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Quarterly Report First Quarter

January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022



Nicor Gas Company
Energy Efficiency Program – Plan Year 2022
Quarterly Report: First Quarter



Energy
Efficiency
Program

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Portfolio summary

Year-to-date results

January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022

1.23M

Net savings
to date

8.74%

Percent of
planned savings

14.1M

Annual
savings goal

\$7.63M

Spend
to date

16.7%

Percent of
planned spend

\$45.7M

Annual
budget

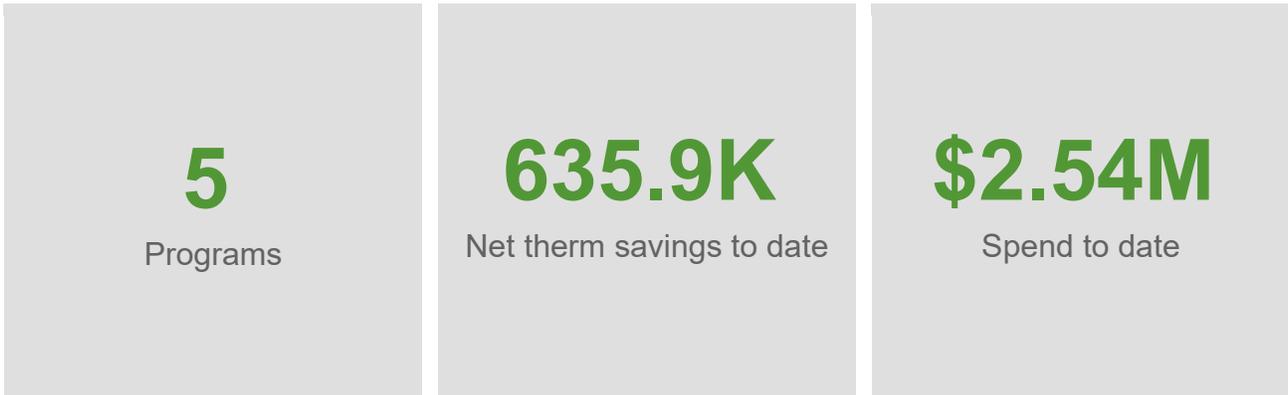
Key portfolio highlights

- Within our Residential New Construction offering 419 homes were completed, which is equal to 21.8% of the annual goal.
- Affordable Housing new construction has seen strong participation so far in 2022. At the end of Q1 we have attained over 50% of unit goal.

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- The BEER offering exceeded its therm and incentive 1st quarter goals due to sixty-seven public sector boiler replacements and twenty boiler tune-ups that produced a great start to 2022.

Residential programs



Key highlights

- The Multifamily Direct Installation portion of our Multifamily offering has had a strong start in 2022 within over 1,500 units served.
- Within our Residential New Construction offering 419 homes were completed, which is equal to 21.8% of the annual goal.
- The HEER offering has incentivized 1,873 high efficiency furnaces and boilers as well as 414 smart thermostats to our customers.

Program overviews

Home Energy Efficiency Rebates (HEER)

The objective of the Home Energy Efficiency Rebate (“HEER”) Program is to obtain energy savings by overcoming market barriers to the purchase, installation and maintenance of high-efficiency natural gas space-heating equipment as well as other targeted measures in residential applications.

Residential programs

Home Energy Savings (HES)

The Home Energy Savings (“HES”) program is a whole-house single-family weatherization program with the objective to obtain natural gas savings in existing single-family buildings by overcoming market barriers to the installation of energy efficiency measures. The HES program provides weatherization and shell improvement opportunities using standard, prescriptive and whole-house approaches. This offering consists of a home energy assessment (HEA) and air sealing and insulation (ASI) components.

Multi-family (MF)

The Multi-Family Program (“MF”) addresses residential (living units) and commercial (communal areas, central plants) energy efficiency opportunities available in multi-family buildings. The program aims to overcome market barriers to the installation of energy efficiency measures in multi-family buildings by offering comprehensive assessments, technical assistance and incentives. MF provides property owners with turnkey services to reduce energy and water use in residential living units, communal areas and in the building shell.

