

CSHE 2024 Annual Institute

Sutter Health RCx Program: A Decade of Energy Management Program Learning

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Agenda

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- Development & Project Examples
- Big Picture and Takeaways

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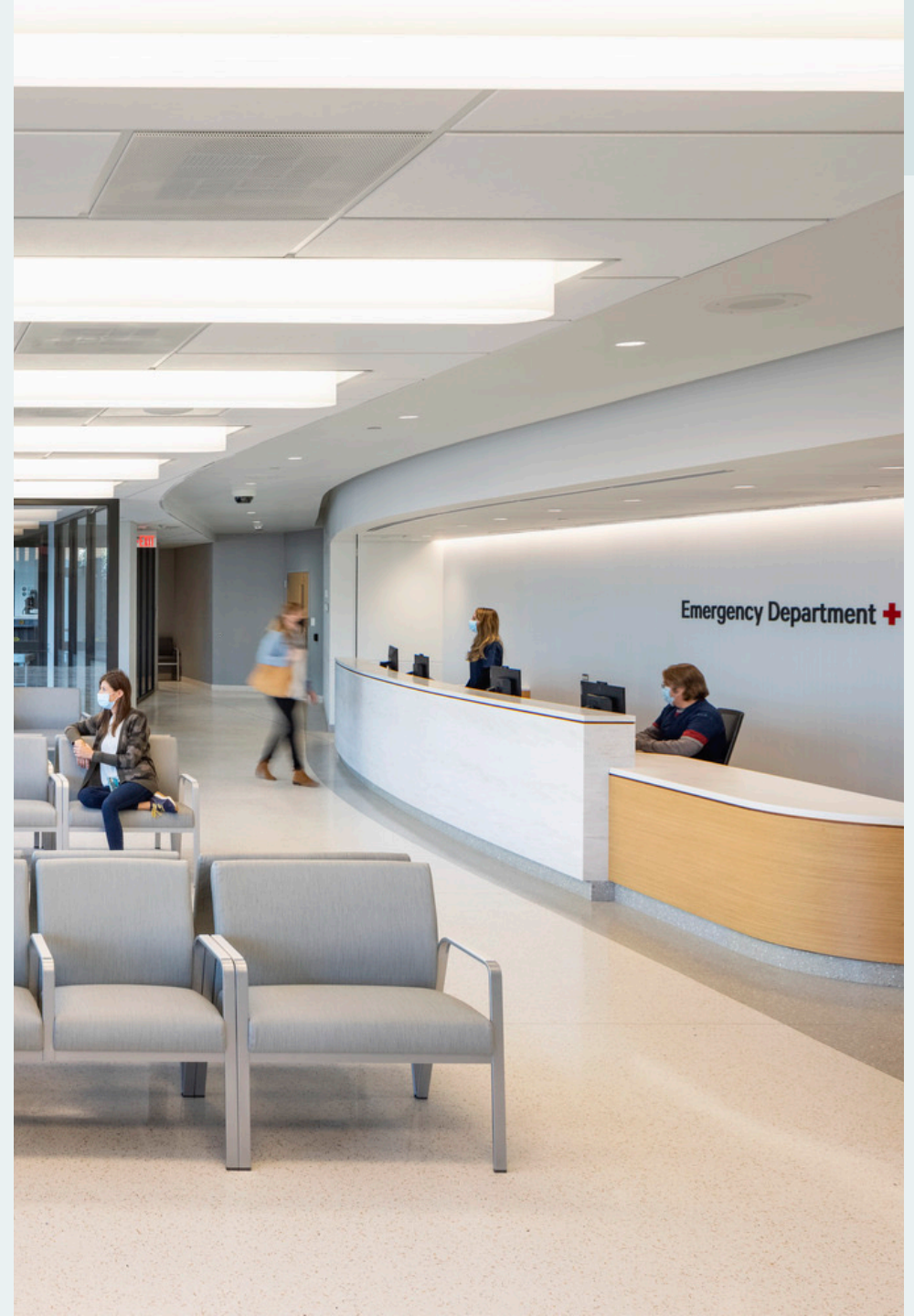
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Introduction

RCx Program Purpose and Overview

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Sutter Health

Facts at a Glance

\$7.6 Billion

Invested over 10 years to further expand lifesaving technology and new facilities.

\$899 Million

Invested in the community in 2022 – including traditional charity, the unreimbursed costs of providing care to Medi-Cal patients and investments in community health programs.

433 Partnerships

Collaborations with community partners to expand access to care.

