Purchasing Strategies for Energy & Water Savings

Alameda County
Green Purchasing Roundtable
May 16, 2017



Agenda

- Introduction
- Case Study: A Comprehensive Upgrade
 Rachel DiFranco & Dan Schoenholz, City of Fremont
- Elements of Success

Brendan Havenar-Daughton, PG&E Sarah Church, Alameda County Meredith Owens, AMP

- Case Study: Building-by-Building
 Kerry Parker, City of Alameda
- Workshop: Applying It



Promoting Efficiency



A Win-Win-Win

- Save energy & water
 - Conservation
 - Reduces greenhouse gas emissions
 - Avoid mercury, etc.
- Save money
 - Utility costs
- Save staff time
 - Reduced maintenance needs





...that you can build on

- Demonstrate benefits of greening
- Build relationships
- Share the credit





Case Study: A Comprehensive Upgrade

Rachel DiFranco & Dan Schoenholz, City of Fremont



Implementing Comprehensive Energy & Water Savings Upgrades

Case Study





\$9.1M in Energy & Water Upgrades

- LED streetlights & park lights.
- LED facility lighting & occupancy controls.
- High-efficiency facility plumbing fixtures.
- Weather-based irrigation controls.
- Variable speed pool pumps at water park.

Key Project Details:

1. Energy Services "ESCO" Project

 Leverages savings of some measures to help pay for others



2. CA Government Code

- Section 4217.10 4217.18
- Allows public facilities to sole source for energy services contracts



3. OBF & Low Interest Finance

 Allows project to be paid over time through utility & maintenance savings



Streetlight & Park Lighting:





Facilities Lighting:



Facilities Plumbing:



Irrigation Controls:

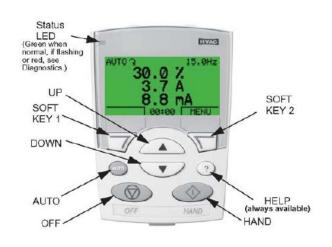








Variable Speed Pumps:







Project Considerations:

- 1. May fall outside of comfort zone
- 2. Leverages department champions
- 3. Requires minimal extra budget
- 4. Requires minimal additional resources
- 5. Provides multiple added values
- 6. Requires patience & persistence

1. Falls Outside of Comfort Zone

OTHER DUTIES AS ASSIGNED...

"Public Works" type project

- + Managed by Community Development Department
- = Achieve sustainability goals:

976 MTCO₂
4.7M kWh
8.7M gal H₂O
12K therms



2. Leverages Champions

RECOGNIZING ALLIES AS ENABLERS

- City Attorney
- Finance Director
- Building Maintenance Manager
- Street Maintenance Manager
- Park Maintenance Supervisor
- Public Works Director
- Economic Development Director
- Community Services Director
- Police & Fire Chiefs



3. Requires Minimal Budget

JUST ADD SAVINGS!

- General Fund \$\$\$ untouched
- Utility bill & maintenance savings pay for upfront costs over time
- Financing arrangements:
 - Power Purchase Agreements
 - 0% On-Bill Financing
 - 2% Lease Financing
- Cash flow positive from Year 1



4. Requires Minimal Add'l Resources

WE DO THE HEAVY LIFTING

- Sustainability as project manager:
 - RFQ/RFP / Contract / SOW
 - Staff Report / Resolution
 - Day-to-day Coordination
 - Change Orders / Inspections
 - Invoicing / Tracking
- Utilize regional technical assistance
- Rely on best practices from previous projects and programs



5. Provides Multiple Added Values

WIN-WIN-WIN-WIN

- Utility bill savings
- Longer equipment life
- Reduced maintenance
- Improved resilience of critical facilities
- Support of public-private partnerships



6. Requires Patience & Perseverance

IT'S A LONG AND WINDING ROAD...

