Innovative City and Community Partnerships

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The Fort Worth Better Buildings Challenge

- Federal Better Buildings Initiative (U.S.DOE)
- *Community Partner Agreement* (US.DOE-City, 2012)
- Focus: Energy *and* Water Reductions
- Structure: Local Partner-Ally Network
  - Partners: City Building Property Owners
  - Allies: Utilities & Professional Organizations
The Fort Worth Better Buildings Challenge

- Local Governance
  - Co-Chairs: City- & Fort Worth Chamber-Representatives
  - Subcommittees: Audit, Water, Finance, & Communication

- Approach/Process
  1. Introduce BBC Network
  2. Data Benchmarking (Portfolio Manager®)
  3. Opportunity Assessment (Schematic > Design Development)
  4. Build Project Support
  5. Project Implementation (Construction > Performance)
Fort Worth BBC

Why Join?

- No Cost
- Wholly Voluntary (Non-Binding)
- Network Benefits
  - Energy
    - Free High Level Energy Assessment
  - Water
    - Free Investment Grade Water Audit
  - Finance
    - Committee Monitoring New Finance Opportunities
  - Communication
    - Positive PR and FUN Events
Better Buildings
CHALLENGE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FORT WORTH

22 Million Square Feet

2009

17% Energy Reduction

2015
The Network

Allies

• Downtown Fort Worth, Inc.
• Near Southside, Inc.
• Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce
• AIA Fort Worth
• ASHRAE Fort Worth Chapter
• Botanical Research Institute of Texas
• BOMA Fort Worth
• North Texas AEE
• USGBC Texas
• Atmos Energy Corporation
• Oncor Electric Delivery Company
• City of Fort Worth, Water Department
• U.S. Department of Energy

Partners

• Lockheed Martin Corp., Aeronautics Division
• McKesson Corporation, Specialty Health
• Titan Alliance Property Management, LLC
• Red Oak Realty, LLC
• Tarrant County College District
• Texas Christian University
• University of North Texas, Health Science Center
• University of Texas-Arlington, Fort Worth Center
• Fort Worth Museum of Science & History
• Baylor Scott & White, Baylor All Saints Med. Ctr.
• JPS Health Network, John Peter Smith Hospital
• Courtyard by Marriott, Fort Worth-Blackstone
• Hope Baptist Church of Fort Worth, Inc.
• U.S. General Services Administration
• Burnett Plaza
• Mercantile Partners
• City of Fort Worth, Property Management Dept.
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