



RESIDENTIAL NETWORK

Network View Newsletter

News from the Field

Online Communities for Home Energy Professionals Merge

For nearly a decade, the home performance industry has had the option to join two online communities—Home Energy Pros and the Home Performance Forum—to collaborate and discuss topics such as energy efficiency, building science, and professional education opportunities. Home Energy Pros is a partnership between Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and *Home Energy Magazine* that began in 2010 with sponsorship from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The Home Performance Forum was a community that started on LinkedIn in 2008 and is now hosted by the [Home Performance Coalition](#).



Photo: National Renewable Energy Laboratory

This October, the Home Performance Coalition is bringing these two groups together to create a single online community for the home performance and weatherization industry—the [Home Energy Pros Forum](#). Current members can continue to sign in using their existing credentials, and all legacy content will remain in place. Check out [the new forum](#).

Energy Efficiency Day Proclaimed from Coast to Coast

City officials from Portsmouth, New Hampshire, to Honolulu, Hawaii, issued proclamations declaring October 5 [Energy Efficiency Day](#), as part of a nationwide campaign. Better Buildings

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Peer Exchange Calls? Register Below

All are invited to take part in these topical calls that serve as a forum to ask questions and engage peers. Register below:

October 19

Powered Up: Batteries and the Future of Residential Energy Storage

1–2:30 p.m. ET

[Register now](#)

November 2

The Beatles, Beastie Boys, and Beyoncé: Residential

Residential Network member, the City of Chula Vista, California, pictured at right, passed a proclamation and shared the news on [Twitter](#). The state of Ohio went one step further, by issuing a proclamation to make October Energy Efficiency Month!



Photo: City of Chula Vista, California, @thinkchulavista

October 5 was the second Energy Efficiency Day, which was first held in October 2016 to leverage a collaborative campaign effort among regional and national organizations, business, utilities, and individuals working to promote energy efficiency.

Read [perspectives](#) on what's coming next from DOE on the occasion of Energy Efficiency Day 2017, view a summary of [communities that participated](#), and check out the hashtag [#EEDay2017](#) for more activities.

Join a Webinar on Assessing Home Energy Program Costs

In addition to the Peer Exchange Calls scheduled for October, there is an extra opportunity to participate in a webinar organized by the [Better Buildings Home Upgrade Program Accelerator](#) this month. The session, "[Assessing Costs for Home Upgrade Program Results: Follow the Money!](#)" will take place October 25 at 3 p.m. Eastern time.



Photo: National Renewable Energy Laboratory

More than half of U.S. states have mandatory targets for energy efficiency. Because homes account for 21% of annual U.S. energy consumption, saving energy in the residential sector can contribute significantly to meeting these policy objectives. When administrators identify where to focus investments to get the most savings, however, these programs can contribute significantly to meeting energy policy objectives. [Register today](#).

Build It Green Exceeds 20,000 Energy Upgrades

Each spring, the Better Buildings Residential

Energy Efficiency Messaging for Different Generations

1–2:30 p.m. ET

[Register now](#)

November 9

Money Down the Drain: The Energy-Water Nexus

1–2:30 p.m. ET

[Register now](#)

Find the Latest Peer Exchange Call Summaries

Review new call summaries:

- July 27, 2017
[Making Program Evaluation Work for You](#)
- August 3, 2017
[Making the Grade: Innovative Approaches to Improving Quality](#)
- August 10, 2017
[Doing More with Less: Low Cost Program Strategies](#)
- August 17, 2017
[Back to School: Engaging Students in Energy Efficiency at Home and in the Classroom](#)

Residential Program Solution Center Spotlight



Photo: Better Buildings Neighborhood Program

Q: How can we make sure our messaging is heard?

A: Visit the [Better Buildings](#)

Network asks members to report the number of annual upgrades they completed, as well as any associated benefits or other accomplishments, through the [Reporting and Recognition Template](#). Submitting this information to DOE is the only requirement of Residential Network membership.



Thanks and congratulations to Residential Network member Build It Green (Oakland, California) for reporting the following accomplishments in fiscal year 2016: 27,128 energy upgrades and annual energy savings of 13,255,912 kilowatt-hours and 370,566 therms.

Meet the Members

New Members Expand Network Success

The Better Buildings Residential Network is pleased to welcome its newest members:



- [AirAdvice for Homes, Inc.](#) (Portland, Oregon)
- [Evergreen Consulting Group, LLC](#) (Beaverton, Oregon)
- [Sealed, Inc.](#) (New York, New York)
- [The E2e Project](#) (Washington, DC)

Learn more from these members and other programs. Sign up to become a Residential Network member by completing a [membership form](#).

Resource Corner

Catch Up on the Latest Reports and Articles

- ["2017 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard"](#) (American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy [ACEEE], September 2017)
- ["Multifamily Benchmarking Can Save Energy? With the Right Support"](#) (ACEEE, September 2017)
- ["The Race to the Top in Home Energy Performance Data: Why It Pays To Go First"](#) (*Home Energy* magazine blog, September 2017)

If your organization has recently published a report or distributed a press release, we want to hear from you. Send your announcement to

[Residential Program Solution Center](#) to find the answer.

Related Events

[Assessing Costs for Home Upgrade Program Results: Follow the Money!](#)

October 25, 2017, 3 p.m. ET
Webinar

[2017 ACEEE National Conference on Energy Efficiency as a Resource](#)

October 30–November 1, 2017
Litchfield Park, Arizona

[2017 Home Performance Coalition \(HPC\) California Regional Home Performance Conference and Trade Show](#)

November 14–15, 2017
Long Beach, California

[Midwest Energy Solutions Conference](#)

February 7–8, 2018
Chicago, Illinois

[2018 HPC New York Regional Home Performance Conference and Trade Show](#)

February 13–14, 2018
Saratoga Springs, New York

[2018 HPC National Home Performance Conference and Trade Show](#)

April 23–26, 2018
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Does your organization have an event you would like us to feature? Email the details to [Better Buildings Residential Network Support](#).

Social Media Spotlight



Photo: DOE

Celebrate "Energyween" with

the [Better Buildings Residential Network](#), so we can be aware of it for future issues of the *Network View* or share it on social media.

Share the *View*

Forward this email to colleagues or encourage them to sign up to receive each issue by selecting “Better Buildings Residential Network” when updating their [DOE email subscription preferences](#).

DOE by highlighting energy efficiency tips and tricks during the week of Halloween. Share a [spooky video](#) with energy-saving tips on your social media channels. Check out DOE's [Energyween website](#) for other festive ideas.

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