- Projects can take LONG TIME
- At any time, you may experience:
 - City staff &/or contractor transitions
 - Increases or decreases in project costs
 - Technology advancements
 - Grant/financing availability
 - Challenges with designs & permits
 - Priority shifts from key departments
 - Council turnover
 - Budget constraints





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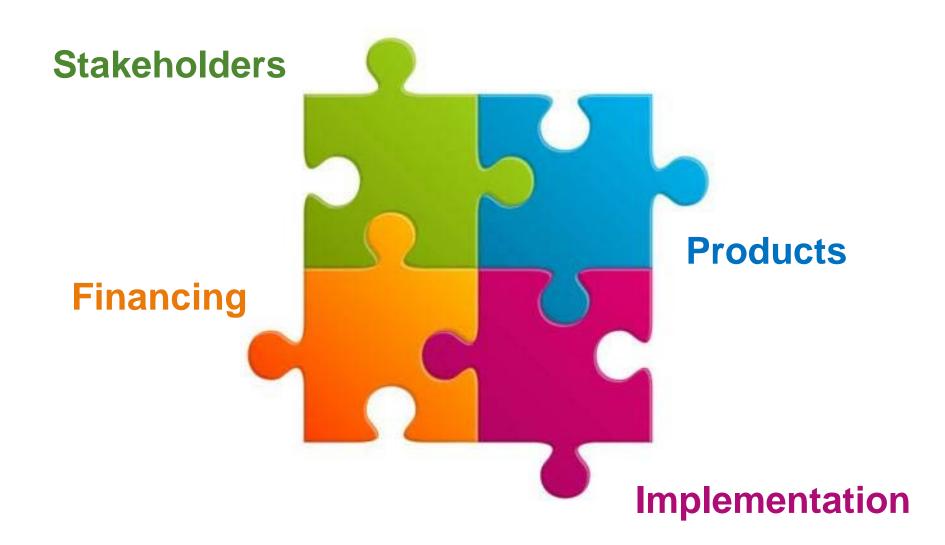
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Questions?



Elements of Success







Financing Opportunities

Brendan Havenar-Daughton, Pacific Gas & Electric



On-Bill Financing

Energy Efficiency Financing from PG&E

Program Overview



Agenda

- What is On-Bill Financing (OBF)?
- How does it work?
- Who is Eligible?
- What is Eligible?
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Additional Resources

What is On-Bill Financing?

- On-Bill Financing is a \$80M revolving loan fund (RLF), used to finance energy efficiency projects for PG&E non-residential customers.
 - The RLF uses ratepayer funds and is loaned at 0%
 - As customers repay their loans, those funds can be loaned out again
 - Loan payments are intended to be 'bill-neutral,' meaning they are based on the estimated energy cost savings from the EE project



What is On-Bill Financing?

Loan Terms	Business	Government Agency*
Interest	0%	0%
Minimum Loan Amount	\$5,000	\$5,000
Maximum Loan Amount	\$100,000 per premises	\$250,000 per premises ¹
Maximum Funding Available per Customer	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Maximum Loan Term, not to exceed the Expected Useful Life (EUL) of the measures	60 months	120 months

^{*}Government Agency Customer is defined as a tax-payer funded agency of federal, state, county, or local government that uses tax revenue to pay its PG&E energy bills. Such Customers may include, but are not limited to, public schools, state of California colleges and universities, public libraries, and government offices.

¹ Government customers may combine premises in a single loan, so this may be considered a per project cap. Exceptions may be made where unique opportunities to capture large energy savings exist and all other OBF loan program terms will be met, up to a maximum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

What is On-Bill Financing?

OBF Loan Pool (as of 12/31/16)							
Status	#	\$					
Requested	239	\$16,389,830					
Reserved	295	\$21,687,785					
Loaned	1,736	\$75,930,557					
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(Repayments)		(\$39,282,859)					
Net Loaned		\$36,647,698					
Loan Pool		\$70,500,000					
Subscribed (Reserved + Net Loaned)		(\$58,335,483)					
Net Interest and Write-Offs		\$198,265					
Remaining		\$12,362,781					

Key Stats

- \$76M loaned to date!
- 17% increase in SMB customers served year over year (8% overall loan volume increase)
- 52% of loaned amounts have been repaid
- December monthly repayments: \$1.2M
- Average Loan: \$44k
 (SMB \$28k, Gov't Agency \$133k)

Loaned							
Cust. Type	#	%	\$	%	Avg. \$	Final KWHs	Final THERMS
SMB	1,296	75%	\$36,035,946	47%	\$27,806	80,650,661	461,924
Gov't Agency	233	13%	\$31,078,710	41%	\$133,385	45,665,286	306,136
LCIA	207	12%	\$8,815,900	12%	\$42,589	31,554,637	105,573
Total	1,736	100%	\$75,930,557	100%	\$43,739	157,870,583	873,633

How does it work?

