

MULTIFAMILY ENERGY EFFICIENCY RETROFIT PROGRAMS: STRATEGIES FOR ENGAGING BUILDING OWNERS

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Who Are New Ecology and Wegowise?



New Ecology is a non-profit organization whose mission is to catalyze sustainable development in low income and underserved communities. We work in the following areas:

- New construction
- Moderate Rehab
- Energy Efficiency
- Efficiency R&D
- Consulting
- Outreach and Education
- Data Analysis

Who Are New Ecology and Wegowise?





- Energy Data Company
- •Founded by NEI, Boston Community Capital and CTO to solve the data problem in multifamily affordable housing
- Largest database of its kind

As of April 16, 2015 Tracking:

551,408 units 28,332 buildings 824,000,000 square feet 4,050,186 data points

New Ecology Inc. Boston/Hartford/Providence

What Do Owners Want?

1. Results

- Reduced Maintenance
- Compliance
- Lower utility costs
- Improved Tenant Comfort
- Reduced Tenant Costs
- 2. Subsidy
- 3. No hassle
- 4. Not to be surprised by competition

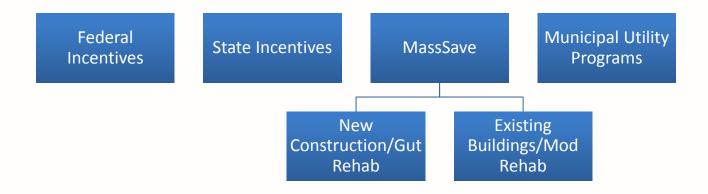
What Not To Do To Engage Owners in Improving Their Portfolios

1. Pretend that financing is the problem.

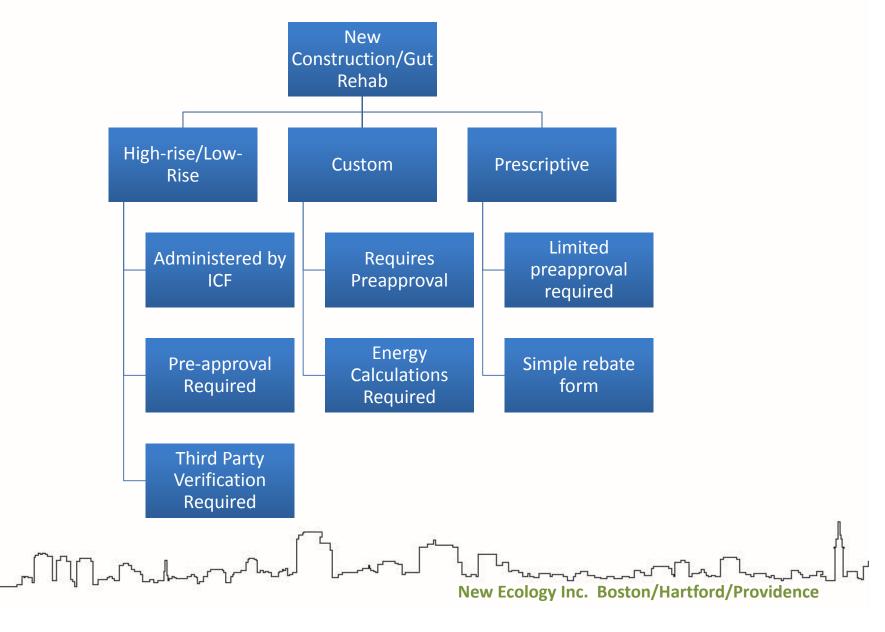
2. Assume that if you build it, they will come.



