero tailpipe emissions/ significant overall emissions reduction
- Quiet
- Cost Effective



Images: afdc.energy.gov/uploads/publication/casestudy-propane-school-bus-fleets.pdf

## **Meet Targets for Green Fleets**

#### 30 points

Average fuel efficiency of 35/mpg for all light duty vehicles **OR** 

20% reduction in fuel usage



Idling Reduction Technologies in Woodbridge Firetruck Image Source: Woodbridge

#### **Fleet Fuel Reduction Strategies**

- Fleet Management
  - Replace vehicles
  - Fleet right sizing
  - Share vehicles
  - Driver training: save 5% on fuel
  - Maintenance
- Fleet Route Optimization
- Telematics
- Hybridize vehicles with Idle Reduction Technology
- Convert vehicles to alternative fuels

# Make Your Town EV Friendly

#### 15 points

Zoning Ordinance — EV charging stations as accessory use

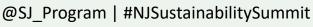
Plug-in Electric Vehicle (PEV) Ordinance — design standards for EV charging parking spaces

- Required spaces (e.g. ratio, percentage)
- Signage
- Protection around EV chargers, e.g. bollards
- Lighting
- ADA accessibility

First responder training

Additional activities from list







# Make Your Town EV Friendly

#### **Additional activities**

- EV Awareness Event
- Incentive for EV Charging Pre-Wiring
- EV Charging at the Workplace
- Multi-Family Housing EV Charging



**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony:** Burlington City unveils new EV charging station



Participating in National Drive Electric Week is a great way to support EV Adoption <u>https://driveelectricweek.org/index.php</u>

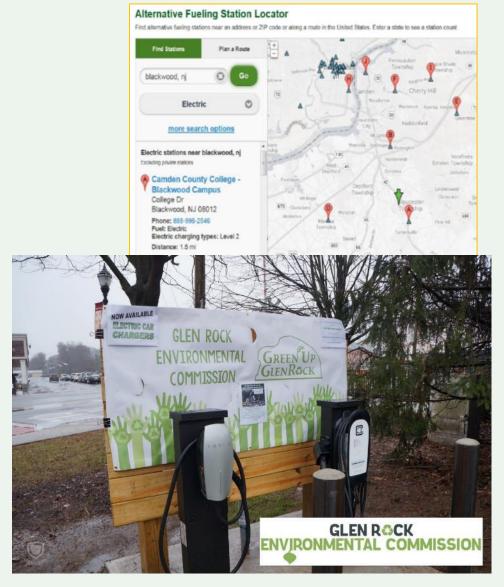


# Public EV Charging Infrastructure

### 15 points

Guidance on **installation** and **outreach** for municipally supported public charging infrastructure

Funding and procurement guidance in Alternative Fuel Vehicle Procurement Guide



# **Effective Parking Management**

#### 10 points

Adopt or revise parking policies and or code provisions in a way that:

- uses existing parking more efficiently
- reduces future parking demand
- enhances walkability

Action includes guidance for understanding parking needs and parking management strategies.





# **Solar Actions**

# Make Your Town Solar Friendly Community-Led Solar Initiatives



Images: www.nrel.gov/docs/fy11osti/49930.pdf www.energy.gov/eere/solar/community-and-shared-solar

# Make Your Town Solar Friendly

# 15-30 points

# **Supportive Solar Zoning Ordinance**

- Adopt Solar Zoning Ordinance
- Amend Permitting Fee Ordinance



 Note: <u>Solsmart</u> Silver designation qualifies for 30 points for this action

# **Streamlined Permitting**

• Post requirements online

# Additional activities:

- Train first responders
- Cross-train codes and permitting staff
- Expedited permitting
- Offer narrow inspection timeframe
- Expedite or eliminate zoning review

# **Community-Led Solar Initiatives**

### 5-15 points

**Municipally-Supported Community Solar Project** 

**Community-Led Solar Purchasing Program** 

- Solarize campaign
- Solarize campaign for businesses
- Marketplace model

### **For Additional Points**

- Activities to Promote Solar
- Municipal Incentives for Solar



# NJCEP Community Solar Energy Program

- Expands access to solar
- Energy savings for subscribers
- Local generation of clean energy
- Local job creation/workforce development
- Reduction of municipal emissions
- Community pride

Who can subscribe?