Project cost for measures	\$10,000
Rebates or incentives	\$1,000
Customer total loan amount	\$9,000
Customer average rate (per kWh)	\$ 0.180
Estimated annual energy savings (kWh)	12,000
Estimated annual energy cost savings	\$2,160
Simple payback in years (loan amount divided by estimated annual energy cost savings)	4.17
Payback in months based on expected energy savings	50
Loan term (months) (1 month added for bill neutrality)	51
Estimated monthly energy cost savings	\$180
Customer fixed monthly loan payment	\$176.47

How does it work?

Payment History Screening

behalf, and notifies the

Customer of eligibility.

PG&E Account Representative requests a PHS on the Customer's

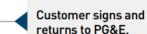
Pre-Install Review

Contractor submits itemized proposal and OBF Application for review and approval.



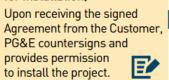
Loan Agreement

Upon approving the pre-install review, OBF Team provides the Customer with a Loan Agreement including proposed loan terms.



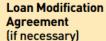


Loan Agreement **Executed** (Approved for Installation)



Post-Install Review

Upon completing installation, the Contractor submits all relevant rebate/ incentive applications before submitting the OBF Application with a final, itemized invoice for review.





Upon completing the postinstall review, if there have been changes to project scope, energy savings, or costs, PG&E provides the customer with a Loan Modification Agreement including final loan terms.

Customer signs and returns to PG&E.



Confirm Payee Information

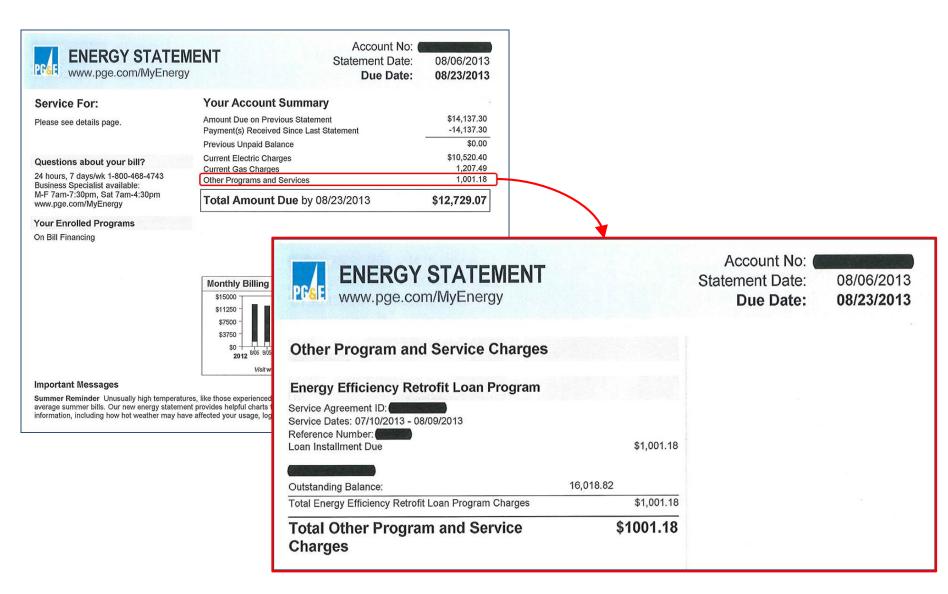
Prior to issuing payment for the loan, PG&E confirms the payee information with either the Customer or PG&E Account Representative.

Loan Payment Disbursed and Loan Charges Added to Bill

Once payee information is confirmed, PG&E will begin the check issuance process. Depending on the Customer's billing cycle, this may take 5-10 business days. Loan charges will be added to the Customer's bill in the following billing cycle.