Residential New Construction (RNC)

The objective of the Residential New Construction Program (“RNC”) is to obtain energy savings by increasing the energy efficiency of single-family and duplex new construction homes. The program provides participating new home builders and their verifier companies a financial incentive to either a) exceed state and local building code requirements regarding duct and air sealing, along with the installation of specific high-efficiency equipment, or b) install prescriptive high-efficiency equipment only.

Energy Education and Outreach

The energy education and outreach program is intended to enhance residential customers’ understanding of energy usage in their homes and educate these customers

Residential programs

Home Energy Efficiency Rebates (HEER)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 327,055 Net Therms
- From January 1 through March 31, 2022, the Program has incentivized 1,873 high efficiency furnaces and boilers as well as 414 smart thermostats to our customers.
- In the first quarter, the most popular measure installed by customers was the high efficiency 95% furnace with 1,708

Home Energy Savings (HES)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 0 Net Therms
- Through March 31,2022 the Program has been able to provide over 1,600 customers within home energy assessments.
Through March 31,2022, the Program has been able to provide over 260 customers with virtual home energy assessments.
- The Air Sealing and Insulation portion of HES has served 246 homes in the first quarter of 2022.

Residential programs

Multi-family (MF)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 0 Net Therms
- The MF Direct Installation portion of MF has had a strong start in 2022 within over 1,500 units served.
- The prescriptive and custom portion of MF has continued to see lower-than-expected participation.

Residential New Construction (RNC)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 105,771 Net Therms
- In the First Quarter, 419 homes were completed, which is equal to 21.8% of the annual goal.
- Changes to incentive amounts occurred in the First Quarter 2022. The Base and Prescriptive incentives were reduced from \$125 to \$115, and the High Efficiency incentive was reduced from \$300 to \$145.

Residential programs

Energy Education and Outreach

Energy Saving Kits (“ESKs”)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 203,040 Net Therms
- In the First Quarter, 2,704 water-saving kits and 6,494 weatherization kits were distributed to customers, a total of 9,198 kits.
- The most popular kit requested by customers in the First Quarter was the weatherization kit. Weatherization kits made up 70.6% of all kits distributed

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Elementary Education Kits (“EEKs”)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 0 Net Therms
- Final touches on the scope of work for this program are being reviewed. The Elementary Education Program is designed to be a hybrid educational campaign delivered to all students in grades 3 through 5, with kits reserved for 5th grade students, that infuses energy efficiency, natural gas, and water conservation with STEM education elements.
- School selection will be intentional and focus on enrolling schools from various socioeconomic levels and racially diverse student populations as well as include up to five schools, each year, specifically focused on students with special needs.

Home Energy Reports (“HER”)

- **Savings achieved to date** – 0 Net Therms
- Over the course of the First Quarter the Company has worked with the Implementation Contractor to prepare for the delivery of Home Energy Reports (HER).
- As of the First Quarter, the plan is to begin delivering Home Energy Reports via email and printed mail to customers in July.

Income-eligible programs



Key highlights

- Affordable Housing new construction has seen strong participation so far in 2022. At the end of Q1 we have attained over 50% of unit goal.
- Single and Multifamily retrofit offering has completed 264 Single Family homes and 235 Multi Family units
- We have seen higher interest from Public Housing Authorities this year than in the past with participant reengagement

Program overviews

The objective of the Income-Eligible Energy Efficiency (“IE”) program is to provide broad and deep energy efficiency opportunities to income-eligible customers living in single-family homes and multi-family buildings, and for the construction of new energy-efficient affordable housing. This program includes:

- Single Family and Multi-Family Weatherization and Retrofits
- Health and Safety
- PHA/Multi-Family Buildings
- Affordable Housing New Construction (AHNC)

Income-qualified programs

Single Family/Multi-family Weatherization and Retrofits (need content)

- Program overview
- Savings achieved to date – 0 Net Therms
- To date, in 2022, 264 Single Family homes and 235 Multi Family units have been served.
- We are currently seeing a bit higher price per therm, within our Single Family Retrofits, than planned due to higher project costs than modeled.

Health and Safety (need content)

- Program overview
- Savings achieved to date – 0 Net Therms
- Q1 focus has been working on program design and partnership relationships. Target communities are being defined for pilot operations.

