



part-ner-ship (n):

a cooperative relationship between people or groups who agree to share responsibility for achieving a specific goal

Year End Summary

of Outreach events
18

of CFLs distributed
18,386

kWh savings
837,939

\$ saved
\$125,691

of Team Leaders meetings
2

Please mark your calendars!

Our next TEAM LEADERS MEETING will take place on February 21, 2007; Location TBD

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Message From the Executive Director

2006 has been a year of transformation and regrowth! I want to thank you all for your renewed commitment and continued support of the Community Energy Partnership. I am truly gifted by having the opportunity of working with you during the past year.



This program has grown out of the commitment of the ten cities, Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas Company. Together, we have built a sustainable set of partnerships to deliver energy efficiency services that set us apart from traditional third party programs. Together, we are proving that deep and

sustainable delivery of energy efficiency is being achieved through the Energy Community concept.

The reorganization of the Community Energy Partnership has brought our services into alignment with The Energy Coalition's mission:

To partner with cities and their serving utilities to make a difference!

In 2007, I am pleased to inform you that the Coalition stands ready to serve all Partners. With our cities, we look forward to developing demonstration projects that will reduce energy use and cost in our communities. With our utility partners, Southern California Edison and The Gas CompanySM, we look forward to enhancing the delivery of energy programs and services.

The Coalition vows to work in the true spirit of collaboration by bringing all partners closer together through the development of creative and aggressive energy efficiency services that more fully support California's Energy Action Plan!

Partner Highlight – Our Utility Partners!

Our e-newsletters will now be showcasing a new format in which we feature our many accomplished partners. For this issue, we are pleased to feature our Utility Partners.

Along with the plethora of enhancements accompanying the new 2006-2008 Partnership Program cycle, one of the biggest has been the expanded role of our Utility Partners - Southern California Edison and The Gas CompanySM. In response to feedback from the 2005 Planning Forum and our 2004-2005 program evaluation, our program administrators – Greg Haney of SCE and Paulo Morais of The Gas CompanySM – increased their involvement in all

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aspects of the CEP and will continue to provide support at events, meetings and throughout the execution of 2006-2008 program initiatives. Their expanded role, presence, and input have been invaluable thus far and we look forward to their continued participation.

Greg Haney (left) is a Program Manager for Residential Energy Efficiency Programs at Southern California Edison. He has worked for Edison for more than nine years and has been working with the Partnership for five years.

"I'm excited about the Partnership's evolution and the opportunity for me to be more involved in the community organizing and on-the-ground aspects of the program."



He is looking forward to seeing the program fully implemented in all ten cities with all partners involved and represented.

Paulo Morais (right) is an Energy Programs Supervisor at The Gas CompanySM. Paulo started at The Gas Company 17 years ago as a Customer Service Representative and has been actively involved with the CEP for the past two years. Paulo says, *"My favorite thing about being part of the CEP is getting to be directly involved in helping people learn how to save energy and giving them the tools they need to take the first steps."* Some of his favorite Partnership events have been the ribbon cutting for the demonstration energy renovation at Houfemia's home in San Bernardino and the PEAK Summer Session energy poster presentation.

Program Highlight - Helen Putnam Award

Established in 1982 by the League of California Cities, the Helen Putnam Award for Excellence recognizes outstanding achievements by California's 478 cities. These cities have made unique contributions to community residents and businesses, which may have resulted in lower costs or more effective delivery of services.

In 2006, the League granted the Helen Putnam Award for Excellence in Planning and Environmental Quality to the City of Irvine for their participation in the Community Energy Partnership Program.



The City is changing the energy consumption habits of residents and businesses in an effort to protect the environment, save money, and conserve resources for today and for future generations to come. Using cost-effective and convenient methods, the City has made exceptional strides in affecting behavioral changes. Outreach to hard-to-reach residents, businesses, and schools have netted some impressive results including savings of more than 3 million kilowatt hours of annual electricity usage and more than 200,000 therms of annual gas usage at a value of \$1,275,000 a year or \$6,375,000 over the lifetime of the installed measures. Congratulations, City of Irvine!

Program Highlight - Houfemia's House

In 2006, the Community Energy Partnership celebrated the one-year anniversary of the launch of a ground-breaking demonstration project in the City of San Bernardino -- the energy makeover of Houfemia

Arredondo's 1920s Craftsman home. Houfemia's home was selected to be a residential model for energy efficiency and underwent more than a dozen energy-efficiency retrofits. Over the course of the past year, the retrofits lowered her energy usage and bills by an average of 25-30%. Arredondo is delighted.

"Last summer, I would have had a bill in the hundreds; my highest bill so far has been around \$75," she said. Energy-saving items that were installed included CFLs and fixtures, Energy StarSM appliances, tankless water heater, dual-paned windows, weather-stripping, swamp cooler, new light exterior paint color, dual-flush toilet and shade trees.



Arredondo was selected by the Partnership because of her involvement in both civic and educational activities. Respected throughout her community as a longtime volunteer and leader, Arredondo lives in a three-bedroom house with seven of her adopted grandchildren, one of whom, Mondo Kaphon, was just awarded with the National Honor Roll! In addition to the upgrades done on the house, the Community Energy Partnership worked closely with Arredondo to provide her with extensive information and training regarding peak-usage times and other energy-saving tips.

Retrofitting Houfemia's home with advanced energy-efficiency appliances and technologies was a successful collaboration between Southern California Edison, The Gas CompanySM and The Energy Coalition. Other contributors to the Arredondo home makeover included the City and County of San Bernardino, Lincoln Elementary School, Toto USA, Takagi Industrial Co. USA Inc., Sears, The Home Depot, and El Cajon High School student volunteers.

PEAK Update

On November 9th, PEAK celebrated Energy Appreciation Day! This event created greater awareness and appreciation of energy by supporting PEAK teachers with a special lesson plan and kicking off PEAK instruction for the 2006/2007 school year.



A slogan contest, held in conjunction with Energy Appreciation Day, generated more than 200 entries from PEAK students. The winning slogan, *"Time to Save Energy"* was submitted by Derrick, a 5th grader from Wharton Elementary in Illinois. Derrick was awarded with an iPod nano[®] for his entry, which inspires action and reminds others to be smart energy managers, and will be used by the PEAK program throughout the next academic year.

For more info., click here to check out the PEAK website!

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