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#BE18
Conference + Trade Show of the Northeast Sustainable Energy Association (NESEA)
Welcome from the 2018 Conference Co-Chairs

Dear NESEA Colleagues,

We are honored and delighted to serve the NESEA community as co-chairs of BuildingEnergy Boston 2018. Our community anticipates and yearns for this gathering each year—to hear words of reason, of inspiration, of introductions, and of explanation. In planning the Boston conference this year, we strove to embody and advance the NESEA strategic plan and goals that were presented at last year’s conference.

You can already see one exciting change we’ve made to BuildingEnergy Boston—a new location that provides the right spaces for encouraging collaboration and networking. Working with the NESEA staff, we’ve designed this year’s schedule, layout, and events to be welcoming and inclusive. Immerse yourself in all the conference has to offer.

Over the next two days we hope that you recognize the traditional NESEA focus on strong programming, which is a direct result of the diligent and experienced volunteers who make up this year’s Content Committee. Each of them has logged countless hours over the past six months of curation while operationalizing a new curation schedule and updated rules of conduct. Our heartfelt appreciation goes to them for their time and energy.

We hope that you will seize this day. Introduce yourself to some new members of your network. Check out the innovative products at the trade show. Play with a working model of the grid. Check out the electric school bus. Have lunch with a friend. Immerse yourself in conversations and debates.

See you on the trade show floor!

Sincerely,

Your BuildingEnergy Boston 2018 Co-Chairs,
Betsy Glynn & Andrew Webster
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### BuildingEnergy Boston is a Program of NESEA

The Northeast Sustainable Energy Association (NESEA) helps high-performance building, energy efficiency, and renewable energy professionals improve their practices by learning from and networking with each other.

NESEA is a member-driven 501(c)(3) non-profit. Visit nesea.org for more information on programs and membership.

### Free WiFi!

For your convenience, NESEA has made free WiFi available for all attendees throughout the conference center.

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View individual session descriptions starting on page 12 for information on AIA LU|HSW, BPI, and MA CSL credits for each session. The full conference is accredited for 11.5 PHIUS CPHC credits. For information on how to self-report PHIUS and GBCI credits, please visit nesea.org/be18-CEUs.
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[www.nesea.org/be18-evaluations](http://www.nesea.org/be18-evaluations)

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**Closing Challenge: Goals for the Year Ahead**

**Time:** 4pm–4:30pm • **Location:** Marina 1

Join us in wrapping up another powerful year of networking, learning, and inspiration at the Closing Challenge.
**WEDNESDAY**

**4:30pm–6pm**
Emerging Professionals Career Forum

**Location:** Harbor 3

This is a free, interactive event providing a venue for students and emerging professionals to gain practical strategies for building networks, navigating early career challenges, and leveraging NESEA as a professional resource. Attendees will have a chance to hone their networking skills and exchange advice while they meet one another and established members of the NESEA community in small discussion groups. Featured practice areas include architecture, construction/building, landscape, municipal/policy, energy modeling & engineering, and renewable energy. All are welcome to attend.

**6pm–8pm**
Opening Reception

**Location:** Harbor Foyer

A networking reception open to all attendees. Join us as we celebrate the beginning of another great conference and trade show. Cash bar & light snacks.

**THURSDAY**

**7:30am–8:30am**
NESEA Lifetime Member Breakfast

**Location:** Griffin

Invitation only. NESEA’s Lifetime Members and their guests can enjoy breakfast in the Griffin conference room. For more information on NESEA Lifetime Membership, visit nesea.org/lifetime-members.

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**8:30am–10am**
Keynote Panel—Building Our Community: Engaging the Emerging Workforce

**Location:** Harbor 1 & 2

**Moderator:** Dr. Tamika Jacques (*MassCEC*)

With NESEA’s mission and strategic plan in mind, we are pleased to welcome our keynote moderator, Dr. Tamika Jacques, the Director of Workforce Development at the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. Dr. Jacques has dedicated her career to workforce development initiatives that engage emerging professionals and foster inclusivity in our industry. See page 12 for a full description.

**12pm–1pm**
Scholarship Lunch

**Location:** Carlton

Invitation only. Through NESEA’s BE the Future initiative, sponsors directly fund current students’ full-day passes to BuildingEnergy Boston, one-year NESEA memberships, and passes to a BuildingEnergy Pro Tour. This lunch provides an opportunity for scholarship sponsors and recipients to meet and network. Recipients of the Kate Goldstein Scholarship for Emerging Professionals are also invited to attend.

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Oforiwaa Agyei-Boakye
Wyatt Chingery
Haley Mahar
John Marino
Nicole Moore
Nada Tarkhan
Bill Womeldorf
12pm–5pm
Faces of Energy Efficiency
Photo Booth

Location: Trade Show Floor

Receive a free professional headshot on the trade show floor, courtesy of E4TheFuture. By participating, you’ll also be entered to win a conference pass to BuildingEnergy Boston 2019. This photo booth is a part of E4TheFuture’s long-running campaign that seeks to build on the momentum of smart energy policy by showing policymakers how strong our workforce truly is in every U.S. region.

12:15–1:15pm
Sponsored Session—Net Zero Schools: Start with the HVAC

Location: Marina 4
Speakers: Barry Stephens (Ventacity Systems)
Sponsored by: Ventacity Systems & Fujitsu

A study of HVAC systems in NYC schools sought energy-efficient alternatives for both retrofits and new construction. One alternative identified in this study promises to deliver significant energy reductions and a better path to Net Zero schools.

5pm–6:30pm
Pro Tour Launch Party

Location: Trade Show Floor

NESEA will officially unveil the schedule for the 2018 Pro Tour Series at the first ever Pro Tour Launch Party! Conference attendees are invited to explore a case-study gallery of the 13 projects that will be featured in this year’s series. Many of the project hosts will be present, giving you a chance to ask questions as you scope out the schedule. Join us for snacks, drinks, and live music from the Headlines as we show off the great lineup we have in store.

12:15–1:15pm
Sponsored Session—Be Passive(haus) Aggressive: Affordable Housing in Massachusetts

Location: Marina 3
Speakers: Michelle Apigian (Icon Architecture), Beverly Craig (MassCEC), Mike Davis (Local Initiatives Support Corporation), Hank Keating, Samantha Meserve (MassDOER)
Sponsored by: MassCEC

Is it possible to use Passive House principles in affordable housing? The answer is yes. Come hear how new construction affordable housing projects are utilizing Passive House principles to get exemplary energy performance out of buildings. Panelists will highlight two real world examples and identify how Massachusetts incentives can help push affordable multi-family projects closer to Passive House standards.

5pm–6:30pm
Trade Show Reception

Location: Trade Show Floor
Sponsored by: Fred Davis Corporation, Winn Companies

Everyone is welcome to mingle on the trade show floor during this reception. We highly encourage attendees to take this opportunity to learn about products and services important to their success. Cash bar & light snacks.

5pm–6:30pm
Model Electric Grid

Location: Trade Show Floor
Sponsored by: National Grid

See description at left. A limit of 20 people may play at once. Others can observe. A 1-hour commitment is recommended for players. Sign up at the grid, which is located on the trade show floor near the NESEA Lounge.

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NESEA Night

Location: Harbor 1 & 2

Schedule of Events: 6:30pm Doors Open • 7:15pm–7:45pm Awards Ceremony • 8:30pm Event Concludes

This annual event is a great way to unwind and connect with fellow conference-goers and NESEA community members. We will be celebrating the winners of NESEA's 2018 Distinguished Service Award and Professional Leadership Award. Sweet and savory appetizers will be served. Cash bar.