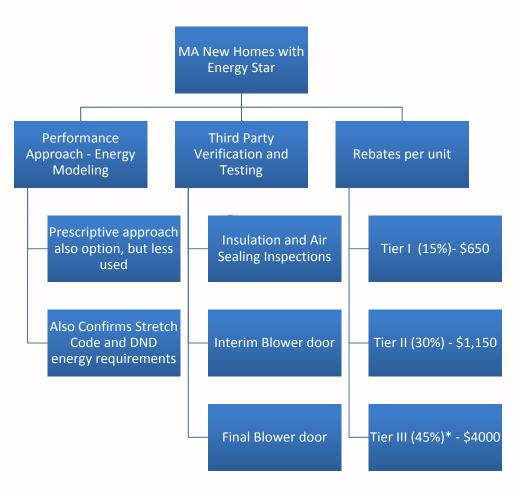
Some of the MF Greening Programs in MA



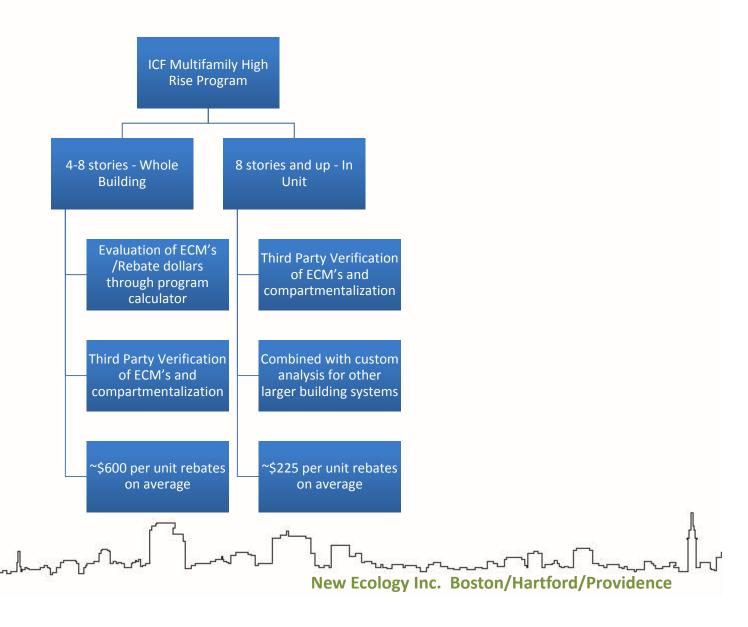
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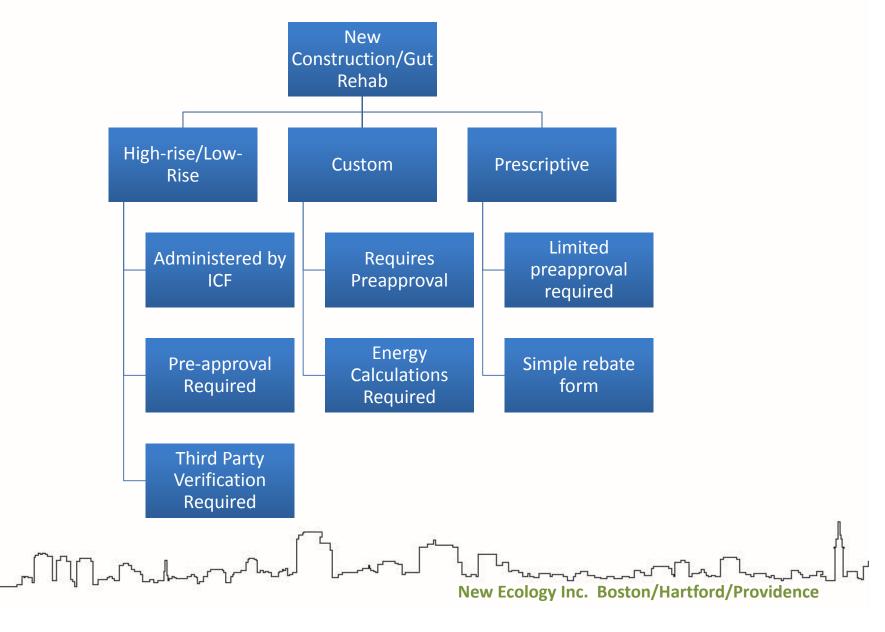
New Construction-Less than 4 stories



