



## Faribault's Energy Action Plan Partners in Energy Wrap-Up

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### Faribault's Energy Action Plan





An Energy Action Plan for

Faribault, Minnesota



April 11, 2017

- Stakeholder workshops held July November 2016
- Plan approved by City Council May 9, 2017
- Overarching Goal: Save the community 1% of annual energy use
- Plan Purpose Statement: This
   Energy Action Plan supports the
   values and strategic priorities
   outlined in Faribault's Vision 2040 by
   proposing cost-effective strategies to
   conserve energy and resource clean
   energy



## **Energy Action Team**







#### City of Faribault

- a) Steve White, City of Faribault Planning Commission
- b) Paul Peanasky, Community Center and Parks, City of Faribault
- c) Marty Smith, Rental Inspector, City of Faribault
- d) David Wanberg, Planner, City of Faribault
- e) Deanna Kuennen, Community and Economic Development, City of Faribault

#### Schools

- (i) Kevin Hildebrandt, Faribault Public Schools
- g) Brett Chappell, Shattuck-St. Mary's

#### **Business and Organizations**

- h) Tim Johnson, Allina Health System
- i) Karl Vohs, Downtown Business Owner
- j) Tim McNelis, Faribault Business Owner
- k) Rick Karow, Residential Management Firm
- I) Lynette Stott, Three Rivers Community Action
- m) Curt Thoeny, Jennie-O Turkey Store
- n) Johnny Maxson, Daikin Applied Americas, Inc.
- o) David Tieman, Faribault Foods



## **Plan Priority Areas**



- Near-Term Focus Areas
  - Decrease dollars spent on energy in the residential sector
  - Decrease dollars spent on energy in the large commercial and industrial sector
  - Decrease dollars spent on energy in the government and institutional sector
- Plan Themes
  - Community Pride
  - Economic Development
  - Education & Information Distribution
  - Financial Savings
  - Renewable Energy

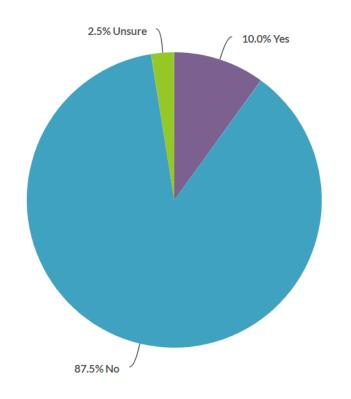




## **Implementation Groundwork**



Faribault Residents: Have you ever had a Home Energy Squad Visit?



- June 2017 Survey to start planning residential outreach
- July 2017 call to discuss residential Low Income outreach
- July 2017 Partners in Energy Content on residential website
- Sept Nov 2017 City Facebook promotions
- Nov 2017 Home Energy Squad utility bill insert goes out City wide
- Nov 2017 Faribault Daily News Article published



#### **Manufactured Home Outreach**







- Partnership Between
  - City of Faribault
  - Growing up Healthy
  - Home Park Manager
  - Partners in Energy
  - Home Energy Squad
- Visits conducted January March 2018
- Goal: 50 visits between Oct 2017 – Oct 2018
- Results: 69 visits completed!

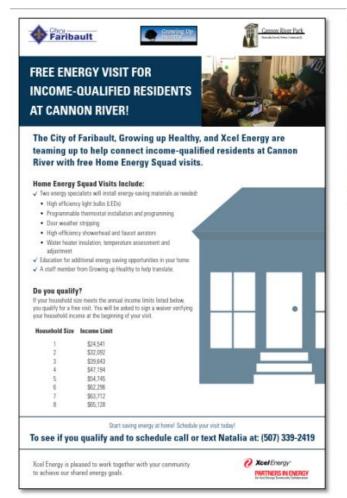


### **Bi-Lingual Promotion**



#### **PARTNERS IN ENERGY**

An Xcel Energy Community Collaboration









## **Public Housing Visits**



- Partnership with Kim Clausen at Faribault Public Housing Authority
- Completed 30 home visits in fall and winter 2018





#### **Business Breakfast**



# **BUSINESS EFFICIENCY OPPORTUNITIES** Did you know increasing energy efficiency can cut costs? Hit these trouble spots to save energy and money. LIGHTING

- Hosted by Daikin Applied April 19, 2018
- Presentations from <u>Daikin</u>
   <u>Applied Americas</u> and <u>Jennie-O</u>
   <u>Turkey</u> about their latest energy investments.
- Information about Xcel Energy's 2018 program and rebate portfolio.
- Press coverage- front page article in Faribault Daily News
- 10 businesses/ organizations attended breakfast