2018 Professional Leadership Award: Vivian Loftness, is an internationally renowned researcher, author and educator focused on environmental design and sustainability, climate and regionalism in architecture, and the integration of advanced building systems for health and productivity. Vivian is a Professor at Carnegie Mellon University where she holds the Paul Mellon Chair in Architecture and served a decade as Head of the School of Architecture. She is a key member of Carnegie Mellon’s leadership in sustainability research and education, and contributor to the ongoing development of the Intelligent Workplace - a living laboratory of commercial building innovations for performance. In addition to eight book chapters and over 100 journal articles, Vivian edited the Reference Encyclopedia Sustainable Built Environments. Her work has influenced national policy and building projects, including the Adaptable Workplace Lab at the U.S. General Services Administration and the Laboratory for Cognition at Electricity de France. She received her BS and MS in Architecture from MIT and she is a registered architect and a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects.

2018 Distinguished Service Award: David Foley has worked in environmental building since 1980, as a designer, builder, teacher and researcher. Early in his career he worked for the Maine State Office of Energy Resources, the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and several architecture firms. In 1994 he joined Sarah Holland to form Holland and Foley Architecture, a design firm emphasizing quality, beauty, efficiency, durability, and health in buildings. David was a 1996 German Marshall Fund Environmental Fellow, allowing him to travel throughout Northern Europe researching “green” building practices. He taught classes in Sustainable Design for the Boston Architectural College for 11 years. He has a Masters of Architecture from the University of California, Berkeley, a Masters of Professional Studies in Resource Economics from the University of Maine, and a Bachelor of Arts in Community Design from Dartmouth College. David lives in Northport, Maine with his wife Judy Berk, communications director for the Natural Resources Council of Maine. David enjoys gardening, music-making, and sea kayaking.

Cost: A NESEA Night ticket is included with a the purchase of a full conference pass. Tickets are available for those without full conference passes for $60, or $54 for NESEA members, at the registration desk.

8:30pm

Afterparty

Location: The Social Register (401 D St.)

Sponsored by: BlueWave Solar

2018 Conference Chairs Betsy Glynn and Andrew Webster and 2019 Conference Chairs James Petersen and Michelle Apigian invite you to keep the party and conversation going at The Social Register.
FRIDAY

10:30am–11:30am

The Magic (Electric) School Bus

Location: Outside
Speakers: Steve Russell (Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources), Bethany Whitaker (Vermont Energy Investment Corporation)

Massachusetts is at the forefront of transportation technology with a pilot project that put the nation’s first electric school buses on the road at the end of 2016. We’ll hear from the pilot implementers working with public schools in Amherst, Cambridge, and Concord MA about the pilot goals and technology. From the Massachusetts Dept. of Energy Resources, we’ll learn about operations and data on fuel efficiency, consumption, and costs. Together we’ll consider the future impact and challenges of electric bus fleets. This session takes place on an electric school bus: walk through the hotel lobby, past the front desk, and down the escalator. The bus will be parked at the corner of Fargo Street and D Street. Seating is limited.

12:15pm–1:15pm

Sponsored Session—A German Perspective on Building Energy

Location: Marina 3
Speakers: Helmut Landes (Consulate General of Germany to the New England States), Susanne Gellert (German American Chamber of Commerce), Kevin Flynn (Vieissmann), Chris Ford (Schöck North America), Stefan Goebel (Arnold Glas)

Sponsored by: The German American Chamber of Commerce in New York, the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Boston, & the Transatlantic Climate Bridge

Germany enjoys a stellar reputation throughout the world for its high-quality technical products and practical expertise in energy efficiency. Join the German American Chamber of Commerce in New York, the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Boston, & the Transatlantic Climate Bridge to learn about German innovation in the energy efficiency sector. This session will feature leaders from a select group of German companies who will share their expertise and present their newest solutions and projects.

12:15–1:15pm

Model Electric Grid

Location: Trade Show Floor
Sponsored by: National Grid

The Vermont Energy Education Program (VEEP) has developed a Model Grid kit for students (and adults) as a hands-on, engaging learning experience about the electric grid. The Model Grid is designed to give users an appreciation of the job of the electric grid operators who must keep electricity available and high quality at all times, in the face of rapid changes in usage at the far ends of the system that they cannot see. An understanding of this pervasive and important system in our lives is critical to making good decisions about our personal use of energy as well as about larger energy policy issues.

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Closing Challenge: Goals for the Year Ahead

Location: Marina 1
Speakers: Michelle Apigian (ICON Architecture), Betsy Glynn (BlueWave Solar), James Petersen (Petersen Engineering), Andrew Webster (c&h architects)

NESEA is a community of learning, innovation, experimentation, and growth. At BuildingEnergy Boston we come together to learn from each other, to share our successes and our failures, and to put this knowledge and shared experience to use once we leave. What will you take forward into your practice? Voices from across the community will share their goals for the year ahead. Conference Chairs for BuildingEnergy Boston 2019, Michelle Apigian and James Petersen, will close out this year’s conference.
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Levels
1 - No prior knowledge needed
2 - Some prior knowledge helpful
3 - Prior knowledge strongly recommended

KEYNOTE PANEL
8:30am–10am
Building Our Community: Engaging the Emerging Workforce
Location: Harbor 1 & 2
Moderator: Tamika Jacques (MassCEC)

NESEA's mission is to advance the adoption of sustainable energy practices in the built environment by cultivating a community where practitioners share, collaborate and learn. We believe that this community is the strongest when we actively prepare new professionals for future leadership opportunities. As a result, one of the main goals of our new strategic plan is to find ways to welcome practitioners from all backgrounds who are early in their careers.

With NESEA's mission and strategic plan in mind, we are pleased to welcome our keynote moderator, Dr. Tamika Jacques, the Director of Workforce Development at the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. Dr. Jacques has dedicated her career to workforce development initiatives that engage emerging professionals and foster inclusivity in our industry. Dr. Jacques will lead a panel that will provide data about the state of our industry, share strategies for effectively engaging and elevating the work of emerging and mid-career professionals, and present approaches for soliciting new stakeholders.

You will leave this session feeling reinvigorated in your work and fired up to join others in fostering a community of practitioners that is vibrant, resilient, and ready to transform our built environment.

SESSION 1
10:30am–12pm
How Energy Efficiency Creates Opportunities & Financing in Multifamily Housing
Location: Marina 1
Speakers: Amy Brusiloff (Bank of America), Sadie McKeown (Community Preservation Corporation), Lindsay Robbins (NRDC), Karyn Sper (Fannie Mae)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: O M
Level: 1

More banks are beginning to incorporate green and high performance building into their mortgage underwriting process for multifamily properties. If leading lenders begin to encourage and provide incentives for owners to pursue energy and water efficiency and renewable energy at the time of rehab, refinance or acquisition, the results could be transformative for the industry. On this panel, three leading lenders will discuss their approaches to green underwriting and opportunities for building owners to access more financing and discounts by going green. They will discuss pathways to helping stakeholders integrate efficiency upgrades into major capital events, like refinancing, while recommending additional measures that can be done during tenant turnover.