How does it work?



Who is eligible?

OBF is available to non-residential PG&E customers that meet the following conditions throughout the duration of the EE retrofit project:

- Customer currently receives service at the retrofit location and pays PPP charges;
- Active PG&E account for the previous 24 months;
- Good credit standing for the past 12 months (no 24-hour disconnection notices).

What is eligible?

OBF is available for energy efficiency retrofit projects.

Eligible costs include:

- EE Measures (net of rebates)
- Labor, taxes, and other directly related costs
- O&M, M&V

OBF may not be used to finance:

- New construction/new load;
- Basic lighting (non-LED) exceeding 20% project costs
- In-house labor or project management
- Distributed generation

What is eligible?

- Only rebated/incentivized measures
- Loan only funded after all rebates/incentives approved
- Can combine deemed, customer, up/midstream
- Can accept claimable or site-specific savings calculations

Roles and Responsibilities



Trade Professional/Contractor

OBF Role: Installer

- Submits pre- and post-installation applications for review
- Completes retrofit project to Customer satisfaction



PG&E Account Representative

OBF Role: Customer Liaison

- Educate the Customer on OBF and respond to Customer inquiries
- Request Payment History
 Screening and submit PHS
 appeals on the Customer's behalf



OBF Team

OBF Role: Review and Approval

- Communicate PHS results to PG&E Account Representative
- Create and distribute loan agreements
- Disburse loan payments and set up billing on Customer's account

Additional Resources

www.pge.com/OBF

- Customer and Contractor Handbook
- Fact Sheet
- Energy Insight On-Bill Finance Chatter Group
- Frequently Asked Questions

THANK YOU



Questions?



Water Conservation Product Spotlight

Sarah Church, Alameda County



Standards and Eco-Labels



- EPA Program:WaterSense
- LEED for Existing Buildings, v4
- CALGreen: Green Building Standard Code



Faucets

Standard: 2.2gpm

Low-flow: 1.5gpm at 60psi

- Flow limiters: aerator or laminar
- Flow control: permanent under-sink valves
- Time control: electronic sensors





Toilets

Standard: 1.6 gpf

High-efficiency: 1.28 gpf

- HE saves 20%
- Performance testing:
 - WaterSense aligned with
 Uniform North American Requirements (UNAR)
 - Maximum Performance (MaP) lists for tankless



Toilets



Flush-valve retrofit for dual flush



Urinals

- Waterless
 - No valves to install or maintain (cartridges require initial training)
- High-efficiency

Standard: 1.0 gpf

High-efficiency: .5 gpf





Microfiber mops

- 10-20 times less liquid than cotton mops
- Reduces the amount of water and chemicals used to clean
- Lightweight design reduces risk of worker injury





Foaming Hand Soap

- Spreads more easily, so less soap and water used
- Look for Green Seal products

CASE STUDY: Commonwealth of Massachusetts

"Over \$300,000 in water conservation-related savings from the use of microfiber mops and foaming hand soap (replacing cotton mops and lotion hand soaps)."

Results from FAC85 contract, since award in 2015 www.responsiblepurchasing.org



Questions?



Energy Conservation Products Spotlight

Meredith Owens, Alameda Municipal Power



Alameda Municipal Power Green Purchasing Roundtable

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Alameda Municipal Power Background

- Community-owned electric utility serving the City of Alameda since 1887
- Governed by the City of Alameda Public Utilities Board
- AMP rates average 16 percent lower than PG&E
- Certified Alameda County Green Business
- Installing smart meters through December 2017



Easy, Low Cost Efficiency for Cities

- Light Emitting Diode lighting, LED
- Lifetime of 12 to 35 years, significant maintenance savings
- Reduce energy use by 60 to 80 percent
- Exterior lights and some interior LEDs are very competively priced
- Utility rebates PG&E
- Improved lighting quality & low burnout rate



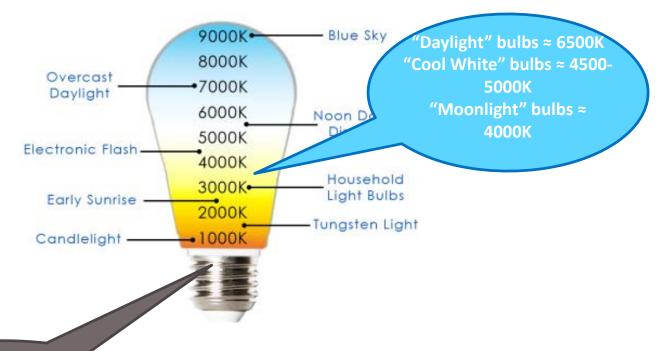
How Can I Purchase the Best?

