

CENTERPOINT ENERGY AND XCEL ENERGY

Multifamily Building Efficiency Program



CenterPoint Energy and Xcel Energy have joined forces by developing the Multi-Family Building Efficiency program. This program was designed to help Minnesota multifamily property owners address and implement all possible improvements to help save energy — and receive an incentive that can be invested back into the building.

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be a multifamily building with the following features: a common entrance, common areas (e.g., laundry room), and in-unit kitchens.
- This program is for both affordable and market rate buildings. To determine income qualification for multifamily, the utility follows [Minnesota Department of Commerce income verification guidelines](#).
- Buildings must have Xcel Energy as the electric utility and either Xcel Energy or CenterPoint Energy as the natural gas utility.

AVAILABLE ENERGY EFFICIENCY ITEMS

The Multifamily Building Efficiency Program is a whole-building retrofit program. All participating buildings receive an **Energy Audit Report, Resident and Staff Education, and Implementation Support**.

Incentive: There are three levels of incentives, based on the level of whole-building savings achieved:

Achievement Level	Whole-Building Energy Savings	Incentive Level (Market-Rate)	Incentive Level (Affordable)
Tier 1	15% savings	25% of project cost	50% of project cost
Tier 2	20% savings	35% of project cost	70% of project cost
Tier 3	25% savings	40% of project cost	80% of project cost

Savings throughout the property, whether or not the utilities are paid by the owner or the residents, are counted when qualifying a property for their incentive level. Additionally, utilities install the following free, direct install (DI) measures, as applicable:

- Faucet aerators
- LEDs in exit signs
- Screw-in LED lights in common areas and resident units
- Showerheads
- Water heater blanket.

Savings from DI measures are counted in the whole-building energy savings analysis.





"I like how the two utilities worked together. They were very professional and easy to work with. It was also educational for me to get to know my building better... **The program lays out all of the information, costs and potential rebates so it makes it easy to follow the recommendations.**"

Grant Hartley, property manager, Diamond Point Apartments

Find out more about the retrofit at Diamond Point Apartments in CenterPoint Energy and Xcel Energy's [case study](#).



STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS

1. Schedule an assessment by visiting the website below or calling 844.545.7455.
2. A professional will conduct a whole-building energy audit to look for opportunities in energy efficiency. If the audit finds that the building does not have enough opportunity for energy upgrades, it will not be possible to receive an incentive through the Multi-Family Building Efficiency program, but owners may qualify for money-saving prescriptive or custom rebates either from CenterPoint Energy or Xcel Energy.
3. Direct Install measures will be completed at the property, per the audit.
4. Owners can opt for deeper, long-term energy savings by using utility rebates to make more comprehensive upgrades to the building.
5. Building owner will pay the up-front costs to contractors for incentive projects and receive the rebate after the work is completed.
6. The utility will verify achievements and determine incentive based on energy savings captured. Energy saved from direct install measures is also captured in this total.
7. The utility will issue the incentive to the building owner.

HOW TO APPLY

Phone: 844.545.7455

Website: www.MultiFamilyEnergySolutions.com