New Construction: Beyond Modeling to Real Data & Results
Location: Marina 2
Speakers: Steve Bluestone (Helix Rebar/ICF Panels), Ryan Merkin (Steven Winter Associates)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI
Areas of Focus: D M P
Level: 2

Energy modeling has been an important tool for pushing the design & construction industry toward high efficiency buildings. However, building performance post-construction is decoupled from this process and doesn’t provide a critical feedback loop. We will compare modeled results to actual utility consumption data from a set of completed and occupied ENERGY STAR certified multifamily buildings, and discuss results of recent energy audits for context on operations and maintenance practices. We’ll examine major design elements (envelope, HVAC, renewables) and attempt to identify the most important factors driving electricity and fuel consumption as well as what design decisions were less influential.

Resiliency: Energy When You Need It
Location: Marina 3
Speakers: Maeghan Lefebvre (MassCEC), Patrick Murphy (Vanderweil Engineers), Kathryn Wright (Meister Consultants Group)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: R C B
Level: 2

The floods and hurricanes of 2017 and the winter weather of 2018 all highlight the need for buildings and communities that can withstand natural (and human-made) disasters and continue to provide critical energy needs. Changing and extreme environmental conditions illustrate immediate resiliency needs, including on-site production of energy. We'll discuss resiliency in general, how building design professionals can incorporate resiliency into their projects,
We want to make smart choices, but have trouble discerning what matters and what doesn’t. In this session two experienced engineers will walk us through their day-to-day experience finding and reading spec sheet data. They’ll show us which measures matter and which may confuse. There’ll be stories about how specs equip us to evaluate a substitute for what was specified. We’ll look at mechanical equipment and building enclosures. Then we’ll go live and chase down a challenge from the audience.

How Do We Get from Passive House to Truly Low-Carbon Buildings?

Location: Harbor 1
Speakers: Michael Hindle & Marc Stauffer (Passive to Positive), Mike Duclos (DEAP Energy Group), Dave Ransom (Rebuilder Group)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: E M B
Level: 2

The PHIUS Passive House Primary Energy (PE) criteria is currently set at 6200 kWh/occupant/year. In the presenters’ experience, recent multifamily Passive House projects have not met PE by passive measures alone but have required onsite renewable energy generation. Can cost-effective passive measures meet the PE goal, or is additional renewable energy effectively a necessary requirement? What are our prospects given the anticipated and much more rigorous 4200 kWh/occupant/year PE threshold? Does the PHIUS calculation ratio of onsite renewable usage to total generation help or hinder? We’ll ask for audience input as we discuss existing methods and present new strategies for effectively meeting a gradually shrinking PE criteria for multifamily Passive House projects.

The BrightBuilt Barn 10-year Anniversary: Celebrating the Birth of Affordable, Off-Site-Built Net Zero & the Industry Change It Spawned

Location: Harbor 2
Speakers: Keith Collins, Alan Gibson (GO Logic), Phil Kaplan (Kaplan Thompson Architects), Hans Porschitz (Bensonwood)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: D P
Level: 1

In 2006, a group of industry leaders collaborated on an ideal for the future of homebuilding in the Northeast, focusing on affordability, sustainability, replicability, and beauty. Their project, the BrightBuilt Barn, won the LEED Innovative Project Award in 2008 and has been net-positive ever since. The concept’s success has been proven by the emergence of the off-site constructed, high-performance home industry. Three of the primary team members have gone on to form successful businesses in the space: BrightBuilt Home, Unity, and GO Home. The original team reconvenes to discuss why it was so successful, how we can continue to spark innovation, and what challenges remain.

Escalating Excellence in Envelopes: Stories from Practice

Location: Harbor 3
Speakers: Jim D’Aloisio (Klepper, Hahn & Hyatt), Jodi Smits Anderson (DASNY)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: I E PC
Level: 2

There are five basic components of building envelopes, each of which needs increased attention to meet and exceed current Energy Code while providing comfort for building users and durability and resiliency for building owners: 1. Opaque Assemblies: Walls and Roofs 2. Fenestration 3. Air Barriers 4. Thermal Bridging 5. Foundation Insulation and Slab Edges. Jim and Jodi will share revealing and entertaining stories from their practice. Engage in a discussion on how the challenges they reveal can be addressed by applying the nine habits of sustainability. Learn about current energy codes in a way that will help you understand building science and practical applicability, so you can get to better-than-ever buildings.
Net Zero Schools: Start with the HVAC

Location: Marina 4
Speaker: Barry Stephens (Ventavity Systems)
Sponsored by: Ventavity Systems & Fujitsu

A study of HVAC systems in NYC schools sought energy-efficient alternatives for both retrofits and new construction. One alternative identified in this study promises to deliver significant energy reductions and a better path to Net Zero schools.

Be Passive(haus) Aggressive: Affordable Housing in MA

Location: Marina 3
Speakers: Michelle Apigian (ICON Architecture), Beverly Craig (MassCEC), Mike Davis (Local Initiatives Support)

Sponsored by: MassDOER

Sponsored by: MassCEC

Is it possible to use Passive House principles in affordable housing? The answer is yes. Come hear how new construction affordable housing projects are utilizing Passive House principles to get exemplary energy performance out of buildings. Panelists will highlight two real world examples and identify how Massachusetts incentives can help push affordable multi-family projects closer to Passive House standards.

Unvented Roofs without Spray Foam: The Latest Building America Research

Location: Marina 2
Speaker: Kohta Ueno (Building Science Corporation)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: S EM
Level: 3

Current building codes let you build moisture-safe unvented roofs using spray foam or rigid board foam. But what about just using cellulose or fiberglass instead? Our team has been studying this issue over many climate zones for years. The current Building America/DOE-sponsored research has a test hut here in MA looking at a variety of assemblies over the past 2 winters. Cellulose vs. fiberglass, diffusion vents vs. no diffusion vents, interior vapor control membranes–fixed perm or variable-perm? Effect of interior relative humidity? All things that we’ve examined. We’ll present the latest data and share our current thoughts on what assemblies are most likely to work.

The New Gravity: Climate Change and the Imperative of High-Performance Housing

Location: Marina 1
Speaker: Timothy McDonald (Onion Flats)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI
Areas of Focus: SM
Level: 1

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) and the 17 multi-family Passive House projects they’ve funded are transforming the affordable housing industry toward a ZNE standard by 2030. This initiative has proved a catalyst for radical and significant market penetration of Passive House/Net-Zero-Capable housing, inspiring 12 more state housing finance agencies to similarly incentivize Passive House through their Low-Income Housing Tax Credit programs. See cost data, effective strategies, and lessons learned, through completed multifamily affordable and market rate Passive House projects from around the country, demonstrating the radical, affordable, and scalable way the affordable housing industry is combating climate change.

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Utility Transformation: Creating a Lower-Cost, More Reliable, Carbon-Free Electricity Distribution System

Location: Marina 3
Speakers: Ted Kelly (NYS Department of Public Service), Karl Rabago (Pace Energy and Climate Center), Jonathan Schrag (RI Division of Public Utilities and Carriers), Fred Unger (Heartwood Group)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: R
Level: 2

We may be on the threshold of a dramatic re-think in electricity distribution. Stakeholder processes in Rhode Island’s Power Sector Transformation and New York State’s Reforming the Energy Vision are revising the role of utility companies. In changing how utilities are structured and paid, these efforts promise to align utilities' priorities with those of consumer, environmental and distributed generation advocates, while changing the way producers and consumers of energy and energy services transact. These reforms should create huge opportunities for innovation, distributed energy resources, and efficiency. Leaders of the process in both states discuss developments and expected outcomes.

Should We Stop Trying to Update to the Latest Model Building Energy Code?

