

# **Local Government Collaboration in Energy Planning**

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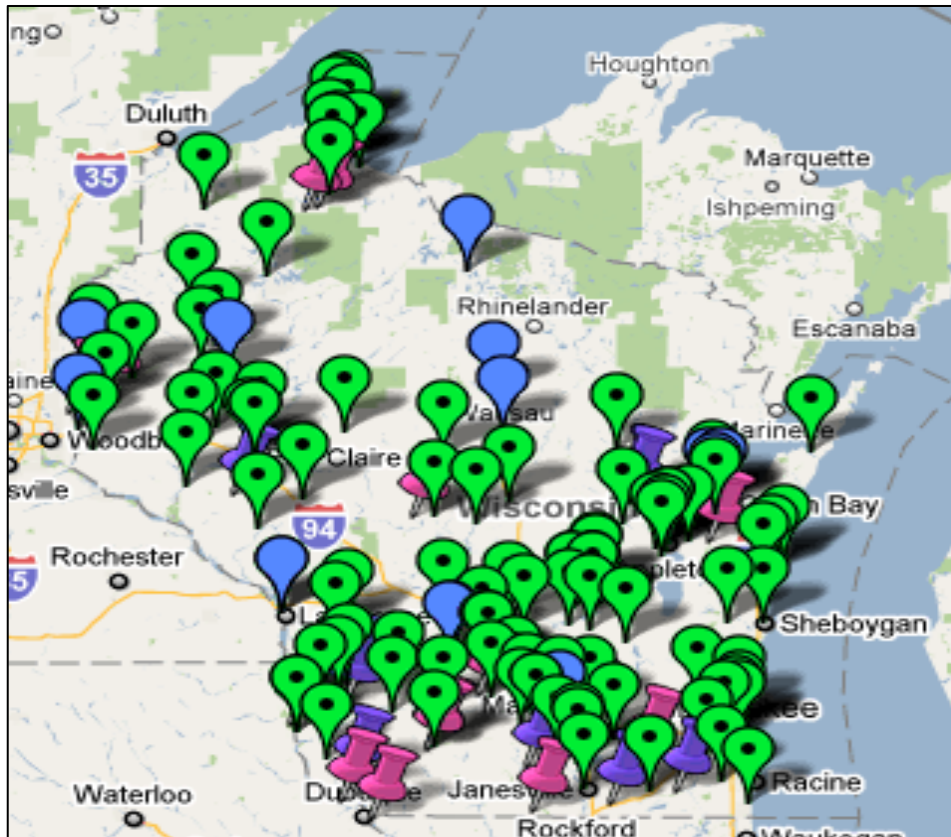
# About WECC

- Proving the value of energy efficiency and renewable energy since 1980
- National leader in administering, implementing, and designing energy programs
- Anticipate and understand trends that affect the marketplace
- Exceed client goals and maximize program budgets



# Agenda

- WI State Energy Office - Energy Independent Communities
- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants, and future meetings
- Next Steps



## Energy Independent Communities Program Background

- 140 counties, cities, villages, and towns voluntarily participating
- Planning grants in 2009 and 2010
- \$1 million in grants
- More than 50 communities participated in process

# Energy Independent Communities Support



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**

- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (2009-present)
- More than \$11 million in grants to non-entitlement communities
- Focused on energy efficiency improvements in government buildings

# Next Steps: WECC Can Help

- Lead by Example
  - Government projects
  - Economic development
  - Local businesses
- Public-private partnerships
  - County, city, village, and towns
  - Business groups
  - Financial institutions

# WECC Administered Examples



- Milwaukee: residential and commercial programs
- Madison: residential and commercial programs
- Racine: commercial programs

# Questions?

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