- Energy Star awarded to fixtures that meet strict efficiency, quality, lifetime criteria www.energyStar.gov/products/lighting.....
 commercial light fixtures
- Design Lights Consortium largest database of LED lighting products www.designlights.org
- DOE Municipal Solid-State Street Lighting Consortium



Some Considerations - LED Color

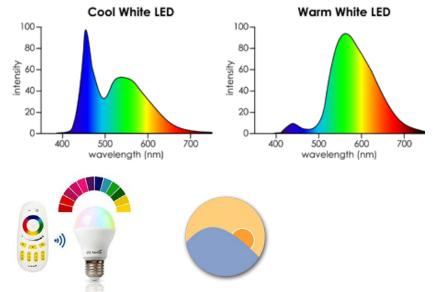
 Color is measured on the CCT scale (Correlated Color Temperature) in degrees Kelvin





Light Color & Health

- You can buy and turn on different lights for different times of day
 - Cool white or "daylight" for mid-day rooms
 - Warm white for evening rooms
- Use controls
 - Tunable LEDs
 - Computer app "f.lux"





LED Controls

- Dimmers (read the fine print) LEDs are great at dimming, lots of energy savings
- Photocells interior and exterior
- Occupancy sensors



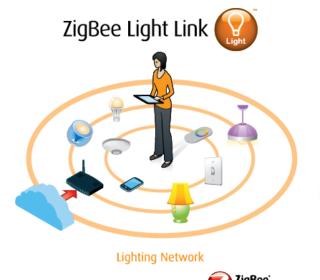






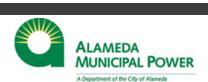
High Tech Lighting Controls

- Prism LED Desk Lamp
- ZigBee with remote or computer control
- Philips Hue uses phone or tablet App
- Amazon Echo is voice controlled













City of Alameda Parking Garage LEDs and Controls

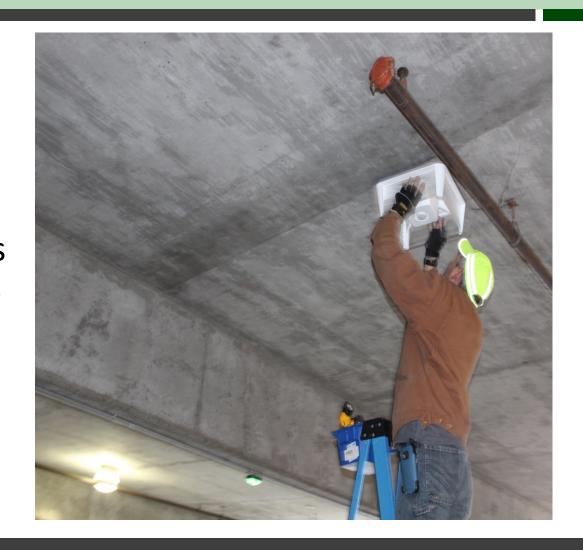
- Cost \$80,978
- Energy Cost savings+ \$38,172,75%reduction
- AMP rebate -\$50,879
- Net cost \$30,099
- Payback 9 months
- Lifetime 15 + years





