New Energy Efficiency Financing Options for Improving Multifamily Housing

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Question: What has your experience been with efficiency in MF?

Answer in the chat box!











OUR PROGRAMS



Residential Education

Residential Education programs empower people to take control of their utility bills to save energy, water, and money. EcoWorks' trainings do not just educate – they provide the knowledge, motivation, and tools for attendees to take action and lower their utility bills.

LEARN MORE

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Youth Energy Squad

Youth Energy Squad grows the next generation of green leaders by engaging youth from diverse backgrounds in hands-on service learning projects that make their homes, schools and communities more sustainable.

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Strategic Community Initiatives

Strategic Community Initiatives (SCI) serves as a catalyst for green initiatives across Michigan by working with local government, neighborhoods and businesses to build partnerships and provide expertise that bring solutions to life.

LEARN MORE

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EcoWorks Strategic Community Initiatives



EcoWorks' Services

Technical Assistance

- · Facilitate stakeholder meetings and training
- · Utility bill optimization and benchmarking
- Energy efficiency and renewable energy consultations
- Energy management
- Facility assessments and audits
- Professional development for energy managers and staff

Energy Planning

- Integrate energy goals and programs into broader development plans
- Prioritize energy projects according to organizational goals
- Identify sustainable financing methods for energy projects

Project Management

- Owner's representation
- QA/QC and project evaluation
- RFP development
- Start-to-finish oversight
- Financing recommendations
- Impartial contract review



ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR ALL

Mission: making multifamily homes healthy and affordable through energy efficiency.

















ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Michigan Energy Efficiency for All (MEEFA)





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EEFA Mission:

making multifamily homes

healthy and affordable

through energy efficiency.

MEEFA Goals:

- reduce energy consumption
- reduce pollution
- preserve housing affordability
- create healthier and more comfortable living environments



Energy Characteristics of Affordable Multifamily Housing

"Nearly all (93%) very low income households who live in multifamily housing units are renters (AHS 2010).

And in rented multifamily units, energy expenditures run...

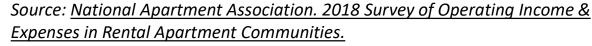
- 41% higher than in renter—occupied single family detached units, and
- 76% higher than in owner—occupied single family detached units."



Energy Costs Opportunity

Operating expenses for all subsidized properties operating income and expense data for master metered properties





Our Approach

Energy Efficiency Stakeholders

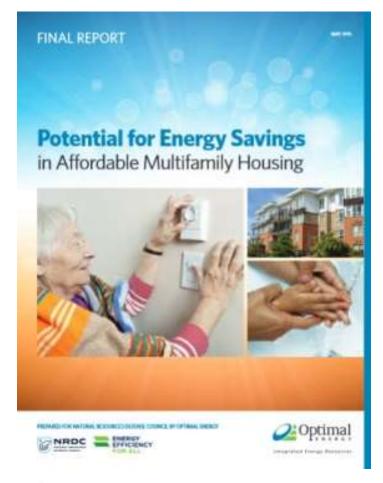


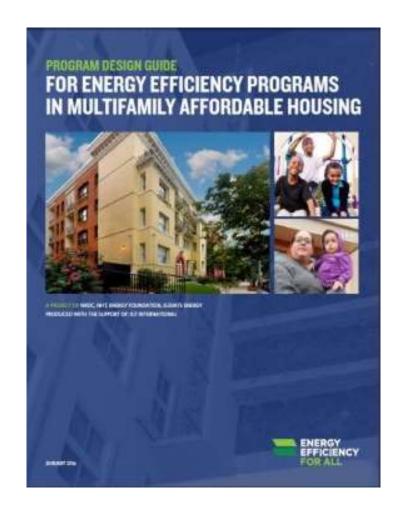
Affordable
Housing
Stakeholders

Health Stakeholders **Environmental Justice Stakeholders**



Our Approach







Source: EEFA. https://www-new.energyefficiencyforall.org/

MEEFA 2019 Strategic Approach

- Energy Cases (DTE Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), Consumers Energy Waste Reduction (EWR), DTE EWR, I&M EWR)
 - Including building owner demand for existing EWR Programs
- 2. Health & Energy Nexus
- 3. City Impact
- Housing and Energy Policy via State Legislature/State Agencies
- 5. Broadening & Strengthening our Network/Power-Building



MI Public Service Commission (MPSC) Low Income Energy Waste Reduction Work Group

VISION

 All Michigan residents live in efficient, affordable, safe, and healthy homes.