People

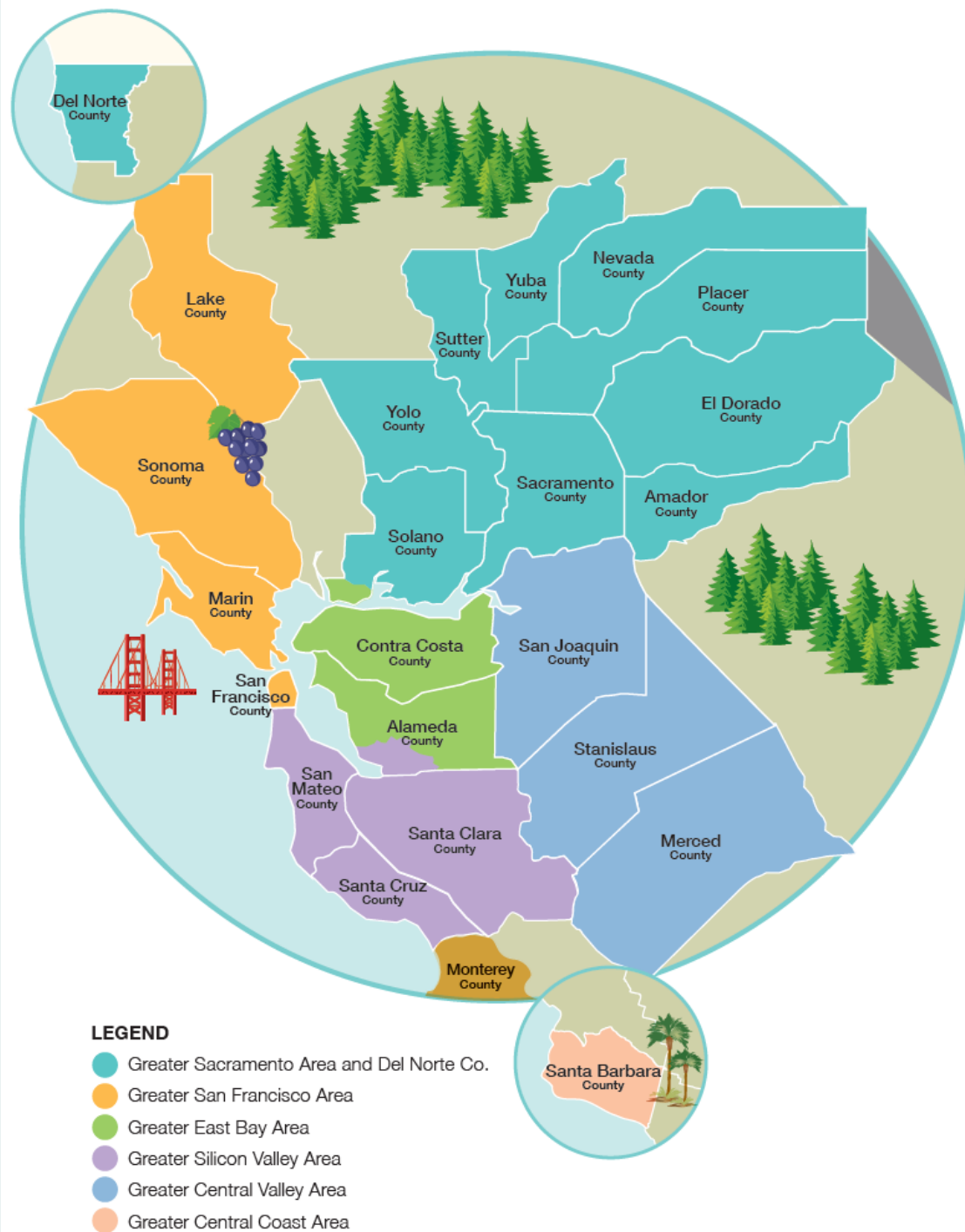
- Physicians – 12,000
- Advanced Practice Clinicians – 2,000
- Nurses – 15,000+
- Employees – 51,000+

Locations

- Hospitals – 22
- Ambulatory Surgery Centers – 33
- Cardiac Centers – 8
- Cancer Centers – 11
- Acute Rehabilitation Centers – 4
- Mental Health and Addiction Care Centers – 4
- Trauma Centers – 4
- Licensed Acute Care Beds – 4,094
- Neonatal Intensive Care Units – 7

In 2022

- Births – 25,934
- Discharges – 180,640
- Hospital Emergency Room Visits – 836,008
- Hospital Outpatient Visits – 1,767,511
- Medical Foundation Visits – 9,750,562
- Patient Days – 935,211
- *Sutter Care at Home*, Home Health and Hospice Visits – 914,613
- *Sutter Care at Home*, Among U.S. Home Health Organizations – 12th Largest



LEGEND

- Greater Sacramento Area and Del Norte Co.
- Greater San Francisco Area
- Greater East Bay Area
- Greater Silicon Valley Area
- Greater Central Valley Area
- Greater Central Coast Area

Facility scope

13.7 MM GSF owned space

- 7.4 MM GSF hospitals
- 4 MM GSF MOBs
- 1.4 MM GSF outpatient
- 0.4 MM GSF admin offices
- 0.5 MM GSF other

4 MM GSF leased space
(excluding land, parking, residential)

Energy Management at Sutter Health

Pre-history: before 2012

Facility Planning & Development (FPD)

- Planning & designing for clinical needs
- Managing construction
- Delivering new facilities, major renovations

2012

Department Scope Expanded

- Added Facility Management
- Added Lease Management
- New name! Facility & Property Services (FPS)

2013 - 2016

Part of Facility Management = Energy Management

- Centralized management of utility supply, efficiency
- 4-year funded energy efficiency program