Income-qualified programs

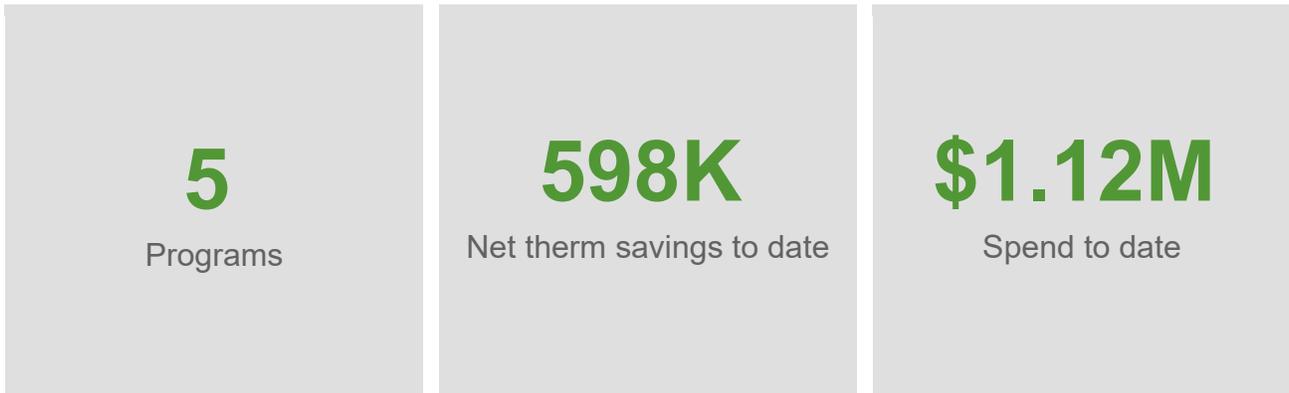
Public Housing Authority (need content)

- Program overview
- Savings achieved to date – 0 Net Therms
- We have seen higher interest from PHA's this year than in the past with participant reengagement

Affordable Housing New Construction Public Housing Authority (need content)

- Program overview
- Savings achieved to date – 0 Net Therms
- Affordable Housing new construction has seen strong participation so far in 2022. At the end of Q1 we have attained over 50% of unit goal.
- 3 projects have been completed thus far in 2022.

Business programs



Key highlights

- The BEER offering exceeded its therm and incentive 1st quarter goals due to sixty-seven public sector boiler replacements and twenty boiler tune-ups that produced a great start to 2022.
- Business New Construction, in the first quarter, a total of 9 commercial/ industrial projects were completed. Of which, 5 were private sector projects and 4 were public sector projects
- The Small Business offering is running slightly behind on therms, and slightly ahead on incentives. This trend will be watched and managed going into the second quarter

Program overviews

Business Energy Efficiency Rebates

The Business Energy Efficiency Rebates (“BEER”) program’s goal is to produce natural gas energy savings in the business and public sectors by promoting the purchase and installation of energy efficiency measures such

Business programs

as: high-efficiency space heating, water heating, food service technologies, tune-ups and upgrades. This is accomplished by providing the direct installation of free energy-saving products, completing free energy assessments of customers' facilities and providing tailored energy efficiency project recommendations.

Business New Construction

The objective of the Business New Construction ("BNC") Program is to obtain energy savings during the design and construction of new buildings, major renovations of existing buildings, and tenant buildouts in the commercial, public sector and industrial market. The Business New Construction offering provides education, financial incentives and technical assistance to help building owners and design teams exceed current energy codes.

Custom Incentives

The purpose of the Custom Incentives ("Custom") program is to assist medium-to-large commercial, multi-family, public sector and industrial customers in identifying and implementing cost-effective natural gas energy efficiency measures that are not otherwise addressed in Nicor Gas' BEER, MF or SB Programs. Participation is driven through the program's free energy assessments, which inform the customer on ways to be more efficient. These assessment recommendations can spill over into other commercial and industrial program participation. Additionally, the Custom program offers a Retro-Commissioning (RCx) offering, assisting participants with low-cost and no-cost tune-ups and adjustments to their operating systems, building controls, energy management systems and HVAC systems in existing buildings. The aim of the retro-commissioning offering is to optimize operation and improve facility efficiency by returning equipment to its intended operation or design specifications. The Custom program also includes a Combined Heat and Power (CHP) offering.

Small Business Energy Savings

The Small Business Program's ("SB") objective is to obtain long-term natural gas energy savings from small business gas customers, including public sector customers, with energy efficiency retrofits and financial incentives to influence the installation of highly efficient natural gas equipment.

