

Ready to Go/State and Local Efforts Advancing Energy Efficiency: American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy Publishes Tool Kit



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The American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (“ACEEE”) has published a November 2021 tool kit titled:

Ready-to-Go: State and Local Efforts Advancing Energy Efficiency (“Tool Kit”)

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The Tool Kit describes itself as a:

... resource for local and state governments and their partner organizations as they prepare to deploy current and future federal funding opportunities.

Energy efficiency programs from various cities and states are cited as potential models. Further addressed are what are characterized as effective and equitable program development in regards to the goal of energy efficiency. Energy programs were apparently chosen by the authors:

- Seeking advice and input from external organizations with knowledge of state and local policies
- Synthesizing internal subject matter expertise
- Gathering public reported program data

A focus of the Tool Kit is believed to be “six guiding principles” for government developing energy efficiency programs which include:

- Undertaking rigorous public engagement processes
- Defining multiple benefits

- Using a data-driven approach
- Setting goals and maintaining accountability
- Enhancing program flexibility
- Maximizing comprehensiveness

The Tool Kit describes 17 United States programs addressing energy efficiency. Topics include housing, transportation, workforce development and others.

In discussing the programs the Tool Kit provides the following information:

- Program summary
- Identified successes and challenges
- Key ways the program can be applied to other government's work

A copy of the Tool Kit can be downloaded [here](#).