➤ Lessons and Successes

2012 - 2016



Energy Management at Sutter Health

2016 - 2017

Environmental Stewardship

- Formed network of topical committees
- Established sustainability goals

2017 - 2019

Energy Management Development

- Established EUI as performance metric, and LCC as evaluation tool
- Began to formalize demand-side program

2018 - 2020

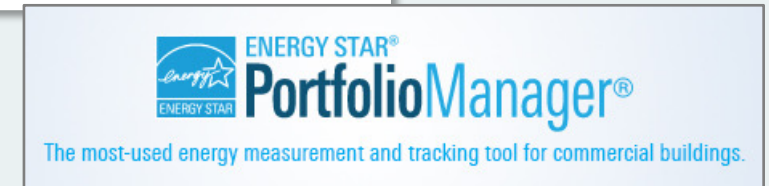
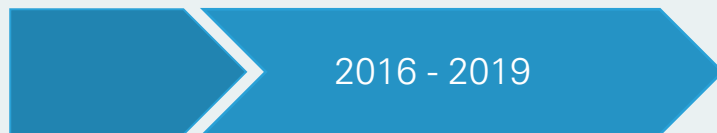
On-Site Solar Pilot Program

- To address Environmental Stewardship goals
- Start of larger supply-side program

➤ Lessons and Successes

3. Target Conditions (Goal(s)): *What specific outcome is required?*

#	Metric	Target	By
1	EUI (1000 BTU/ft ² /yr)	All: Acute <200, Ambulatory <75	2030
2	Energy Portfolio Renewable Mix	50%	2025
3	Energy Star Rating	>55, >75	2020, 2030
4	Anesthesia Gas Consumption	Need to define current state first	
5	Greenhouse Gas Reduction	50%, 80%	2025, 2030



Energy Management at Sutter Health

Last Month's Top Portfolio Diagnostic Results						
Building	Equipment	Notes Summary	Avoidable Costs	E	C	M
AHU-3	Fan status data mismatch. Flow not correlated with fan speed. Unoccupied operation longer than expected.		\$2,053	10	0	4 view
AHU-2	Install VFDs on fans.		\$260	3	0	0 view
AHU-1	Install VFDs on fans.		\$260	3	0	0 view
AHU-4	AHU off while occupied (IAQ). Install VFDs on fans.		\$257	3	0	1 view
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AHU-2	No night setback. Supply temp higher and lower than setpoint.		\$209	2	10	5 view
AHU-1	No night setback.		\$191	2	0	0 view
AHU-4	No night setback. Possible simultaneous or excess heating and cooling. Simultaneous coil operation. Supply temp higher than setpoint.		\$185	2	2	2 view
AHU-3	Heating and cooling cycling. No night setback. Possible simultaneous or excess heating and cooling. Supply temp higher than setpoint.		\$182	2	5	5 view
AHU-3	No static pressure reset.		\$175	2	0	0 view

2019

New approach to energy efficiency

- RCx/EE (retro-commissioning, energy efficiency)
 - ❑ Assessment
 - Safety & regulatory compliance first
 - Establish trust in the automatic controls
 - EUI & emissions goals, reduce end-use first
 - Savings is a result, not the focus
 - ❑ Scopes of Work
 - ❑ Multi-phase implementation
 - ❑ Training for operators
 - ❑ Continuous monitoring
- Selected two campuses to “prove the concept”



2019 - 2022

“Nose to the grindstone”

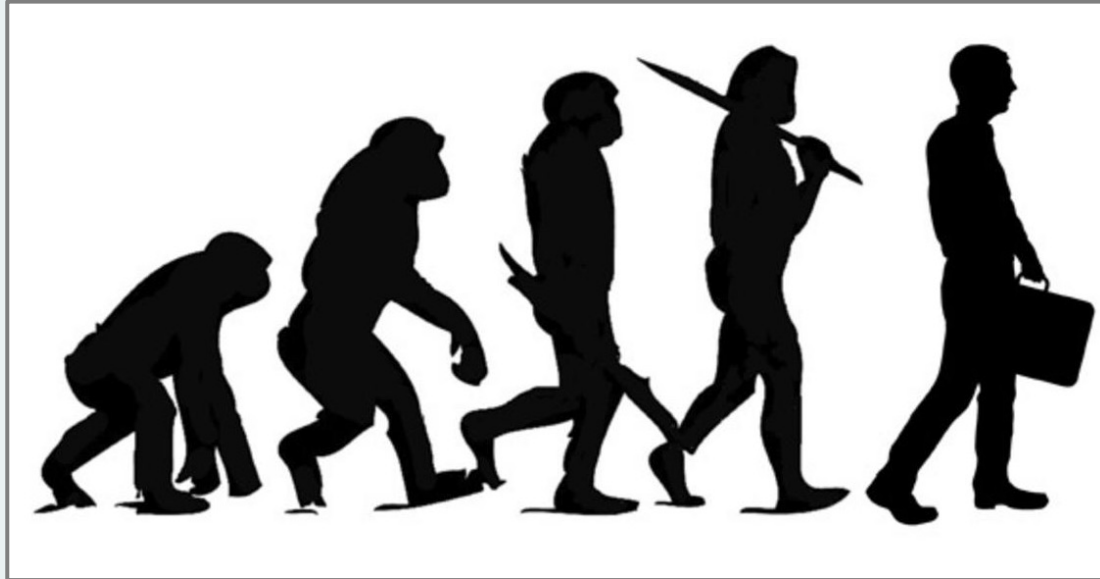
- Carried out RCx projects
- Discussed program funding options with Administration
- Continued on-site solar installations