Location: Marina 4
Speakers: Jamie Howland (Acadia Center), John Dalzell (Boston Redevelopment Authority), Paul Ormond (MassDOER)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: S E PC M
Level: 3

States across the Northeast expend significant time and effort in the pursuit of adopting the latest model energy codes from the IECC and ASHRAE. The 2009 and 2012 model energy codes resulted in significant improvements in the minimum building standards, but more recently national model codes have produced fewer savings at a time when the need for dramatic energy performance improvements has never been greater. We’ll share leading city and state efforts to achieve Energy Positive and Passive House performance and what this means for engagement with the national model codes, and have active discussion of our future baseline codes.

"But I Don’t Care" (Being an Effective Communicator)

Location: Burroughs
Speakers: Barbra Batshalom (Sustainable Performance Institute), Moshe Cohen (Negotiating Table)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: D P
Level: 1

Overcoming resistance and gaining buy-in are challenges faced by everyone. The education of design professionals rarely includes the critical skills of communication and negotiation. We can and should learn these valuable skills that make us more successful and less frustrated: skills that support all aspects of our life, sustainability in particular. Whether it’s a typical design challenge or a conversation with your client about LEED, Living Building Challenge, or Net Zero, we can be much more successful if we learn how to approach the conversation without just trying to convince someone else of our perspective! This workshop provides fundamental skills training (such as interest-based dialogue) through exercises and applied learning that will be immediately useful in daily work situations.

Where We Went Right & Where We Went Left: Measured vs. Modeled Energy Performance

Location: Harbor 1
Speakers: James Ortega (PHIUS), Marc Rosenbaum (South Mountain Company)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; BPI 1.5; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: M P
Level: 2

Since 2013 the Passive House Institute US has seen a significant increase in the design, construction, and certification of multifamily passive buildings. Many first multifamily passive buildings, from 6- to 57-unit developments, have been completed and occupied since then. Monitored performance data are now available. We’ll report on a detailed comparison of modeled performance predicted by passive design tools and actual measured performance data of four case study projects while occupied and under operation. We'll answer these questions: How well do the currently used passive modeling tools, algorithms, and underlying modeling assumptions match the measured performance in the field? Were the anticipated energy and carbon-reduction goals met?

Help! I’m Drowning

Location: Harbor 3
Speakers: Barnaby Evans (WaterFire Providence), Shaun O’Rourke (Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank), Stephanie Zurek (Union Studio Architects)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: C B
Level: 2

This session is a unique opportunity for sea-level rise to be discussed at three various scales by experts approaching this timely issue in different ways. Shaun O’Rourke, Chief Resiliency Officer for the State of Rhode Island, will discuss his on-going efforts at the state level by focusing on sea-level rise, urban heat and flooding. Barnaby Evans, founding-artist of internationally acclaimed WaterFire, will share his work at the city level by touting sea-level rise mitigation as an economic development tool. Stephanie Zurek of Union Studio Architects will highlight on-going work at the neighborhood level by sharing the impact of sea-level rise on historic Newport, RI.
**Areas of Focus**
- Single Family
- Multifamily
- Commercial & Institutional
- Policy & Codes
- Building Envelope
- Multifamily
- Building Envelope
- Cities Communities Place
- Design & Construction Process
- Beyond Energy
- Owners
- Practice
- Health & Wellness

**Levels**
1 - No prior knowledge needed
2 - Some prior knowledge helpful
3 - Prior knowledge strongly recommended

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**SESSION 3**

3:30pm–5pm

**Comparing Three Certification Metrics That Drive Sustainability in Affordable Multifamily Housing**

**Location:** Marina 1

**Speakers:** Darien Crimmin (WinnCompanies), Michael Hindle (Passive to Positive), Julie Klump (Preservation of Affordable Housing), Betsy Harper (MA Department of Housing & Community Development)

**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL

**Areas of Focus:** O M

**Level:** 2

In building or retrofitting affordable multifamily housing, owners and developers committed to sustainability have several certification metrics to choose from, depending on their goals, budget, and practicalities. In this moderated panel, three experts will examine the benefits and challenges of the metrics they chose for their projects: Enterprise Green Communities, Passive House, and Zero Net Energy. Through case studies, our panelists will discuss the motivating factors behind each chosen metric, impacts on the design and construction process, and resulting performance. They will also cover lessons learned, common misperceptions, the challenge of introducing renewables into a project, and the pros and cons of obtaining full certification versus "certifiable" status.

**The Not-Quite-Edible House: Making Healthy Material Choices**

**Location:** Marina 2

**Speakers:** Brian Just (Vermont Energy Investment Corporation), Jacob Racusin (New Frameworks)

**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL

**Areas of Focus:** S E D H

**Level:** 2

Homeowners, builders, and architects are taking more interest in healthier places to live in and work. Research backs this up and points towards a need for wiser material and design choices. Many decisions need to be during the design phase, while others come much later, and everyone in the project team must be on board. With so many competing product certifications and building rating systems, how does one makes sense of it all? This session outlines key strategies to help your team make informed decisions around building assemblies, products, and finishes. Whether you’re looking for simple, low-cost upgrades for a remodeling project or building new for a client with allergies or chemical sensitivities, you’ll walk away with new ideas to put into practice.

**Energy Storage: The Next Frontier**

**Location:** Marina 3

**Speakers:** Anthony Callendrello (BayCorp Holdings), Kavita Ravi (MassCEC), Steven Strong (Solar Design Associates)

**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW

**Areas of Focus:** R PC

**Level:** 1

Storage is happening everywhere: behind the meter, in front of the meter, and in autonomous microgrids. Already, storage is addressing the variability in renewable sources of generation, offsetting time-of-use rates and demand charges, reducing peak loads on both sides of the meter, and enabling new levels of resiliency. This session will describe the various battery technologies, their applications and pros and cons, define storage value propositions, discuss “value-stacking” and storage as a service, and present case studies on the many ways storage is now applied across the spectrum.

**Stretch Codes: Why this policy offers the best hope for rapid transformation to meet state & local climate goals**

**Location:** Marina 4

**Speakers:** David Epley (Dept. of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs, District of Columbia), Mark Lyles (New Buildings Institute)

**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 MA CSL

**Areas of Focus:** PC

**Level:** 3

Cities and states are using stretch codes to more rapidly transform local building stock to higher energy efficiency levels, sometimes even driving toward zero energy outcomes. Stretch codes are emerging as a go-to policy lever for cities such as Boulder, Palo Alto, Santa Monica, Vancouver, Washington, DC and states like NY, MA and VT. We’ll set the stage for how jurisdictions are using stretch codes to accelerate changing practice and describe options developed for a 20% and 40% (better than ASHRAE 90.1-2015) model stretch code. You’ll hear from jurisdictions planning for and implementing stretch codes and learn about zEPI Jurisdictional Scores, which will be the basis in 2018 for the ACEEE State Energy Efficiency Scorecards. The scores are a new metric for ranking cities or states based on their adopted energy policy and taking into account state-wide energy codes and local stretch codes.
Making the Invisible Visible: A Blueprint for Seeking Real Estate Value for Energy Efficiency

Location: Burroughs
Speakers: Craig Foley (Sustainable Real Estate Consulting Services)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: S P
Level: 2

In the real estate market, decisions about home purchase, construction, and upgrades suffer from lack of data and knowledge about energy efficiency or, worse, don’t consider energy efficiency at all. How do we change this? This session will point the way. Attendees will learn to be proactive – to prepare clients and lenders for the mortgage application and appraisal process and make energy efficiency count. We’ll share ways to be an advocate of sustainable building practices with local real estate professionals. And we’ll learn about real estate market transformation efforts in the Northeast and nationally that you can use to improve the real estate market in your local community.

