

Continuum of Care Energy Star Policy

Effective: October 23, 2007



It shall be the policy of the Homeless Coalition of Hillsborough County, Inc., to coordinate and collaborate with all agencies who are engaged with the Continuum of Care.

Therefore, all agencies through the Continuum of Care as per HUD recommendations are encouraged to participate with Energy Star and energy efficient products and services.

1. The purpose of the Energy Star partnership is to promote energy-efficient affordable housing stock while protecting the environment.
2. Applicants constructing, rehabilitating, or maintaining housing or community facilities are encouraged to promote energy efficiency in design and operations.
3. Applicants providing housing assistance or counseling services are encouraged to promote Energy Star materials and practices, as well as buildings constructed to Energy Star standards, to both homebuyers and renters.
4. Encouraged to undertake program activities that include developing Energy Star promotional and information materials; providing outreach to low- and moderate-income renters and buyers on the benefits and savings when using Energy Star products and appliances; utilizing Energy Star-designated products in the construction or rehabilitation of housing units; and replacing worn products or facilities, such as light bulbs, water heaters, furnaces, etc., with Energy Star products in order to reduce operating costs.
5. Communities and developers are encouraged to promote the designation of community buildings and homes as Energy Star compliant.

Dr. Larry Carey, President

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