City of Alameda Parking Garage

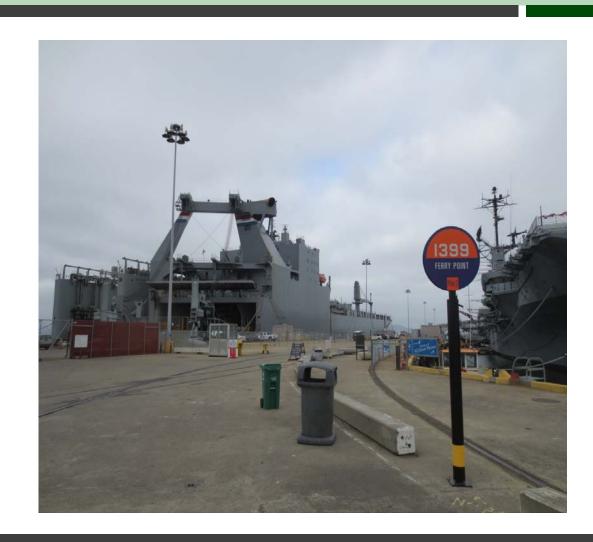
- Daylight sensor
 with dusk/dawn
 dimming for areas
 with daylight
- Occupancy sensorsoff if no motion >2.5 minutes
- Controlled remotely at Public Works office





Alameda Point Piers Consider Operations & Maintenance

- Poles 63' high, 67 lights
- Cost \$204,527
- Energy Cost savings -\$37,011/year
- AMP rebate \$49,319
- Net cost \$155,208
- Payback 4.2 years
- Lifetime 35 years





What are your resources?

- PG&E Account Representative
- City Public Works Department
- Department of Energy municipal solid state lighting website, https://energy.gov/eere/ssl/solid-statelighting
- Energy Star website
- Design Lights Consortium



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Questions?



Case Study: Building-by-Building

Kerry Parker, City of Alameda



City of Alameda's Green Business Operations

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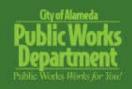




Why the Green Business Program?

- GB Inspector for Solid Waste since 2011
- Tough Question in 2013
- Public Works' Response







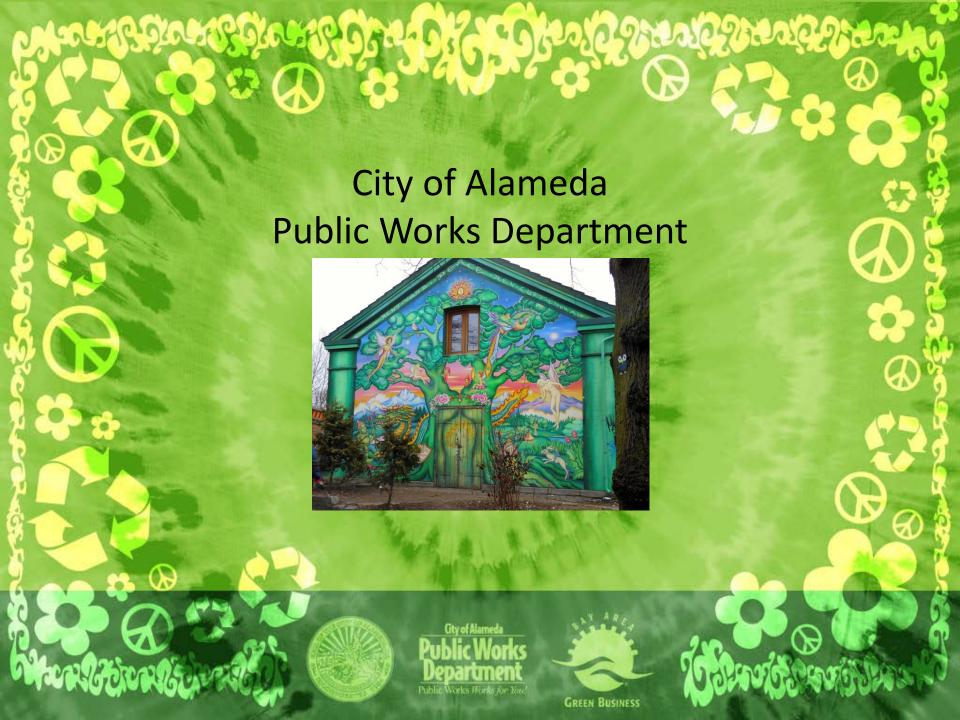
Assumptions

- This will be more work 🕾
- Green products cost more 🕾
- Recycled paper towels are scratchy ⁽³⁾
- Composting food scraps draws flies
- Only greenie tree huggers and hippies do this, Kerry!