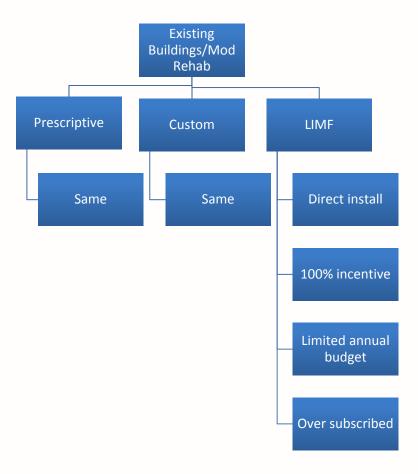
New Construction-4 stories or above

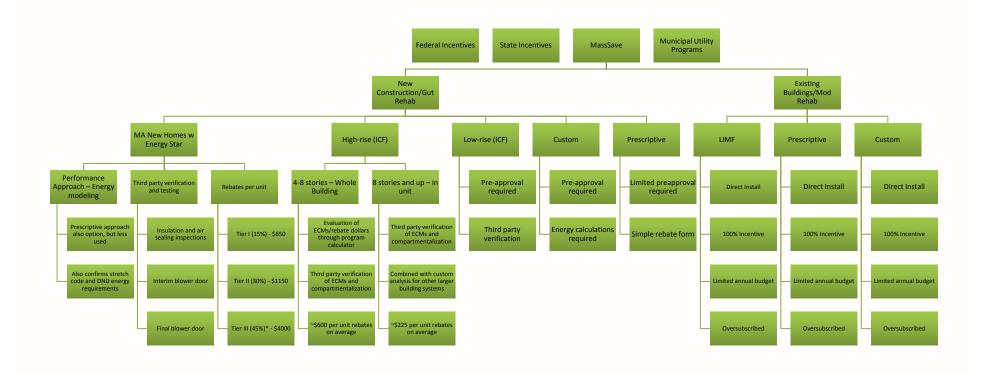


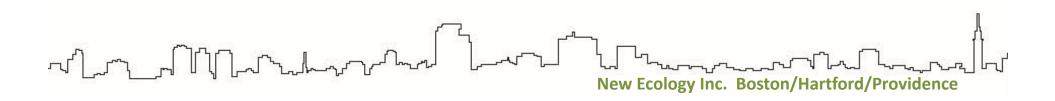
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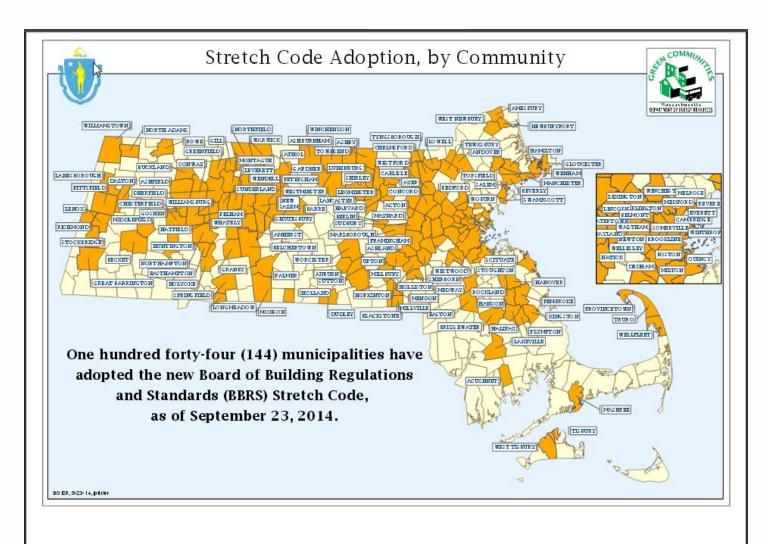


