



Energy Block Grants Work!

CAMPAIGN TO SAVE EECBG



Whatcom County Involves Community in Conservation

Whatcom County, Washington is utilizing its Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funding **to reduce energy consumption and protect our climate against global warming.** The County's plan involves reductions at both the County-level and within the community as a whole.

Whatcom County is using EECBG funding to ...

- Implement a Resource Conservation Manager program that will develop and implement facility and county-wide resource plans by **compiling information regarding energy consumption and working directly with local utilities to identify potential energy savings.**
- Operate a "Smart Trips" partnership between state and local government, the private sector, employers, and schools **to provide education, assistance and encouragement to community members interested reducing their vehicle trips by utilizing alternate forms of transportation.**
- Incentivize deep energy efficiency retrofits by partnering with the City of Bellingham and other local organizations to **provide financing and technical assistance to participants in the "Energy Efficiency Community Challenge."**

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Impact on Whatcom County, WA

- \$470,000 in EECBG funding
- 35 jobs to be created or retained
- \$6 million leveraged
- 7,738 megawatt-hours of energy saved
- \$6 million leveraged
- 2,100 metric tons of CO₂e emissions prevented annually



Organized by Climate Communities, the Energy Block Grants Work! campaign is showcasing how cities and counties across America are using federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) dollars to create jobs, save energy, and reduce carbon pollution. For more information, visit www.energyblockgrants.org.