Any metered customer in an electric service territory

Renters Businesses Municipalities Homeowners Institutions Non-profits Schools





Images from energy.gov/eere/solar/community-and-shared-solar



# New Jersey Community Solar Energy Pilot

### New Sustainable Jersey Community Solar Guidebook coming soon!



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#### Roles for Municipalities in Community Solar

- Anchor Subscriber
- Site Host Outreach Partner and Project Ambassador
- Multi-Municipality
   Project Coordinator
- Zoning and Permitting
- Developer and Project Owner

Upcoming Webinar May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1pm Case Studies from New Jersey Community Solar Energy Pilot Year 1 https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8617497556011805963

# Community Solar Pilot Year 1

Municipality	County
Egg Harbor Township	Atlantic
Carlstadt/Wood-Ridge Twp	Bergen
Teterboro Borough	Bergen
Cinnaminson Township	Burlington
Delanco Township	Burlington
Glendora (Gloucester Twp)	Camden
Pennsauken Township	Camden
Woodbine Borough	Cape May
East Orange City	Essex
Newark City	Essex
Deptford Township	Gloucester

Municipality	County
Jersey City	Hudson
North Bergen Township	Hudson
Secaucus Township	Hudson
Edison Township	Middlesex
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South Brunswick Township	Middlesex
Wall Township	Monmouth
Lakewood Township	Ocean
Manchester Township	Ocean
Bridgewater Township	Somerset
Linden City	Union
Franklin Township	Warren



# Energy Efficiency Outreach Actions

Residential

Commercial



# **Energy Efficiency Outreach Toolkits**

#### **Upcoming Webinar:**

Community Energy Efficiency Outreach Made Easier with Sustainable Jersey Toolkits!

> Tuesday, May 12, 2020 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

#### **Poll for EE Toolkit Trainings**



# **Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach**

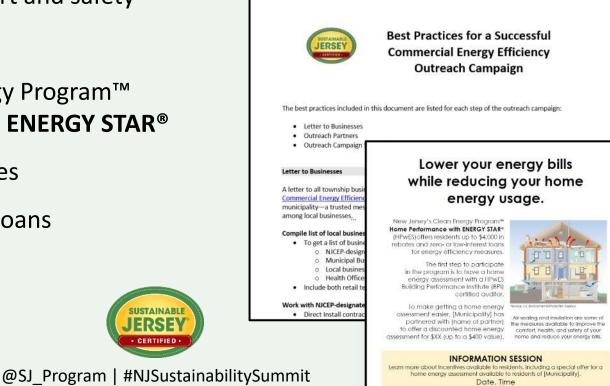
### 10-20 points

**Energy-saving home upgrades can:** 

- Save homeowners up to 30% on energy costs
- Increase home comfort and safety

### New Jersey's Clean Energy Program<sup>™</sup> Home Performance with ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup>

- Up to \$4,000 in rebates
- Zero- or low-interest loans



**Social Media Templates** 

# **Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach**

First step in Home Performance with ENERGY STAR (HPwES) process is a Home Energy Assessment.

Two approaches for identifying an assessment offer to be the centerpiece of outreach campaign.

**Contractor RFP Approach** – Actions has template RFP

Utility Partner Approach –

Partner with utility that has HPwES Home Assessment Offer

#### **Utility HPwES Assessments**

**New Jersey Natural Gas SAVEGREEN Project** \$49 assessment conducted by SAVEGREEN technicians

#### South Jersey Gas Smart Energy Partners

\$49 assessment from pre-selected HPwES contractor



# **Commercial Energy Efficiency Outreach**

### 10-20 points

### New Jersey's Clean Energy Program<sup>™</sup> Direct Install program:

- Up to 80% of the cost of energysaving upgrades for small to midsized businesses
- Eligible equipment includes:
  - Lighting
  - Heating, cooling & ventilation (HVAC)
  - Refrigeration
  - Motors
  - Natural gas systems
  - Variable frequency drives

#### Insert Municipal/Green Team Logo Here

IMMEDIATE RELEASE Date of Release Website address

Contact:		
Main Contact	Phone	Em
Secondary	Phone	Ema
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#### New Jersey's Clean Energy Program<sup>™</sup> — Direct Install Direct Install helps businesses lower energy bills and save energy!

[Municipality] teams up with [name of contractor] to make getting started easy!

As part of [Municipality]'s ongoing sustainability efforts, the [Municipality] is encouraging local businesses to have a Direct Install assessment.

Created specifically for existing small to medium-sized facilities, the Direct Install Program is a turnkey solution that makes it easy and affordable to upgrade to high efficiency equipment. The program pays up to 80% of costs for energy-saving upgrades. Upgrades covered by the Direct Install program include lighting; heating, cooling & ventilation (HVAC); refrigeration; motors; natural gas systems; and variable frequency drives.

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program™

(NJCEP) Direct Install program

for small to mid-sized businesses.

The process starts with a free,

available to businesses, visit NJCleanEnergy.com/Cl. Or substitute

no-obligation energy assessment

To learn more about the Direct Install

Program and all the NJCEP incentives

municipal webpage, if applicable.