MISSION

 To coordinate and optimize energy efficiency and clean energy offerings, to improve energy affordability and quality of life for Michigan's low-income residents, and to improve program design, accessibility, and delivery.



How to get involved/learn more about the LI EWR Work Group?

- The workgroup is scheduled to meet on the first Thursday of every month, unless stated otherwise.
- The next Workgroup meeting to be scheduled in October, 2019
- To join the workgroup or learn more contact – Brad Banks, MPSC Staff, BanksB1@michigan.gov





Coming Soon!

Green Affordable Housing Resource Hub

Sign up for the MEEFA newsletter at meefa.org to know when it goes live!

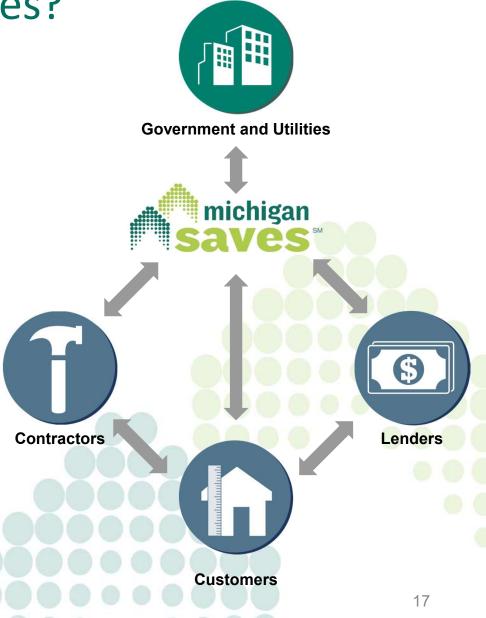
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Energy Efficiency for All - www-new.energyefficiencyforall.org/
Network for Energy, Water, and Health in Affordable Buildings (NEWHAB) —
www.energyefficiencyforall/NEWHAB



What is Michigan Saves?

- Nonprofit, green bank
- Process driven by research and stakeholders
- Loss reserve for lenders
- Oversight of authorized contractors
- Program guidelines and quality control
- Demand for energy efficiency through outreach and incentives





What is Michigan Saves?

















Results

(Through June 30, 2019)

Customers served	15,619
Amount financed	Over \$196 million
Leverage ratio	20 to 1
Lifetime electric savings	1.9 million megawatt hours
Lifetime gas savings	60 million therms
Greenhouse gas savings	1.6 million metric tons
Default rates	Less than 2 percent

Five- to seven-year goal:

Finance **\$1 billion** of energy improvements





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About Inclusive Prosperity Capital



We believe everyone should have access to the benefits of clean energy:

- > A cleaner, more resilient environment in the face of climate change
- > Healthier communities & buildings that create positive social externalities
- > Sustainable economic value creation: reduced energy burdens, increased household/business savings, and enhanced community productivity

Our multifamily products are designed to help property owners and residents save on energy and operating costs, improve the living environment for residents, improve property values and preserve affordable housing.



What IPC Offers Multifamily Housing







Financing, Strategic Partnerships and Guidance to catalyze multifamily energy projects





How is this accomplished?

- Many older properties are in need of capital improvements that include HVAC systems, energy efficiency improvements, and health and safety challenges
- > Smart energy improvements can significantly reduce energy and other operating costs for owners and residents
- > H&S issues must often be addressed before energy improvements can be implemented
- Funding is needed to assess, design, and implement
- > Financing must often accommodate restrictions and covenants on existing debt







Holistic Approach: Unlocking Cash Flows for Sustainable Building

East Meadow Condo Association, Manchester, CT

Description:	Lighting, boilers, roof replacement, insulation
Total Project Costs: Utility Incentives: Financed:	\$654,000 <u>\$34,000</u> \$620,000
Estimated Annual Savings: Annual Debt Service:	\$79,000 \$53,000, 1.48 DSCR
Estimated Free Cash Flow:	\$26,000
Financing Terms:	20 years, 6.00%
Payback Period:	7.8 years



www.ctgreenbank.com/our-stories/ - multifamily

Energy improvements yield significant savings, unlocking cash flows that cover debt service – often for additional improvements such as needed structural, health or safety work.