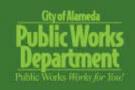




City of Alameda Public Works Department









What is a Green Business?

Reduce your use!

- Water
- Electricity
- Landfill
- Purchase thoughtfully
- Use less toxic alternatives









Green Business Vision

Certify Public Works

Certify all city departments











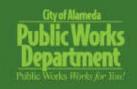




Time for an office remodel!











Refurbished cubicles





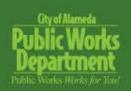




The Green Certified Tail Wagging the Dog

- City Operations are not perfect!
- Green certified culture helps set expectations in all decisions
 - Purchasing
 - Materials use and recycling
 - Remodeling
 - Reuse/refurbish/repair







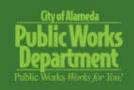
Peer Recognition

2016 Sustainability Award

American Public Works Association (APWA)
 "Walking the Talk – Green Certifying the City of Alameda"

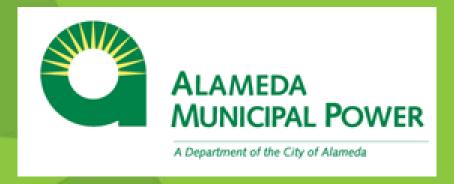








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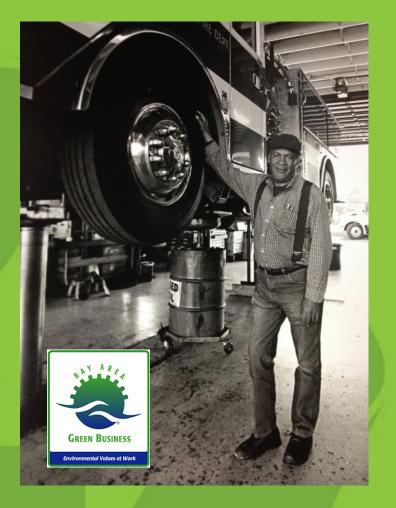


Critical energy piece (Read: \$\$\$) ALREADY COMPLETE









Central Equipment Garage, Public Works GB Certified - December, 2013

- First GB Auto Repair Garage in Alameda
- First GB division of Alameda Public Works
- Reduced water consumption by 37%
- Next: electric pool car fleet?
- Bonus: Awarded WaterSmart Certification by EBMUD (October, 2014)









Water Conservation

- Toilets
 - $-3.5+_{gpf}$ vs **1.6**_{gpf} vs **1.28**_{gpf}
- Urinals
 - 2.0+gpf vs. **1.0**gpf vs. .5gpf
 - Waterless?
- Faucet Aerators
 - Kitchen 2.2+gpm vs 1.8gpm vs 1.0gpm
 - Lavatory 1.5gpm vs .5gpm (public)
 - Shower 2.5gpm
- Irrigation



2015: Jerry Brown signs EO for strict water efficiency standards for CA

2006:









May 2017: 90% Complete

- **☑** AMP
- ☑ City Hall

Public Works (3 facilities)

- **☑** Admin
- ☑ Corp Yard
- **☑** Fleet Garage

- ☑ Main Library
- Police
- ☑ Senior Center

- ☑ Rec and Park
- ☐ Fire









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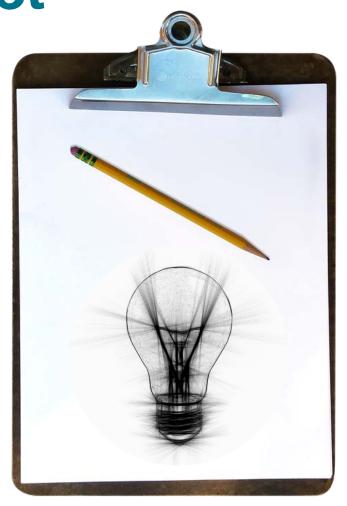
Workshop

Your next steps for conservation in your agency



Worksheet

- Sit on your own or with others from your agency/jurisdiction
- Fill out worksheet
- Worksheet will be scanned and emailed to you





Report-back

Your next steps for conservation in your agency



Thank You!

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