Strategic Energy Management

The objective of the Strategic Energy Management ("SEM") program is to obtain long-term energy savings by focusing on improving and optimizing commercial, industrial and public-sector operations, processes and energy equipment.

Business programs

Business Energy Efficiency Rebates

- **Savings achieved to date** – 394,883 Net Therms
- The program is continuing to see public sector assessment and direct install interest, due to a multi-pronged public sector outreach approach, which will be fulfilled pending Restore Illinois requirements. This outreach initiative has reached out to 420 public school districts and 200 municipalities. Nicor Gas is continuing further public sector outreach through our Marketing and Outreach team, to ensure the program is educating all markets within the public sector. Steam traps continue to be key measures and the Program anticipates this trend will continue.
- The program suspension of all assessments and face-to-face customer interactions has continued through the Second Quarter. The Program has monitored the Restore Illinois phases and hopes to lift this suspension in the Third Quarter. Outreach efforts have continued, but the Program is seeing less interest and has had difficulty reaching customers and trade allies. Nicor Gas is evaluating the COVID 19 impacts to the program, and anticipates a reduction of projects and lower therm savings in the Third Quarter. The program is currently developing ways to counteract this impact.
- Due to COVID-19, The program has developed ways to interact with our customers remotely, while tracking a pipeline of customer interest that the program can pursue when able to return to the field safe

Business New Construction

- **Savings achieved to date** – 9,019 Net Therms
- In the First Quarter, a total of 9 commercial/ industrial projects were completed. Of which, 5 were private sector projects and 4 were public sector projects

TYPE (*public sector)	SQ. FEET	ANNUAL GROSS THERM SAVINGS	MEASURES
YWCA facility addition	56,748	2,923	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roof insulation • Mass and steel frame wall insulation • Window properties • Energy recovery and demand control ventilation • Kitchen Exhaust • Energy Star appliances • Condensing DHW heaters • Low flow fixtures
*Library additions & renovations	34,676	3,829	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steel frame wall insulation • Window assembly

Business programs

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Condensing boilers • Condensing DHW heaters
*High school	252,200	3,576	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Window properties • Chiller cooling efficiency • Demand control ventilation • Low flow fixture
ANNUAL GROSS THERM SAVINGS			
TYPE (*public sector)	SQ. FEET		MEASURES
*Municipal center	22,226	1,338	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass wall insulation • Efficient boilers and domestic hot water generator • Occupancy sensor tied setback control on VAV terminal units
Multi-family building	509,299	4,398	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wood framed wall insulation • RTU heating efficiency

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Star appliances
*High school cafeteria addition	44,423	963	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass wall insulation • Demand control ventilation
Warehouse	249,550	3,947	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct fired make-up-air units
Brett Anthony Foods renovation	82,134	4,355	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Condensing MAUs
Warehouse additions	138,000	5,595	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct fired make-up-air units • Advanced wall assembly

Business programs

Custom Incentives

- Savings achieved to date – 39,992 Net Therms
- The program has a robust pipeline, which currently includes roughly 60 projects. The program has completed 15 projects (including two RCx projects through the ComEd/Nexant MOU) for a total of roughly 307,000 net therms. Engineering and Outreach teams have implemented remote working protocols (due to virus restrictions) in order to continue building the pipeline and find new opportunities. The program is continuing to see public sector interest, due to a multi-pronged public sector outreach approach to public schools and municipalities. The follow-up outreach cadence on assessments has increased, which has helped identify customers who will be acting on assessment recommendations. Outreach efforts to spark Retro-Commissioning (RCx) project interest have also increased. CHP activity continues to build. One CHP Feasibility Study (FS) was finalized in the Second Quarter. Eight CHP FSs have been completed to-date in 2020, with a total potential 20,488 kW. One 800 kW CHP system, the first in Nicor Gas/ComEd joint territory, began the 16-month EM&V process in the third quarter of 2019 and is expected to complete EM&V in the Fourth Quarter of 2020. One public sector CHP 375 kW system is in construction and is expected to be flame-on in the third quarter of 2020.
- The program is continuing to evaluate the COVID-19 impacts. Due to the suspension of assessments and face to face customer interactions, it is anticipated that the program will see a reduction in projects and therm savings in the Third Quarter. Outreach efforts have continued to develop a pipeline and counteract this negative impact.
- Due to COVID-19, The Program has developed ways to interact with our customers remotely, while tracking a pipeline of customer interest that the program can pursue when able to return to the field safely.