Building Inherent Value: Implementing the Passive House Building Standard

Location: Harbor 1
Speakers: Michelle Apigian (ICON Architecture), Jesper Kruse (Maine Passive House)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: S E M
Level: 1

Two certified Passive House Consultants, an architect and a builder, will talk about the tremendous benefits of the Passive House building approach, and nostalgically lament what this means for our now limited friendships with the boiler maintenance guy! They will review the design and construction principles that are employed to achieve a super-insulated, air-tight envelope and the essential addition of continuous mechanical ventilation. Looking at both single family and multifamily construction, they will share details, testing data, and lessons learned to demonstrate how to radically reduce energy consumption and construct a super-efficient, cost-effective building that will be comfortable, highly durable, healthy to be in, and affordable to operate.

Comparing the Business of Architecture to Construction to Development

Location: Harbor 2
Speaker: Declan Keefe (Placetailor)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: D P
Level: 2

This session offers an analysis of the business models of Architecture, Construction, and Development. We examine the similarities and differences of how each type of business functions, how design-build, architect as developer, builder as developer, and designer-builder developer models might impact the bottom line of a business or project. Once we understand the levers available to us that affect the "Profit" bottom line, we'll consider how to invest in the “People” and “Planet” bottom lines. What do People and Planet decisions cost, what are they worth, and how do they affect our employees, our neighborhoods, our planet? Declan Keefe, Strategic Director of Placetailor, an architecture, construction and development company, will share some of Placetailor’s live company budgeting spreadsheets, development proformas and sample projects.

New or Renovated – High Performance in Higher Education

Location: Harbor 3
Speakers: Dan Arons & Jana Silsby (Perkins Eastman Architects), Carolyn Day (Ellenzweig), Patrick Duffy (BR+A Consulting Engineers)
CEUs: 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: I D
Level: 2

Do you want to hear how to drive energy efficiency in renovation projects and new buildings beyond expectations? Welcome. Our exceptional panel members have learned from many educational projects including high energy intensive science facilities. They have practiced from Mississippi to Upstate NY (and quite possibly in your neighborhood). They have experienced and understood the complexity of interplay between energy efficiency, building operations, health, cognitive function, up-front costs, integrative approaches and Post Occupancy Evaluations. And they are here to share their reflections of their experiences including their often different solutions to achieve the same common end goal: buildings that excite people, support learning, and excel in performance.

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SESSION 1
9am–10am

Policy Updates: Net Metering and Fixed Charges in the Northeast

Location: Marina 1
Speaker: Mark LeBel (Acadia Center)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: R PC
Level: 1

Fixed utility charges and net metering policy have a major impact on the economics of rooftop solar and energy efficiency. For a long time these issues were fairly static in the Northeast, but there have been recent proposals by utilities and utility regulators to make dramatic changes to them. This session will give an overview of these proposals and other changes that are currently being discussed in the region.

Thermal & Energy Analysis for Architects: Why, When, & How

Location: Marina 2
Speakers: Lori Ferriss & Elaine Hoffman (Goody Clancy)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI
Areas of Focus: D P
Level: 1

Incorporating quantitative tools in each stage of the design process empowers architects to evaluate and understand the complex environmental implications of their design decisions and to make deliberate, informed choices. We will discuss the rapidly expanding arsenal of tools available to designers, including energy modeling, thermal modeling, LCA, and solar analyses. This session will focus primarily on how to deploy thermal and energy modeling early in the design process for both preservation and new construction projects. We'll also provide examples of effective strategies to integrate these tools into architects' design processes at critical moments and examine how in-house analyses can complement and enhance the architect-consultant relationship to drive significant improvements in building performance and life cycle impacts.

Data-Driven Boiler System Design and Installation

Location: Marina 3
Speakers: Neil Donnelly, Maciej Konieczny, & Emma Van Lieshout (New Ecology)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: ML
Level: 1

New Ecology, Inc. (NEI) installed low-cost monitoring equipment in 103 multifamily buildings in Massachusetts to observe, track, and evaluate hydronic heating and domestic hot water (DHW) equipment operations, performance, and energy efficiency. The analysis identified significant discrepancies between specified and actual heating and DHW performance. NEI’s results suggest that improvement in equipment performance is possible at each phase of equipment's life cycle – design, installation, and operation. See adjustments that improved performance and fixed problems including incomplete startup, poorly thought-through setpoint settings, incorrectly balanced mixing valves, improperly located sensors, and reactive maintenance emergencies. Finally, NEI will present follow-up data to show the improvement.

Green Gauges: A Design Methodology at Williams College

Location: Marina 4
Speakers: Thomas RC Hartman (c&h architects), Amy Johns (Zilkha Center for Environmental Initiatives of Williams College), Andrew Shapiro (Energy Balance)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: I D P
Level: 2

Williams College established the goal of 35% campus-wide carbon reduction of 1990 carbon emissions by 2020. The Trustees asked a simple series of questions in this context: What specifically is the College doing to accomplish this goal? What does it cost? What are the savings? We'll present a methodology (i.e., Green Gauges) for design and construction teams to communicate strategies with owners early in the process and provide consistent information regarding operational energy and the resulting carbon savings. What is the cost per metric ton of avoided carbon over the operation life of that strategy? We'll find out.

Getting Smarter about Smart Buildings

Location: Burroughs
Speakers: Richard Macintosh (Brookfield Global Integrated Solutions), Jacquelynn Henke (TD Bank)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI
Areas of Focus: ML P
Level: 2

If you have difficulty getting ideas to move ahead quickly in your organization, this session is for you. We will share the journey to roll out a “smart building” controls system in the TD Bank retail network. We navigated the good, the bad, and the ugly through the major milestones: selecting the best controls package for the existing portfolio, piloting the pilot process, and turning the 10-site pilot into a 300-site program rollout. We’ll share our best strategies to cut down on approval times and nimbly leap through organizational hurdles to deliver energy efficiency and cost reductions.

Smart Parking Design as a Climate Tool

Location: Harbor 1
Speakers: Lisa Chase (Lucky Fish Communications), Daniel Ciarcia (Two Willows Consulting)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW
Areas of Focus: C B
Level: 1

Parking infrastructure, developed in conjunction with commercial and
residential buildings, is a frequently neglected facet of property design. However, it creates numerous environmental impacts, including excess energy consumption, urban heat island effect, stormwater runoff, traffic congestion, and pollution. See how well-designed and efficient parking structures can dramatically improve a property’s carbon footprint by minimizing natural resource use and incorporating green design. Best-in-class parking sustainability standards, including the USGBC’s Parksmart Certification, benefit neighborhoods and communities, while maximizing the bottom line. Topics will include low-carbon strategies, electric mobility, stormwater management, and green infrastructure.

**Big Building Implications for Multifamily Passive House**

**Location:** Harbor 2  
**Speakers:** Elias Dagher (Dagher Engineering), Jordan Dentz & Zoe Kaufman (The Levy Partnership), Daniel Piselli (FXFOWLE)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** E D M ML  
**Level:** 2

Energy efficiency is critical to a dense urban environment as costs continue to rise. In contrast to single family homes, this session will focus on applying Passivhaus/Passive House standards to large buildings and the impacts of the internal loads that primarily determine the outcome in a city landscape. We will first examine recent research, funded by the NYS Energy Research & Development Authority, on the impacts of tall buildings, from architectural enclosure detailing, mechanical systems, zoning, code, marketability, and constructability. We’ll then look at the careful management of internal loads for large buildings to control the space conditioning cooling requirements and the impact of adjacent buildings in a dense urban context.

