Clean Energy Communities Benchmarking





IDENTIFY energy saving opportunities in buildings

SPARK investment in energy saving upgrades

ADDRESS a major source of emissions

EARN up to 1,800 points

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Improve energy use in buildings

Buildings account for more than 60% of the energy used in New York State. Adopting a benchmarking policy to measure and share data on building energy use over time allows owners and occupants to compare energy usage against other buildings and better identify opportunities to cut energy waste.

Collecting, reporting, and sharing benchmarking data regularly helps building owners and government agencies make smarter investment decisions; rewards efficiency; and drives widespread, continuous improvement. The Benchmarking High Impact Action includes two separate ways to earn points: Pass a resolution to track and report the energy use of municipal buildings and share data with NYSERDA and/or require large private buildings to benchmark. A third Benchmarking High Impact Action allows communities to access a no-cost energy study.

Earn recognition and unlock access to grant funding

NYSERDA's Clean Energy Communities Program recognizes and rewards local governments for their clean energy leadership.

Each High Impact Action is worth points collected upon completion of the action. The points you earn count toward unlocking access to Designation Grant funding. Earning more points allows you to reach higher designation levels and to earn larger amounts of grant funding.

You can earn up to 1,800 points toward a Designation Grant and a no-cost energy study by completing these actions.

Visit nyserda.ny.gov/cec to review the full list of High Impact Actions and Available Grants.

Ready to get started?

Dedicated and knowledgeable Clean Energy Communities Coordinators are available to assist municipal staff as they implement this action. Your regional Clean Energy Community Coordinator will review your goals and help you determine which actions are best for your community and how to access grant funding.

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