Business programs

Small Business Energy Savings

- Savings achieved to date – 154,273 Net Therms
- The program continues to see increased public sector interest, due to our multi-pronged public sector outreach approach. This outreach initiative has reached out to 420 public school districts and 200 municipalities. Nicor Gas is continuing further public sector outreach to ensure the program is educating all markets within the public sector. The program is compiling an interest pipeline to pursue when able to return to the field safely. Outreach is still uncovering custom and prescriptive pipeline opportunities, and is keeping consistent communication with our trade allies, who anticipate a high volume of projects in the third and fourth quarter, especially dry cleaner steam trap projects. At the end of the Second Quarter, the program started seeing steady dry cleaner steam trap application submissions and anticipates this will continue into the Third Quarter.
- Outreach efforts are ongoing to counteract the program suspension of all assessments and face-to-face customer interactions, which has continued through the Second Quarter. We have monitored the Restore Illinois phases and hope to lift this suspension in the Third Quarter.
- Due to COVID-19, the program is developing ways to interact with our customers remotely, while working to develop a pipeline of customer interest that the program can pursue, when able to return to the field safely.

Strategic Energy Management

- Savings achieved to date – 0 Net Therms
- Three cohorts were underway in the Second Quarter: 2019/2020 K-12 Public Sector (five of six school districts completed their performance period) claimed savings of 249,811 therms; 2020 Public Sector (includes seven customers starting their first year of SEM); and 2020 Alumni (includes 15 joint Nicor Gas/ComEd customers, four ComEd-only and six Nicor Gas-only customers that are continuing the second, third, fourth or fifth year of their energy-saving journey; six of these are public sector customers).
- For the Second Quarter, the new (first-year) 2020 Public Sector cohort was, and continues to be, in recruiting. On March 12, all in-person meetings and site visits ceased in response to COVID-19 and were replaced with virtual meetings. COVID-19 impacts have been seen in the Second Quarter. Many industrial customers continued to operate, but a few shut down for a short period and are gradually resuming production, while others increased production based on demand. Also gradually beginning to open back up are: schools and universities closed in unoccupied mode, switching to online classes though some had international student occupancy; and office buildings that reduced occupancy depending on if tenants were considered essential workers.
- Key Program Changes. None

Business programs

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Emerging technology and market transformation

Program overviews

ETP

The primary mission of the Nicor Gas Emerging Technology Program (“ETP”) is to seek out new or unproven technologies that may be suitable for inclusion in the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program and verify their natural gas savings through field tests and pilot demonstrations.

ETP update for Q1 2022:

ETP is preparing the following workpapers for IL 2022 TRM Cycle:

1. Residential IOT sensor for dryer (ET)

SmartDry is the first to market, patent protected aftermarket sensor for clothes dryers that magnetically snaps into any existing gas or electric dryer in seconds. It sends alerts to your smartphone or smart speaker via its cloud algorithms. SmartDry is proving to be more accurate than your dryer sensor. It detects clothes are dry sooner and saving our users on average 20 minutes per load. That is translating into time, money, and energy saving opportunities. Currently a fully functioning and deployed stable product, with excellent rating on Amazon. Customers report how easy it is to install

2. MF whole building air sealing (ET)

A PCM based material to seal cracks that go unsealed with batt insulation. Ideal for new construction or a deep retrofit.

ETP continues work on ongoing field pilot projects. The continued active projects are following:

- 1.Small Commercial Boiler Manufacturer Controller

- Remote monitoring of central boiler-based heating and domestic hot water systems to identify operational inefficiencies and proactively maintain systems.

- 2 Emerson Sensi-Lab Study

- A sensor suite from Emerson to monitor existing furnace and air conditioner. If system is newly installed, then it will verify proper/optimal installation while on an older system, it will monitor based on target performance.

- 3 Phase Change Ceiling Tile

Emerging technology and market transformation

New engineered dual-temperature phase change material (PCM) technology that positively impacts HVAC energy consumption, improves HVAC cycling profiles, and extends HVAC lifespan during both summer and winter seasons.

ETP is writing and completing final pilot project reports for the following completed pilot projects.