➤ Goals, Lessons and Successes



Energy Management at Sutter Health



2023

Evolution of approach

- Energy Master Planning
 - ❑ Includes RCx/EE
 - ❑ Expands list of stakeholders (not just Facilities)
 - ❑ Learn future plans as relates to the facilities
 - ❑ Anticipate codes & regulations (e.g. emissions reporting, decarbonization, etc.)
 - ❑ Integrate renewable energy supply
 - ❑ Consider energy resilience
 - ❑ Create “living document” for facility

2024

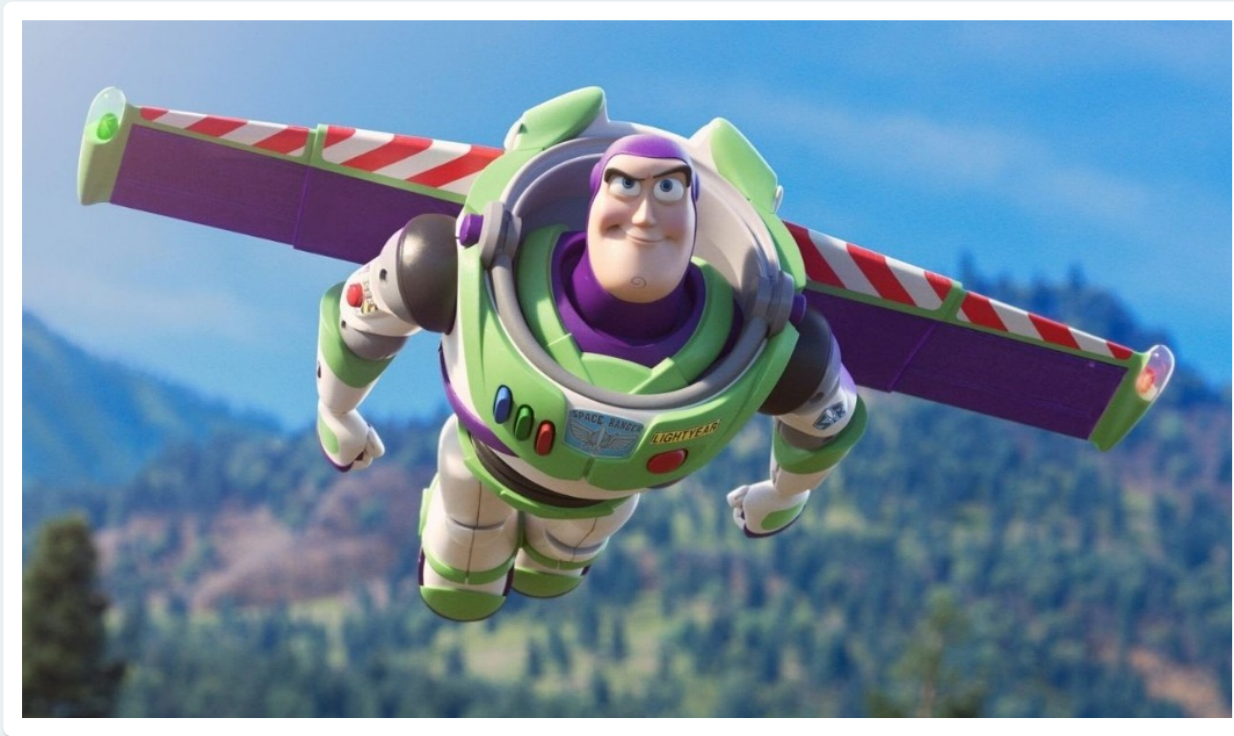
“Settling in”

- Identifying new projects
- Developing Energy Master Planning process
- Continuing on-site solar & battery storage

➤ Goals, Lessons and Successes



Energy Management at Sutter Health



2024 & Beyond Elevate Energy Management

- Begin Energy Master Planning projects
- Establish engineering team
- More emissions mitigation
- Climate adaptation, resiliency
- BMS "unification"
- Central BMS & FDD resource