**Deploying Post-Disaster Renewables**

**Location:** Harbor 3  
**Speakers:** Fred Davis (Fred Davis Corp.), Mike Henchen (Rocky Mountain Institute), Joseph Mangum (Sunnyside Solar Store)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW  
**Areas of Focus:** R C  
**Level:** 1

Months after Hurricane Maria devastated Puerto Rico, much is unsure about the future of electricity there. Hear two perspectives on efforts to deploy renewables in the post-2017-hurricane-season landscape. Will PV make a large impact in grid-rebuilding? There’s been a lot of talk and a lot of on-the-ground hard work. Clearly, islands and regions are following vastly different pathways toward resilience and sustainability. Caribbean islands already on pathways to PV may now be accelerating their efforts. Much work still lies ahead. Learn about these efforts and be emboldened to participate in ongoing deployment.

**SESSION 2**

10:30am–12pm

**The Magic (Electric) School Bus**

**Location:** Outside  
**Speakers:** Steve Russell (MassDOER), Bethany Whitaker (Vermont Energy Investment Corporation)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW  
**Areas of Focus:** R C  
**Level:** 1

Massachusetts is at the forefront of transportation technology with a pilot project that put the nation’s first electric school buses on the road at the end of 2016. Hear from the implementers working with public schools in Amherst, Cambridge, and Concord MA about the pilot goals and technology. From the MA Dept. of Energy Resources, we’ll learn about operations and data on fuel efficiency, consumption, and costs. We’ll consider the future impact and challenges of electric bus fleets. This session takes place on an electric school bus: walk through the lobby and down the escalator. The bus will be parked at the corner of Fargo Street and D Street. Space is limited.

**Multi-Family, Tenant-in-Place, Passive Rehab: It’s Possible!**

**Location:** Marina 1  
**Speakers:** Chris Benedict, Justin R. Milliet R. Taylor, & David Newman (Chris Benedict, R.A.), Ryan Cassidy (RiseBoro Community Partnership)  
**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** E D M  
**Level:** 3

Affordable housing offers a huge opportunity to refinance and rehab to the Passive House standard. The project team from Chris Benedict, R.A. and RiseBoro Community Partnership will show construction details from their groundbreaking tenant-in-place rehab project designed for Passive House. CBRA will discuss the construction challenges (and successes!) to date, and RiseBoro will outline the financing and development approaches that should motivate all stakeholders to pursue this path.
Integrative Carbon Building: Embodied Carbon, Net Positive Carbon & the New Carbon Architecture

**Location:** Marina 2  
**Speakers:** Chris Magwood (Eendavour Centre), Ace McArleton & Jacob Racusin (New Frameworks)  
**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI  
**Areas of Focus:** E B  
**Level:** 2

Our current framework for net-zero buildings doesn’t account for embodied carbon – that is, carbon pollution created during material manufacturing and distribution. In this session, we will show how systems thinking about carbon and an integrated design approach can change building practices from a problem to a solution. We will present data on the embodied carbon impact of green buildings; address how to quantify embodied carbon in design/build practices; and discuss present-day carbon-positive construction materials and assemblies, which can reduce the carbon load in the atmosphere. This effectively uses buildings as carbon-sequestering reservoirs, which can mitigate and even reverse climate change effects. Understanding the carbon cycle, and how we as design/build practitioners can make beneficial choices, is the next horizon for integrative green building.

**Retrocommissioning with the Chiefs: Training Operators to Sustain the Process**

**Location:** Marina 3  
**Speaker:** Saverio Grosso (Edison Energy)  
**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI  
**Areas of Focus:** I ML  
**Level:** 1

At the core of every successful Retro-Commissioning (RCx) project is an effective collaboration between the commissioning agent and the building’s operating staff to identify and implement energy conservation measures. This session will provide guidance to commissioning agents and building operations teams about how to work together throughout the Retro-Commissioning (RCx) process to maximize the benefits of RCx. We will present examples from both the commissioning agent and building operations perspectives of how previous project collaborations have been structured, including the development of training materials, to attain significant and sustained benefits beyond energy savings.

**Punching Above Your Weight Class: Exceeding Client Sustainability Requirements within a Tight Budget**

**Location:** Marina 4  
**Speakers:** Stephen Feige (Goody Clancy), Michael Pulaski (Thornton Tomasetti), Charley Stevenson (Integrated Eco Strategy)  
**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** I P  
**Level:** 2

This team’s contract with a university client for a new 210,000 ft² student housing project required LEED v4 Silver, a worthwhile goal. But the team wanted to punch up to meet more aggressive sustainability goals – Passive House and Living Building Challenge Materials Petal – within the same design and construction budget. Did they succeed? In this session, you’ll hear key findings associated with energy modeling, solar shading, water management, healthy materials, and high-performance building envelope. We’ll explore the metrics employed to evaluate options and their return on investment to make it palatable to naysayers and confirm financial feasibility. Speakers will also discuss the teams’ persistent approach to strive for a better building and strategies to engage the complex group of university stakeholders.

**Meeting the Demands of Healthier Buildings: How to Navigate Building Product Certifications**

**Location:** Burroughs  
**Speaker:** Lauren Asplen (BlueGreen Alliance)  
**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW; 1.5 BPI; 1.5 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** S I M H  
**Level:** 1

Health is the new frontier in the built environment. But a building or home cannot begin to be deemed healthy if its building blocks – both the material used for exterior construction and the elements used to build and decorate the interior – aren’t healthy to begin with. Identifying healthy products is made easier with a wealth of new tools and certification programs that are being implemented, but that variety also creates confusion over what each program brings to the table and how that meets the needs of the user. This session will review the different product certifications in use, identify their main priorities, and show how to search for them online.
Crisis in Cannabis Cultivation: Latest Energy Developments in Data, Practice, and Policy

**Location:** Harbor 1

**Speakers:** Fred Davis (Fred Davis Corporation), Anya Gordon (GroTec Builders), Sam Milton (Climate Resources Group), John Morris (D+R International)

**CEUs:** 1.5 AIA LU/HSW

**Areas of Focus:** ML

**Level:** I

The energy crisis of indoor cannabis cultivation is about to be unleashed in the Northeast. Growing marijuana indoors is extremely energy intensive, and this session highlights the latest efforts to reduce the industry’s energy footprint. Attendees will hear from speakers with fingers on the pulse of trends, practices, and policies across the country. As highlighted at BuildingEnergy SRO inaugural session on the subject last year, there is a very small window for growers to coalesce around best practices, providing building energy professionals a unique opportunity.

Efforts to collect profile data about cultivators’ energy use will be shared, as well as latest updates about market and regulatory developments in MA & ME.

**SPONSORED SESSIONS**

**12:15pm–1:15pm**

**Robots, Vacuums, & Butterflies Build a Better Wall**

**Location:** Marina 4

**Speakers:** Tedd Benson, Jay Lepple, & Hans Porschitz (Bensonwood)

**Sponsored by:** Bensonwood

Join Bensonwood for a live tour of their newly operational computer-aided manufacturing (CAM) facility in Keene, NH. Lunch and learn as we take a real-time walk through the 110,000 sf building that includes production lines for walls, floors, and roofs. See how materials and design come together and ask questions directly to the factory floor. Explore new possibilities of how these building systems can improve the built environment.

