



Delaware Interfaith Power & Light, Inc.
A Religious Response to Climate Change
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FAITH EFFICIENCIES AGREEMENT

Delaware Interfaith Power & Light (DeIPL) has been contracted by Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU)/Energize Delaware to administer an energy audit, remediation and education program geared to faith communities throughout the state of Delaware. That program is titled *Faith Efficiencies*.

The mandate of the SEU is to foster a sustainable energy future for the state of Delaware. The mission of the DeIPL is to rally faith communities to address causes and impacts of climate change. Our shared goal is to empower religious institutions and their individual members to adopt creative, effective and affordable energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy strategies.

To that end, religious institutions are offered a comprehensive energy audit, with 90% of the cost being covered by the SEU. DeIPL coordinates the process, offers consultation on repair and upgrade strategies and provides information on available financial incentives.

Program Outline:

- DeIPL meets with the faith community team to review the Faith Efficiencies program, services, resources and costs and secure a signed agreement.
- DeIPL works with the faith community to schedule an energy audit with a certified energy auditor/assessor.
- DeIPL works with faith community to identify or enlist an Earth Care/Stewardship team. This team will assist in data collection on historic utility usage (bills), facility use and layout information to inform the energy audit and determine the cost.
- DeIPL will invoice the faith community for 10% of the cost of the audit, to be paid upon receipt. The total cost of the audit is estimated to be \$1,000-\$2,500, depending on the size and characteristics of the facility. The SEU covers 90% of that cost.
- DeIPL coordinates with the faith community to schedule a home energy forum for members of the congregation to share energy conservation tips, tools and financial resources, featuring SEU's Home Performance with Energy Star program.
- Energy audit is performed on-site in the company of faith community staff and/or available team members familiar with the facility.
- Auditor provides a hardcopy/electronic report, including suggested remediation priorities, projected costs and anticipated savings, and return on investment information. An additional copy of the report becomes the property of the SEU, which is funding the program and monitoring its effectiveness.
- DeIPL provides a spreadsheet and instructs assigned individuals on monthly tracking of utility costs/usage and savings identified with upgrades and repairs.
- DeIPL works with faith community to prioritize the audit recommendations based on estimated savings, budget considerations, and available financial incentives.
- Faith Community agrees to track and share information on energy usage and completed repairs and upgrades for one year.

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In a good faith effort to contribute to the effective use of financial resources and overall success of the program, representatives of _____

_____ participating faith community

have reviewed the program overview and agree to:

- submit payment, upon receipt of invoice, for 10% of the total cost of the energy audit. Sustainable Energy Utility will cover the remaining 90% of the cost.
- identify a team to assist in data collection on historic utility usage (bills), facility use and layout information to inform the energy audit and determine the cost.
- Identify staff and/or available team members familiar with the facility to be present throughout the energy audit process.
- work with DeIPL to schedule a home energy forum for members of the congregation to share energy conservation tips, tools and financial resources, featuring SEU's Home Performance with Energy Star program.
- implement a system to track monthly energy use in order to evaluate energy efficiency upgrades and effectiveness of the program.
- share that information over a 12 month period with DeIPL and provide information on repairs and upgrades recommended by the audit that were implemented over that 12 month period.
- explore opportunities to establish a "permanent" Energy/Environment/Earth Care display, as described in the program overview.

Agreed up this _____ day of _____, 2016

BY:

_____ Title/Position

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_____ Faith Community

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