➤ Goals



Development & Project Example

MPMC – Burlingame, CA

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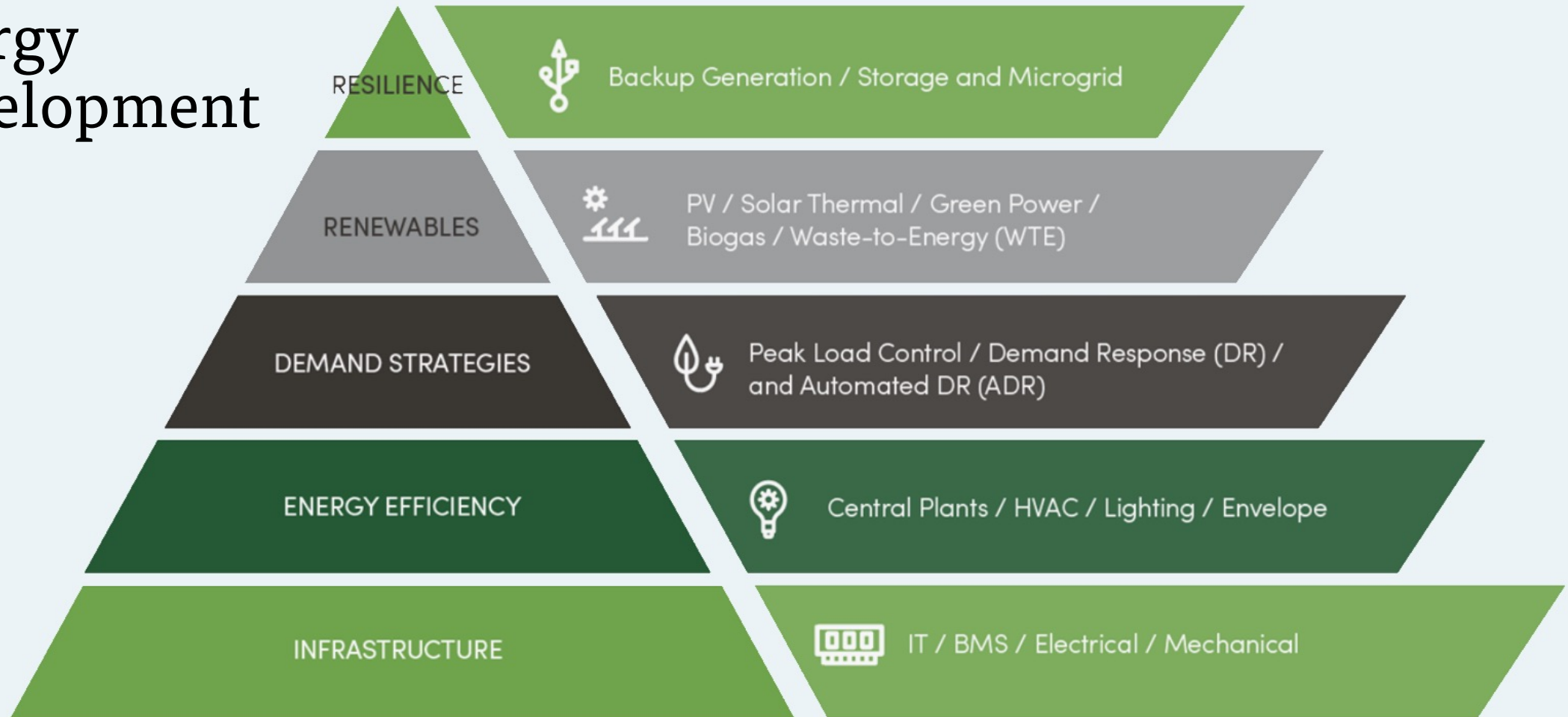




Objectives

- Improve Building Performance, Operations and Occupant Comfort
- Address Regulatory Compliance Issues
- Advance Sustainability Goals
- Reduce Energy and Maintenance Costs
- Identify Opportunities for Deeper Energy Retrofits

Load Order Driven Energy Development



Mills Peninsula Medical Center (MPMC)

Campus Details

Location : 1501 Trousdale Dr, Burlingame, CA

Square Footage : Hospital – 450,000; MOB – 150,000

Beds : 241

Systems : Chilled Water / Hydronic Heating / 100% OSA w/ Heat Recovery

Development Timeline

- Assessment – 2017
- Investment Grade Audit – September – December 2019
- Phase 1 Execution – Dec 2019 – Mar 2020
- Phase 2 Execution – Jun 2022 – Feb 2024

Strategies

1. Focus on reducing energy used to condition spaces first, and then work back to primary equipment.

When Occupied	When Unoccupied
Meet current requirement	Go to a set-back condition

2. Start by first improving “what we’ve got”, rather than replacing capital equipment, e.g. make the most of the systems as-designed. Address CapEx opportunities in a later phase.
3. Work with Ops staff and stakeholders (controls, mechanical) to establish a “culture” focused on performance and continuous improvement.
4. Identify potential for further process and/or capital equipment improvements to achieve < 200 EUI.
5. Document, educate, train, and use FDD to ensure savings persistence.

