



# The Guaranteed Energy Savings Program (GESP)

Implement energy efficient & renewable energy measures in public facilities through energy performance contracting, with assistance provided by the State



**GUARANTEED  
ENERGY  
SAVINGS  
PROGRAM**

**Counties**



**Cities**



**School Districts**



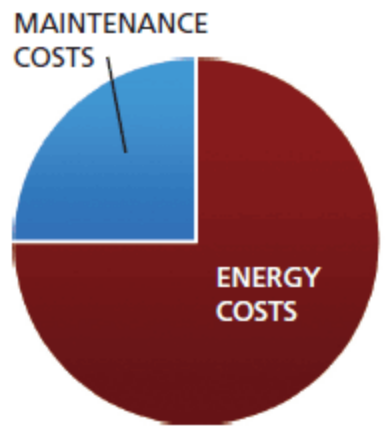


# What is Energy Contracting?

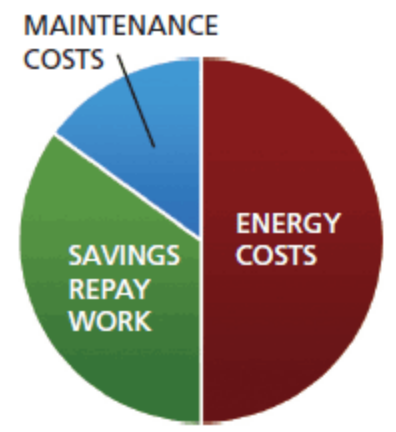
“The use of **guaranteed savings** gained from the maintenance, operations and utilities budgets, **as capital to make needed upgrades** to your building environmental systems, that is financed over a specified period of time.”

- **U.S. Department of Energy**

**BEFORE IMPROVEMENTS**



**AFTER IMPROVEMENTS**





# Benefits

<b>GESP Benefits</b>	<b>Reduce</b>	<b>Renew</b>	<b>Achieve</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Energy Use</li><li>■ O&amp;M Costs</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Facilities</li><li>■ Comfort &amp; Health</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Job Creation</li><li>■ Renewables</li></ul>

- Bundle projects vs. Piecemeal approach
- Guarantee on energy savings
- Repurpose dollars vs. Bonding, levies, or property taxes
- Technical and financial assistance provided by the State



# What CERTs Does...

- Answer Initial Questions & Clarify Program
- Start GESP Opportunity Assessment
  - B3 Benchmarking Data
  - Needs, Issues and Goals
- Support GESP and B3 Outreach
  - B3 Webinars
  - GESP Workshop - Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, Mankato, Free for local units of government



# Questions?

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