#### **Small Business Outreach**



- Business Blitz in partnership with CERTS
- Door to door on October 2018
- City provided contact lists, advertisements, helped with door knocking
- Custom flyers and translation of materials provided by Partners in Energy



#### **BUSINESS EFFICIENCY CHECKLIST**

#### LIVEN UP YOUR LIGHTING

Improving lighting is an easy way for businesses to cut costs. The One-Stop Efficiency Shop<sup>3+</sup> lighting retrofit program is a full-service rebate program that helps building owners choose more efficient lighting. Services include a free lighting audit, a detailed report with recommendations, savings and financing options, relationship management with the contractor, and submission of the rebate paperwork. Call 612-244-2427 or visit OneStopEfficiencyShop.org.

#### REV UP ROOFTOP UNITS

Upgrading rooftop units (RTUs) can help facilities quickly lower HVAC costs. The One-Stop Efficiency Shop® RTU program® offers businesses a free, no-obligation walk-through assessment with suggestions on how to improve the operation of RTUs to cut costs. A detailed report with recommendations, savings and financing options, relationship management with the contractor, and submission of the rebate paperwork are included.

Call 612-244-2427 or visit OneStopEfficiencyShop.org.

One-Stop Efficiency Shop programs are only available to facilities with a monthly peak demand 400 kilowatts or less.

#### COOL DOWN YOUR REFRIGERATION COSTS

Refrigeration systems can be the main source of energy use in grocery, liquor, and convenience stores. Xcel Energy offers a free, on-site refrigeration assessment to give businesses a convenient way to determine how the business can reduce energy use and costs. Plus, complimentary energy-saving products will be installed on the spot. Call 612-455-7803 or visit xcelenergy.com/MNRefrigeration.



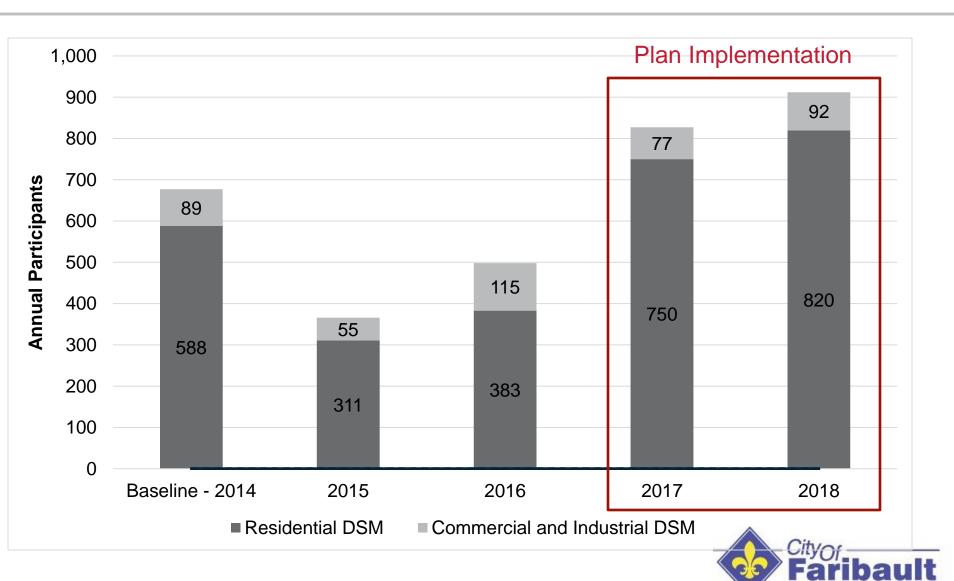


FARIBAULT AND XCEL ENERGY ARE PLEASED TO WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE OUR COMMUNITY ENERGY GOALS.