1. Smart Radiator Control Valves

Smart radiator control valves replace the manual or mechanical thermostat valves present on steam and hot water radiators in buildings. They can provide programmable thermostat capacity on a room-by-room basis and some can be part of a fully networked system with smartphone app control.

2. Interior Storm Windows

A glass interior storm window allowing you to keep the original window, avoiding the cost & time of replacement. Adds energy conservation and noise control. Innerglass Window Systems LLC

Market transformation

The MT program goal is to accelerate the adoption of energy efficient products and/or services to maximize energy savings for Nicor Gas' Energy Efficiency Program. The MT program focuses on specific MT initiatives targeting technologies and services. This includes recruiting partners to bring these technologies forward, development of the MT logic and framework, and implementing activities to support the adoption of the targeted technologies and services. The MT program also focuses on expanding MT activities locally in Illinois including at the SAG, regionally, and internationally to leverage cross cutting opportunities with other utilities and organizations pursuing MT.

Emerging technology and market transformation

Market transformation

- Triple Pane Windows
- Gas Heat Pump Water Heater
- Gas Heat Pump (Combi)

Program operations

Budget Flexibility

- **Budget Flexibility.** Any Program Administrator-initiated proposed budget shift of fifty percent (50%) for Programs with budgets under \$5 million or twenty percent (20%) for Programs with budgets over \$5 million shall be brought to the SAG when practicable, but no later than the next quarterly SAG meeting. It shall also be reported to the Commission in the quarterly reports.
- **Actions.** Nicor Gas has not exceeded the flexibility provisions authorized by the Commission in its Final Order.

Responses to evaluator recommendations (Refer to Index B)

Program Activities: Nicor Gas shall summarize the following:

- Program activities
- Implementation modifications
- Additions or discontinuations of specific measures or programs.
- Spending and savings amounts compared to the Plan filing
- How the Company responds to past evaluators' recommendations and changes in the IL-TRM, NTG ratios, market research findings, and other relevant information the Company relies upon in making its decisions
- Pilots completed and the results

Actions:

- Please see the above section on the Second Quarter's highlights.
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- Please see Section C below and Appendix A for a discussion and list of new measures added to Nicor Gas' programs.
- Spending and savings by program are shown in the attached Statewide Quarterly Report Template.
- Please see Appendix B for actions taken in response to evaluators' recommendations.
- Please see the above section on the Second Quarter's highlights.

New measure cost-effectiveness

Cost Effectiveness of New Measures (table by measure) Cost-effectiveness screening results for new measures.

- **Actions.** Actions taken in PY2020 in response to past evaluators' recommendations are shown in Appendix B.

Cost-Ineffective Measures (explanation of why they were included) Explain reasons for including new cost-ineffective measures in programs.

- **Actions.** There are no new cost-ineffective measures included in programs.

Stipulations

**Weighted Average
Measure Life**

15.91 yrs

Stipulation: ≥ 11.91 years

**Public Sector Spend as a % of
Overall Portfolio Spend**

13.9%

Stipulation: Minimum of 10%

**Average Income-Qualified
Spend to Date**

\$1.90 M

Stipulation: At least \$8.075M per year

**% of IQ Projects in
Multi-Family Housing Units**

0%

Stipulation: At least 30% of units treated

Supplier Diversity

Supplier Diversity

In 2022, Nicor Gas and Energy Efficiency will continue to align ourselves with professional organizations and industry groups that support business diversity and inclusion amongst underutilized areas of our business. We will partner with various advocacy organizations, our peer utilities that make up the Illinois Utility Business Development Council (IUBDC), and our diverse partners to host and/or attend diversity-related summits and events that are geared toward the advancement of diverse business enterprises. Furthermore, we will continue to leverage our diverse partners to support the development and increased utilization of diverse businesses.

Tier 1 Diverse Spend

\$1.244 M

Tier 2 Diverse Spend

\$12.64 M

% of Total Eligible Spend

29.9%

Key highlights

- A WBE, Griffin & Strong, will be conducting the research phase of our Market Development Initiative (MDI) program. A key deliverable from G&S is a Market Development Action Plan (MDAP) that will serve as the blueprint for an MDI program designed to invest in workforce and business development in disadvantaged communities and increase the energy efficiency funds delivered directly to those communities.
- A WBE and MBE, Walker-Miller will be delivering our Elementary Energy Education (EEE) program. Through in-person or livestream events, along with teaching materials and online activities, 5thgrade students will learn about using energy wisely at home.

