

**August 5, 2021** 

Energy Efficiency Program Development Community Feedback Session with OCPA Community Advisory Committee



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### Directions for Chat

- We will be having an open discussion throughout the meeting!
- To facilitate orderly discussion while others are speaking, we are going to be using the "raise hand" function.
- If you would like to ask your question verbally click on the "raise hand" function so we can unmute you.
- If you would not like to be unmuted, send us your question or comment through the chat!







#### Welcome

Introductions



- Goals of workshop
- Expectation setting (soliciting, adopting input)
- Structure of workshop





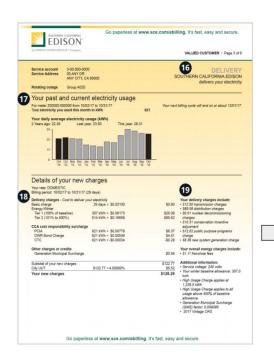
#### Agenda

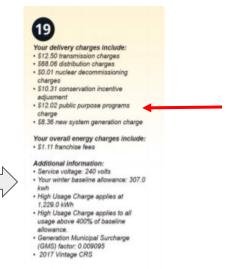
- 1. Background 30 minutes
  - a. Funding
  - b. OCPA Community Analysis
  - c. Proposed Programs
  - d. Anticipated Timeline
- 2. Open Q&A 20 minutes





### Funding Source





Funding for
energy
efficiency
programs is
collected
through your
electricity bill as
a delivery
charge called
"Public Purpose
Programs"





# What is eligible under this funding?

#### Eligible

- Electric energy efficiency activities
- Electrification measures
- Behavior based programs that reduce energy consumption
- Enhancement of an existing program
- Coordination with other programs to enhance current offerings
- Marketing or education about other energy related activities, such as solar (needs to connect with EE)
- Leverage additional funding to fund activities in next column

#### Ineligible

- Renewable energy projects (eg solar, wind)
- Battery storage
- Electric vehicle programs, includes EV charging
- Natural gas efficiency
- Low-income focused programs





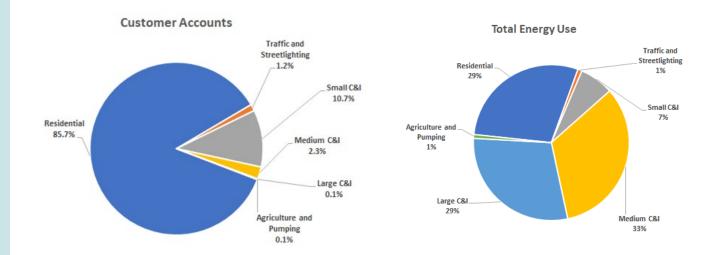
#### Customer Energy Efficiency Program Goals

- 1. Help to lower customer bills
- 2. Spur local economic development
- 3. Offer specialized programs designed for member communities
- 4. Meet California Public Utility Commission requirements





## OCPA Community Analysis

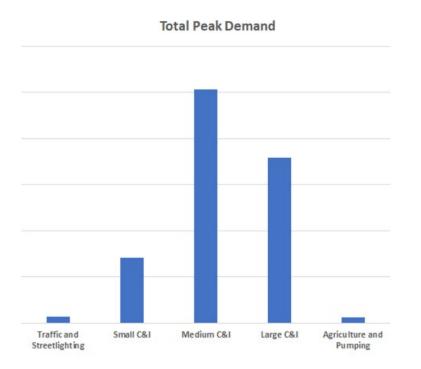


- Residential customers represent nearly 86% of total accounts, but only 29% of electricity sales
- Medium and Large Commercial & Industrial (C&I) customers represent less than 3% of accounts but 62% of electricity sales





## OCPA Community Analysis



Peak Demand: the maximum energy use in any given hour of the year

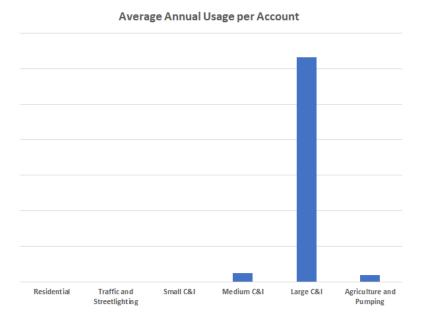
Peak Demand is a key driver for power supply costs

Reducing Peak
Demands will reduce
total OCPA energy
costs to benefit all
OCPA customers