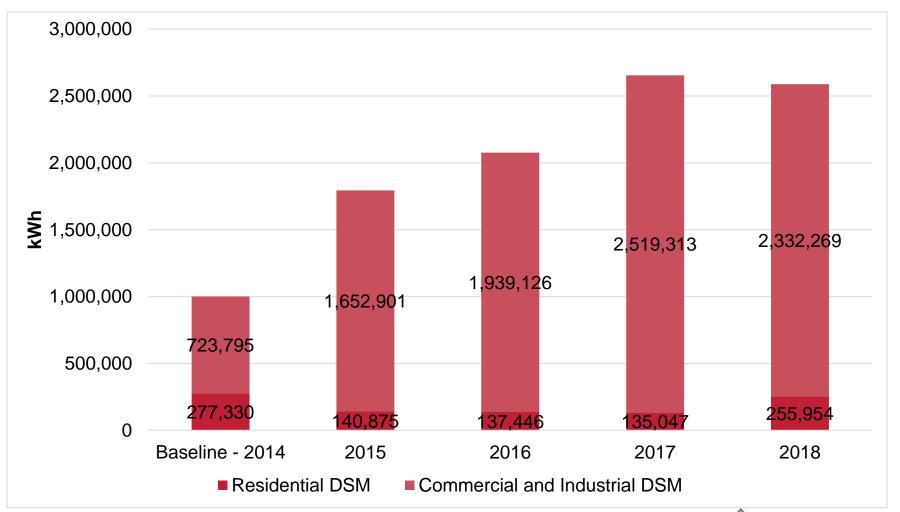
#### **Energy Conservation in Faribault**





#### **Conservation Electricity Savings**

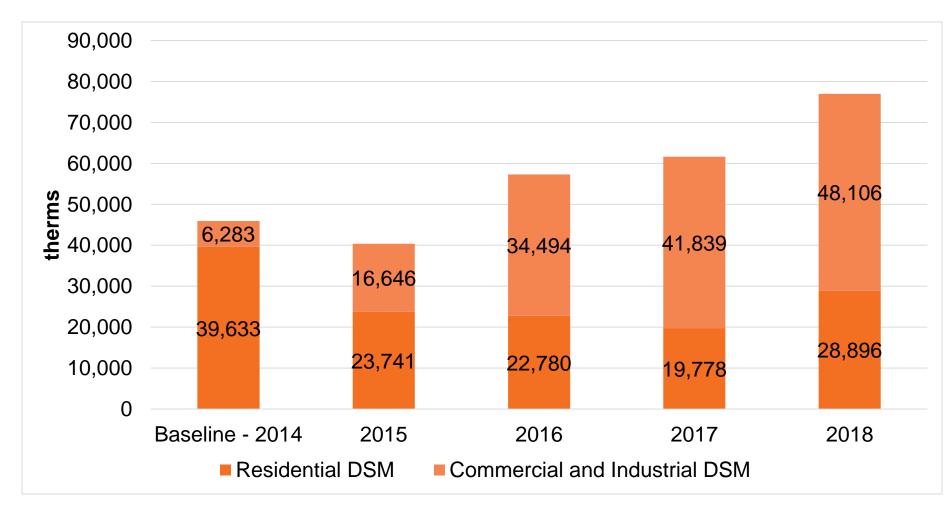






#### **Conservation Natural Gas Savings**







## **Key Achievements**



- Overall 1,739 energy efficiency participants in 2017 and 2018, compared to 864 in the two previous years, more than doubling participation
- Highlight is 135 Home Energy Squad visits in 2017 and 2018, compared to 30 in the previous two years
- Overall the community saved 1.2% of annual electricity use
- Residents saved enough energy in 2017 and 2018 to save \$81,000 annually on electricity and gas bills
- Businesses saved enough energy in 2017 and 2018 to save \$442,000 annually on electricity and gas bills



#### **Lessons Learned**



- Planning process developed goals and common understanding, but OK to adjust during implementation based on opportunities and willing partners
- Recipe for success was a strong local collaborator and use of local outreach and news
- Dedication by a small team that matched goals with available resources
- Recognized staff capacity and did things that were achievable



#### **Residential Conservation**



Residential Program Participation	Baseline - 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Home Energy Savings Program	37	3	2	1	13
Low-Income Home Energy Squad	16	7	3	11	76
Multi-Family Energy Savings Program	159	57	0	0	73
Residential Cooling	47	32	78	50	72
Efficient New Home Construction	36	12	10	4	7
Home Energy Audit	19	11	12	32	76
Home Energy Squad	24	17	3	24	24
Insulation Rebate	9	2	3	0	4
Refrigerator Recycling	41	33	22	26	53
Residential Heating	114	91	119	98	118
Residential Saver's Switch	63	13	40	483	279
Smart Thermostat	0	0	29	1	16
Water Heater Rebate	23	33	62	20	9



## **Commercial Conservation**



Business Program Participation Base	eline - 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Cooling	4	0	7	5	11
Heating Efficiency	3	7	8	7	7
Lighting Efficiency	4	14	16	20	22
Small Business Lighting	4	16	18	22	22
Turn Key Services	2	0	0	0	2
Foodservice Equipment	0	0	2	0	2
Commercial Refrigeration Efficiency	0	0	0	0	3

