

Multifamily Energy Savings Project

Utility Multifamily Program Working Group

About the Multifamily Energy Savings Project

The American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE) is undertaking a project to improve and expand energy efficiency programs for multifamily housing. The goal of the project is to expand the number of utilities offering multifamily energy efficiency programs and to increase existing programs' reach and energy savings. The project focuses on developing comprehensive building upgrade programs for these properties through partnerships with utility customer-funded energy efficiency programs and the housing community. ACEEE is partnering with multiple stakeholders to actively engage utilities and housing groups, facilitate peer-to-peer learning, and provide resources to utilities, regulators, and housing stakeholders. For more information, visit aceee.org/multifamily-project.

About the Utility Multifamily Program Working Group

Our Utility Multifamily Program Working Group is a critical element of the Multifamily Energy Savings Project. The working group consists of representatives from the electric and gas utilities, or non-utility program administrators, serving metropolitan areas with large multifamily housing markets. Member utilities are actively considering or currently implementing multifamily energy efficiency programs. The group functions as a peer-to-peer network as well as strategic advisors for ACEEE's ongoing research into multifamily program best practices. ACEEE and our partners, including multifamily housing community leaders and regulatory experts, will develop resources to address challenges identified by the group as well as provide one-on-one technical assistance to members.

What to Expect as a Member of the Working Group

Since 2013, ACEEE has convened regular conference calls and webinars for group members every six to eight weeks. These calls allow members to discuss recent program developments and exchange ideas to improve program administration. Calls also regularly feature presentations from experts in the utility, housing, and regulatory fields. We also convene in-person workshops in alternating years to explore topics related to multifamily efficiency in more detail.

Working group members benefit from:

- Peer learning with other utility program administrators who have implemented multifamily programs.
- Help identifying and connecting with potential multifamily housing partners in their service territories.
- Tailored research and resources to help address program design and implementation challenges.
- An opportunity to highlight their progress through ACEEE conferences, reports, or blog posts.

Working group members are expected to:

- Be actively considering, developing, or administering multifamily energy efficiency programs and willing to share their experiences with group members.
- Regularly attend working group conference calls (every 6-8 weeks) and in-person meetings or workshops.
- Periodically participate in one-on-one calls and/or meetings with ACEEE and relevant experts to discuss their progress and potential solutions to challenges they are facing.