



Over the course of 2015, the City of Richmond hosted the first year of its Building Energy Challenge (BEC), a friendly competition to reduce energy use in commercial, institutional, and multifamily facilities. The Challenge is part of the broader EnergySave Richmond suite of programs, which support the implementation of the 2014 Community Energy and Emissions Plan and are intended to help pursue greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets in the Official Community Plan. As part of the program, participants are asked to track their energy performance and commit to pursuing strategies to reduce costs and benefit the environment. The Challenge provides participants with:

- Energy coaching, whereby an energy management expert helps participants track and benchmark their energy use, and identify energy management opportunities.
- Subsidized training opportunities for buildings' operations staff.
- Access to and education about BC Hydro and Fortis BC energy rebate programs.
- Instruction and encouragement to benchmark buildings' energy performance.
- Networking and peer learning opportunities.

Recognizing the 2015 Leading Organizations

During this presentation, the City is recognizing the leaders from the first year of the Challenge with the greatest energy savings over the course of the year.