Project Profile as Engineered

Parameter	Baseline	Phase 1	Phase 2	Total
Utility Cost	\$3,585,000	\$3,225,000	\$2,392,000	\$2,392,000
Savings	-	\$360,000	\$833,000	\$1,193,000
Permitting	-	Non-OSHSPD	OSHSPD	-
Cost / Return (SPB)	N/A	\$1.1 M 3.3 yrs	\$4.8 M* 5.7 yrs	\$5.9 M 5.0 yrs
EUI (kBtu/sq-ft)	245	224	192	-

~ 33%
Savings

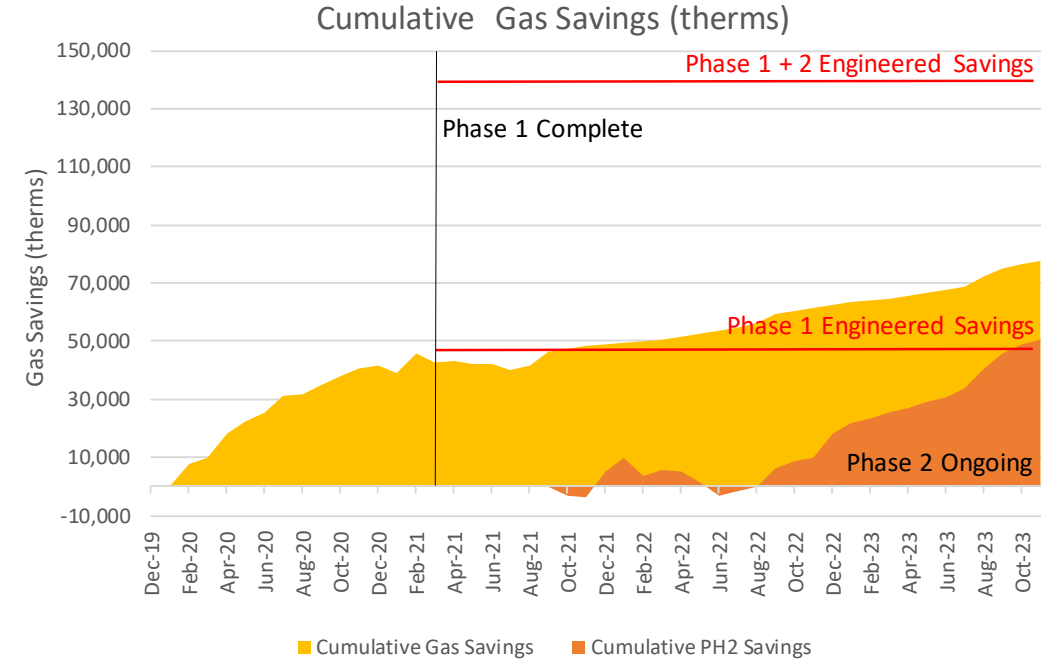
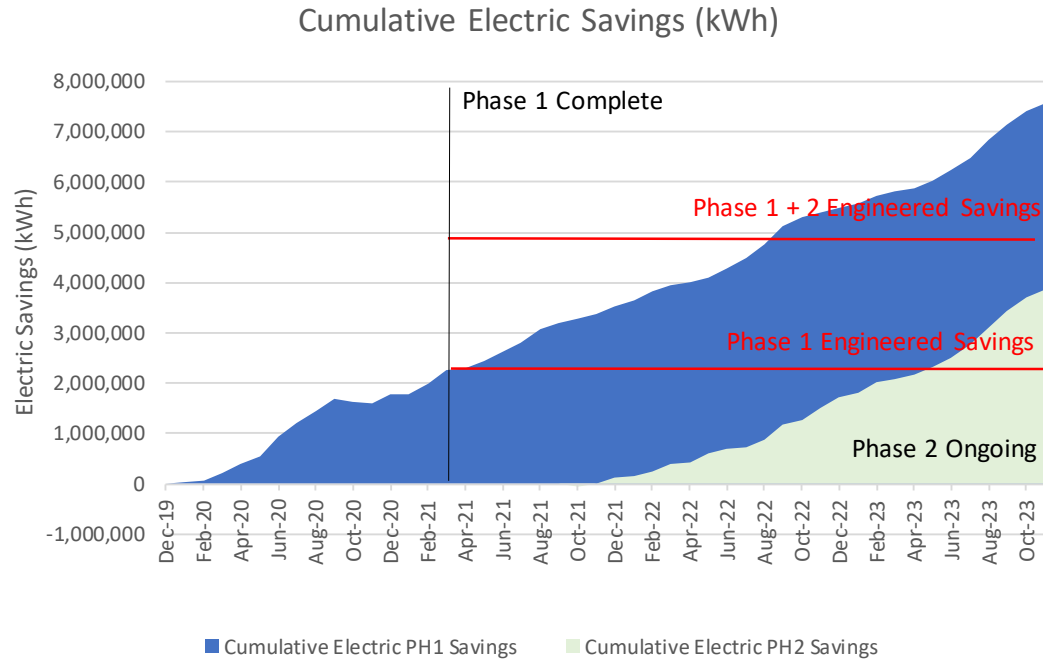
Mills Peninsula Medical Center (MPMC)

Scope:

- Phase 1
 - Chilled Water System Optimization (2,400 T)
 - AHU Static Pressure Reset (350 Zones)
 - Occupancy Based Control in Conference / Training Areas
 - RCx Watt Stopper Lighting Control System
- Phase 2
 - Interior / Exterior Lighting Efficiency Upgrade
 - Variable OR Air Flow / Code Min Air Flows
 - HHW Plant Supply Temperature Reset
 - Upgrade Eaton Power Metering Server / User Interface
 - Analytics (Clockworks)