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NJCEP offers an array of i Businesses that have recishould consider NJ Smart applied for retroactively. businesses, visit NJClean

#### Save Up to 80% on Energy-Saving Upgrades for Your Business

#### INFORMATION SESSION

Representatives from NJCEP and the NJCEP-designated Direct Install contractor will provide information about the incentives available to [Municipality]'s businesses.

> Date, Time Location

To set up a free assessment with the NJCEP-designated Direct Install contractor contact:

> Name of Contractor Phone number, Email

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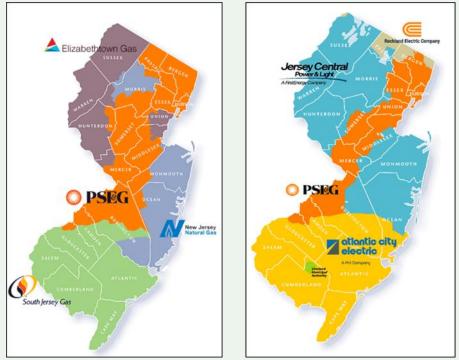
# **Utility Incentive Programs**

- Incentives vary by utility
- Contact your local natural gas and electric utilities

# New Jersey's Clean Energy Program (NJCEP)

- Enhanced Incentives
  - Opportunity Zones





# Renewable Government Energy Aggregation (R-GEA)

#### 5-50 points

## In R-GEA the municipality:

- Replaces utility as default supplier of electricity
- Solicits bids from third party electrical suppliers for increased renewable content
- Hires a consultant to manage bid solicitation and program enrollment

#### From the resident's point of view:

- Opt-out program, meaning all eligible residents are enrolled but have the option to opt out for free at any time
- Residents receive opt-out notice before program starts
- Billing, line maintenance, and delivery are still done by the utility

# **Renewable Government Energy Aggregation**

### Sustainable Jersey R-GEA Guidebook

- Overview of R-GEA process
- FAQ for lead up to consultant
- Template RFP for Consultant



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#### Responding to common questions from the public before an energy consultant is hired

-GEA Guidebook

August 2019

Once your municipality establishes a contract with an energy consultant, the energy consultant will largely handle responding to questions from the public. In the lead up to the selection of the energy consultant, the project team will likely need to address some questions from residents. Here are answers to the questions that are most commonly asked:

- How much will it cost to hire the energy consultant? Will we still have to pay the energy consultant if
  we do not go through with the renewable aggregation? Usually, the energy consultants are paid out
  of the contract with the third party supplier, which means they don't get paid until a third party
  supplier contract is finalized. If no contract materializes, no money is paid to the energy consultant.
- What do I have to do to be in the aggregation program? Because the program is set up so that all
  residents are initially included in the aggregation, unless they have already chosen a third party
  supplier, you simply do nothing and will automatically be put on the winning contract after the 30 day
  opt-out period ends. You will also receive a letter from the utility, alerting you to the switch of
  suppliers.
- What if I already have a third party supplier? If a household wants to take advantage of the R-GEA program but is already with a third party supplier, they will need to either 1) terminate the contract before the aggregation begins or 2) enroll in the renewable aggregation after their third party contract expires, assuming there are provisions in the suppliers contract to allow "opt-ins" at any point during the contract term. Households with an existing third-party supply contract are urged to review the contract terms before requesting to be switched over to the municipality's R-GEA program to be sure that no 'early-termination' fees will be triggered.
- Who will my bill come from? Meter reading and billing are part of the distribution company's function, which means they will still come from the utility. You will see on the utility bill that a new energy supplier is listed, but, other than that, the bill will look the same.
- What happens at the end of the aggregation contract? At the end of the contract, either the
  aggregation will roll over into a new aggregation contract, with a new 30 day opt-out window; or, if no
  new contract is established, the supply potion of the contract will revert to the utility.
- I'm on the balanced billing plan, how will the aggregation impact my billing? Aggregation should not change your ability to receive an equal payment (a.k.a. budget billing) plan. The utility will still provide an equal payment plan for the delivery charges on your bill. Your municipality can include a requirement in its program bid specifications that the R-GEA supplier also provide an equal payment plan for the power supply charges. In that case, the monthly budget amount for power supply will be set by the supplier by multiplying your recent 12-month electricity usage by the contract price, and then dividing by 12. This level monthly amount will appear on your utility bill, along with the balanced bill amount for the utility delivery charges. As the utility does, the supplier may periodically implement a 'true-up' adjustment to the monthly billing amount based upon your actual usage.

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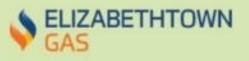




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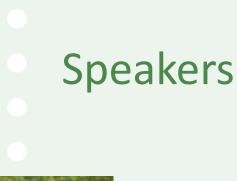




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