## OCPA Community Analysis



Customer program design should consider the annual usage per account

Lighter touch initiatives can target a larger number of customers for less cost

Heavier touch initiatives can deliver larger savings





#### Proposed programs cover a broad range of OCPA community members

- Home owners
- Renters
- Small to large business owners
- Emerging workforce
- Municipalities

#### **Total of seven initial programs**

- 1. 3 Business/Industry
- 2. 2 Residential
- 3. 1 Worker match and training program
- 4. 1 Public agencies





#### Program Plan Feedback

- Present programs at local meetings to gather community input
- Share a survey (questions included in today's presentation) at meetings and launch on OCPA's website
- Incorporate community feedback into program design





### Business energy analysis and targeted energy efficiency rebates

**What:** Empower small/medium businesses to lower energy bills with tailored energy-saving tips and roll out rebates based on identified customer need

**Why:** Provide wide-reaching, high-level support to introduce customers to deeper savings opportunities/rebates

Who: Small/Medium Businesses

- What equipment should be considered for rebates? (lighting, HVAC, refrigeration, thermostat, other)
- What platform would be most useful for energy-saving tips (e-mail/mail/online/mobile app)?





### Hands-on energy project support for customers that are large energy customers

What: Holistic, tailored energy efficiency approach to maximize energy savings

**Why:** Target high energy-consuming facilities (with high peak load) to reduce OCPA power costs

Who: Large commercial/industrial

#### How:

• What types of customers could benefit from this support in your community (medical, manufacturing, large office space, educational institutions)?





#### Green small business certification support

**What:** Offer support to small businesses to purchase and install energy efficiency technologies and obtain Green Business Certification

**Why:** Few resources available for small business energy efficiency retrofits

**Who:** Small businesses (focus on underrepresented businesses)

- What types of energy efficiency measures could businesses save money on/benefit from (thermostat, lighting, HVAC, refrigeration, other)?
- What size grant is needed to help small businesses invest in energy/cost-saving projects (\$500, \$1000, \$1500, \$2000)?





### Residential energy analysis and targeted energy efficiency rebates

**What:** Empower residents to lower energy bills with tailored energy-saving tips and roll out rebates based on identified customer need

**Why:** Residential is OCPA's largest customer group (by number of accounts).

Who: Homeowners and renters

- Which platform would be most effective for personalized energy-savings tips? (email, mail, online, mobile app)?
- Which energy-efficient appliances/technologies would be most appealing to residents (thermostat, refrigerator, W/D, HVAC)?





#### Multifamily tenant-focused improvements

**What:** Empower multifamily residents to lower energy use and bills with tailored energy-saving tips & roll out rebates or full-service retrofits based on identified customer need

**Why:** The owner and utility bill recipient are often different individuals in multifamily. Rebates or full-service retrofits can bridge the gap between them.

Who: Renters in multifamily housing (target underrepresented neighborhoods)

- Which platform would be most effective for personalized energy-savings tips? (email, mail, online, app)?
- Which energy-efficient appliances/technologies would be most appealing to multifamily residents (thermostat, refrigerator, HVAC)?





#### Worker match and training program

**What:** Work with community colleges, students and local businesses to design energy efficiency-related curriculum accompanied by apprenticeship and job placement programs.

**Why:** Mobilize the OC workforce to address energy efficiency industry needs and skill gaps seen by local businesses.

**Who:** Emerging green-collar workforce, local businesses, community colleges

#### How:

What types of energy efficiency skills are necessary to OC businesses, homes, and cities? (facility benchmarking, energy efficient equipment installation, energy audits)?





### Municipal incentives for energy efficient upgrades

**What:** Targeted energy efficiency rebates and full-service retrofits for cities.

**Why:** Help OCPA member agencies lead by example and lower energy costs

Who: Cities (city-owned properties) in partnership with SoCalREN

#### How:

 What types of energy efficiency retrofits can directly benefit both municipal bottom lines and the community (libraries, parks, city halls/civic centers)?





### Anticipated Timeline

OCPA Initiated Exploratory Efforts

**May 2021** 

Update on Funding and Program
Development to
Board
July 2021

Community Engagement

August & Sept. 2021

2021

Presentation on Program Choices to the Board September 2021

Submit funding request to the CPUC

Q4 2021 & Q1 2022

Initial Program Launched

Mid 2022





## Additional Opportunity for Feedback

#### **General Feedback**

Attend a Community Feedback Meeting

8/12 Buena Park

8/16 Fullerton

8/23 Fullerton

8/26 Huntington Beach

**Specific Feedback or Questions** 

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