**A German Perspective on Building Energy**

**Location:** Marina 3

**Speakers:** Helmut Landes (Consulate General of Germany to the New England States), Susanne Gellert (German American Chamber of Commerce), Kevin Flynn (Viessmann), Chris Ford (Schöck North America), Stefan Goebel (Arnold Glas)

**Sponsored by:** The German American Chamber of Commerce in New York, the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Boston, & the Transatlantic Climate Bridge

Germany enjoys a stellar reputation throughout the world for its high-quality technical products and practical expertise in energy efficiency. Join the German American Chamber of Commerce and learn about German innovation in the energy efficiency sector. Leaders from a select group of German companies will share their expertise and present their newest solutions and projects.

**SESSION 3**

1:30pm–2:30pm

**Cities as Climate Leaders: Net Zero & the Urgency of Now**

**Location:** Marina 1

**Speakers:** Cammy Peterson (Metropolitan Area Planning Council), Alistair Pim (New England Clean Energy Council), Susanne Rasmussen (City of Cambridge, Environmental & Transportation Planning Division)

**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW

**Areas of Focus:** R C

**Level:** I

With the effects of climate change at our shores, and the federal administration’s decision to pull out of the Paris Agreement, the time for local action is now. In order to avoid the most damaging effects of climate change, GHG emissions must be addressed rapidly and comprehensively.

This session will focus on holistic approaches to planning for net zero and tools to help cities and towns set and achieve ambitious climate goals. Learn about tools and resources to help accelerate your community toward net zero, best practices from a local practitioner about how to get there, and insights into how to engage the private cleantech sector in supporting that work.
Heat Pump Water Heaters for Multifamily

Location: Marina 3  
Speakers: Robb Aldrich & Robin Neri (Steven Winter Associates)  
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
Areas of Focus: M ML  
Level: 2

Looking for the best ways to use heat pump water heaters efficiently, reliably, and without compromising comfort? So are we. In multifamily buildings around the Northeast, the speakers have investigated integrated, tank-type water heaters as well as larger, central heat pumps. Both have challenges, and speakers will present many examples of how to use HPWHs in multifamily buildings. We are learning, however, and the technology is evolving. Systems using CO2 refrigerant are coming from overseas that appear to offer good performance even in cold weather. This session will include a review of the range of technologies currently available, discussions of applications and challenges, and our best take on best practices for heating water with heat pumps – now and in the future.

Utility Benchmarking 101: What It Is, Why It Matters, and How It Can Benefit You

Location: Burroughs  
Speakers: Tabetha McCartney (Jewish Community Housing for the Elderly), David Ruggiero (ICF), Dan Teague (WegoWise)  
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI  
Areas of Focus: M  
Level: 1

Utility benchmarking can be a powerful tool in a property manager’s toolbox, enabling them to monitor water and energy usage, make smart decisions about repair and maintenance, and positively impact the immediate and long-term value of their property. This introductory session will explore the topic of benchmarking, offering attendees insights into why it matters, and how it can benefit managers of properties of all sizes. A service provider, national program administrator, and property manager will present project examples and provide guidance about how to unlock the value of benchmarking. Specifically, the speakers will address multifamily benchmarking initiatives and requirements, best practices, and success stories.

The Great Indoors: Green Building and Health Outcomes

Location: Harbor 1  
Speakers: Gary Adamkiewicz (Harvard University), Ed Connelly (New Ecology)  
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
Areas of Focus: M H  
Level: 1

As the green building movement matures, a stronger focus is evolving on short-term and long-term occupant health impacts. The partial redevelopment of Old Colony in South Boston offered a unique opportunity to evaluate both the efficiency and health impact of the green strategies. The Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health evaluated the health outcomes associated with living in the new green housing, and the research revealed significant improvements in health among residents who moved from the existing housing into the green units. In this session, we will provide strong evidence that green interventions not only improve the environmental performance of housing, but also tackle major public health challenges in low-income communities.

Air Tightness Requirements of the Passive House Standard

Location: Harbor 2  
Speakers: Mike O’Donnell & Scott Pusey (Steven Winter Associates)  
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
Areas of Focus: E M  
Level: 2

Passive House was built for $160/ft² in Rhode Island’s first PHIUS certified high-performance home. Details for constructing a low-cost, straightforward construction process, from excavation to finish for this 1800-square-foot home. Steve will get down to real details, like how to airseal electrical boxes in zip sheathing and what to do with all those mini split lines. Steve’s approach blows away all the mystery (and $$$) out of high-performance construction. Grab a cup of coffee and come learn about what’s happening in Rhode Island.
The Passive House (PH) building standard is the most stringent energy efficiency standard in the world. Several affordable housing authorities in the US currently or plan to include it as a sustainability option in funding applications. Achieving the stringent air tightness requirements of the PH standard requires careful coordination through all phases of design development and construction. The team from Steven Winter Associates will take you through the steps and tools necessary – including integrated design, air barrier documents, detailed site inspections, and review testing tools and protocols. They will share successes and failures from their wide experience, from three-story low-rise buildings to 33-story high-rise structures with 300+ units.

**Choices, Choices: Cladding and Climate Change**

**Location:** Harbor 3  
**Speakers:** Paul Mayencourt & Caitlin Mueller (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), Michael Pulaski (Thornton Tomasetti), Stephen Tilly (Stephen Tilly, Architect)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** E D  
**Level:** 3

Cladding materials used in construction are critical to carbon reduction goals and loom larger as operational energy use diminishes. Architects, designers, builders and facility managers are often in the dark about environmental and especially climate change impacts as they look at exterior material choices for new construction, cyclical recladding, and overcladding. Cost and appearance are important parameters that usually drive the final choice. This session will provide tools, rules of thumb, and sources of information and will look at methodologies available to sort through climate impacts of cladding choices in North American residential and commercial markets.

**SESSION 4  
3pm–4pm**

**What Not to Spec: How to Avoid Toxins, Endocrine Disruptors, and Carcinogens in Your Next Building Project**

**Location:** Marina 1  
**Speakers:** Lisa Carey-Moore & Charley Stevenson (Integrated Eco Strategy), Christopher Nielson (Bruner/Cott & Associates)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** S I H  
**Level:** 2

The products you specify—and how you structure your specs—have enduring impact on your building’s occupants, the community where the product is made, and the workers who install it. We’ll share lessons learned about screening and choosing products employing the most rigorous material vetting standards in green building certifications. Where do you focus and where should you not? This session will coach designers in approaches and procedures to make any project healthier through careful materials selection. And while it’s not designed to get you through the LBC Materials Petal, it will undoubtedly help.

**PACE Financing: Scaling Commercial & Residential Net-Zero Energy Retrofits**

**Location:** Marina 2  
**Speakers:** Iain Campbell & Radhika Lalit (Rocky Mountain Institute), Beau Engman (PACE Equity), David Gabrielson (PACENation)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW  
**Areas of Focus:** S I PC  
**Level:** 2

One of the biggest market barriers to Net-Zero Energy retrofits is the incremental upfront cost. Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing overcomes this barrier, and it’s expanding with new innovations. Those innovations include resilience renovations, consumer protections, and the use of PACE to unlock Net-Zero Energy retrofits and new construction. Resilience renovations are on the rise following hurricanes, floods and power outages. Also, PACE for new construction can make Net-Zero Energy homes beat standard costs for home ownership. Come find out how to grow the market for efficiency and solar in your region from leading industry experts.

