Business Energy Grants

The massive energy expenditure it takes to fuel Maryland's commercial and industrial sectors provides enormous opportunities for energy savings. The Maryland Energy Administration coordinates with large-scale industrial projects as well as farms and businesses throughout the state to recommend energy saving practices and identify affordable ways businesses can install renewable energy systems.

Commercial Clean Energy Grant Program: To help Maryland business owners invest in clean energy, MEA provides grants to assist in installation of solar photovoltaic, solar water heating, geothermal heat pump, and wind turbine systems.

Commercial Industrial & Agriculture Grant Program: Assisting commercial, industrial, and non-profit enterprises in funding deep energy retrofits that significantly reduce facility electricity consumption.

Combined Heat and Power Grant Program: This program provides grants to encourage the implementation of Combined Heat and Power (CHP) technologies in critical infrastructure, such as healthcare and publicly owned wastewater treatment facilities.

Data Center Energy Efficiency Grant: This innovative, first in the country pilot supports the robust and growing information technology sector within the State by providing grants to encourage the implementation of cost-effective energy efficiency measures in Maryland data centers.

Jane E. Lawton Conservation Loan Program: Businesses, local governments, non-profits, state agencies, as well as structures used primarily for religious or fraternal activities can apply for funds to install energy conservation upgrades. Per House Bill 170 (Chapter 135 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019 State Agency Loan Program (SALP) program has been merged with the Lawton Loan program.

Offshore Wind Program: Our offshore wind program focuses on preparing Maryland’s businesses and workforce entering the offshore wind industry.

Parking Lot Solar PV Canopy with EV Charger Program: The program captures unrealized potential of these facilities by installing solar photovoltaics while still allowing parking services to be offered.

Resilient Maryland: The program drives economic growth through innovative clean energy technology, which will enable essential services, businesses and other organizations to resist power disruptions and outages.
Maryland Agricultural Businesses Harness Solar and Pocket $74,000 in Annual Savings

In 2015, ten Maryland farms installed solar panels which maximized their energy efficiency savings and simultaneously reduce their carbon footprint by installing solar panels. Learn more about how leaders in Maryland’s agriculture sector are harnessing energy efficiency and energy generation to stay competitive.

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**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

- 34% SOLAR AVOIDED LOAD ON THE GRID
- 14% REDUCTION IN ELECTRICITY THROUGH ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 52% REDUCTION IN PROPANE USE

2,519 MMBTU SAVINGS

**ESTIMATED COSTS, SAVINGS, AND PAYBACK**

- ESTIMATED ANNUAL ENERGY COST SAVINGS $74,211
- ESTIMATED INSTALLED COST $1,026,513
- ESTIMATED PAYBACK IN YEARS 13.8

**ANNUAL GREENHOUSE GASES REDUCTION**

- CO₂ (METRIC TONS) 939.74