Preservation of Affordable Housing

Seabury Coop, New Haven, CT		
88 units, adj. to Yale campus Property in physical and financial distress	Annual energy costs: over \$226K per year (> \$200/unit/ month)	
Navigator Pre-Dev Loan: Concurrent UHAB Operating Loan	\$350K \$500K	
Energy Upgrades planned: Health & Safety:	Electric boiler replacement, lighting, windows, roof insulation REAC repairs, electrical hazards	
Term Financing anticipated	HUD insured loan	

Energy and health and safety capital improvements, along with other financial resources leveraged using the Navigator Pre-Development Loan are preserving this critical affordable housing resource.





Financing Project Pre-Development

- > Energy Benchmarking
- Opportunity assessments and audits holistic look at all fuel and technology options
- > Design, engineering and bidding work
- Assessments of energy-related health and safety barriers
- > Green physical needs assessments
- > Green Design & Charrettes (for new construction)
- > Financial packaging









- > Any measure incented by utility EE programs
- > Renewable energy systems (solar PV, ST, etc.)
- > Efficient fuel conversions (oil or electric to gas)
- Combined heat & power systems
- > Energy storage & EV fueling stations
- Qualified health and safety measures
- > Performance monitoring









Loan Products & Application Process



Navigator Pre-Development Loan

> A simple, unsecured pre-development line of credit that funds analysis and design of energy and health & safety improvements for multifamily properties using owner-selected and managed professional service providers.

Financing Terms		
Rate	Affordable properties: 1.99% Market rate properties: 3.99%	
Term	Up to 24 months or upon project funding	
Loan Details	No fees, unsecured Borrower pays 25% of approved costs, IPC funds remaining 75%	
Underwriting	Simple process – borrowers must demonstrate ability to repay	



Catalyst Term Loan

> Loan supports energy improvement projects for low- and moderate-income multifamily properties and community-based non-profit organizations. It provides unsecured financing for new construction and renovation projects, including:

Financing Terms	
Rate	5.79-6.99%
Term	7-20, not including construction period
Security	Unsecured (not a mortgage, but other security may be sought)
Origination Fee	3.00% upfront (may be rolled into loan)
Underwriting	Project Energy Savings Coverage Ratio 1.20x+ for solar-only projects, 1.30x+ for efficiency projects Positive NOI, including savings from energy improvements Total DSCR of at least 1.10x based on trailing 18 months. Capital/replacement reserves 25% of loan amount



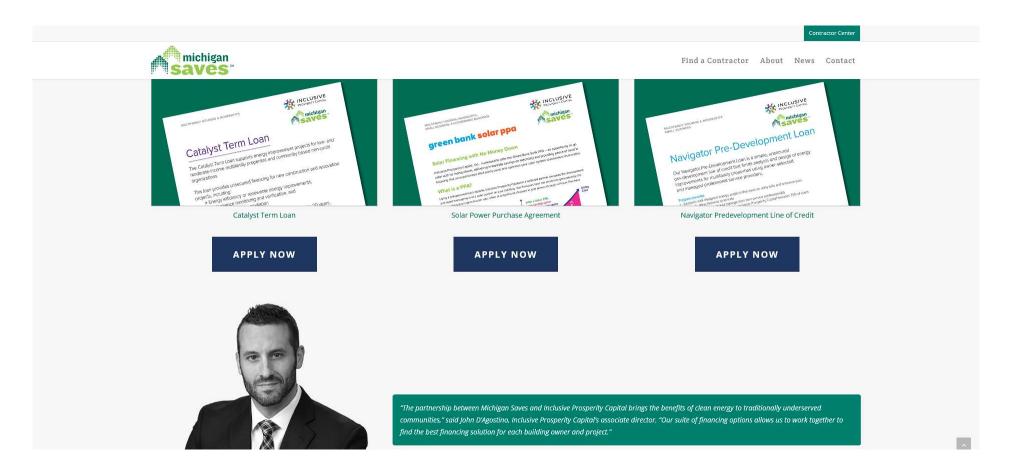
Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)

- > Provides multifamily owners the opportunity to go solar with no money down and lock-in PPA electric rates (fixed or escalating options) for up to 25 years.
- > A great option for housing authorities and non-profits who want to go solar, but are unable to monetize solar and other tax credits.

PPA Terms	
Price of Electricity	Must be lower than current price; negotiated for each property
Term	Standard 20-year term. 25-year terms available
Details	 Third-party solar system owner maintains the system and manages all equipment and warranty issues
	 Technical and financial review of project so owners have confidence the system will meet electricity production targets
	Purchase options available



Loan Application Process



Partnerships

















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