

EEB's Annual Legislative Report Focuses on Jobs in Connecticut

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Connecticut's Energy Efficiency Board (EEB) has released its Annual Programs and Operations Report with a spotlight on energy efficiency-related state jobs.

The <u>report</u> summarizes the substantial progress made in 2016 serving residents, businesses, and municipalities throughout the state by providing comprehensive energy efficiency services. There have been strong local and economic benefits delivered by the energy efficiency programs offered through EnergizeCT.

As these programs have grown, so too have energy efficiency jobs and the home performance industry. Utility bill savings allow residents to focus on other household needs and spend in the local economy. Businesses that participate in the programs are better able to compete through energy cost reductions that can be reinvested for future growth.

Another focus over 2016 was to bring down high energy costs, and the programs continue to find new and better ways to maximize utility bill savings for all customers. Significant strides have been made to educate customers on emerging technologies and behavior strategies, both of which reduce wasteful consumption and help customers better manage their overall energy use.

In 2016, the programs resulted in 1,178,981 residential projects and rebates, 6,528 business projects and the benchmarking of 2,924 municipal and board of education buildings. The combined residential, commercial and industrial program savings for the year was \$78.3 Million.

The Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC) continues its work on the EEB to ensure Connecticut consumers are being offered quality programs to help make significant impacts across the state.