Energy Savings Performance as Verified



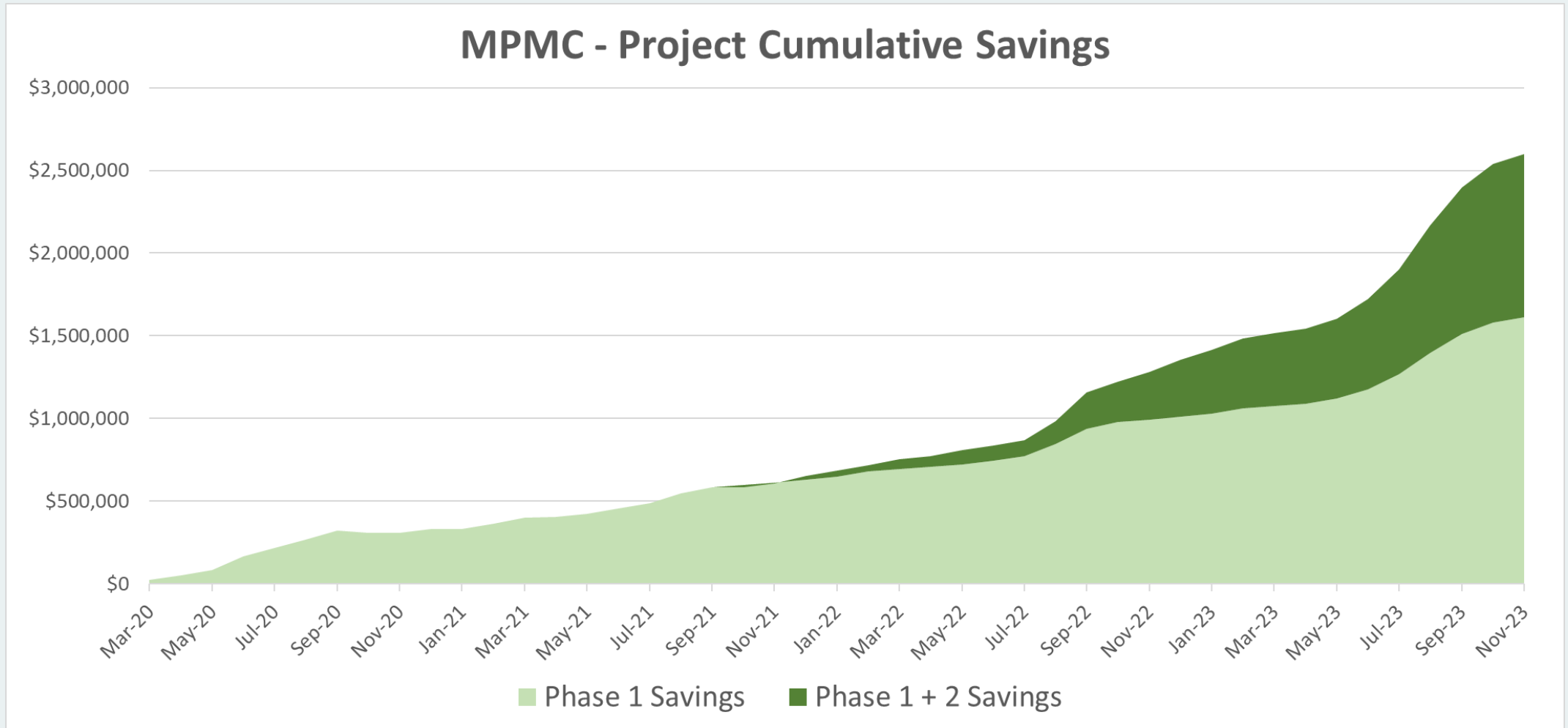
- Phase 1 Year 1 electric savings met expectations / gas savings fell short
- Phase 2 just completed; savings are being monitored.
- Phase 2 work uncovered and corrected unknown parasitic issues with boiler integration and control
- “Do nothing case” means utility cost continues to rise at compounded rate of 3 – 6%.

Cost Savings Performance




Project Parameters and Outcomes

Phase 1	<u>\$ Savings</u>	<u>Year</u>
Original Savings Estimate	\$360,000	0
Savings Escalated (@5%)	\$437,582	4
Phase 2	<u>\$ Savings</u>	<u>Year</u>
Original Savings Estimate	\$833,000	0
Savings Escalated (@5%)	\$874,650	1
2023 MPMC Savings Expectation	\$1,312,232	
12 Mo Savings Ending Nov-23	\$1,315,803	
Total Savings to Date	\$2,598,493	

Cumulative Cost Savings



Sustainability Metrics

	Parameter	Baseline Annual	Annual Savings	Total to Date
	Total CO ₂ Equivalent* (tons)	12,361	4,212	8,569
	Energy Used by Passenger Vehicles Driven for One Year	2,942	1,002	2,040
	Energy Used by Homes for One Year	1,612	550	1,118

* - Reflects Annual Average. Not adjusted for PG&E's generation mix.