**Real Life Air Source Heat Pumps**

**Location:** Marina 3  
**Speaker:** Bruce Harley (Bruce Harley Energy Consulting)  
**CEUs:** 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL  
**Areas of Focus:** S D ML  
**Level:** 2

Learn about cold climate heat pumps from an expert in HVAC and Building Science. We’ll focus on the real-world performance of Air Source Heat Pumps monitored from past projects, including the presenter’s own house. We’ll discuss a range of heat pump applications, installation practices that affect efficiency, and some key issues and resources to consider when specifying and sizing heat pumps. After attending this session, practitioners who use this technology will know how to use it better. If you have questions about Heat Pumps, bring them with you!

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Lightning Round: Questions and Answers to Fuel Your Work

Location: Burroughs
Speakers: Michael Browne (Advanced Building Analysis), Benjamin Darby & Michael Frisina (Ashley McGraw Architects), Adrienne Stauffer (Kaplan Thompson Architects), Mark Sylvia (BlueWave Solar)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: D P
Level: 1

This session packs as much information into one session as possible. Hear succinct, practical presentations on a variety of topics, including: B-corp, a sustainable business organization; Iterative Daylighting Analysis Tools using Dynamo for Revit – the design team works the energy issue; Aerial Thermal Imaging, 3D Modeling and Orthographic mapping – access to info to drive design excellence; EcoFAST - Taking it to the extreme for the environment! – making sustainability part of the day. Connect directly with speakers for the last 15 minutes.

Getting Solar Ready with Permitting & Inspection Processes

Location: Harbor 1
Speakers: Goran Smiljic (Inspectional Services Dept., City of Somerville), Nicole Sanches (SolSmart - MAPC), Mike McAteer (Inspectional Services Dept., City of Chelsea)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: R PC
Level: 2

This session is aimed towards building and electrical inspectors, energy managers, planners, and other municipal officials looking to explore best practices to make their permitting and inspection process for solar more efficient and consistent, saving save time and money and reducing solar soft costs. We’ll cover relevant sections of the building, electrical, and fire codes to solar energy systems; new updates to the building code; areas of priority in solar inspections; what information to ask for in a solar permit; the intersection of solar zoning and permitting; and consumer protection for residential systems.

The Risky Business of Integrative Pre-Design

Location: Harbor 2
Speaker: John Beeson (Catalyst Partners)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI
Areas of Focus: D P
Level: 2

The status quo of traditional project delivery requires continual review and improvement. Although the value of the Integrative Design Process (IDP) has been established, it is not widely used or fully embraced. Even its most ardent supporters make mistakes in timely team engagement and short-circuited design process, often lacking a clear path to project completion. Despite these challenges, Integrative Pre-Design empowers early collaborative and iterative techniques critical to creating ultra-high performance buildings. Learn about the value of Integrative Pre-Design as a vital component in the IDP process. Following ANSI guidance principles, we’ll reinforce the basic concepts and principles of IDP and highlight how IDP provides a means to effectively explore and implement sustainable design principles on a project.

The Drawbacks of Breathing: Nighttime Carbon Dioxide Levels in New England Bedrooms

Location: Harbor 3
Speaker: Brian Just (Vermont Energy Investment Corporation)
CEUs: 1 AIA LU/HSW; 1 BPI; 1 MA CSL
Areas of Focus: S H
Level: 1

Ventilation is often overlooked or inadequately designed in both existing and new homes. During the 2016-17 heating season, we tested the indoor air quality in the bedrooms of 22 Vermont homes spanning a wide range of size, age, airtightness, heating system type, and occupancy. Most exceeded twice the 1000ppm threshold for CO₂, often targeted by energy and ventilation standards. An investigation of cause and effect led to a clear culprit. Learn about the latest research on the impacts of CO₂ and other pollutants in our homes, see real-world data on the ability of centralized and distributed ventilation systems to tackle these problems, and hear about best practices for design and commissioning of ventilation in new and existing homes.

CLOSING CHALLENGE
4pm–4:30pm

Goals for the Year Ahead

Location: Marina 1
Speakers: Michelle Apigian (ICON Architecture), Betsy Glynn (BlueWave Solar), James Petersen (Petersen Engineering), Andrew Webster (c&h architects)

NESEA is a community of learning, innovation, experimentation, and growth. At BuildingEnergy Boston we come together to learn from each other, to share our successes and our failures, and to put this knowledge and shared experience to use once we leave. What will you take forward into your practice? Voices from across the community will share their goals for the year ahead.

Conference Chairs for BuildingEnergy Boston 2019, Michelle Apigian and James Petersen, will close out this year’s conference.
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**BlueWave Solar (Table 55)**
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**Boston Architectural College (BAC) (Table 37)**
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**Energy Federation, Inc. (EFI) (Table 34)**
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Lotik Labs (Table 35)
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**New England Passive House Groups (Table 62)**

PassivhausMAINE, Passive House Massachusetts, Connecticut Passive House, and Passive House Vermont are independent non-profit organizations working together to support the passive house industry and community in their states, the region and internationally.

**PHIUS (Table 29)**

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**Pinnacle Window Solutions (Table 1)**

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PROSOCO high-performance construction products are designed to maximize the durability and longevity of built structures. A leader in the industry since 1939, PROSOCO offers products to make building envelopes waterproof and airtight; harden and dustproof concrete floors; and clean and restore hard surfaces. Our goal is to help designers, builders, owners and others create structures that leave a positive impact on the environment. That's why many of our products are formulated to meet the industry’s highest green building standards. prosoco.com

**RES Solar (Table 18)**

RES Solar is a full-service solar hot water design, installer and maintenance company located in Cohasset, MA. Since 2007 we have successfully installed over 400 solar hot water systems for domestic hot water, pools and radiant heat. RES Solar projects range from small single family homes to large commercial installations. All systems are custom designed to last over 30 years. Every system is guaranteed and monitored to maximize for optimum running efficiency. With Massachusetts incentives (rebates, energy credits and tax credits) a project cost can be reduced 75-85%. Now is a great time for reducing energy costs with solar hot water. ressolar.com

**Retrotec (Table 60)**

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**ROCKWOOL (Table 2)**

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**Schöck North America (Table 4)**

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**SIGA Cover (Table 59)**

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**South County Post & Beam (Table 20)**

Take our passion and add our design, engineering, carpentry and building skills—all under one roof —and we offer the most seamless and effortless building experience in the business. At South County Post & Beam, we build all of our frames in our onsite workshop and we can ship and erect them anywhere in the
country. For over thirty years we have created high quality, energy efficient, environmentally harmonious timber frame masterpieces. scp-30.com

Stephen Turner (Table 9)
NESEA Business Member
Stephen Turner Inc. is a dedicated commissioning firm serving Massachusetts, Rhode Island & Connecticut. The firm is deeply experienced in all forms of commissioning as well as consulting for high performance systems, energy code compliance, and other sustainability initiatives. buildingcommissioning.com

Sublime Windows (Table 54)
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SunBug Solar (Table 22)
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Sustainable Comfort (Table 26)
NESEA Business Member
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Unity Homes (Table 50)
NESEA Business Member
The mission of Unity Homes is to improve lives by transforming homebuilding for the benefit of all. Using sophisticated technology and off-site construction methods, Unity builds homes throughout the Northeast that are healthy, comfortable, energy efficient & durable. unityhomes.com

USGBC Massachusetts (Table 63)
The USGBC Massachusetts Chapter is a membership-based community advocating for green buildings at the state and local level. The USGBC MA Chapter provides green building education, networking, advocacy and leadership opportunities for the sustainable building practitioner community and beyond. Our events and programming are supported and enhanced by the volunteer efforts of our community members. usgbcma.org

Ventacity Systems (Table 11)
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Yaro Windows + Doors (Table 45)
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Zehnder America (Table 6)
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Marina 3
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