VENDOR TYPE	% SPEND	PRIME	SUB	TRADE ALLIES
MBE certified		\$150,741	\$11,404	n/a
WBE certified		\$917,003	\$1,235	n/a
VBE certified		\$176,285	\$0	n/a
Non-profit vendors		\$0	\$0	n/a

Program overview



Impact

 **202M+**
in incentives since 2011

- Residential and multi-family customers: energy-saving kits and home assessments
- Commercial and public sector customers: building system optimization, energy-saving projects
- Income-qualified customers: comprehensive energy upgrades at no cost
- Rebates for energy-efficient products and improvements

 **195M+**
first year therms saved since 2011

- Avoids more than 883K metric tons of CO2 emissions
- Equivalent to the CO2 emissions generated by 190K passenger vehicles over the course of a year

 **845K+**
customers in 643 communities have participated

- \$217 average incentive per customer
- Engaged 129K elementary school students in energy efficiency education

 **\$1.19B**
Economic activity spurred since 2011

- 8,453 jobs supported since 2011
- \$43M spent with diverse suppliers
- \$505M wages supported since 2011

Awards and recognition

Since launching in 2011, the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program has received 19 awards from local, regional, national and international organizations. The program has been recognized for excellence in evaluation, innovation, marketing, program design and research.

Marketing awards

- 2020 Gold Stevie Award
Awarded for the Unexpected Love Story campaign from the American Business Awards
- 2020 Inspiring Efficiency Marketing Award
Awarded for the Unexpected Love Story campaign
- 2019 Gold Stevie Award for Women in Business
Awarded for the Unexpected Love Story campaign in its marketing for women, created by a woman-led team.
- 2017 Inspiring Efficiency Marketing Award for Multicultural Marketing Strategy
Awarded for multicultural marketing strategy including demographic research, event outreach, hyper-local print publication placements and digital ads.
- 2015 Inspiring Efficiency Marketing Award for Customer Journey Strategy
Awarded for marketing & communications strategy including customer journey-mapping, overhauling communications with energySMART rebranding, and Customer Stories campaign
- 2015 Inspiring Efficiency Education Award
Awarded for "What's in the Box" campaign focused on understanding how a furnace works
- 2014 Bronze Stevie Women in Business Award for Consumer Marketing Campaign of the Year
Received bronze placement for energySMART "Customer Stories" campaign
- 2014 AESP Energy Award for Outstanding Achievement in Non-Residential Marketing
Presented for "6 million therms" steam trap infographic campaign
- 2013 E Source Ad Awards Crowd Pleaser Award
Presented for peer recognition for "6 million therms" steam trap infographic campaign
- 2013 Inspiring Efficiency Marketing Award
Presented for Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program's "Summer Staycation" campaign
- 2013 Gold Stevie Award for Utility Marketing Campaign of the Year
Presented for Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program's "Liberate" campaign

Awards and recognition

Other awards

- 2019 AESP Energy Award for Outstanding Achievement in Market Research and Evaluation
Awarded for Nicor Gas's Market Research and Evaluation Initiatives through the Market Transformation program.
- 2018 ISTC Sustainability Award
Awarded to the Emerging Technology Program for its efforts to reduce environmental impact and contribute to the growth of a more sustainable economy.

Program awards

- 2014 Inspiring Efficiency Impact Award for Business New Construction Program
Presented jointly to Nicor Gas and ComEd for providing technical assistance on more than 200 business new construction and renovation projects
- 2013 ENERGY STAR Awards Special Recognition
Received special recognition for active collaboration with other Illinois utilities to provide customer-centered energy efficiency solutions
- 2013 ACEEE Honorable Mention for the Economic Redevelopment Program
Received Honorable Mention for leading program designs and practices
- 2013 ACEEE Exemplary Programs Award for the Home Energy Efficiency Rebate Program
Received Exemplary status based on program performance during Summer Staycation marketing campaign
- 2013 ENERGY STAR Homes in Leadership Award
Presented to outstanding partners who have made important contributions to energy-efficient construction and environmental protection
- 2013 ENERGY STAR Special Recognition Energy Efficiency Program Delivery
Received special recognition for energy efficiency program delivery at the ENERGY STAR awards.