



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENERGY PARTNERSHIP

Facilitated by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, the Local Government Energy Partnership (LGEP) is a collaborative program offering our local government and associate members a variety of programs and services to advance energy saving opportunities. Together we are creating a sustainable region that:

- Reduces the costs of government
- Attracts businesses and encourages their growth
- Promotes responsible stewardship of our resources

By empowering local governments to be their community's trusted energy advocate, we are bringing together all stakeholders to catalyze a sustainable energy transformation in Central Ohio. The partnership serves as the nexus between our local governments and member organizations, the utilities serving these areas, residents and the businesses that call the mid-Ohio region home.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

ENERGY BENCHMARKING

MORPC partnered with JadeTrack to provide members with an online dashboard to benchmark building performance. This tool allows participants to collect, analyze, and visualize utility data to identify energy saving opportunities across all publicly-owned buildings and fleets.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Connecting participants with the knowledge they need to make their operations as efficient as possible, the partnership's Technical Support Program is designed to assist partners with their energy planning and analysis needs.

ENERGY ACADEMY

The Energy Academy develops our local governments into energy champions and experts in energy efficiency, renewable energy, financing, alternative-fuel vehicles, and infrastructure planning – ready to improve their own operations, as well as assist residents and businesses with participating in energy efficiency programs (coming in 2019).

ENERGY CONSORTIUM

Building upon the collective success of participating communities, the Energy Consortium provides an arena for the sharing of best practices and to further initiatives by taking advantage of economies of scale (coming in 2019).

RECOGNITION PROGRAM

This program will reward our partners with the recognition they deserve for their efforts to make our region more sustainable and welcoming (coming in 2019).

MORPC BENCHMARKING PROGRAM

MEMBER ENROLLMENT PROCESS

1. MORPC members and associates should contact MORPC if interested in the Benchmarking Program. Information will be provided about upcoming webinars, with the first being held in March, and available online afterwards.
2. Attend the orientation webinar to start enrollment in the MORPC Benchmarking Program.
The enrollment process includes:
 - Memorandum of understanding between the participating member, MORPC, and JadeTrack
 - Letter of authorization allowing JadeTrack to automate the collection of information
 - List of utility accounts to be included in the dashboard
 - Designated staff and contact information
3. If local council or board approval is required for participation, MORPC team members will be available to present as necessary, or a slideshow can be provided.
4. Receive training to develop your dashboard. MORPC anticipates creating five dashboards per month. If you have AEP and Columbia Gas, your utility data is automated. For all other utility providers, data needs to be entered manually.

MEMBER OUTREACH AND ANALYSIS

Through the first year of participation in the program, MORPC staff will meet with participants in order to review data, address any questions, and discuss potential opportunities. MORPC staff and JadeTrack's program manager are available monthly for site visits as necessary.

SHARING SUCCESS

All participants in the MORPC Benchmarking Program will have their aggregated information displayed on a regional dashboard available through MORPC's website. The regional dashboard will highlight the region's sustainability efforts in energy consumption, alternative fuels, and renewable energy. Every month, a community will be showcased on the dashboard with specific steps they are taking to move into a sustainable future.

Case studies will also be developed to highlight the energy savings and improvements that each community is experiencing. Each will be developed with permission of the participant community.

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