Benefits



- New facilities team gained insight into building's proper operation
- Identified fundamental deficiency in exhaust system control
- Lower maintenance on AHU fan motors in surgery areas
- Insight into electrical gear w/ new electrical monitoring system

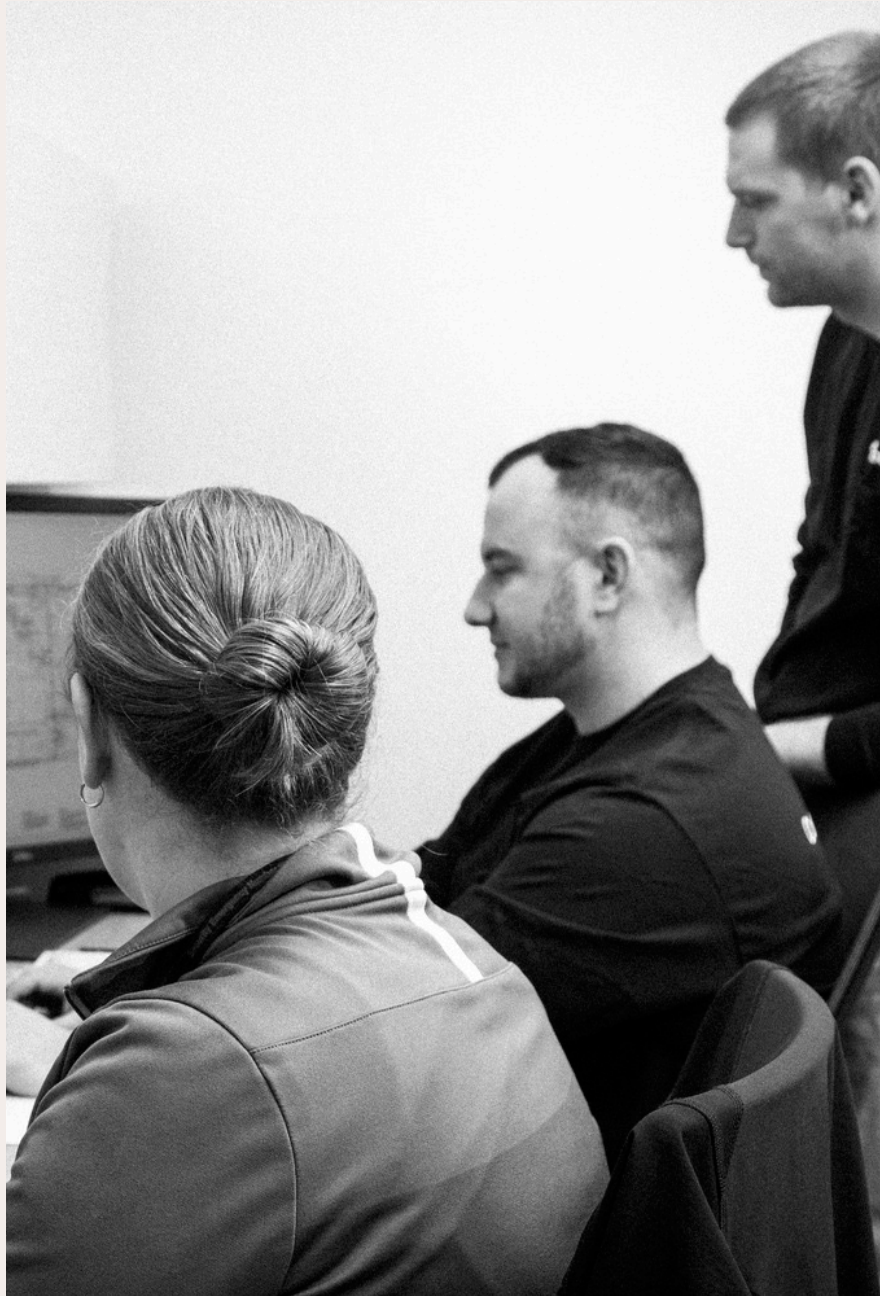
Big Picture & Take Aways

Brent Patera



Big Picture

- 1) There is **significant opportunity** to reduce operating cost & GHG while improving building performance, regulatory compliance & patient satisfaction
- 2) Energy projects produce their own funding and ROI
- 3) Projects are **achievable** with a comprehensive plan and collaboration between stakeholders
- 4) There will be **challenges** that require energetic and creative navigation
 - Resistance to change
 - Traditional silos for “Build” and “Operate & Maintain”
 - Project delivery focused on replacing things not enhancing performance
 - Disconnect between cost and benefit
 - Funding (who recognizes/appreciates the ROI?)



Take Aways



Proceed with confidence = You can expect to realize ~ 20% reduction in cost



Find the “metric” (or metrics) that inspires attention, support and **action**



Tell that **story** to whomever will listen 😊



Identify and cultivate a **sponsor** and “partners” within your organization



Preach “overall performance” vs. “replace in-kind”



Discover the “do-ability” of design-build construction via energy performance contracting



Find a qualified energy partner with experience in acute care hospitals – and particularly in HVAC, controls and SOO



Challenge the status quo of “embedded” proprietary control systems

Thank
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