

Hastings Energy Action Plan

Proud Past. Exciting Future.



Introduction

Hastings, known for its historic downtown, riverfront green space, and small town charm, has created a vision for its community to ensure all residents and businesses take advantage of opportunities to increase energy efficiency to save money and improve their quality of life. In the near term, this plan will increase the comfort and health of Hastings homes and businesses. Longer term, these actions will make Hastings more desirable for future residents, workers, and businesses.

Vision

Through increased education and engagement, Hastings residents and businesses will adopt energy-saving behaviors and increase their home or facility's energy efficiency to enhance their quality of life and save energy and money.

About this Plan

Residents, business leaders, City of Hastings staff, and utility representatives — leaders from all over our city — have worked together to create this Energy Action Plan with the help of Xcel Energy's Partners in Energy offering.

Partners in Energy supports communities like Hastings in developing and implementing their energy goals. Because the community worked together, the plan is unique to Hastings, and it charts the course toward an exciting energy future for our city.

Focus Areas

Three focus areas will help us accomplish our goals, and each one has exciting programs to bring our vision to life:

A. Residential Energy Efficiency

We'll encourage Hastings homeowners to:

- Complete a home energy audit
- Properly insulate and air seal their homes
- Recycle inefficient refrigerators and freezers
- Install high efficiency lighting

B. Business Energy Efficiency

We'll bring the advantages of energy efficiency to Hastings businesses with:

- "Business Blitz" visits to share great ideas
- Financing options to help with the upfront costs of energy improvements
- Help applying for equipment rebates

C. Electric Vehicles

We'll make it easy for residents and business owners to:

- Learn about rates and incentives to charge your electric vehicle
- Attend an electric vehicle showcase
- Attend a fleet electrification workshop



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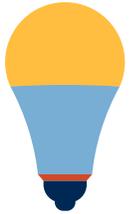


Smart Ideas, Great Results

▶ How do we use Energy?

▶ Current energy use in Hastings

In 2017, our community

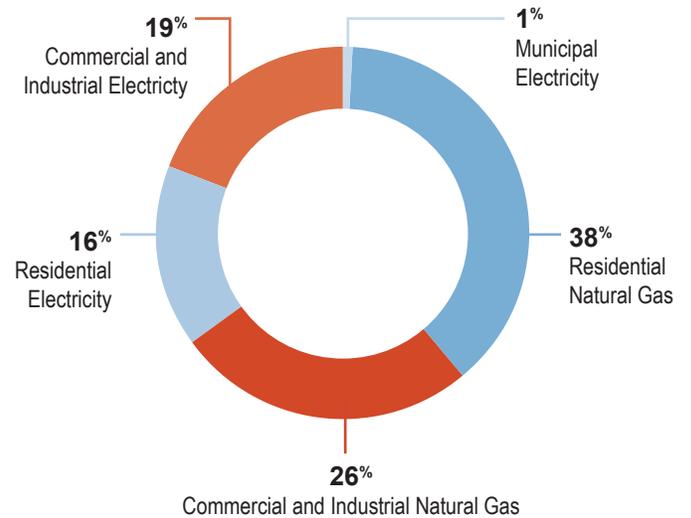


consumed
1.5 MMBtu
of energy



spending a combined
\$14.5 million in
all sectors

▶ Hastings total energy consumption



▶ By reaching this plan's near-term targets in 2019 and 2020, we will achieve:

19%

increase in combined
gas and electricity
savings

\$1.5m

combined residential
and business savings



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