Existing Buildings





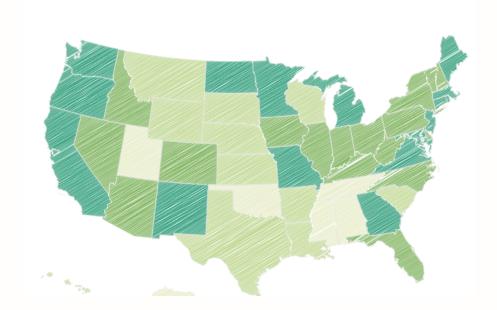




2013 QAP ANALYSIS

Green Building Criteria in Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Programs

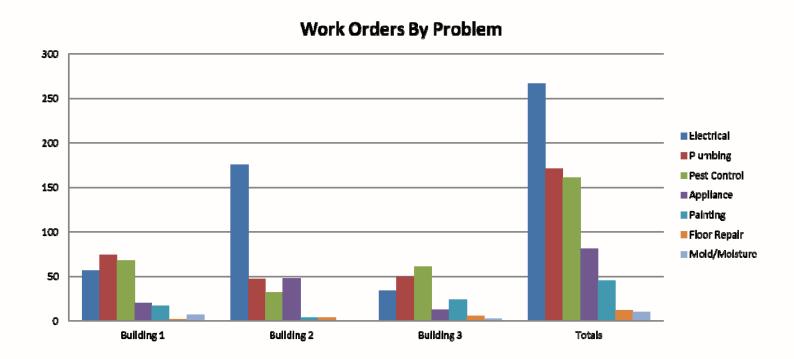


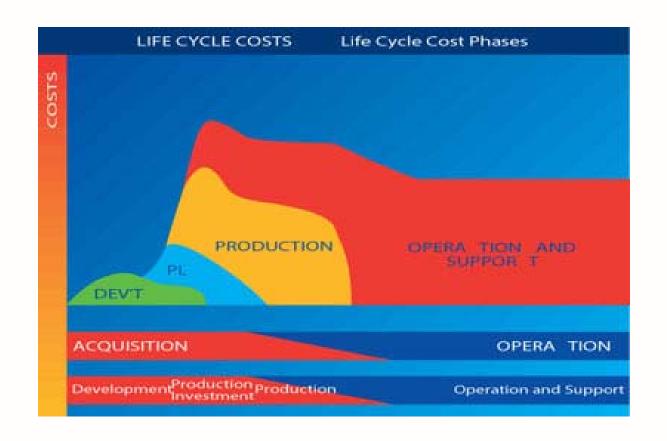












What Has Been Most Effective in Motivating Owners to Improve Their Portfolios?

1. Regulation

2. Competition

3. The easy to navigate, owner centric approach

- One stop shopping with someone they trust to figure out what they should do
 - Extensions of their staff
 - Understand their priorities
 - Advice on prioritizing projects
 - Effective access to programs-All fuels/all users
 - Building science expertise on their terms
 - Help with programs (LEED, BBC, etc.)
- 2. Cost-effectiveness
- 3. Financing (sometimes)
- 4. Verification of results
- 5. Heads up about new stuff

4. Incentives

Construction/
Purchase

Early Ops
Later Ops
Refinance/
Rehab

The Beginning: Construction or Purchase



The Early Years: Operating the New Asset



The Later Years: Operating An Aging Asset



Second Wind: Refinance/Rehab



How Can We Convince Owners To Embrace Efficiency?

- Design Programs That Help Owners Better Manage Their Portfolios.
- 2. Provide Services That Help Owners Better Manage Their Portfolios.

How NEI Connects the Dots for Owners

- benchmarking and data analysis
- auditing/existing conditions
- coordinating rebates/incentives
- field testing
- bidding/construction management
- forensic analysis
- renewable energy

- financing assistance
- owner's rep: new construction/integrated design
- certifications
- remote monitoring
- M&V
- optimization
- program participation
- resiliency planning

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