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Exploring the Market for Multifamily Energy-Efficiency Retrofits in Florida

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Orlando Utilities Commission: Multifamily Custom Incentive Program



ARRA Clean Energy Grant through FDACS Office of Energy + OUC and property owner contributions to finance efficiency retrofits

Efficiency upgrades to 272 units in 5 low-income apartment

complexes

OUC: program design, implementation and quality control

UF PREC: program design, oversight and measurement and verification









Program for Resource Efficient Communities

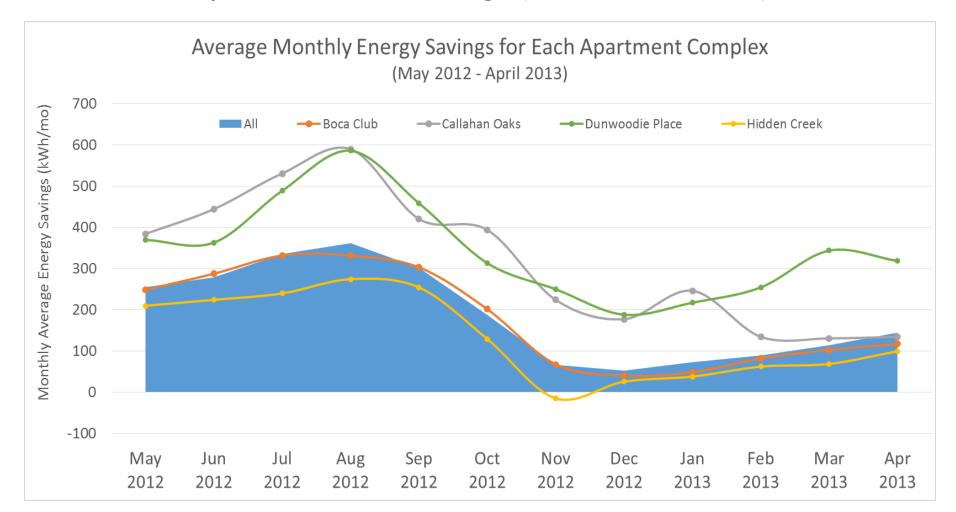


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Preliminary results: 23% savings (188 kWh/month)





UF Shimberg Center and PREC: MacArthur Foundation Research Grant



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- Multifamily Energy Consumption, Tenant Stability and Retrofit Effectiveness
- Focus on efficiency of Florida's assisted housing
- Housing unit and tenantlevel analyses
- GRU, OUC and JEA utility service areas



MacArthur Foundation

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How Housing Matters to Families and Communities explores the notion that affordable housing may be an essential "platform" that promotes positive outcomes in education, employment, and physical and mental health, among other areas.

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Poor Housing Is Tied to Children's Emotional and Behavioral Problems



Florida Housing Finance Corporation: Multifamily Energy Retrofit Program



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- MERP Goal: improve efficiency in older rental apartment properties in FHFC portfolio
- Mechanism: revolving loan fund to finance upgrades
- Energy audit to identify retrofit measures and project energy savings
- UF PREC to track utility data and assess performance



