

National Association of State Energy Officials

# Expanding Resources for Rural Code Implementation and Workforce Development



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## RECI and National Energy Codes Collaborative

- Code implementation and compliance has faced the same challenges for years.
- RECI funded the NECC and many projects to improve code implementation.
- Rural and other communities that have previously lacked access to training and other implementation resources are a focus.
- Creating training materials for vocational and technical schools and community colleges.
- Supporting good careers that support attainable, energy efficient, and healthy housing.



#### State implementation Technical Advisory Group



<u>Purpose:</u> Guide and inform the creation of resources to help State Energy Offices achieve their energy policy goals.

<u>How:</u> Bringing together experts from across the country and industry to create resources to uplift success stories that address common challenges.

<u>Why:</u> Code implementation and enforcement have needed additional resources for years. We now have IIJA money to address some of the challenges we've heard about.

<u>How to support</u>: State Energy Offices can participate in calls and share State expertise and experience. No additional commitment required.

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## Why is this important?

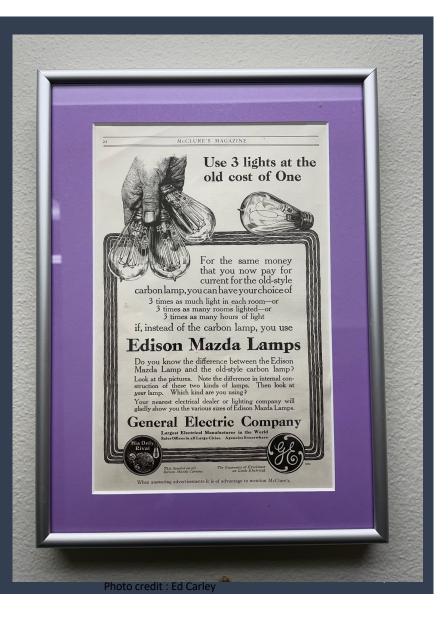
State Energy Offices know best what they and their communities need.

Buildings are responsible for 37% of total energy consumption in the US (EIA, 2023).

Buildings are long lived assets.

Implementation matters.

USDA and HUD rules mean builders, trades, and code officials need additional resources.



## Next steps

Get involved!

Next State TAG meeting October 24 at 3:30 P.M.

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